



OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JOLIET-IN-ILLINOIS
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OUR VISION: TO OFFER EVERY PERSON A LIFE-CHANGING ENCOUNTER WITH JESUS, GROW DISCIPLES, AND SEND THEM ON MISSION.

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Fr. Don E. McLaughlin, Pastor
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Monday-Thursday.....8:30am-4:30pm
Friday..... 8:30am-1:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:00pm
Sunday.....7:30am, 9:00am
10:45am, 12:30pm, 5:30pm
Monday-Friday8:00am
Rosary prayed after all daily Masses

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Schedule varies. Consult the Mass Schedule in the bulletin or website.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....3:00-3:45pm
1st Fridays of the Month....8:30-9:00am
Or by Appointment

PRAYER CHAPEL

Open Daily7:00am-8:00pm
Adoration.....Monday & Thursday
8:30am-6:00pm
Benediction.....Monday, 6:00pm

February 2, 2020

THE PRESENTATION

OF THE
Lord

Simon blessed them and said to Mary his mother...



“...Behold, this *child* is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel.”

~Luke 2:34



**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...
AKA Chardonnay W(h)ines!**

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Forty days after His birth, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple for the rites of purification and dedication as prescribed by the Torah. According to the Book of Leviticus (12:1-4), when a woman bore a male child, she was considered “unclean” for seven days. On the eighth day, the boy was circumcised. The mother continued to stay at home for 33 days for her blood to be purified. After the 40 days, the mother and the father came to the temple for the rite of purification. For some, this feast concludes the Christmas celebration and they leave their Christmas decoration up to today. So, the Presentation is a proclamation of Christ – Messiah and Priest, Lord and Savior. He is the light who came into this world to dispel sin and darkness. Since the seventh century, candles that will be used throughout the year at church and in homes are blessed at Mass today giving birth to another name used for this day, “Candlemas Day”. As we consider the feast of the Presentation, we remember that our parents presented us at church for our baptism. We were dedicated to God, and given the name “Christian.” We, too, received a lit candle from the paschal candle, at which the priest or deacon baptizing said: *“You have been enlightened by Christ. Walk always as a child of the light and keep the flame of faith alive in your heart. When the Lord comes, may you go out to meet Him with all the saints in the heavenly kingdom.”* Therefore, as a light, each of us must bear witness to Our Lord. We must be the beacon that guides others to Christ.

In an effort to create a greater sense of awe and reverence in the celebration of Mass, you may have noticed our altar servers doing things a little differently. First, some of our senior servers and selected adults have been trained in the role of Master of Ceremonies. They wear a cassock and surplice. They help our servers to carry out their tasks at Mass in a more uniform, reverential, and prayerful way. Our hope is that this assists you in your reverence and prayer as we celebrate Mass. Also, we have been keeping the doors between the church and the narthex closed before Mass so that it is more quiet in church before Mass. We encourage conversations be held in the narthex rather than the church.

And finally a reminder.....please park in the designed handicap parking spots ONLY if you have the appropriate placard....especially in the small parking lot between the rectory and church building. I have spoken to the Aurora police department, and if parishioner or staff sees a violation, they may call the police department and an office will come out and issue a ticket. If it continues to be a problem, officers may drive through the lot during Mass times and ticket any violators.

Have a blessed week!

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Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, February 3 - St Blaise & St Ansgar

8:00 AM † John G. Sherrod by John & Zara Tan
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM
 6:00 PM Benediction

Tuesday, February 4 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Chuck Beal by Aepli Family

Wednesday, February 5 - St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

8:00 AM † Mike Brogan by Tom & Letty Nolan

Thursday, February 6 - St Paul Miki and Companions

8:00 AM † Robert Holzworth by Jolene LeRoy
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM

Friday, February 7 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † John Burns by Tom & Margaret Mary Powers

Saturday, February 8 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

3:00-3:45 PM Reconciliation
 4:00 PM **Vigil - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 † Joseph Harsa by Mary Houdek
 † Marie Steffy by Diane Watts

Sunday, February 9 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
 † Joan Dolinar by Dcn. Phil & Jean Rehmer
 9:00 AM † Ulpiano Madamba by Bill Holbrook
 10:45 AM † Alfred & Mary Gabor by Kathleen
 INT Garcia Sifuentes Family by Heidi and Family
 12:30 PM † Sylvia McLaughlin by Fr. Don
 5:30 PM † Edward & Ida D'Silva by Maybird D'Silva

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL LAMPS

Votive lamps will burn this week before the Blessed Sacrament for the following intentions:

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| 1. Megan Gabaldon | 9. The Feldman Family |
| 2. The Sick | 10. TJ LaVine |
| 3. Ailani Banuelos | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Ben & Imelda Orig | 12. Francis Flanagan |
| 5. Bob Holzworth | 13. Fernandes Family |
| 6. Deacon Bob Vavra | 14. Good Health for Ricky |
| 7. Louise Touvell | 15. The Pluskota Family |
| 8. The Deceased | 16. The Homeless |

If you wish to have a candle burning for your intention in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, you will find envelopes on the shelf in the Narthex near the Priest's Sacristy or in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



We pray for our sick, confined and their families

Please contact the Parish Office if you or your **immediate** family member wish to be added to the Sick List.

Mark Hoeksema
 Kathryn Martini
 Mary Moody
 Brady Pembroke
 Wayne Draper
 Ailani Banulos
 Julia Schremp
 Billy Walowski
 Kathy Walowski
 Flo Paprzycki
 Helga Manglinong

Michael Dandan
 Charlene Oates
 Maria Luna
 William Nimmow
 Jill Brisceno
 Lexi Brisceno
 Michael Butler
 Mary Ellen Reiter
 Hailey Hartnett
 Thomas F. Sterling
 Henrietta Pineda
 La Moua

Valerie Plesha
 Deacon Bob Vavra
 Hedy Sterling
 Christopher Rich
 Diane Pazos
 Diane Ramonas
 Diane Singer
 Joyce Craig
 Bob Chima Mary Ubi
 John Swanston
 Baby Otto
 Robert Ciulla

Bridget Garry

Please note: Due to the government legislation regarding patient privacy, names of people to be prayed for at Mass or in the Bulletin can be listed only if that person, or in the case of their incapacitation, the person delegated to their medical care, calls to give permission.



DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR.....
¡También conocido como Chardonnay W(h)ines!

Hoy celebramos la Fiesta de la Presentación del Señor. Cuarenta días después de su nacimiento, María y José llevaron a Jesús al templo para los ritos de purificación y dedicación según lo prescrito por la Torá. Según el Libro de Levítico (12:1-4), cuando una mujer daba a luz a un hijo varón, se la consideraba "impura" durante siete días. Al octavo día, el niño era circuncidado. La madre continuaba permaneciendo en casa durante 33 días para que se purificara su sangre. Después de los 40 días, la madre y el padre vinieron al templo para el rito de purificación. Para algunos, con esta fiesta concluye la celebración de Navidad y dejan su decoración navideña hasta hoy día. Entonces, la Presentación es una proclamación de Cristo: Mesías y Sacerdote, Señor y Salvador. Él es la luz que vino a este mundo para disipar el pecado y la oscuridad. Desde el siglo séptimo, las velas que se usarán durante todo el año en la iglesia y en los hogares son bendecidas en la Misa de hoy dando nacimiento a otro nombre utilizado para este día, "Día de la Candelaria". Al considerar la fiesta de la Presentación, recordamos que nuestros padres nos presentaron en la iglesia para nuestro bautismo. Estuvimos dedicados a Dios y se nos dio el nombre de "Cristiano". Nosotros también recibimos una vela encendida de la vela pascual, en la cual el sacerdote o el diácono que bautizaba dijo: *"Tú has sido iluminado por Cristo. Camina siempre como un hijo de la luz y mantén viva la llama de la fe en tu corazón. Cuando venga el Señor, que vayas a su encuentro con todos los santos en el reino celestial"*. Por lo tanto, como una luz, cada uno de nosotros debe dar testimonio de Nuestro Señor. Debemos ser el faro que guía a otros a Cristo.

En un esfuerzo por crear un mayor sentido de sobrecogimiento y reverencia en la celebración de la Misa, es posible que hayas notado que nuestros monaguillos hacen las cosas de manera un poco diferente. Primero, algunos de nuestros servidores mayores y adultos seleccionados han sido entrenados en el rol de Maestro de Ceremonias. Llevan sotana y sobrepelliz. Ellos ayudan a nuestros servidores a llevar a cabo sus tareas en la Misa de una manera más uniforme, reverencial y devota. Nuestra esperanza es que esto ayude a Uds. en su reverencia y oración mientras celebramos la Misa. Además, hemos estado cerrando las puertas entre la iglesia y el nártex antes de la Misa para que haya más silencio en la iglesia antes de la Misa. Alentamos que se mantengan las conversaciones en el nártex en lugar de la iglesia.

Y finalmente un recordatorio... por favor estacione en los lugares de estacionamiento diseñados para discapacitados SOLAMENTE si tiene la placa apropiada... especialmente en el pequeño estacionamiento entre la rectoría y el edificio de la iglesia. He hablado con el departamento de policía de Aurora, y si un feligrés o empleado ve una violación, pueden llamar al departamento de policía y un oficial vendrá y emitirá un ticket. Si esto continúa siendo un problema, los oficiales pueden pasar conduciendo por el estacionamiento durante los horarios de Misa y multar a los infractores.

Padre Don

RETORNO A LA NAVIDAD

La celebración de hace tres semanas del Bautismo del Señor señaló el fin "oficial" del tiempo de Navidad para la Iglesia. La fiesta de hoy de la Presentación del Señor parece extender la celebración un poco más allá. En realidad, algunos han nombrado esta fiesta una "Segunda Epifanía".

La primera lectura nos recuerda la anticipación del Adviento, como escribe Malaquías: "Envío a mi mensajero para que prepare el camino ante mí". La lectura de los Hebreos nos recuerda la Encarnación, proclamando que Jesús tuvo una "parte" de la misma "carne y sangre". El Evangelio encuentra al niño Jesús en su primera visita a Jerusalén, y a sus padres una vez más sorprendidos y asombrados por los acontecimientos de su nacimiento.

En la sencillez del pesebre, en la grandeza del templo, en la domesticidad de Nazaret, Jesús viene. ¡Que llegemos a conocerlo y por ello nos encontremos llenos de "sabiduría" y de la "gracia de Dios!"

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

- Lunes: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Sal 3:2-7; Mc 5:1-20
- Martes: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Sal 86 (85):1-6; Mc 5:21-43
- Miércoles: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Sal 32 (31):1-2, 5-7; Mc 6:1-6
- Jueves: 1 Re 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Cr 29:10-12; Mc 6:7-13
- Viernes: Eclo 47:2-11; Sal 18 (17):31, 47, 50, 51; Mc 6:14-29
- Sábado: 1 Re 3:4-13; Sal 119 (118):9-14; Mc 6:30-34
- Domingo: Is 58:7-10; Sal 112 (111):4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

A CHRISTMAS REPRISE

The Church's celebration three weeks ago of the Baptism of the Lord signaled the "official" end of the Christmas season. Today's feast of the Presentation of the Lord seems to extend the Incarnation celebration a bit longer. In fact, some have called this feast a "second Epiphany."

The first reading recalls the anticipation of Advent, as Malachi writes, "Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me." The reading from Hebrews reminds us of the Incarnation, proclaiming that Jesus had a "share" in our own "blood and flesh." The Gospel finds the infant Jesus on his first visit to Jerusalem and his human parents once again surprised and in awe over the events surround his birth.

In the simplicity of the manger, in the grandeur of the temple, in the domesticity of Nazareth, Jesus comes. May we come to know him and so be filled with "wisdom" and the "favor of God." Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek (Malachi 3:1-4).

Psalm — Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — Jesus had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way to help the descendants of Abraham (Hebrews 2:14-18).

Gospel — The just and pious Simeon proclaims the infant Jesus to be a revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of the people Israel (Luke 2:22-40 [22-32]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
 Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
 Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is held every Monday and Thursday, from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm.

If you would like to sign up to be a Eucharistic Adorer please contact Shirley Staples at: shirleystaples@yahoo.com



"Spend as much time as possible in front of the Blessed Sacrament and He will fill you with His strength and His power." -Mother Teresa



Why & How Do I Pray?

What is Christian prayer and why is it the most important activity of our lives? How do we gain access to God? Do you know how to pray? Does God always answer prayer? What are the rewards of prayer? These are just a few questions that can be answered if you try Alpha.

For more information....
 Connect with Zara to learn more
 331-707-5381

SIGN UP NOW @ www.olmercy.com/alpha



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
(Grades K-5)**

*About the Gospel~ The Presentation of the Lord
Last week during your child's R.E. faith session, they prepared to celebrate this weekend's Gospel story at Mass. The students learned that Mary and Joseph followed their Jewish custom and presented Jesus in the Temple forty days after his birth. Two holy people, Simeon and Anna, recognized Jesus as the Messiah.*

In Church

Stand before the tabernacle, the gold, dome-shaped vessel in our chapel, and present yourselves to Jesus, whose Body, under the sign of bread, is reserved inside. Pray... "Here we are, Lord. We come to do your will."



Question of the Week

What Catholic faith traditions and customs are important to you and your family?

Family Prayer

Lord, help us to imitate the Holy Family and follow the teachings of the Catholic Church. Amen.

**SENIOR HIGH
YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS
(Grades 9-12)**

L.I.G.H.T. Mini-Courses continue Feb. 2nd.

Mission Trip Weekend is Feb. 1-2 at all masses. A 2nd collection to support our trip will take place on Feb. 8-9 at all masses.

Service and Discipleship Projects are available for sign-up on the L.I.G.H.T. webpage. Get details on upcoming projects that will help meet your L.I.G.H.T. requirement for Confirmation.

Teen Retreat Team is now forming! Any high school teen, college student or parent/adult is invited to consider the retreat team! We will be planning the summer Discovery Retreat for our teens who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation next fall. Please contact Dave if you are interested in help OR to learn more details.

Parents and Interested Adults in the parish community are invited to consider helping with the Senior High Youth Ministry! We are in need of mini-course facilitators, Alpha hospitality and kitchen crew members as well as trip and event chaperones. Please contact the youth ministry office or see the LIGHT webpage for more details.

**EDGE
(Grades 6-8)**

EDGE NIGHTS

FEB 3	(6 th)	CREED PART II	(7/8 th)	STRESSES IN LIFE
FEB. 10	(6 th)	PRESSURE TO FIT IN	(7/8 TH)	TEEN RELATIONSHIPS
FEB. 24		MARDI GRAS PARTY		

EDGE PLUS

FEB. 6	VALENTINES FOR ALDEN	RM. 211
FEB. 15/16	CANCELLED	

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us to learn PALM WEAIVING on Monday, March 9th after our EDGE Lenten Reconciliation Service!
Looking ahead into the month of March: We will gather together for an evening of bowling! Date and time TBA!



Caring for the Mind, Body and Spirit

February is American Heart Month

You may have been noticing heart decorations and the colors of red and pink around you that brings attention to Valentine's Day celebrated this month. The more important message is that February is designated as American Heart Month to bring awareness to the prevalence and severity of heart disease in the United States. Statistics reflect that nearly a quarter of deaths in the United States are caused by heart disease. Heart disease is often preventable. There are risk factors of heart disease that can be controlled and those that cannot be controlled.

Simple steps can be taken by everyone to reduce the risk of heart disease such as making physical activity part of one's daily routine and choosing spices over salt to flavor foods. To eliminate or significantly reduce the risk of heart disease, make healthy choices and have regular medical check-ups to manage existing heart-related health conditions. Additional suggestions for heart health are to quit smoking, be active, practice heart healthy food choices and cope with stress in healthy ways.

Do you know the symptoms of a heart attack? If you or someone you know experiences any of the following signs of a heart attack, call 9-1-1 to get to a hospital as soon as possible: uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain in the center of the chest that may last more than a few minutes or goes away and comes back; pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach; shortness of breath with or without chest discomfort; and other signs such as breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness. For more information about heart attack symptoms, heart disease and ways to prevent heart problems, go to www.heart.org.

Wear Red for Heart Health Awareness
National Wear Red Day
Friday February 7



Open HEARTS Ministry

The ministry focuses on mental and emotional health and wellness. As one of the pastoral care ministries of the parish, the ministry offers Hope, Empathy, Awareness, Renewal, Trust and Support.

The next opportunity to come together in a safe and sacred space that honors confidentiality to support one another is Monday, February 17 at 7:00PM in Room 114 in the Parish Life Center.

If you have questions about the ministry, please contact Janice Hurtado Aeppli at 312-217-7872 or at jaeppli@gmail.com.

**CHRIST
RENEWS HIS
PARISH
RENEWAL WEEKEND**

Men's Weekend
Feb 29 & March 1

Women's Weekend
March 7 & 8

REGISTER BEFORE FEBRUARY 22

Christ Renews His Parish, or CRHP, is a program designed to help us renew our Christian faith by bringing members of the Our Lady of Mercy community together in Christ.

It is a break from your busy schedule of personal, business and family obligations so that you can refresh yourself spiritually and renew your heart. You will be meeting with and listening to the experiences of other men or women from our Parish in an informal and relaxed environment of reflection, fellowship and fun.

The emphasis during the weekend is on small group interaction. Everyone is free to share as much or as little as they feel comfortable. Discussion and sharing is enjoyed by all participants.

After the weekend, the opportunity to continue faith formation exists with an option to continue to meet and grow as a spiritual community and eventually share what you've experienced with others.

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**Join the Crafty Souls
for a 12 Hour Craft Event!**

Bring your favorite project and spend the day crafting in the MPR of the Parish Life Center.

**Saturday, February 15
9:00 am to 9:00 pm**

\$30 registration fee (covers lunch and dinner) due Saturday, February 1.

Contact olmcraftysouls@gmail.com for a registration form.

You are cordially
invited

FEBRUARY 22 - 23, 2020 AFTER ALL MASSES



RESPECT LIFE...

Join us Friday, February 7, 2020

The Respect Life Ministry invites you to stand and silently pray in the public right-of-way across from the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Aurora every First Friday. Prayer warriors are needed for one hour shifts 8am-2pm to change hearts and save lives. Please prayerfully consider signing up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054FADAC23A3FA7-olmfirst>

For more information, please call Jane Fonner (630) 851-8433 or email janeconner@comcast.net

**Ash Wednesday Schedule
February 26**

Ashes will be distributed after the homily at the following Masses and Scripture Services.

6:30 am	Mass	4:00 pm	Scripture Service
8:00 am	Mass	5:30 pm	Scripture Service
12:00 pm	Scripture Service	7:30 pm	Mass





Parish Sacrificial Giving

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 01/19/20)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections:	\$	921,191
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	928,000
Amount Short of Budget:	\$	(6,809)
01/19/20 Sunday Collection:	\$	33,682
Weekly Sunday Goal:	\$	32,000
Amount in Excess of Goal:	\$	1,682

Thank you for your generosity!!

Parish Life Center Diocesan Loan Balance as of
December 31, 2019.
\$897,631

***Be Kind and Merciful* through the
2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal**

All parishioners will receive a mailing from the Diocese of Joliet this month about the 2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Our annual appeal is vitally important to not only the diocese, but also to our parish as well. The CMAA supports 30 ministries that benefit every parish and allow us all to *Be Kind and Merciful* to the most vulnerable in our community.

Our parish’s goal for the 2020 CMAA is \$146,700 and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. This is a great opportunity for our parish!

Please review the materials and then prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year’s annual appeal. If you do not receive a mailing from the diocese about the CMAA, please contact the parish office.

GEMS



GEMS...Catch up with loved ones. Depression and heart disease go hand in hand. Care for your social health by getting out there and surrounding yourself with positive people.

WANTED: People over 50 years old who would like to join in social interaction with fellow OLM parishioners. This is a great way to make new friends, share experiences and enjoy some delicious luncheon food. **Consider coming to join our group, GEMS, which meets on the second Wednesday of each month and see what we're all about.**

Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at noon on February 12 at the Parish Life Center (PLC). We will be serving PIZZA and salad. Please consider bringing a dessert to share with everybody.

Also, in true OLM fashion, please consider donating either single or double sized bed sheets for use at Hesed House.

Our GEMS advisory group meets on the first Thursday of each month to formulate plans and ideas for future GEMS activities...come join us...out next meeting will be on February 6 at 9:00 a.m. in the Ministry Room.

Critics Corner Movie Club...contact Pat at 630-585-6437 for information.

Please pray for our sick GEMS members.



2020 Camp Line-Up

SOCCER JUNE 15-17
BASKETBALL JUNE 22-24
FOOTBALL JUNE 29-JULY 1
VOLLEYBALL JULY 8-10
HOCKEY JULY 20-22
BASEBALL/SOFTBALL JULY 27-29

REGISTER NOW!

www.CatholicSportsCamps.org

Our Lady of Mercy Weekend Masses February 8 & 9 Fr. Mark will preach at all Masses.

Saturday: 4:00p Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn. Phil Rehmer
 Sunday: 7:30a Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Tony Martini
 9:00a Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Senovio Sarabia
 10:45a Fr Don McLaughlin/Dcn Art Tionson
 12:30p Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Tony Leazzo
 5:30p Fr Mark Bernhard/Dcn Mike Plese

Parish Activities for the Week

SUNDAY	February 2	
8:00-11:00a	RE Class K-1	PLC
9:00-1:30p	Light Class	PLC
10:05-11:15a	RCIC Class	PLC
5:00-9:30p	CRHP Women's Formation	Rm 114
7:00-9:00p	Adult Men's Basketball	MPR
MONDAY	February 3	
8:30a-6:00p	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
4:30-5:45p	RE Class	PLC
6:00-6:30p	Benediction	Church
6:30-8:00p	EDGE	PLC
7:00-9:00p	Boy Scouts	Rm 124 A/B
TUESDAY	February 4	
8:30-9:00a	Coffee And...	Ministry Rm
1:00-3:00p	OLM Bridge Group	Rm 108
4:30-5:30p	PADS Drop-Off	Narthex
4:45-6:00p	RE Class	PLC
6:30-8:30p	Be Healed Study	Ministry Rm
7:00-9:00p	Adult Bible Study	Rm 208
WEDNESDAY	February 5	
9:00-11:00a	Women in Faith	Rm 114/208
4:45-6:00p	RE Class	PLC
5:30-8:00p	Legions of Mary	Ministry Rm
6:30-7:45p	RE Class	PLC
7:00-8:30p	Mary's Squad	Rm 114
THURSDAY	February 6	
8:30a-6:00p	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
6:30-8:30p	EDGE PLUS	Rm 211
6:30-8:00p	WWP Bible Study	Rm 218
7:00-8:30p	RCIA	Rm 217
7:00-9:00p	Adult Alpha	MPR
FRIDAY	February 7	
8:30a-12:00p	Loving Hands	Ministry Rm
9:15-10:30a	Spanish Holy Hour	Church
6:30-8:30p	Simbang Gabi	Rm 217
6:30-9:00p	Women at the Well	Rm 114
SATURDAY	February 8	
7:00-8:00a	Fit Shepherds	Parish Grounds
8:15-10:15a	Mary's Squad	Rm 208
8:30-11:00a	RE First Communion Retreat	PLC
3:00-3:50p	Reconciliation	Narthex
6:30-10:00p	Charismatic Healing Mass	Church/121AB
SUNDAY	February 9	
8:00-11:00a	RE Class K-1	PLC
8:00-10:30a	CRHP Men's Formation	Rm 114
9:00a-1:30p	Light Class	PLC
10:05-11:15a	RCIC Class	PLC
5:00-9:30p	CRHP Women's Formation	Rm 114
7:00-9:00p	Adult Men's Basketball	MPR



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Contact the Parish Office so we may help you in any way possible.

HOSPITALIZATION: If you anticipate a hospitalization or are admitted to an area hospital and would like a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister, please notify the parish office.

BAPTISMS: Registered parishioners wishing their child baptized must attend a parent meeting held the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Baptisms are held at 12 noon the first Saturday of the month and at 2:00 p.m. the second Sundays of the month. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent.

WEDDINGS: The bride, groom or either set of parents must be registered members of the parish for at least six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Weddings may be scheduled no less than six months out in order to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation requirements. Contact Diane Reiter, ext. 221.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you! Please register by attending our "New Parishioner Registration/Welcoming" meeting the last Sunday of the month at 11:00 a.m. For more info call: 851-3444, ext. 221.

HOSPITALITY: "Hospitality" weekend is held in the Parish Life Center Multi Purpose Room after all Saturday/Sunday Masses on the last full weekend of each month (excluding December).

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