

St. Alexander Church

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 6 2024

The Palos Catholic



27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female." - Mk 10:3-6

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St. Alexander Parish Administration Directory

Parish Administrative Center

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Pastor: Rev. Martin Michniewicz ext. 227

Associate Pastor: Rev. Colm Mitchell ext. 223

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St. Alexander School

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

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School Web: www.stalexanderschool.com

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

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Coordinator of Religious Education: Tyler Ried

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Knight 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,

October is one of the months that we, as Roman Catholics, honor Mary, Queen of the Rosary. Mary was perfect in her love for God, and is a perfect example of how we should live our Christian lives. Please remember to say a prayer each day this October thanking Mary for her gifts and interceding for us with the Blessed Trinity. Never forget that our Blessed Mother loves us so much that she is praying for all of us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

As we celebrate the first Sunday of October we remember this is also RESPECT LIFE MONTH. Please know the baby bottles will be available at the back of church. For many years St. Alexander has participated in this important endeavor as we generously give to support life and help many expectant mothers who are in need. This project supports the Women’s Center and all they do to respect the sanctity of life from the moment of conception to a natural death.

I thank all those parishioners and people who participated in the Athletic Association’s Annual Golf Outing. Whether you golfed, sponsored a hole, donated an item, gave a donation, or prayed for the event, it was a great success.

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024		ST. ALEXANDER PARISH Finance Council Members <u>Fiscal Year 2024</u> Father Marty Peg Draguesku Joe Haberkorn Lisa Jurcev Chris Lawler Michael Lynch Michael McQuinn Paula Somers
Church Income	\$1,526,373.06	
Church Expense	\$1,386,828.74	
School Income	\$1,461,132.63	
School Expense	\$1,525,444.58	
Net Income over Expense for the Parish	\$ 75,232.37	
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024		
Total Parish Income	\$2,987,505.69	
Total Parish Expenses	\$2,912,273.32	
Income Exceeded Expenses	\$ 75,232.37	

Above is the Financial Report for the Fiscal Year 2024, which is July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. This is a great report. As you can see, the parish surplus exceeded expenses by \$75,232.37. Please remember that we made many improvements this past year which included the completion of the remodeling of rooms 311 and 312 into a larger meeting space. Also, this year’s report includes the payments for last summer’s tuckpointing and new gym/parish center roof. This also includes the removal of trees around our property, other landscaping improvements, new bathroom partitions in four washrooms within the school/gym, and other improvements to our buildings to ensure they are safe and updated.

Please know that we do not have outstanding loans with the Archdiocese of Chicago or any financial institution, and we are currently up to date with all bills. Thank you very much for your generosity which keeps our parish growing and enables us to keep up with the improvements that are needed on and keep our ministries growing at St. Alexander.

I ask that all parishioners please encourage friends, family, and others you meet if they are searching for a church to tell them to register at St. Alexander. Once again, thank you for all your spiritual and financial support to St. Alexander parish and its many ministries.

God Bless,
Father Marty



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:

- Michael Gembara**, husband of Carol
- John Kasman**, husband of Marilyn



BAPTIZED

On Sunday, September 29, 2024 **Martin John O'Grady**, son of Michael & Christine, was baptized by Fr. Colm Mitchell.

We welcome him into the family of the church and offer his parents our prayers and good wishes.

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



READINGS FOR THE WEEK
October 7-13, 2024

- Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/
Lk 10:25-37
- Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/
Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4
- Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/
Lk 11:5-13
- Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Lk 11:15-26
- Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/
Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 (14)/
Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-2

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION



As a young pastor years ago, I met with a middle-aged couple who had been divorced and civilly remarried. They were frustrated that an annulment had to precede a Church marriage. Sympathizing with their plight, I promised to walk with them along their journey. Once as we sat in my office, the man said to me, "Why is the Church so difficult on marriage?" I replied, "Actually, Jesus' teaching is what's difficult." He furrowed his brow and asked what I meant.

We opened the Bible and together read today's gospel passage from Mark 10:12 in which Jesus says, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another, commits adultery with her..." My two friends sat in silent astonishment. Surely Jesus understands the complexities of human life and sexual love. The words hung thick and heavy in the air. How could the merciful Lord be so seemingly unrealistic in his expectations, especially with so much divorce and remarriage in our world?

I didn't know what to say. So, we kept reading. Next, Jesus says, "Let the children come to me." The innocence of children allows them to receive and give love, to trust unconditionally, to believe in love that endures. Most children aren't yet jaded by statistics, broken hearts, or dysfunctional relationships. Children remind us of the world to come. The couple and I began to talk about child-like trust in Jesus and his teaching, and we continued to move forward. When it comes to the Church's demanding teaching on marriage, it's best to approach it as trusting children, whatever situations in which we find ourselves.

— Father John Muir

Today's Readings: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (see 5)/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12



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:

- Tatiana Ranftl Dale Yukich
- Maggie Campbell Lisa Krisik
- Eileen Long Linda Bagniewski
- Pat Jones Robert Prendergast
- Kevin Reynolds

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.

WELCOME!

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.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ST. THEODORE GUERIN
COUNCIL #14057**

**Meeting: Wednesday, October 9th
7:00 PM - Parish Lounge**

If you are interested in helping those in need, serving your parish, and growing in your faith, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. For membership information please call Deacon Fran Pendergast at 708-448-4861 or visit kofc14057.org for membership info.

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 Deacon Jim Horton or Deacon Fran Pendergast at 708-448-4861.

COMMUNION MINISTERS

Saturday, October 12th

5:00 PM— Mary Ceebin, Steve Lukasik,
Sharon Mundo

Sunday, October 13th

7:30 AM— Betty Chwierut, Pat Sobczak,
Karen McNeal
9:30 AM— John Kelbowski, Wendy Loftus,
Dorothy McCloskey
11:30 AM— Jeff & Ofelia Foreman, Rosemary Dziuba
6:00 PM— Michael Collins



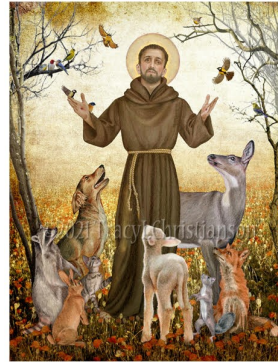
READERS

Saturday, October 12th

5:00 PM— Bill Rogers

Sunday, October 13th

7:30 AM— Paula Somers
9:30 AM— Melissa Duckett, Linda Buchanan
11:30 AM— Ryan Alberts
6:00 PM— James Clark



**THE BLESSING
OF THE PETS**
with Fr. Colm
Mitchell and Deacon
Francis Pendergast
TODAY
2:00PM—outside the
parish lounge.

Life Chain Sunday
October 6th — 2:00-3:30 pm

Today is Life Chain Sunday. Please take 90 minutes today to stand with us as we silently and lovingly proclaim that abortion is not a solution ... it is a critical mistake. We will meet in front of Oberweis on 159th Street and Harlem Avenue. Please arrive by 2:00pm to pick up your sign, and then display God's love with a warm welcoming smile to passers-by. See you there!



Respect Life

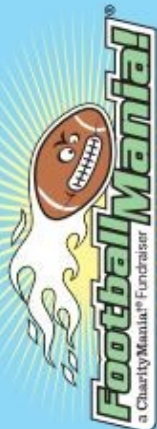
**Pick up a baby bottle,
help a mother in need.**

Our parish will be participating in The Baby Bottle Project benefitting The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland. This non-profit organization directly assists mothers and families experiencing crisis pregnancies by offering emotional, financial, material, and spiritual support.

Baby bottles will be available after Masses **TODAY**. Please take a bottle, fill it with your spare change, and return it to the parish by the **NOVEMBER 3RD**.

The bottles cost almost \$1.00 each and are re-used afterward, so please return them with your donation. You may also write a check payable to The Women's Center. Thank you!

An exciting sweepstakes based on professional football!



TICKETS ON SALE AFTER MASSES 10/13 & 10/20
Tickets/\$20 each and good for the last 10 games of the regular NFL season
Last year, we had winners every week!

Sweepstakes begins on Oct 31, 2024

How the sweepstakes works

- Each game card contains 3 random football teams in each of the last 10 weeks of the pro football season
- Add up the points scored by your 3 teams each week
- If your total score is in the top 25, you win money!
- The 5 lowest scoring game cards also win
- 30 total prizes paid out each of the 10 weeks!
- Two grand prizes awarded at the end of the season

How to follow along and get results

- Track your results each week on the CharityMania website at www.CharityMania.com
- Download the FootballMania iPhone app to see results on your phone
- You will be contacted by the organization if you win

What people get for \$20

- The purchaser gets access to music and book downloads from the CharityStudio.
- Over \$20 worth of digital music from up-and-coming artists from around the country
- With each purchase, you get the promotional FootballMania sweepstakes game card for free

Want more information?

- We recommend you watch the short video overview at <http://www.charitymania.com/videos/EM10>
- Official rules and results can be found on the CharityMania website
- Contact your participating organization.

Music Downloads for Charity!

The detachable stub is your receipt. It contains your access code that allows you to download digital music from our website. You can also use the stub to view additional information on our website. See the back of this stub to view additional information on our website. See the back of this stub to view additional information on our website.

Check your game card # **1234 - 9A501**

Check your game card # **1234 - 9A501**

FootballMania 10 Week Sweepstakes Rules

1) Your game card contains 30 different football teams, each with 30 points. Each week, 5 teams are selected to play. The points for each team are added up to determine the total points for each week. The 5 cards that score the most total points relative to all other cards in a given week. The 5 cards that score the most total points relative to all other cards in a given week. The 5 cards that score the most total points relative to all other cards in a given week. The 5 cards that score the most total points relative to all other cards in a given week.

Your FootballMania teams by week		
1) Oct 31 - Nov 4 Baltimore New York Jets San Francisco	2) Nov 7 - Nov 11 Detroit Pittsburgh Washington DC	3) Nov 14 - Nov 18 Atlanta Green Bay Houston
4) Nov 21 - Nov 25 New York Jets New York Giants Tennessee	5) Nov 28 - Dec 2 Detroit Denver Philadelphia	6) Dec 5 - Dec 9 Green Bay Arizona
7) Dec 12 - Dec 16 Carolina New York Jets Oakland	8) Dec 19 - Dec 23 Chicago New England Seattle	9) Dec 26 - Dec 30 Cincinnati New York Jets Minnesota
10) Jan 2 - Jan 6 Cleveland Jacksonville Kansas City	<p>For Weeks 4 football teams that do not play (i.e. has a bye) for a given week is assigned 0 points. Teams score from the previous week.</p> <p>Scan this code with your phone! View results, winners, official rules, and learn how the game is played.</p>	

Organization Name

City, State and Zip Code

Phone number

Stub

You collect the game card holder's contact info and return the stub to your organization.

1234 9A501

Name _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Full Mailing _____

Scan to watch how to play and win!

The Ticket with Music Access Code

To raise money, you sell CharityMania Tickets (i.e. the stub here at the top). With each ticket, buyers get an access code that allows them to download digital music from our CharityStudio.

The Promotional Sweepstakes Game Card!

A promotional game card is located beneath each CharityMania ticket. Sweepstakes participants have a chance to win \$1000s in prize money based on the number of points scored by the teams printed on the back of the game card.

Your Contact Info

The name and contact information for your organization is printed directly on the front of the game card so people know whom they are supporting.

Example Winner

Let's say your game card has these teams in Week 6

Team	Points Scored
Dallas	42
Green Bay	35
Arizona	41
Total points	118

If the total combined points scored by the teams is one of the 25 highest, or 5 lowest this week, then the game card wins prize money!

Rules and Winners

The sweepstakes rules are written on the game card. In addition, card holders are encouraged to visit the CharityMania website to see if they are a winner. Winners are posted after the completion of all the games each week of the sweepstakes.

Scan to watch how to play and win!



10 weeks to win!
30 prizes each week!

Awareness  Services  Prevention



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH
2024




24/7 HOTLINE: 708-429-SAFE



DIGITAL ABUSE
Know the Signs

- Sending insulting or threatening texts
- Posting hurtful comments on social media
- Demanding your passwords/login for email or social media accounts
- Deciding who you can be friends with on social media
- Looking through your phone or computer without your consent
- Controlling who you can call or text
- Using location tagging or spyware to track you
- Demanding or sending explicit photos or videos without your consent





DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH
AWARENESS - SERVICES - PREVENTION

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

PRAY FOR OUR



MILITARY

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
- Stephen LaPiana - U.S. Army
- Matthew Brennan - U.S. Air Force
- Andrew Nissen - U.S. Marines
- Shannon Lungaro - U.S. Navy
- Alan Filipiak - U.S. Navy
- A. Amanda Cleland - U.S. Air Force
- Joshua Bramlett U.S. Navy
- Amanda Brennan - U.S. Army
- Kyle Hite - U.S. Army
- Gino Albergo - U.S. Army
- James M. Bilder - U.S. Army
- Nicholas Wineman - U.S. Marines
- Kate Ridsen - U.S. Navy
- Kevin Lewis - U.S. Navy
- Michael Lindstrom - U.S. Army
- Ryan Graeber - U.S. Marines
- Mary Kate Wetzels - U.S. Marines
- Chloe Van Witzenburg - U.S. Army
- Hanna Van Witzenburg - U.S. Army
- Isaac & Veronika Baines - U.S. Navy
- Michael D. Faloon - National Guard
- Conor Knapp - U.S. Army

- Robert Brennan - U.S. Army
- Scott Milcarek - U.S. Army
- Charles Berglund - U.S. Marines
- Patrick Pratl - U.S. Navy
- Andrew Cleland - U.S. Army
- John Hoban III - U.S. Army
- Mark Filipiak - U.S. Marines
- Steven Lungaro - U.S. Navy
- Matthew Bramlett - U.S. Navy
- David Lindstrom - National Guard
- Daniel Weakley - U.S. Navy
- Stephen Vossler - U.S. Navy
- Vito Barraco - U.S. Army
- Ryan Grant - U.S. Army
- Nicholas Crot - U.S. Marines
- Jose Sanchez - U.S. Army
- Ben St. Aubin - U.S. Navy
- Hunter Leschman - U.S. Navy
- Cody Goldman - National Guard
- Cameron Smentek - U.S. Army
- Judith Hite - U.S. Army
- Jake Soukup - U.S. Army

ST. ALEXANDER MEMORIAL MASS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH



**A special Memorial Mass will be celebrated
on Monday, November 4th at 7:00 PM.**

**Families of those who have lost a loved one
whose funeral was at St. Alexander, especially
in the past five years, are invited to join us.**

**If you would like your loved ones name read at Mass,
please call the Parish Office at 708-448-4861.**

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.*

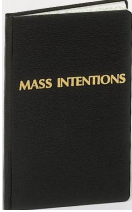
*We ask this of you who live and reign with the
Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
forever and ever. Amen*

CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE




St. Alexander Youth Ministry

**Order Dates:
November 1-2 & 9-10**




MASS INTENTIONS

Please visit, or call, the parish office if you would like to have a Mass intention for 2024 or 2025. Please note that Mass intentions are not just for the deceased but for anyone you would like to include in prayer.



E-Giving Made Easy

If you would like to make a one-time electronic donation, please scan this bar code.



Scroll down to "One –Time Gifts" and enter the amount and type of payment. It's that simple!

WORD OF LIFE

"When we meet Jesus in the Eucharist, this encounter has the power to change us. The Eucharist has the power to transform the depths of our hearts and the heart of our culture. United to the power of his Eucharistic Presence, may we work to ensure that each person has life—and has it in abundance."

—USCCB Secretariat of Pro-life Activities


FAITH DIRECT®
inspiring secure giving®

Many of you may take advantage of the convenience of electronic giving to our parish and we are grateful for that. For those of you who have yet to join us in giving online, we strongly encourage you to do so. Here's why:

Faith Direct enables parishioners to make your Church contributions through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way out the door. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car or tuition payments.

Faith Direct also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket. **To cancel your monthly envelopes, please notify the parish office at 708-448-4861. This is not done automatically when signing up for electronic giving.**

Please visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll securely online. Or, download the Faith Direct app onto your smartphone. Our parish code is **IL910**.



Opportunity for Spiritual Direction

Christian Spiritual Direction is an ancient spiritual discipline that is a way of companioning people as they seek to look closely, through the eyes of their heart, at the guidance and transforming work of God in their lives. Direction is given by one believer to another and helps the seeker to respond to the Holy Spirit's communication by living out this relationship with God. The focus of this type of spiritual direction is on experience, not ideas, and specifically on the religious dimension of experience.

Moreover, experiences are viewed as an expression of the ongoing personal relationship God has established with each one of us. The director is considered a gentle guide in this process. Spiritual direction meetings take place once a month in a one on one setting. Prayer, silence, and listening are used to assist the seeker in discerning the movement of the Holy Spirit in their lives. All conversations take place in strict confidentiality.

If you are interested in getting more details about or using Spiritual Direction ministry, please contact Deacon Mike Ciciura at 630-243-9342 or mciciura@archchicago.org

Hope's On The Way Buckets of Hope 2024 Campaign

Each year, the deacons of the Archdiocese of Chicago along with lay volunteers serving in the Hope's On The Way (HOTW) Ministry deliver Buckets of Hope filled with emergency cleaning supplies to victims of natural disasters throughout the United States. HOTW has shipped over 6,700 buckets to people stricken by hurricanes, tornadoes and flooding in locations including Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Illinois and many others. HOTW relies on the generosity of parishioners to support this ministry by either donating money to HOTW to have HOTW volunteers purchase cleaning supplies, or parishioners can purchase the specified cleaning supplies to fill five-gallon buckets that HOTW provides and picks up.

For those parishioners who prefer to fill HOTW Buckets, here is the process:

- Pickup empty five gallon buckets with the list of cleaning supplies after all Masses the weekend of **September 22nd**
- Purchase the cleaning supplies (typically around \$30 per bucket), fill the buckets, and return the filled buckets to Church
- Filled buckets are due back at Church no later than **October 13th**

Buckets of Hope Cleaning Supplies Content List:

Supplier: Dollar Tree

Laundry Detergent 42 to 60 oz size

LA's Totally Awesome Floor Cleaner 48 oz size.

LA's Totally Awesome dishwasher detergent 30 oz size.

1 pack of 5 heavy duty scouring pads, or 3 packs of 2 if no packs of 5.

1 can of Glade odor control aerosol spray.

1 pack of 36 wooden clothes pins.

1 pack of Brillo (or any other brand) large reuseable latex gloves.

1 box of Good Sense heavy duty garbage bags, 30 gallon size, 7 or 9 per box.

1 box of Brillo reuseable wipes, 9 per box.

1 plastic scrub buddy scrub brush.

Face masks (optional)

Supplier: Menards

100 feet of 7/32 inch clothes line SKU 2140577 \$2.99

1 pair of leather work gloves. SKU 6601034 \$2.79

For those parishioners who prefer to make a monetary donation, please give cash or a check made out to Hope's On The Way and put it in an envelope marked "Buckets of Hope" by the weekend of **October 13th**

Thanks in advance for your generosity, Hope's On The Way Ministry!

ST ALEXANDER BUNDLE WEEKEND
OCTOBER 4TH HOURS 9:00AM-2:00PM
OCTOBER 5TH HOURS 9:00AM-6:00PM
OCTOBER 6TH 8:30AM-1:00PM

We are in need of baby clothing, children and adult clothing, including torn, worn, etc... linens, small



appliances, bags of rags, lamps, kitchenware, knickknacks, small furniture, rugs, shoes, boots , slippers, purses, suitcases, books, albums, CDs, DVDs, tools, toys.

NEW FULL SIZE toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant, and bar soap.

These items will be sent to Beds Plus.

Want to help load the trucks?
Need service hours?
Call Joan DeVito 708 267 5146
Please leave a message.

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TRIVIA NIGHT ST. ALEXANDER PARISH CENTER SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

**BRING YOUR OWN
BEVERAGES & SNACKS!**

**TABLE DECORATING
CONTEST & PRIZES!**

**NEW TRIVIA EMCEE & QUESTIONS THIS YEAR!
(SIX ROUNDS LASTING APPROX. 2 HOURS 15 MINUTES)**

RESERVE YOUR TABLE TODAY!

\$10 PER PERSON —TABLES/TEAMS OF 8

**IF YOU DON'T HAVE A COMPLETE TEAM SIGN UP ANYWAY!
INDIVIDUALS OR COUPLES...WE'LL PLACE YOU ON A TEAM**

Sign up at the after Mass sales or drop off the completed form and payment at the Parish Administrative Office. Access this form online on our webpage — stalexanderpalos.org

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TRIVIA NIGHT TEAM MEMBERS

Team Name: _____ Team Captain: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Member 1: _____ Member 2: _____

Member 3: _____ Member 4: _____

Member 5: _____ Member 6: _____

Member 7: _____ Member 8: _____

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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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OCT 17 6:30-8:30 PM
ST. ELIZABETH SEATON RECTORY
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BYOC (Bring Your Own Chair)
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SUNDAY 10:15-11:30AM
SAVE orders may also be brought to the Parish Administrative Center. Orders dropped off by 5:00PM on Wednesday are available for pick-up Thursday after Noon at the PAC. They may also be picked up during sale hours in the SAVE room on Sunday.

Mass Intentions For The Week



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 6, 2024

Saturday, October 5th

5:00 PM— Helen Cieplak
Nancy Tarka
Francis J. Pendergast Jr.
Lori Czech
Joseph Rathnau
Raymond P. Peckler

Sunday, October 6th

7:30 AM— Aggie Palmer
Vincent & Mary Hoban
Mary Jane Fitzpatrick
Thomas Chwierut
Colleen J. Nix

9:30 AM— For the Parishioners
Lisetta Romeo
Brian Cadore
Donna M. & Joseph A. Feldner, SGM
Loren J. Feldner, DDS
Raymond & Marion Hunt

11:30 AM— George Lombard
Wittenborn Family
Barbara Chirillo
James Donovan
Special Intention

6:00 PM— Special Intention

Monday, October 7th (*Our Lady of the Rosary*)

8:30 AM— Theresa Urbanski
Sophia & Walter Feiling
Colleen J. Nix

Tuesday, October 8th

8:30 AM— Rev. Edward J. Cronin
Joseph Rathnau
Colleen J. Nix
Mike & Pat—Blessings

Wednesday, October 9th (*St. Denis; St. John Leonardi*)

8:30 AM— James Grzeczka
Rebecca Czurylo
Johnathan & Jenna Lipke—Ann. Blessing
Lisa Nolan
Colleen J. Nix
Mary Jane Fitzpatrick
James J. Flanagan
Joseph Olszewski
Dr. Adolfo Maglaya

Thursday, October 10th

8:30 AM— Rich Griffin
Mary Kate Graff
Joseph Rathnau
Colleen J. Nix
Dr. Adolfo Maglaya
Jerry Skelly—Birthday Blessing

Friday, October 11th (*St. John XXIII, Pope*)

8:30 AM— Marie McGuckin
Steve Weber
Colleen J. Nix
Richard Kwiecinski
Dr. Adolfo Maglaya
Florencio & Juana Magalaya

Saturday, October 12th

8:00 AM— John "Jack" Cranley—2nd Anniversary
Colleen J. Nix

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 13, 2024

Saturday, October 12th

5:00 PM— Joann Schwabe
Francis Pendergast Jr.
Lori Czech
Eleanore & Ken Reilly
Cynthia Best
Raymond P. Peckler

Sunday, October 13th

7:30 AM— Bernard Ziobro
Poor Souls in Purgatory
Ed Dombrowski
Aggie Palmer
Catherine Hoban
Mary Jane Fitzpatrick
Colleen J. Nix

9:30 AM— Donna M. & Joseph A. Feldner, SGM
Loren J. Feldner, DDS
Joseph & Margaret Feldner
Richard Budz
Raymond & Marion Hunt
Jim Barry
Kurt Klecan

11:30 AM— For the Parishioners
John Svabek
James Grisolano
Martin Berquist
Frank M. Flynn
Joe O'Connor

6:00 PM— Florence Litz
Joseph Rathnau



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