

# St. Alexander Church

*The Ascension of the Lord*

*June 1, 2025*

*The Palos Catholic*



Avery  
Babarskis



Brooke  
Butvilas



Rev. Michniewicz  
Pastor



Rev. Mitchell  
Associate Pastor



Mrs. O'Toole  
Principal



Mrs. Kowaleski  
Teacher



Kian  
Cachor



Shane  
Devine



Madelyn  
Dougherty



Kaya  
Gray

## St Alexander School Class of 2025



Brooke  
Healy



James  
Hughes



Clara  
Jakocko



Matthew  
Kent



Bryan  
Lech



Jake  
Maslowski



Madelyn  
Miller



Martin  
Navarrete



Shay  
Nicholson



Grace  
Pacetti



Maura  
Poulsen



Luke  
Pricone



Charlie  
Randall



Harrison  
Schultz



William  
Sheerin



Lily  
Sodin



Brendan  
Stroner



Riley  
Vysoky



Lorelei  
Welch



Conor  
Weldon



Brea  
Zingib

## St. Alexander Parish Administration Directory

### Parish Administrative Center

7025 W. 126th St., Palos Heights, IL 60463

Phone: 708-448-4861

Pastor: ..... Rev. Martin Michniewicz ext. 227

Associate Pastor: ..... Rev. Colm Mitchell ext. 223

Deacons: ..... Jim Horton, Michael Ciciura, Fran Pendergast

Director Parish Home & Health Ministry: Jim Horton ext. 232

Operations Manager: ..... Paula Somers ext. 233

Director of Music: ..... Matthew Berardi ext. 224

Youth Minister: ..... Tyler Ried—708- 448-6624

Athletic Director ..... Michael Kennedy

Parish E-Mail: ..... alchurch1@comcast.net

St. Alexander on the Web: ..... www.stalexanderpalos.org

### St. Alexander School

7025 W. 126th St., Palos Heights, IL 60463

Phone: 708-448-0408 Fax: 708-448-5947

Principal: ..... Sharon O'Toole

Administrative Assistant: ..... Mary Ann Pellicore

School Web: ..... www.stalexanderschool.com

School E-Mail: ..... info@stalexanderschool.com

### Religious Education Office

7025 W. 126th St. Palos Heights, IL 60463

Phone: 708-448-6624

Coordinator of Religious Education: ..... Tyler Ried

Religious Ed. E-Mail: ..... tried@archchicago.org

Knights of Columbus: ..... 708-448-4861 ext. 400

Knights of Columbus on the Web: ..... www.kofc14057.org

## Spreading the Holy Fire

### *Celebrating Christ Risen from the Dead through the 7 Sacraments*

#### SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

##### BAPTISM

###### *Celebration of Entrance into Christ's Church*

You should be a registered parishioner of St. Alexander, or willing to register and join our Faith Community. Relatives of St. Alexander parishioners are also welcome.

At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic. The other must be a Christian. Parents must register for a class on Baptism **BEFORE** your baby is baptized. Archdiocesan required classes are held once a month, usually on the first Tuesday of the month, and facilitated by trained parishioners.

**Baptism contact Joan DeVito 448-4861 ext. 237**

##### CONFIRMATION

###### *Celebration of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit*

This Sacrament is normally celebrated in 8th Grade and is a 2 year program of preparation.

###### **Confirmation Contacts:**

**Tyler Ried - Religious Education 448-6624**

**Sharon O'Toole - School 448-0408**

The Archdiocese also offers classes for adults wishing to receive Confirmation. **Adult Confirmation Contact -**

**Fr. Martin Michniewicz 448-4861**

##### OCIA *Celebration of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults*

This process is for adults who would like to join the Roman Catholic Church and have never been Baptized, or were Baptized in another Christian denomination. There is also a process for children (OCIC) and teens (OCIT).

**OCIA/OCIC/OCIT contact - Fr. Martin Michniewicz 448-4861**

##### EUCCHARIST

###### *Celebration of Sharing Fully at Christ's Altar of Sacrifice & Communion with Jesus and His Church*

###### Eucharistic Liturgy (Mass)

Sunday Vigil: 5:00 PM (Saturday)

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM, & 6:00 PM

Monday through Friday: 8:30 AM

Saturday Morning: 8:00 AM

First Saturday Devotions after 8:00 AM Mass

Holy Day: 8:30 AM & 7:00 PM

###### **Holy Hour with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**

On the 1st Wednesday of the month

6:00-7:00PM in the Church

#### SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

##### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

###### *Celebration of God's Restorative Love & Forgiveness*

Sacrament offers strength to the living. If someone becomes seriously ill, please call the Parish Administrative Center. Ministers of Care are available to bring Holy Communion and/or visit with the sick and homebound.

Also every 1st Saturday after the 5:00 PM Mass

##### RECONCILIATION

###### *Celebration of God's Forgiveness through Personal Confession*

Saturday Morning: 8:30 AM (until all are heard)

Saturday Evening: after the 5:00 PM Mass

Other Times by Appointment

#### SACRAMENTS OF COMMITMENT

##### MATRIMONY

###### *Celebration of God's Blessings on the Loving Union between Man and Woman*

Please call the Parish Administration Center at least 4 months in advance of your wedding. Pre-Cana for engaged couples is required by the Archdiocese.

**Matrimony Contact:**

**Fr. Martin Michniewicz or Fr Colm Mitchell 708-448-4861**

##### HOLY ORDERS

###### *Celebration of Ordained Service to the Church*

The three offices of the Sacrament of Holy Orders are bishop, priest and deacon. All three are conferred by the sacramental act called "ordination."

**Priesthood Contact - Fr. Michniewicz 448-4861 ext. 227**

**Fr. Colm Mitchell 448-4861 ext. 223**

**Archdiocese of Chicago Vocation Director:**

**Rev. Timothy Monahan 312-534-8298**



## FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Christ's bodily Ascension foreshadows our own entrance into Heaven not simply as souls, after our death, but as glorified bodies, after the resurrection of the dead at the Final Judgement. In redeeming mankind, Christ not only offered salvation to our souls, but began the restoration of the material world itself in the glory that God intended before Adam's fall.

The Feast of the Ascension marks the beginning of the first novena, or nine days of prayer. Before His Ascension, Christ promised to send the Holy Spirit to His apostles. Their prayer for the coming of the Holy Spirit, which began on Ascension Thursday, ends with the descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday, next Sunday.

Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, is the 105<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of St. John Paul II. As Pope, we recall that St. John Paul was instrumental in bringing down communism in Eastern Europe as he worked with other world leaders. In most countries communism fell with protests that were held in a peaceful manner. Let us pray that our country will take the example of St. John Paul II and achieve a change of heart amongst people without violence, and in a peaceful way. Let us all pray for Pope Leo XIV as he now guides the church and the world to a path of peace and freedom.

Next weekend there will be a second collection for PRMAA, which is the Priest's Retirement and Mutual Aid Association, of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Your generosity to this campaign impacts our many active and retired archdiocesan priests which serve the many parishes and ministries of the Church of Chicago. In advance I thank you for your generosity.

Today our bulletin cover honors the twenty seven young men and women who have completed their grammar school education at St. Alexander School. This past Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, we honored the St. Alexander's Graduating Class of 2025 at a special Mass and ceremony. The priests, parish staff, school staff, and all parishioners are very proud of the many accomplishments our graduating students have achieved during their grammar school years here. Many thanks to Mrs. O'Toole, our Principal, the faculty, parents, and all who dedicate themselves to help educate and send their children to our fine school.

Congratulations to our Preschool class who will graduate on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> and our Kindergarten children who will graduate on Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at a ceremony in our church. May they have a safe summer and we look forward to seeing them at St. Alexander School for many years to come.

Finally, many thanks to our Raider Run committee, all those who sponsored our event, and those who participated in walking and running Thursday evening. The Raider Run was truly a success and the monies raised will support the technology in our school. Donations are still coming in and so are the expenses. We will have a report in the bulletin when all bills are paid. In the Regional Newspaper of May 15<sup>th</sup> it was stated that the event raised over \$50,000, but this was a bit premature. Also the newspaper stated the opening blessing was offered by Fr. Marty O'Donovan. Just in case people have forgotten, my name is Fr. Marty McDonowicz. (Just kidding, but then again I better check with my mother and have her pull out my birth certificate to make sure my last name is Michniewicz.) Once again, thanks for your support for this year's Raider Run.

God Bless,  
Father Marty



### PRAY FOR THOSE SOON TO BE MARRIED

II Elizabeth Mata & Saul Barajas



We ask you to remember and pray for the souls of the faithful departed. May they forever rest in the Lord's peace. We especially pray for:

**Jennifer Aparo**, daughter of Vicki Laskey

### Thanksgiving after Mass

#### Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary

O Mary, Virgin and Mother most holy, behold, I have received your most dear Son, whom you conceived in your immaculate womb, brought forth, nursed and embraced most tenderly.

Behold him at whose sight you used to rejoice and be filled with all delight: him, whom, humbly and lovingly, once again I present and offer him to you to be clasped in your arms, to be loved by your heart, and to be offered up to the Most Holy Trinity as the supreme worship of adoration, for your own honor and glory and for my needs and for those of the whole world.

I ask you therefore, most loving Mother: entreat for me the forgiveness of all my sin and, in abundant measure, the grace of serving him in the future more faithfully, and at last, final grace, so that with you I may praise him for all the ages of ages. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE REFLECTION



The famous 20th century St. Padre Pio said once that he would wait outside the gates of heaven until the people in his life had entered. I'm not sure that I, or frankly many people I know, would say that and mean it. Yet that is precisely the kind of attitude we see in Jesus as he prays for us in the Gospel today. Having celebrated the Ascension of the Lord just a few days ago, we now hear the Son of God at the Last Supper pray to his Father "that they may be brought to perfection as one" (John 17:23). What does this mean for us?

I'd wager that we are not surprised that Jesus wants to make us perfect — that is, happy, whole, and healed. The shocker is that he desires this for us collectively and not just individually. Perfection is a team sport. We need each other to be perfect. Jesus is like a mother longing for her adult children to learn how to be in loving support of one another. He wants the perfection of his disciples to be not some individualistic plan of moral uprightness, but a loving communion of brothers and sisters.

Let's apply this practically. Do I see my participation at Mass as something I do merely for my own peace and edification, or as something I do with and for the people around me? Do I see my ongoing need for forgiveness as something that simply makes me feel better, or as a task that heals those around me, too? Is my dearest hope to individually get to heaven when I die, or is it to be part of the great procession of souls, together marching towards the heavenly Jerusalem? Do I want to be in heaven with people I currently find difficult? How would my life change if I did?

— Father John Muir

Today's Readings: Acts 7:55-60/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17,  
20/Jn 17:20-26 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/  
Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23  
or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53



**Prayers**  
FOR HEALING

### Prayers of the Faithful for the Sick

As the faith family of St. Alexander, we unite with one another to pray for those who need healing of their body, mind or spirit. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust in the Lord Jesus, we join in prayer for:

Dale Yukich  
Carole Holding  
James Dugan  
Dan McNamas  
Molly Flynn

Lisa Krisik  
Bob Redman  
Elaine Krisik  
Shauna Regan

If you or anyone in your family would like to be added to our *Prayers of the Faithful for the Sick* please contact the Parish Administrative Office by noon on Friday.



**MERCY HOME SUNDAY MASS**  
**9:30AM on WGN-TV Channel 9**



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**  
**June 2-8, 2025**

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/  
 Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/  
 Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a,  
 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8,  
 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12,  
 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4,  
 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or  
 Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35,  
 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/  
 Jn 7:37-39 Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex  
 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/  
 Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/  
 Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/  
 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/  
 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/  
 Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

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**Contact the parish office at 708-448-4861 if you  
 would like a Mass intention for 2025 or 2026.**

**Join us for a Holy Hour with  
 Exposition and Benediction  
 of the Blessed Sacrament**



**Every first Wednesday of the  
 month 6-7pm in Church  
 Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**

*"A Holy Hour before the Most Blessed  
 Sacrament so pleases the Heart  
 of Jesus, that every man, woman and  
 child on earth receives a new effect  
 of God's graces." - St. Faustina*

**COMMUNION MINISTERS**

**Saturday, June 7th**

5:00 PM— Rosemary Dziuba, Terry Filipiak,  
 Sharon Mundo

**Sunday, June 8th**

7:30 AM— Karen McNeal, Nancy Foster,  
 Ed Sobczak

9:30 AM— Guido Cadore, John Kelbowski,  
 Pat Karrasch, Mary Beth Flynn (LG)

11:30 AM— Paul Sullivan, Joan Obiala, Pat Klaus

6:00 PM— Mary Beth Partyka, Merrill Jurgens,  
 Michael Collins

**READERS**

**Saturday, June 7th**

5:00 PM— Bill Rogers

**Sunday, June 8th**

7:30 AM— Mark Foster, Paula Somers

9:30 AM— Debbie Myron

11:30 AM— Joan DeVito

6:00 PM— Johanna Jurgens



# a dozen reasons to choose Catholic Schools







# ST. ALEXANDER SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



PreK 4 students made cards for their 8th grade partners for their graduation.  
Thank you Prayer Buddies. Congratulations, Class of 2025!



Summer is around the corner.  
PreK 4 is looking forward to the Summer. We dressed our best in summer fashions!







## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. - Lk 24:51

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Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

### Are you curious about the Catholic Faith?

**If any of these reasons apply, OCIA might be exactly what you're looking for!**

**(OCIA means The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)**

1. You're marrying a Catholic. *(Sharing and practicing your faith together is a great foundation for married life.)*
2. You're already married to a Catholic and your children are being raised Catholic. *(It's natural to want to feel a closer bond by sharing in the sacraments with family.)*
3. Your children are learning about the Catholic faith. *(You'd like to learn more about this faith tradition, still unsure if you'd like to become a Catholic..)*
4. You've lived in a "Catholic world" all your life, so people assume you are already Catholic. *(You'd like to find out if you are closer than you think in mind and heart.)*
5. You don't know much about Catholicism, but a friend or neighbor has inspired you to learn more. **(With no strings attached, this is a wonderful way to check things out.)**
6. You have experienced personal loss or family struggles. *(You are seeking ways to deepen your spiritual life by exploring the Catholic faith tradition.)*

You don't know why, but you feel something urging you to the Catholic Church. *(It's probably the Holy Spirit.)*

**Our OCIA sessions begin in September. If you are interested in joining us, contact Fr. Marty at the parish office (708) 448-4861 or Deacon Mike at [mciciura@archchicago.org](mailto:mciciura@archchicago.org)**



### MASS TIMES WHILE OUT OF TOWN

Free apps available: Catholic Mass Times Church Directory and Mass Times for Travel. Or visit [mass-times.org](http://mass-times.org) and [findaparish.com](http://findaparish.com).

### Low-Gluten Hosts

At the 9:30AM Mass an Extraordinary Minister of Communion will be available with low-gluten hosts. The Extraordinary Minister will be located at the entrance of the ramp which leads to the sanctuary on the side where the statue of our Blessed Virgin is presented.



### *Spiritual Direction/ Companion Ministry*

**Who is God for you?**

**Are you ready to see God's activity in all things?**

**Would you like to explore a deeper experience of God through Spiritual Companionship?**

I'm Deacon Mike Ciciura and I am a permanent deacon here at St. Alexander's parish and a certified Spiritual Director/Companion. Simply defined, this ministry is one of compassionate, respectful, confidential engagement-listening through conversation about the light of faith. Spiritual Direction/Companioning helps us to see more clearly what God is asking of us and how God is acting in our lives. It's about acknowledging life's great "unfixables"—the things we are unable to change. It's about moving through the mysteries of time, experience, love, mortality, and life.

Spiritual direction/companionship is an ancient ministry. Throughout Hebrew and Christian tradition people sought spiritual counsel. Hermits, Monks, mystics and saints offered spiritual counsel as did those of other faith experiences.

**What is your response to God?**

**Could you trust me with your sacred story,  
your struggle, your questions?**

I'm available in person at St. Alexander's parish, by phone or email. Deacon Mike Ciciura 630-243-9342  
[mciciura@archchicago.org](mailto:mciciura@archchicago.org)

### WORD OF LIFE

If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on [www.hopeafterabortion.org](http://www.hopeafterabortion.org) to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you.

—USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities



### **Society of St. Vincent de Paul & Knights of Columbus FOOD COLLECTION**

Please donate to our ongoing food collection for St. Blase. Donations should be placed on the bench across from the SAVE room. Thank you for your generosity!

**NO EXPIRED FOOD PLEASE!**

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(JR High/ High School)**

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## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) Sponsors Needed!

### Qualities of an OCIA Sponsor:

- Be a model of faith, hope and love by being an active Catholic
- Comfortable relating to others
- Balanced spiritually and love for the Church

### Responsibilities of an OCIA Sponsor:

- Keep regular contact with the candidate
- Encourage the candidate
- Listen to the candidate's faith story
- Sharing time and experiences in a friendly way
- Participate in at least half of the OCIA sessions
- Pray for the candidate

If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please contact  
Deacon Mike at [mciciura@archchicago.org](mailto:mciciura@archchicago.org) or 630-243-9342

## PRAY FOR OUR



St. Alexander Parish lists the names of active military of parishioners and their family members in our weekly bulletin. We keep them in our thoughts and prayers as they protect our country and freedom.

If you have a relative who is an active member in the United States Military and would like them listed in the bulletin, contact Nancy at the Parish Office, 448-4861. Please inform us if the service person listed is no longer active in the military at home or abroad.

Our Knights of Columbus Council #14057 would like to offer military families Blue Star Banners. If you would like to receive a Blue Star Banner, please call the Parish Office at 708-448-4861.

## Our Members in the Military

Scott Golich - U.S. Navy	Robert Brennan - U.S. Army
Stephen LaPiana - U.S. Army	Scott Milcarek - U.S. Army
Matthew Brennan - U.S. Air Force	Charles Berglund - U.S. Marines
Andrew Nissen - U.S. Marines	Patrick Pratl - U.S. Navy
Shannon Lungaro - U.S. Navy	Andrew Cleland - U.S. Army
Alan Filipiak - U.S. Navy	John Hoban III - U.S. Army
A. Amanda Cleland - U.S. Air Force	Mark Filipiak - U.S. Marines
Joshua Bramlett U.S. Navy	Steven Lungaro - U.S. Navy
Amanda Brennan - U.S. Army	Matthew Bramlett - U.S. Navy
Kyle Hite - U.S. Army	David Lindstrom - National Guard
Gino Albergo - U.S. Army	Daniel Weakley - U.S. Navy
James M. Bilder - U.S. Army	Stephen Vossler - U.S. Navy
Nicholas Wineman - U.S. Marines	Vito Barraco - U.S. Army
Kate Ridsen - U.S. Navy	Ryan Grant - U.S. Army
Kevin Lewis - U.S. Navy	Nicholas Crot - U.S. Marines
Michael Lindstrom - U.S. Army	Jose Sanchez - U.S. Army
Ryan Graeber - U.S. Marines	Ben St. Aubin - U. S. Navy
Mary Kate Wetzel - U.S. Marines	Hunter Leschman - U.S. Navy
Chloe Van Witzenburg - U.S. Army	Cody Goldman - National Guard
Hanna Van Witzenburg - U.S. Army	Cameron Smentek - U.S. Army
Isaac & Veronika Baines - U.S. Navy	Judith Hite - U.S. Army
Michael D. Faloon - National Guard	Jake Soukup - U.S. Army
Conor Knapp - U.S. Army	



**WELCOME TO ST. ALEXANDER!**

We extend a warm welcome to all our guests and visitors who have graced us with their presence at today's liturgy. We hope that you feel at home here; please let us know if we can be of any assistance while you are with us.

**ST. ALEXANDER PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Do you know someone who needs to be remembered? Do you have a relative, friend or neighbor who needs to know someone is praying for them?

We have a gift for you. St. Alexander's Prayer Shawl Ministry has handmade shawls and blankets that have been blessed, and are available to anyone who needs them. You just need to pick them up. They are available to all parishioners at the Parish Administrative Center during normal business hours.

**PLEASE NOTE**

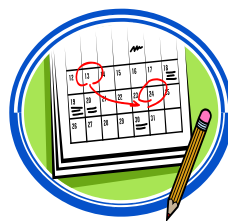
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**SAVE THE DATE**

**ST. ALEXANDER ANNUAL  
PARISH PICNIC  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>**

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**PRIESTS' HEALTH  
& RETIREMENT**



# Our Promise to Our Priests

Please support the health and well-being of our priests by making a generous gift to the Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA collection for the benefit of their healthcare and retirement needs.

**Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA**  
1400 South Wolf Road  
Building 3, Floor 2  
Hillside, IL 60162

**prmaa.org**

**A Prayer for "Renew My Church"**

*Lord Jesus, you speak to us today, as you spoke to holy men and women who have gone before us. In every age and in our own time, you call to us and say: Renew My Church.*

*Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us, and so enable us*

*to hear you clearly  
to listen to each other attentively  
to imagine our future boldly  
to discern your direction wisely  
to persevere in your holy will courageously  
to stay together in charity  
to surrender our own plans readily  
to embrace the greater good  
to hand on your gifts to future generations*

*May we remain in the holy company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles, and all the saints.*

*May their example and presence inspire us with patient confidence in the work of your grace.*

*We ask this of you who live and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen*



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### Home Bound or Ill?

If you, or someone you know, are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive communion in their home, please call either Deacon Jim Horton or Deacon Fran Pendergast at 708-448-4861.



### LEGACY PLANNING

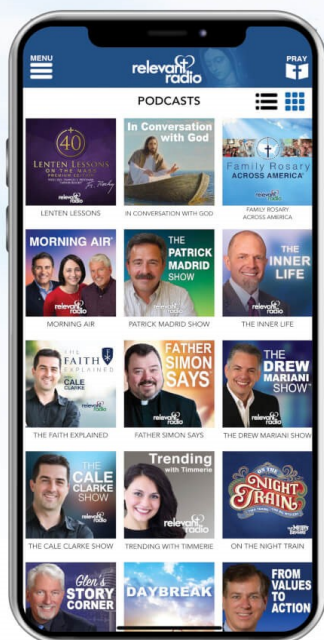
Please prayerfully consider remembering our parish when you update your estate plans. These gifts help us to build a solid foundation for the Catholic formation of future generations.

Prepare or update your will or trust today by contacting an attorney. For sample bequest language, contact Fr. Marty at 708-448-4861.

*Don't try to shine so that others will see you.  
Shine so that through you, others will see Christ.*

—Pope Francis

If any parish ministry or organization would like to have an announcement made at Mass we ask that you please have the information to the office by noon on Friday. This allows us to compile the books we need for weekend liturgies by the end of Friday. Also, please limit announcements to one or two sentences.



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Class of 1975  
50 Year Reunion**

The St Alexander's Class of 1975 is planning their 50 year reunion and is looking for members of their graduating class. Please request to join their Facebook Group: St. Alexander's Class of 1975 or send an email to Kathy Lombard Byars at stalsclassof75@gmail.com to be put on the invite list.

**PERPETUAL NOVENA  
TO ST. RITA OF CASCIA**

Join on Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. for the next monthly St. Rita of Cascia Novena Mass at the St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel, 7740 S. Western Avenue, Chicago. Confession is available at 6:00 p.m. Mass and novena prayers will begin at 7:00 p.m. Stay after mass to enjoy a slice of the famous Racine Danish Kringle and socialize with new friends. Secure and ample parking is available.

For more information visit our website at [stritashrinechicago.com](http://stritashrinechicago.com)

**Forgiveness**

**A Seminar  
at Gaelic Park**

Friday,  
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**Presenters:**

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Vicar of Priests for the Archdiocese of Chicago

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Psychologist and Career Counselor

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# Mass Intentions For The Week



## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD JUNE 1, 2025

### Saturday, May 31st

5:00 PM— Joseph Sloyan  
Catherine Wells  
Michael Walsh  
Raymond Schwaller

### Sunday, June 1st

7:30 AM— Aggie Palmer  
Thomas Chwierut  
Chet Chwierut  
Vincent & Mary Hoban  
Colleen J. Nix  
Irene Brajner  
Albert Collins  
9:30 AM— John Janik  
Fr. Edward Cronin  
Raymond & Marion Hunt  
Thomas Krull  
Joan Barry  
Lazaro Quizon  
Katie Conroy  
Don & Mary Tadda  
11:30 AM— Edward L. Dorgin  
John Polaski  
Mike Sweeney  
Helen Carroll

6:00 PM— For the Parishioners

### Monday, June 2nd (*Sts. Marcellinus and Peter*)

8:30 AM— Fr. Edward Cronin  
Beth King  
Tom Krull  
Colleen J. Nix  
Emelina Canlas-Salud—2nd Anniversary

### Tuesday, June 3rd (*St. Charles Lwanga & Companions*)

8:30 AM— Dorothy Janik  
Colleen J. Nix  
Joseph Rathnau  
Jennifer Aparo

### Wednesday, June 4th

8:30 AM— John Janik  
Colleen J. Nix  
Leonard Korby  
John & Rose Cranley

### Thursday, June 5th (*St. Boniface*)

8:30 AM— Colleen J. Nix  
Mary Lahey  
Joseph Rathnau

### Friday, June 6th (*St. Norbert*)

8:30 AM— Peter Murphy  
David Patrick O'Donnell  
Thomas Chwierut  
Colleen J. Nix  
Brock Marity

Maurice D. McClure  
Mike Sweeney  
Ann & Joseph Malacina  
Lisa Nolan  
Michael Block—Birthday Blessing

### Saturday, June 7th

8:00 AM— Colleen J. Nix  
Art & Lorraine Wittbrodt  
Chet & Thomas Chwierut  
Lisa Liceaga—Birthday Blessing  
Don Tadda  
Tom, Margaret, Pauline, & Tommy Macey  
Holy Souls in Purgatory  
1:00 PM— Wedding: Amanda Follenweider  
& William Lacey

## PENTACOST SUNDAY JUNE 8, 2025

### Saturday, June 7th

5:00 PM— Dan & Janet Crowley—40th Wedding  
Anniversary Blessing

### Sunday, June 8th

7:30 AM— Aggie Palmer  
Thomas Chwierut  
Chet Chwierut  
Catherine Hoban  
Colleen J. Nix  
Irene Brajner  
9:30 AM— Jimmy Pasquinnelli  
Raymond & Marion Hunt  
Owen & Theresa McAlinden  
Janeen Pikula  
Karen Read—Special Intention  
Bunny Rivoli  
Cheryl Jean Larson Weyh  
Don & Mary Tadda  
11:30 AM— Brian McGuire  
George Lombard—6th Anniversary  
Len Bruinius  
Helen Carroll  
Michael Hurley  
6:00 PM— For the Parishioners

### Prayer to Begin the Day

Lord God, may everything we do begin  
with your inspiration and continue with your  
help, so that all of our work today will bring us  
closer to you. Guide us in our work today,  
that we may do it not for ourselves alone,  
but for the common good of all.

We ask this in your name. Amen.

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