

St. Alexander Church

Second Sunday of Advent

December 7, 2025

The Palos Catholic



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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
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St. Alexander School

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

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Religious Education Office

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

Phone: 708-448-6624

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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,

We are only eighteen days away from celebrating the birth of our Lord at Christmas. I'm sure everybody is busy shopping, baking, decorating, and other duties that accompany this holiday season. But let us not forget what Advent is all about: preparing ourselves for our Lord's coming. We can do this best through attending Mass, prayer, acts of charity and through reconciliation for past wrongs and hurts with God and our fellow man. Let us all make sure we find time in our busy schedules to pray and open our hearts for the Christ child.

Throughout Advent and the Christmas season many of us will be visiting and celebrating the season with relatives, hopefully in a safe manner. Unfortunately there are many people in our community who are homebound due to illness or abandonment. Please remember to keep all our sick and homebound in your prayers throughout the Christmas season. This is also the time of year where the flu, colds, pneumonia, and other ailments are ever present. Be careful and keep yourself healthy and safe.

Please remember, Monday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. We, at St. Alexander will celebrate this Holy Day with a Mass on Monday morning December 8th at 8:30AM and Monday evening at 7:00PM. Out school children will celebrate the Holy Day with an all school Mass at 10:00AM.

Our Advent Communal Penance Service will be held on Tuesday, December 9th at 7:00PM in the church. Please consider attending this special service to reconcile your relationship with God and one another as we prepare ourselves for the anniversary of our Lord's birth on Christmas Day.

On page five of our bulletin is the schedule of our Christmas Masses and liturgies for our Christmas season. Due to popular demand we have two 3:00PM Masses on Christmas, one in the church and one in the parish center. This year January 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated Tuesday evening, December 31st at 5:00PM and Wednesday, January 1st at 10:00AM.

This year we once again have Oplatki, the Christmas Wafer, which will be available in the back of church this weekend and for purchase at the parish office. The donation is \$3.00.

Remember we are still accepting donations for this year's Sharing Tree which will support those families in need. If you are supporting this worthy cause, we ask that you please turn in your donation today in the collection basket or at the parish office on Monday.

Next weekend, December 13th and 14th, there is a special envelope in your packet on behalf of the Retirement Fund For Religious. Many religious orders are in dire need of funds for the numerous retirees who have served the Church throughout the years. Over the past 27 years, the Retirement Fund For Religious appeal has provided much needed help for those dedicated religious who ministered in the spirit of the gospel with no priority given to retirement funding. I ask that everyone be generous to this special collection. Please read Cardinal Cupich's letter on page five regarding the collection.

Finally, please keep all our college students in your prayers as they study and take their finals which will end the semester. Also let's pray that they pass all their classes and have not wasted the generosity of their parents who are probably footing the bill for school.

God Bless,
Father Marty



The following children were baptized by Father Colm Mitchell on Sunday, November 23, 2025.

Jack Damon Page, son of Matthew & Kara

Georgia Hart Wood, daughter of Joseph & Mary

The following children were baptized by Deacon Mike Ciciura on Sunday, November 30, 2025.

Carter James Creighton, son of Shawn & Ashley

Olivia Katarzyna Finger,
daughter of Richard & Kathy

We welcome them into the family of the church and offer their parents our prayers and good wishes.



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:

John Cronin, brother of Denny

Mary Egan, wife of John

Rosa Greenwald, mother of Jennifer Allison

Raymond Young, uncle of Brian



READINGS FOR THE WEEK December 8-14, 2025

- Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12,
13/Mt 18:12-14
- Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/
Mt 11:28-30
- Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11,
12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15
- Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38
or Lk 1:39-47
- Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16,
18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
(see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11



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:

Lisa Krisik

Molly Flynn

Denise Jandura

Elizabeth Hannan Hurley

Brody Lynch

Rich Jandura

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.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION



This week we hear that John the Baptist is out in the wilderness eating "locusts and wild honey" (Mark 1:6). It's not just a strange historical detail. It's a symbolic expression of a healthy spiritual diet. The path to Christ includes both the hard and the beautiful, the gritty and the sweet. We have to learn to gulp the locusts and savor the honey.

I remember working with a young couple preparing for marriage. They were sincere, but raw — barely beginning to discover faith. Part of me wanted to rush them ahead, to fill in all the gaps, to bombard them with scripture and church documents. I swallowed that instinct. It was like eating locusts.

But I also recall them light up as they spoke about each other, about their first child, then their second. And they wanted to be close to God. Something innocent and beautiful was unfolding. That was the honey. I knew God was asking me to savor it.

This Advent, maybe we're each being invited to accept both locusts and honey. Maybe it's time to stop avoiding the difficult parts of faith — prayer that feels dry, the call to repentance, the patience with the troublesome. It's time to eat some locusts.

But we also need to notice the small gifts God gives us: a peaceful moment, a good conversation, the joy of serving someone else, new life, good intentions of our friends. That's the honey. Savor it!

John didn't avoid either. He took it all in. And so can we. What are your locusts? Your honey? If we let God feed us with both, we'll be ready — really ready — for the coming of Christ.

— Father John Muir

Today's Readings: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13,
17 (see 7)/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-1

Hospitality Ministry

Join us for Hospitality after the 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Mass on the first Sunday of each month
We hope to see you there!

St. Alexander Sharing Tree Donations Due Today!

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For
God so
loved the
world He gave
His one and only
Son that whoever
believes in Him shall not
perish but have eternal life
John
3:16

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.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Tuesday, December 9th 7:00PM

Join us for a prayerful evening as we celebrate God's love for us through His forgiveness and His real presence in the Eucharist.



ST. ALEXANDER YOUTH MINISTRY

**Thank you for supporting our
annual Christmas wreath sale!**



Advent is twofold, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight.

Available in the church vestibule after all weekend Masses or in the Parish Office during regular business hours.
DONATION: \$3/PACKET



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.

BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, December 11^h



We will meet at 2:00PM in Room 311 to discuss the Blessed Mother Mary as Queen Mother in both the Old and New Testament. It's a wonderful opportunity to learn about the Bible and our Blessed Mother. All are welcome. Please come and join us.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING
THE BIBLE WITH YOU!**



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!

PAINT & SIP EVENT





ST. ALEXANDER SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



8th Grade working on Robotics Fair projects for the fair on Sunday, February 1, 2026



AN ADVENT PRAYER

May the God of peace make us completely holy.
 May God keep us blameless
 in spirit, soul and body
 for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
 Forever faithful is the One who calls us--
 God our Father!
 Expectant, let us live in joyful hope for the
 revelation of the glory
 of our God and Savior, Christ Jesus!
 To him be glory forever! Come, Lord Jesus!
 Your grace be with us all.
 --From Come, Lord Jesus by Lucien Deiss

COMMUNITY DINNER

Community Dinner's are held
 on the third Tuesday of the month
 at 6:00 PM in our Parish Center
 Next Dinner: December 16th

We ask that if you plan on attending
 please call the parish office
 at 708-448-4861 and let us
 know for the food count

**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



The Knights of Columbus
 will offer Keep Christ in
 Christmas magnets and
 yard signs after Masses
 this weekend and
 December 13th & 14th

Proceeds will support our
 annual Coats for Kids program which provides
 new, warm winter coats for needy children in
 our sharing parish.

The Keep Christ in Christmas program is de-
 signed as a way to encourage our neighbors to
 shift from preoccupation with materialism to the
 light of Christ, the spirit of giving, and the true
 meaning of Christmas.

Donation: \$5/magnet and \$10/yard sign

COMMUNION MINISTERS**Saturday, December 13th**

5:00 PM— Sharon Mundo, Mary Ceebin

Sunday, December 14th

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

9:30 AM— Melissa Duckett, Pat Karrasch,
 Joan Obiala, Mary Beth Flynn (LG)

11:30 AM— Paul Sullivan, Jeff & Ofelia Foreman

6:00 PM— Sharon Ayres, Merrill Jurgens,
 Michael Collins

**READERS****Saturday, December 13th**

5:00 PM— Charlie Smith, Bill Rogers

Sunday, December 14th

7:30 AM— Mark Foster, Paula Somers

9:30 AM— Rich Cruz, Frank Lonergan

11:30 AM— Joan DeVito

6:00 PM— Bob Ayres, Johanna Jurgens





CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE....STOCK UP NOW!!!

It's time to start stocking up on SAVE! We have many retailers and restaurants, both local and national, to help make your holiday shopping easier. Gift cards make great gifts!

DID YOU KNOW.... SAVE is a program where you can buy gift cards or certificates for many retailers and restaurants, both local and national. Pick up a list of participating vendors or check out all our SAVE vendors on the website www.raiseright.com. This site has many additional vendors to choose from; besides those carried in-house. The order procedure for these cards is the same as a regular SAVE order.

Orders may be dropped off at the Parish Administrative Center Monday thru Wednesday, during normal business hours 9:00AM-5:00PM or through the school. Pick up completed orders at the Parish Administrative Center after Noon on Thursday or during sale hours in the Parish Activity Room on Sunday from 10:15 - 11:30AM.

The credit you receive for your SAVE purchases can be applied towards tuition payments or fees at any educational facility; grade school through college — public or private. It can even be applied to pay off college loans!! You may also choose to have the credit returned directly to you. The school is also a beneficiary of the SAVE program!

**THE LAST DAY TO PURCHASE SAVE FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
WILL BE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21ST FROM 10:15—11:30AM!**

LAST DAY FOR SPECIAL ORDERS IS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

MASS INTENTIONS

Contact the parish office if you would like to have a Mass intention for 2025 or 2026. Please note that Mass intentions are not just for the deceased but for anyone you would like to include in prayer.

DON'T TAKE A VACATION FROM CHURCH

"Catholic Mass Times Church Directory" or "Mass Times for Travel" are free apps which give you Mass times all over the country. Or visit the sites www.masstimes.org and www.findaparish.com.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Vigil December 24th

3:00 PM — Church
3:00 PM — Parish Center
5:00 PM — Church
10:00 PM — Church

Christmas Day December 25th

7:30 AM — Church
9:30 AM — Church
11:30 AM — Church

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph December 27th 5:00 PM

December 28th 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 6:00 PM

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God December 31st 5:00 PM January 1st 10:00 AM

Please note January 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation

Join Us For A

Dueling Pianos Extravaganza

Hosted By
St. Al's FSA
JANUARY 9, 2026




DOORS OPEN AT 6PM
PIANO SHOW AT 8PM

TICKETS \$35 PER PERSON - \$60 PER COUPLE

BYOB & SNACKS
21 & OVER EVENT

ParishSOFT

If you would like to make a one-time electronic donation or sign up for recurring gifts please scan this bar code.



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.

Home Bound or Ill?

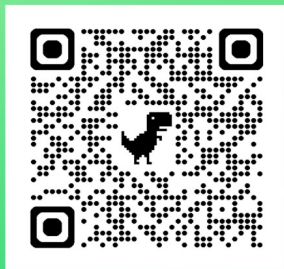
If you, or someone you know, are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive communion in their home, please call either Deacon Jim Horton or Deacon Fran Pendergast at 708-448-4861.



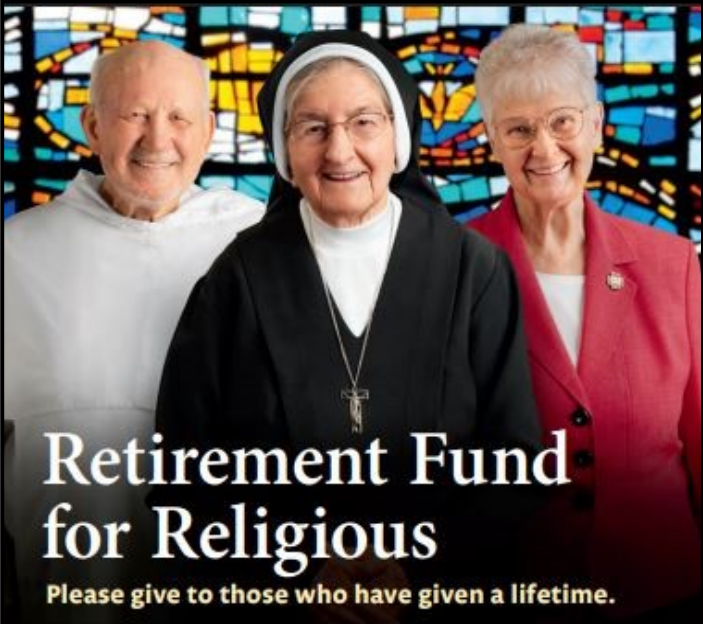
Sacrament
of Communion

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INFORMATION ABOUT

- Religious Ed
- Youth Ministry
(JR High/ High School)
- Stay and Play



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Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

Please donate at your local parish, or by mail at:

National Religious Retirement Office

3211 Fourth Street NE

Washington DC 20017-1194

Make check payable to Retirement Fund for Religious.

retiredreligious.org

St Blasé Food Pantry of Catholic Charities, St Vincent DePaul Society, & Knights Of Columbus THANK YOU!

The weekend of November 8th and 9th saw a food drive here at St Alexander's Parish that was truly exceptional. The food collected filled to overflowing capacity 26 of the large blue/grey carts you see around St Alexander's.

Tuesday morning November 12th required three SUVs packed to maximum capacity to make the delivery.

The Albertine Sisters, who run the food pantry, left us with three statements which deserve repeating: "Thank You", "This is more food than we would expect from 5 parishes", and "This is enough food for a week of serving the community."

Thank you to all who contributed. Please know that we sponsor an ongoing weekly food drive. You may drop off your donation at any time by placing it on the bench outside the atrium in our narthex. This is just around the corner to the right as you enter the glass front doors and pass by the wooden entrance doors to our church.



Pilgrimage

The app for your Catholic journey

Do you attend Mass regularly, but crave something more? Using the new Pilgrimage app, you can journey through Scripture with friends, and your group. Your group will have access to a message board, which enables you to ask questions, start discussions, share content and connect with fellow group members, all from within the app. Learn more: www.pilgrimage.americanbible.org/

WORD OF LIFE

"Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother." Learn how at respectlife.org/support-her.

—USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Congratulations to Week 4 Winners



Card #922-5G003
Winner: Jim Laging
Paid \$25
Ticket sold by: Parishioner



ST. ALEXANDER DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MINISTRY

The mission of the Domestic Violence Ministry of St. Alexander Parish is to raise awareness of domestic violence in our parish; to promote the development and delivery of services in our community; and to advocate for the prevention of domestic violence through education and parish activities.

If you need help contact:

- National DV Hotline: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
- Illinois DV Helpline: 1-877-TOENDDV (1-877-863-6338)
- Crisis Center for South Suburbia: 1-708-429-SAFE (7233)

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

"The Little Blue Book"

"The Little Blue Book" is an Advent/Christmas devotional and prayer resource for you to use during the Advent and Christmas season.

It contains meditations on the Advent/Christmas season, reflections on the saints, and many different prayers. The page for each day contains a passage from one of the gospel readings of the season for reflection and a variety of thoughts about the Advent/Christmas season.

The books will be available for you this weekend on the table in the back of church.

Please take one per family since there are a limited number this year. If you feel it is appropriate, please feel free to leave a free will donation to cover some of the cost. Hopefully this small resource will enhance your experience of the Advent and Christmas seasons this year.

MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please email your print ready information, in a word, jpeg or pdf file, to Nancy Romano at nromano33@aol.com. The information will be used as space in the bulletin is available.

<u>Bulletin Date</u>	<u>Submit by Date</u>
December 28	December 12
January 4	December 16

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to meet the publisher's deadline!

PRAY DAILY

Each Christian needs half an hour of prayer each day, except when we are busy; then we need an hour.

—St. Francis de Sales

PART TIME HELP NEEDED

Sight challenged female looking for help part time. Monday through Friday. Flexible hours. Must have driver license. Help with doing errands etc. If interested please call 708 218 1957

Part-Time Nurse's Aide POSITION AVAILABLE

Amazing opportunity for a fulfilling career! Do you have a caring, serving heart with a passion for making a difference in someone's life? For over 87 years we have been lovingly caring for the elderly and are committed to providing the highest quality of care for our Residents.

ROSARY HILL HOME is looking to immediately add a Part-Time Nurse's Aide (PM shift) to our family. For more details, please **contact Sister Natalie** regarding this position: **708-458-3040**.

ROSARY HILL HOME

9000 W. 81st Street, Justice, IL 60458

P: 708-458-3040 / F: 708-458-7230

info@rosaryhillhome.com

<https://www.sistersop.com>

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Put the NUNS in Charge!
By Vicki Ouade

One Night Only!

St. George Parish Life Center

A night of comedy so funny it ought to be a sin!
From the creator of Late Nite Catechism this show has
Mother Superior sharing her thoughts on everything
from cell phones to road rage!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2026
DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM
\$25 TICKET INCLUDES PIZZA
BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGES
AND SNACKS

Reserve your seat in Sister's class by purchasing
tickets at the school or rectory office.
For more information call 708-532-2243

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.

Mass Intentions For The Week

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 7, 2025

Saturday, December 6th

5:00 PM— Dennis Durak Jr.
Dale Yukich
Marcy Nelson
Marilyn Reddy
Dave Shannon
Maria Parisi
Paul Lunter

Sunday, December 7th

7:30 AM— Colleen J. Nix
Irene Brajner
Paul Pendergast
Cynthia Plescher
Vincent & Mary Hoban
Doug Murphy
Tom & Chet Chwierut
9:30 AM— Janeen Pikula
Raymond & Marion Hunt
Carolyn Lowery
Mary Foscett
Don & Mary Tadda
11:30 AM— Robert Oravec
Family Blessings
Clement Hohmer
George Lombard
Tom Scanlon
John Svabek
6:00 PM— For the Parishioners
Margaret Fried

Monday, December 8th (*The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*)

8:30 AM— Special Intention, Colleen J. Nix
Michael A. Ferro, Chet & Tom Chwierut
Brian Geary, Tom Scanlon
James Nix—Special Intention
Jerry Haase
7:00 PM— Sharon Youssi
Special Intention
Karen Vasil

Tuesday, December 9th (*St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin*)

8:30 AM— John Foster Sr.
Colleen J. Nix
Fr. Thomas Mescall
Ed Dombrowski—5th Anniversary
Jennifer Aparo
Eric & Sue Zempich & Fam.—Special Int.
Jerry Haase
Karen Vasil
Special Intention

Wednesday, December 10th (*Our Lady of Loreto*)

8:30 AM— Colleen J. Nix
Ed Rekruciak
Dolores Mallo
Lisa & Alex Liceago & Family—Sp. Int.
Karen Vasil
Special Intention

Thursday, December 11th (*St. Damasus I, Pope*)

8:30 AM— Colleen J. Nix
Marilyn Sutley
Chris Conroy—Healing Intention
Karen Vasil
Special Intention

Friday, December 12th (*Our Lady of Guadalupe*)

8:30 AM— Tony & Lisetta Romeo
Colleen J. Nix
Janeen Feldner-Pikula
Steve Weber
Mark Zempich & Family—Sp. Intention
Special Intention
Karen Vasil
Elba C. Salazar

Saturday, December 13th (*St. Lucy*)

8:00 AM— Colleen J. Nix
Janeen Feldner-Pikula
Chet & Tom Chwierut
Diane & Ray Martinez & Family—Sp. Int.
Special Intention
Kaven Vasil

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 14, 2025

Saturday, December 13th

5:00 PM— Janeen Pikula
Dale Yukich
Marilyn Reddy
Ken & Eleanore Reilly
Karen Yukich
John Matejka
Paul Lunter

Sunday, December 14th

7:30 AM— Mary Ann Cieplak
Fr. John Auer
Brian Cadore
Colleen J. Nix
Joan Cadore
Irene Brajner
Carolyn Lowery
Paul Pendergast
Catherine Hoban
Tom & Chet Chwierut
Jerry Haase
Mary Lou Kavanaugh
Special Intention
9:30 AM— Tony Janicek—27th Anniversary
Margaret Griffin
Mary Ellen Walsh
David Shannon
Raymond & Marion Hunt
Mary Foscett
Ralph Dziuba
Healing Intention
11:30 AM— Hohmer & Berquist Families
Ed Obiala
Tom Scanlon
Michael Belczak
Paul Lunter
6:00 PM— For the Parishioners
Martin Hynes