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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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MASS SCHEDULE

Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri.....8:00am

Monday (Spanish Mass-begins 7/13)...6:30pm

Tuesday.....8:00am, 6:30pm

Wednesday.....12:00pm

Thursday.....6:30am, 8:00am

1st Fridays of the Month.....12:00pm

Saturday.....8:30am

Saturday (Anticipated for Sunday)..... 4:00pm

Sunday.....8:00am, 10:00am

12:00pm, 5:30pm

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

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

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday.....7:00-8:00pm

Saturday.....9:00-10:00am

1:30-2:30pm

1st Fridays of the Month.....8:30-9:15am

Or by Appointment

PRAYER CHAPEL

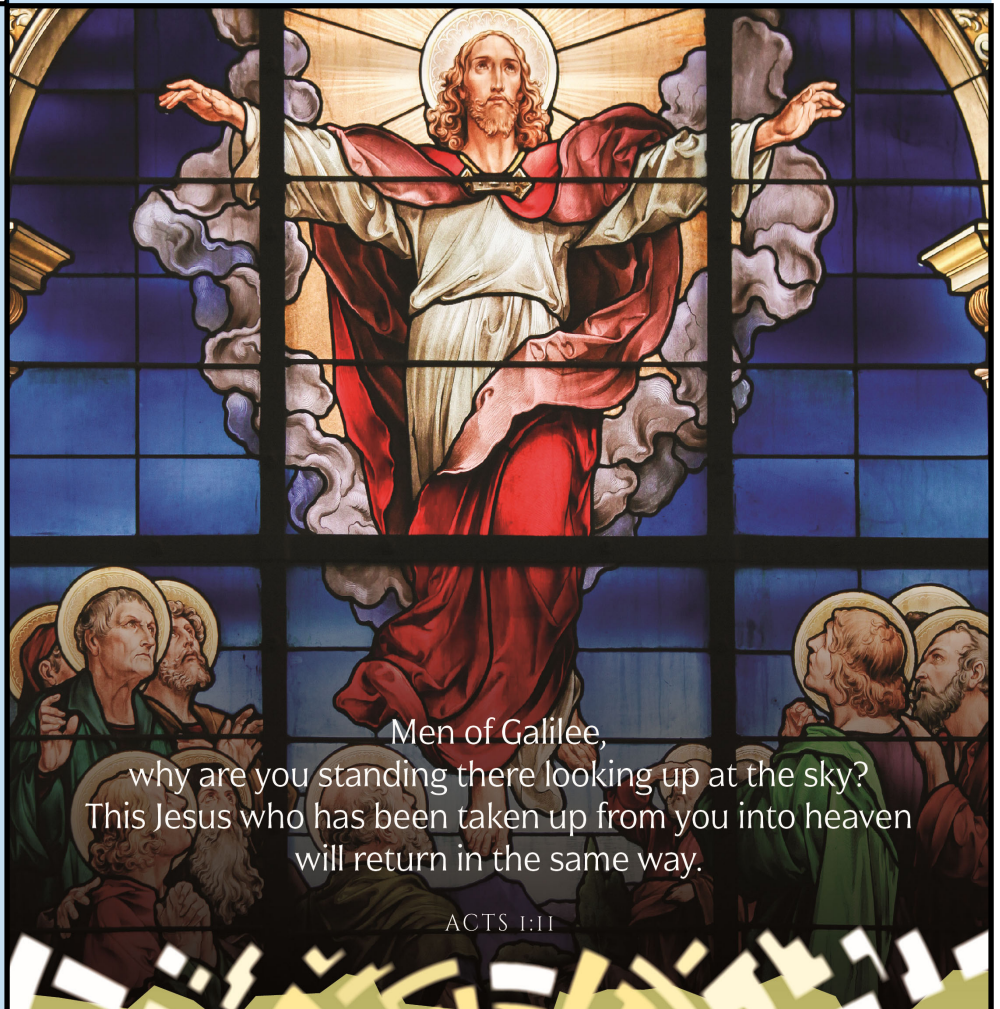
Open weekdays.....7:00am-8:00pm

Adoration.....Monday & Thursday

8:30am-6:00pm

Benediction.....Monday & Thursday

6:00pm



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 16, 2021



From The Pastor's Desk...
Also Known as Chardonnay W(h)ines!

Many of you my age remember the song "Up, Up and Away in My Beautiful Balloon" sung by the Fifth Dimension. As we celebrate the Ascension today, perhaps up, up but NOT away would be our song. While Jesus is out of sight, he is not out of mind or presence. His presence can

be experienced in many ways, or as the Gospel accounts today, through signs. Jesus reminds us that he is with us until the end of the world. How? First, in his church. But not only in holy places or shrines, but in the people who are the church. When I was pastor of St. Michael in Wheaton (2001 – 2012), the church was destroyed by an arson fire in 2002. That morning one of the news reporters on the scene asked me, "Father, how do you feel about losing your church?" I responded, "we didn't lose the church, we only lost the building where the church gathers."

On this feast of the Ascension, we celebrate the truth that Jesus has ascended and entered into glory and is seated at God's right hand. But just because Jesus has sat down, does not mean that his work is finished. The Kingdom of God is not yet fully established. There is still violence and injustice in our world. Jesus will need to return at the end of time to finally establish God's Kingdom in its fullness. Until the time when Jesus returns, he expects us to be active.

Jesus expects us to work for justice, to proclaim the good news of God's love. This is what we are called to do. The gospel makes it clear, Jesus says to the disciples, "Go out to all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole of creation." The gospel also makes it clear that our mission cannot be successful unless it is accompanied by signs. Signs make other people take notice. They set us apart and validate the power and the truth of the message. Words are not enough! Signs are necessary if the gospel is to be fully confirmed and believed.

While the signs mentioned in today's gospel may seem rather extreme, may I suggest a few "kingdom" signs: What if some objected to having a co-worker or a fellow student belittled or refused to laugh at a racist joke? What if someone stood up to defend another who was being ignored? That could be a sign of the Kingdom. What if someone decided to be patient with another person who annoyed them? What if instead of discounting that person or saying offensive things to them, a person would choose to listen and perhaps understand where that person was coming from? That could be a sign of the Kingdom. What if parents occasionally set aside their work, set aside their household tasks and their multiple schedules and created a space where the family could simply gather and listen to one another's lives? That could be a kingdom sign. Whatever causes people to notice, sets us apart, goes against the grain – if it is oriented toward justice and love – can be a sign of the Kingdom of God!

Have a blessed Easter Season!

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Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, May 17 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM † Adam & Helmut Siefert, by The Paulson Family
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration
 6:00 PM Benediction
 6:30 PM Spanish Mass Alfredo Navia Londono, by Juliana Hepburn

Tuesday, May 18—St John I, Pope & Martyr

8:00 AM † Virginia White, by Her Children
 6:30 PM † Pascuala de Jesus, by Edgar & Maria Cuartero
 7:00-8:00 PM Reconciliation

Wednesday, May 19 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration
 12:00 PM † Barbara Saurer, by Roy Saurer

Thursday, May 20 - St Bernardine of Siena, Priest

6:30 AM Int Xavier & Sharmila Familes, by Dubai
 8:00 AM † Victoria Tiu Lo, by Elizabeth Lo
 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration
 6:00 PM Benediction

Friday, May 21 - St Christopher Magallanes, Priest & Martyr

8:00 AM Special Intention

Saturday, May 22 - St Rita of Cascia

8:30 AM † Matthew Gruzlewski, by Aunt Barbara Kulal
 9:00-10:00 AM Reconciliation
 1:30-2:30 PM Reconciliation
 4:00 PM **Vigil - Pentecost**
 † Dcn Bob Vavra, by The Griffins Family
 † Vanessa Medina, by Dennis Medina

Sunday, May 23 - Pentecost

8:00 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
 † John & Rosemary Frech, by Family
 10:00 AM † Joseph Salata, by Phyllis Anderson
 12:00 PM The People of Our Lady of Mercy
 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. CRHP Retreat Members | 9. The Feldman Family |
| 2. The Sick | 10. Newly Weds |
| 3. Ailani Banuelos | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. Young Adults | 12. Phyllis Anderson |
| 5. Jane Roberts | 13. Thomas Sterling |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. Vocations |
| 7. OLM Parishioners | 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 remember in prayer those in service to our country

TSgt Leah Harvey, USAF
 Airman Melanie Hodges, US Navy
 Nicholaus Laurie, US Marines
 SSG Sean Murphy, USMC
 Capt. Tara Trammell, US Army
 Roberto Ramos, US Army
 Lt. Joshua Puscas, US Navy
 SSG Gina Maro, USAF
 Juan Gabriel Sindac, USAF
 Aaron Godinez, US Marines
 SPC Mason Webber, US Army
 LC/Cprl Ryan Ludwig, US Marines
 Capt. Brian Strohmaier, US Army
 Elizabeth Pattermann, US Marine
 Ensign Marion Eunece Bautista, US Navy
 SSG Karla Venegas, US Army
 SSG Jeremy Norris, US Army
 Capt. Carmen Lockett, US Army
 Joshua San Diego, US Navy

LIVE STREAMED MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00AM, Wednesday 12PM,
 Saturday 8:30AM & 4:00PM,
 Sunday 10:00AM & 12:00PM
 Monday Spanish Mass 6:30PM

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
 Wayne Draper
 Ailani Banulos
 Julia Schremp
 Kathy Walowski
 Flo Paprzycki
 Helga Manglinong
 Michael Dandan
 Charlene Oates
 Maria Luna

William Nimmow
 Jill Brisceno
 Lexi Brisceno
 Michael Butler
 Hailey Hartnett
 Thomas F. Sterling
 La Moua
 Valerie Plesha
 Hedy Sterling
 Diane Pazos
 Diane Singer

Joyce Craig
 John Swanston
 Robert Ciulla
 Bridget Garry
 David Bakke
 Bill Morse
 Nancy Higgins
 Helen Joseph
 Antoinette Humanski
 William Gardaphe
 Mary Dunbar

Susan Mennenga
 Virginia Maher

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!

Muchos de ustedes de mi edad recuerdan la canción "Arriba, Arriba y Lejos en Mi Hermoso Globo" cantada por la Quinta Dimensión. Mientras celebramos la Ascensión hoy, quizás arriba, arriba pero NO lejos sería nuestra canción. Mientras Jesús está fuera de la vista, no está fuera de la mente ni de la presencia. Su presencia se puede experimentar de muchas formas, o como lo narra el Evangelio hoy, a través de señales. Jesús nos recuerda que él está con nosotros hasta el fin del mundo. ¿Cómo? Primero, en su iglesia. Pero no solo en lugares santos o santuarios, sino en las personas que son la iglesia. Cuando era pastor de St. Michael en Wheaton (2001 - 2012), la iglesia fue destruida por un incendio provocado en el 2002. Esa mañana uno de los reporteros en la escena me preguntó: "Padre, ¿cómo se siente al perder su Iglesia?" Respondí: "No perdimos la iglesia, solo perdimos el edificio donde se reúne la iglesia".

En esta fiesta de la Ascensión, celebramos la verdad de que Jesús ascendió y entró en la gloria y está sentado a la diestra de Dios. Pero el hecho de que Jesús se haya sentado no significa que su obra esté terminada. El Reino de Dios aún no está completamente establecido. Todavía hay violencia e injusticia en nuestro mundo. Jesús necesitará regresar al final de los tiempos para finalmente establecer el Reino de Dios en su plenitud. Hasta el momento en que Jesús regrese, él espera que estemos activos.

Jesús espera que trabajemos por la justicia, que proclamemos las buenas nuevas del amor de Dios. Esto es lo que estamos llamados a hacer. El evangelio lo aclara, Jesús les dice a los discípulos: "Id por todo el mundo y proclamad el evangelio a toda la creación". El evangelio también deja en claro que nuestra misión no puede tener éxito a menos que esté acompañada de señales. Las señales hacen que otras personas se den cuenta. Nos distinguen y validan el poder y la verdad del mensaje. ¡Las palabras no son suficientes! Las señales son necesarias para que el evangelio sea plenamente confirmado y creído.

Si bien las señales mencionadas en el evangelio de hoy pueden parecer bastante extremas, puedo sugerir algunas señales del "reino": ¿Qué pasa si alguien objeta que un compañero de trabajo o un compañero de estudios sea menospreciado o se niega a reírse de una broma racista? ¿Qué pasa si alguien se pone de pie para defender a otro que está siendo ignorado? Eso podría ser una señal del Reino. ¿Qué pasa si alguien decide ser paciente con otra persona que los molesta? ¿Qué pasa si en lugar de descartar a esa persona o decirle cosas ofensivas, una persona opta por escuchar y quizás entender de dónde viene esa persona? Eso podría ser una señal del Reino. ¿Qué pasaría si los padres de vez en cuando dejaran de lado su trabajo, dejaran de lado sus tareas domésticas y sus múltiples horarios y crearan un espacio donde la familia pudiera simplemente reunirse y escuchar la vida de los demás? Eso podría ser una señal del reino. Cualquier cosa que haga que la gente se dé cuenta, nos distingue, va contra la corriente, si está orientada hacia la justicia y el amor, ¡puede ser una señal del Reino de Dios!

¡Que tengan una bendecida Temporada de Pascua!

Padre Don

Olcina del Ministerio Hispano y Ministerios Étnicos de la Diócesis de Joliet

SERIE
MARÍA
EN EL NUEVO
TESTAMENTO

Mayo es el mes dedicado a María, para ayudarnos a conocer más sobre la Madre de Dios, durante 4 lunes de Mayo, William Becerra enseñará como los cuatro evangelios canónicos presentan a María en sus narrativas y su significado teológico.

Lunes 10, 17, 24, y 31 de Mayo
8:00 a 9:00 PM, hora del Centro

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dioceseofjoliet.org/hispanicministry

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

- Lunes: Hch 19:1-8; Sal 68 (67):2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;
Jn 16:29-33
- Martes: Hch 20:17-27; Sal 68 (67):10-11, 20-21;
Jn 17:1-11a
- Miércoles: Hch 20:28-38; Sal 68 (67):29-30, 33-36ab;
Jn 17:11b-19
- Jueves: Hch 22:30; 23:6-11; Sal 16 (15):1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Jn 17:20-26
- Viernes: Hch 25:13b-21; Sal 103 (102):1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
- Sábado: Hch 28:16-20, 30-31; Sal 11 (10):4, 5, 7;
Jn 21:20-25
- Domingo: Vigilia: Gn 11:1-9 o Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b o Ez 37:1-14 o Jl 3:1-5; Sal 104 (103):1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 Día: Hch 2:1-11; Sal 104 (103):1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 o Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 o Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15



Proclaim
the
Gospel

May 16, 2021

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11 | Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13 |
Mk 16:15-20

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

“Why are you standing there looking at the sky?” the Apostles are asked. Well, hello! The risen Jesus, who had once again walked among the Apostles, “was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight.” Of course the disciples would look up, to gaze once more upon the Son of God whom they loved. Today’s feast reminds us, however, that to look for Jesus is not to stand around looking up, but to engage with others in the world in which he remains present. Even as he sits “at the right hand of God,” Jesus dwells among and within us. For God is not some distant figure, but One who desires to walk alongside us in the person of his Son, Jesus, and give us the gift of the Holy Spirit as our help and advocate. Even in times when we experience doubt, complacency, or simply feel distant from God, Jesus is at our side. Once we open our hearts to his presence, we cannot help but share the Good News of God’s love in our families, workplaces, and everyday encounters with others.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

For anyone wishing to grow in their understanding of what evangelization looks like, today’s readings offer as good a playbook as any. As we celebrate the Ascension, we may be tempted to see it as a kind of “farewell party” for Jesus. But while on the surface, it may appear that Jesus “left” the Apostles, he promises to remain with them through the gift of the Holy Spirit. What does that mean for us? Today’s Gospel sums it up, quoting Jesus’ words immediately before he was taken up to heaven: “Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” As Catholics and Christians, that’s our bottom line. I read somewhere that “proclaim” goes beyond mere words, and encompasses living out the Gospel by sharing God’s love. Jesus remains at our side, encouraging us to use the gifts God has given us to build up the Church.

PRAY Today’s feast reminds us that we have an advocate in Jesus and the Holy Spirit. As you enter a challenging situation or even just a typical day, remember to ask Jesus to give you a “spirit of wisdom.”

YOU'RE INVITED! CORPUS CHRISTI OLM PROCESSION ~ SUNDAY, JUNE 6th, 2021 FOLLOWING 12:00PM MASS

"COME FOLLOW ME"

Follow Jesus in this public expression of our Catholic Faith as we lift high the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Along the way, children ring bells, drop flower petals, and all pause to pray at a few outdoor altar stations, praising God for the gift of the HOLY Eucharist.

Who will be there? In addition to Jesus, our priests, and fellow parishioners, **we encourage ALL of our first communicants to participate wearing their First Communion attire to witness their newly received gift (or soon to be received gift) of Jesus in the Eucharist!**

Please bring your own water bottle and wear comfortable shoes. A rope with 6 feet loops will guide households to remain at a safe distance from one another. Updates of ALL safety protocols will be shared in advance.

Ushers will guide us throughout the procession and officers will ensure our safe crossing of Eola Road.



WHY PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC WITNESS OF OUR FAITH???

**Here is an excerpt from Fr. Don's bulletin letter
from the time of our last procession June 2019.**

Jesus' charge to his own, "Give them some food yourselves," continues to be the agenda of the Church. Having fed upon the body and blood, soul, and divinity of Christ, ***YOU are to flow forth from the sanctuary to inundate your neighborhoods, workplaces, and schools with Christ so as to make an otherwise secular world sacred again.***" A Eucharistic procession is a dramatic way to show who we are called to be as we are sent forth from every Mass.



Email Mary Jo at maryjot@olmercy.com TODAY!
Please let me know how many from your household are participating in our Eucharistic Procession, Sunday, June 6, 2021 following the 12:00 Mass!

***IF IT SHOULD RAIN, A SPECIAL INDOOR PROCESSION
AT OLM WILL TAKE PLACE!**

PASTORAL CARE

Walking with Mary

If you are saying the rosary during the month of May, consider joining the *Walking with Mary to Fatima* initiative. The goal is that together as a community, we will accumulate 4,015 miles to reach the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal. It is through Mary that we grow closer to Jesus. Connect with Jolene LeRoy at jolenel@olmercy.com if you would like to join fellow parishioners on the journey!



Open HEARTS Ministry

The next scheduled in-person gathering is Monday, May 17 at 7:00pm in Room 114 in the Parish Life Center. May is Mental Health Awareness Month and May 15 is St. Dymphna's Feast Day, who is the patron saint of mental health, stress and anxiety. The ministry is for anyone who has an interest in increasing the awareness of mental health and mental illness in the community and be of support to one another through sharing resources and prayer. If you would like to learn more about the ministry, please send an email to Janice Hurtado Aeppli at olmopenhearts@yahoo.com.

Grandparents Ministry

The mission of the Catholic Grandparents Association is to "help grandparents pass on the faith and to keep prayer at the heart of family life". Pope Francis states that "the mission of grandparents is a real and true vocation". If you would like to join the Grandparents Ministry at our parish and find out when the next meeting is, please contact Deacon Tony and Allyson Martini at tonym@olmercy.com.

Mental Health Awareness Month

The last year has been filled with challenges and difficulties that have impacted our emotional, physical, spiritual and mental health. Everyone needs to be involved in supporting the mental health needs of our community. The National Council for Mental Wellbeing reminds us of the following facts about mental illness in our country. One in five U.S. adults experience mental illness each year. One in twenty U.S. adults experience serious mental illness each year. One in six U.S. youth aged 6-17 experience a mental health disorder each year. Suicide is the second leading cause of death among people aged 10-34.

Mental Health America offers ten tools to promote optimal mental health. Connect with others – it is important to have a support network of family and friends. Stay positive – focus on the positive in life as much as possible. Get physically active – as it stimulates the feel-good hormones and burns off stress hormones. Help others – as it helps you feel needed and effective and adds a sense of purpose and meaning to your life. Get enough sleep – poor sleep is linked to a greater risk of depression and anxiety. Create joy and satisfaction – laughing decreases pain and reduces anxiety. Eat well – to provide fuel to the brain and counteracts the impact that stress has on the body. Take care of your spirit – it gives you a sense of purpose and meaning, connects you with others, and may help you to understand suffering. Deal better with hard times – learn about ways that may help such as writing about your experience and shift your thinking. Seek professional support when needed.

If you or someone you know is having difficulty coping or having suicidal thoughts, please reach out for immediate help by calling a 24-hour crisis center at 1-800-273-8255 or dial 911 for immediate assistance. We must work together to decrease the stigma of mental illness and make sure others know that they are not alone.

Pastoral Care Needs

If you have physical, spiritual, emotional or mental health concerns, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN Faith Community Nurse and Director of Pastoral Care at jolenel@olmercy.com or at 331-707-5380 for support and care.



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Thank you for your prayers and support

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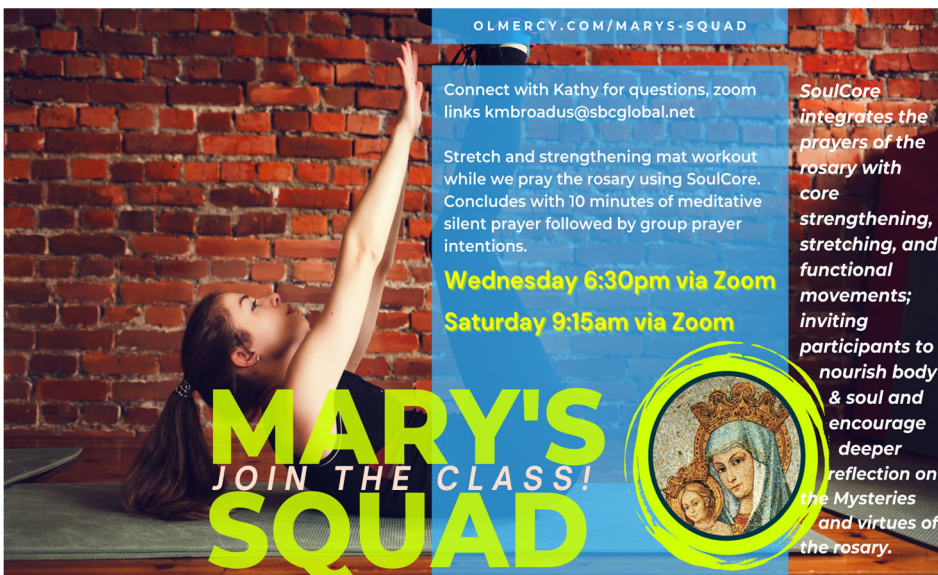
**FRATELLI TUTTI
CHAPTER 4
A Heart Open to the
Whole World**

Pope Francis spoke of visualizing an open world in chapter 3. Now he goes on to say that the moral and social implications of this call to solidarity are profound and demand new responses to our global and local problems. These are clearly seen in the current crisis facing migrants throughout the world. We must of course advocate for policies to reduce the need for migration but when migration is necessary, Pope Francis says countries should welcome and protect refugees and migrants and help them integrate into society. Pope Francis wants us to be understanding of different cultures and customs in our world and open to being very welcoming to refugees and migrants simply because it is a good thing to do and not expecting anything in return. He asks us "to think not simply as a country but also as part of the larger human family." Living with a heart open to the world challenges us to a universal fraternity that continually works for the common good.

In what ways does your faith guide your thinking on the migration question?

What are some of the gifts that different cultures can exchange with one another? What things from your own culture do you seek to share?

Learn about the work of local refugee resettlement agencies like World Relief - Aurora, Exodus World Service, or Illinois Refugee Resettlement Program.



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Connect with Kathy for questions, zoom links kmbroadus@sbcglobal.net

Stretch and strengthening mat workout while we pray the rosary using SoulCore. Concludes with 10 minutes of meditative silent prayer followed by group prayer intentions.

Wednesday 6:30pm via Zoom
Saturday 9:15am via Zoom

MARY'S JOIN THE CLASS! SQUAD

SoulCore integrates the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching, and functional movements; inviting participants to nourish body & soul and encourage deeper reflection on the Mysteries and virtues of the rosary.



HOW CAN THERE BE TOO MANY *children?*
IT'S LIKE SAYING THERE ARE TOO MANY *flowers.*
-St. Teresa of Calcutta

**RESPECT LIFE
1st Friday Devotion**

1st Friday of the Month

Join us! Make a difference.
Stand and silently pray in the public right-of-way across from the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Aurora.

Prayer warriors are needed for 1 hour shifts 8am - 2pm to change hearts and save lives

Contact Lisa SanDiego
(630) 258-0122 or
sandiego_family@msn.com



Our Online Giving is getting an upgrade to a newer, easier-to-use platform! If you currently give online, you will soon be receiving an email with instructions on how to log into the new system. Best of all, your existing payment and donation information will be migrated over so you will not have to set up your gifts again!

Keep an eye on your email for more information coming very soon.

**Our Lady of Mercy
Weekend Masses
May 22 & 23**

Dcn Tom Logue will preach at 8:00 & 5:30

Saturday:	4:00p	Fr Jim A/Dcn Lupe Villarreal
Sunday:	8:00a	Fr James Guarascio/Dcn Tom Logue
	10:00a	Fr Etheridge/Dcn Art Tionson
	12:00p	Fr Etheridge/Dcn Tim Kueper
	5:30p	Fr James Guarascio/Dcn Tom Logue

Parish Sacrificial Giving

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 04/25/21)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections:	\$	1,155,896
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	1,142,400
Amount in Excess of Goal:	\$	3,496
04/25/21 Sunday Collection:	\$	25,364
Weekly Sunday Goal:	\$	27,200
Amount Short of Goal:	\$	(1,836)

For the Budget Year 2020/21 we have reduced the Parish Sunday goal by 15%, to \$27,200/week, due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

This was due in part to the Budget shortfall that we had during the 2019/2020 year.

Thank you for your generosity!

Construction loan for building the Parish Life Center

April, 2009	\$1,950,000
March, 2021	\$ 710,505
April, 2021	\$ 699,642



It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Parish Goal	\$	154,400
Amount Pledged	\$	136,502
Amount Paid	\$	107,896
Remaining Balance	\$	28,607
Rebate Amount	\$	0
# of Families Pledged		475

be the
PULSE
of SUMMER

Donate Blood

Saturday
June

19

8:00am – 12:00pm

Helpful tip:
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