

St. Alexander Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

The Palos Catholic



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another." - Jn 15:16-17

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St. Alexander Parish Administration Directory

Parish Administrative Center

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St. Alexander School

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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

RCIA *Celebration of the Rites 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 (RCIC) and teens (RCIT).

RCIA/RCIC/RCIT 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

Evening of Healing Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration

On the 1st Saturday of the month

4:30 PM - Recitation of the Rosary

5:00 PM - Regular Vigil Mass for Sunday

5:45 PM - Eucharistic Adoration
for one hour of quiet prayer

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,

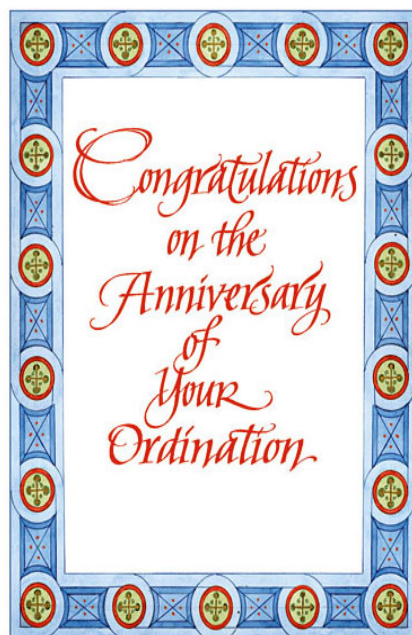
As we all know next Sunday is Mother's Day where we honor and give thanks to our Lord for the mother we have been blessed with. If you would like to give your mother the gift of flowers, bouquets will be available for purchase next weekend. Remember all proceeds from the Mother's Day Flower Sale benefits The Women's Center which protects the unborn and supports expecting mothers who are in need. Another way we can honor our mothers is through prayer and remembering them through our Mother's Day Novena of Masses. Mass cards are available on the tables in the back of church.

Congratulations to the children of our parish who received the Most Holy Eucharist on Saturday, May 4th. It was a very special day as they received their second Sacrament of Initiation. Many thanks to all who helped prepare our young children for this sacrament. Let's continue to pray for them as they grow with Christ and the church and let's also pray that they and their families continue to receive the Holy Eucharist each and every Sunday.

Please remember our school children are still seeking support for this year's Raider Run to be held on Thursday, May 9th. All proceeds of this event will benefit our school technology program. With technology constantly changing this fundraiser is vital to keeping our equipment and systems up to date.

Finally please mark your calendar for Sunday, June 23rd this year's date for our Annual Parish Picnic. More information will be forthcoming in future bulletins.

God Bless,
Father Marty



Fr. Marty
May 24, 1986
(38 Years)
Fr. Colm Mitchell
May 21, 2022
(2 years)
Deacon Jim Horton
May 27, 2007
(17 years)
Deacon Mike Ciciura
May 15, 2011
(13 years)
Deacon Fran Pendergast
May 14, 2022
(2 years)

**Please join us every
Wednesday during May to
pray the Rosary at the Mary
statue from 6:00-7:00PM**



We will meet at the Mary statue located on the west side of the grass area in front of the old convent. Bring a lawn chair or stand, park in the lot and walk over.

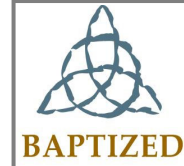
Home Bound or Ill?

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.



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:

Robert Kroenert, brother of Joe
Gerald Watzke, husband of Bonnie



Deacon Fran Pendergast baptized **Lucas John Pikes**, son of John & Emily, on Sunday, April 28, 2024.

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



READINGS FOR THE WEEK May 6-12, 2024

Monday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17
 Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a
 Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11
 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
 Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20
 Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23
 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28
 Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION



Once a man came to the Vatican and asked to see Pope John Paul II, claiming that they had been friends in Poland. When told of the man, the Pope said, "He is mistaken about our friendship. I don't recall ever having suffered with him." As it turned out, the man had never known the Pope. Now, I'm not sure if the story is totally factual. But doesn't the juxtaposition of suffering with friendship sound exactly like JP II? He understood that the deepest and most lasting friendships are forged in the fires of shared suffering. No suffering, no friendship. Amazing.

This week we hear Jesus say to the apostles and to us, "You are my friends if you do what I command you" (John 15:14). In Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, God entered the world of human suffering and transformed it into an avenue of friendship with Himself. Following His command — to love, to lay down our lives for others — will always entail suffering. But this suffering only deepens our friendship with Him. His suffering is ours; ours is His. We have become friends of God.

This week, how might you share your suffering with the Risen Jesus? How might he be sharing his suffering with you, in the lives of those around you? Be attentive to that, and you'll find that you are indeed a friend of God, because you've suffered together a great deal.

—Father John Muir

Today's Readings: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/
Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-1



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:

Tatiana Ranftl	Dale Yukich
Maggie Campbell	Lisa Krisik
Carole Holding	Eileen Long
Mike & Aggie Sweeney	Mary Ellen Schwaller
Francis Pendergast Jr.	

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.

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Spring 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

May is a month to remember and celebrate the mothers and mother figures in our lives. These women—on whom all generations depend—are essential to the fullness of God's plan for human life.

May is also the month when we celebrate the important work of our Catholic Charities. Helping mothers in need is core to our Catholic faith and a cornerstone mission for Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Whether they be single mothers, mothers of children with special needs, foster mothers, or mothers who are migrants, we help them and their children.

Your generous donation to the Mother's Day Collection for Catholic Charities enables this urgent work. Catholic Charities was founded more than a century ago by the Archdiocese to help those in need in Cook and Lake counties. As the largest provider of human services in our region, Catholic Charities serves nearly 400,000 people annually. This tremendous reach of services is only possible through your generous support.

Each year I call on our parishes to support Catholic Charities, and so I encourage you to be generous by contributing, either:

- In-person during the second collection on Mother's Day weekend, May 11-12
- Online at catholiccharities.net/donate
- By mail to Catholic Charities, P.O. Box 8275, Carol Stream, IL 60197-8275.

Thank you for your on-going support and partnership. May Mary, our Mother whom we honor in May, continue to inspire us to take up the mission of her Son with joyful enthusiasm.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago



Archdiocese of Chicago

Show single moms they are not alone!

Being a mom today can be hard, especially when struggling to make ends meet. At Catholic Charities, we help mothers across Cook and Lake counties overcome challenges and find stability all year round-so they and their children can thrive. We accompany anyone in need, serving nearly 375,000 individuals and families annually.

Please support the Second Collection on Mother's Day, May 12th or anytime at www.catholiccharities.net/give/fy24sp/



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. THEODORE GUERIN COUNCIL #14057

**Meeting: Wednesday, May 8th
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.



SUNDAY SALE HOURS 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.



YOU'RE INVITED!

**St. Alexander
Prayer Shawl
Ministry Meeting**

**Saturday, May 11th—9:00 AM
in the SAVE Room**

Meetings usually last an hour. Items are made in our homes, and then we gather at our meeting to wrap and label them. We meet once every two months and share the joy of our gifts and prayers with many people in need in our parish and elsewhere.

If you want to see what we are all about, come out and join us. For more information please call Rosemary at 708-293-8884.

COMMUNION MINISTERS

Saturday, May 11th

5:00 PM— Sharon Mundo, Guy Cadore,
Maureen Balich

Sunday, May 12th

7:30 AM— Ed Sobczak, Ruth Macey,
Mary Dombrowski

9:30 AM— Rosemary Dziuba, Mary Beth Flynn,
Patti Hartig

11:30 AM— Jeff & Ofelia Foreman, Tom Stuchly

6:00 PM— Mike Collins, Merrill Jurgens

READERS

Saturday, May 11th

5:00 PM— Joan DeVito

Sunday, May 12th

7:30 AM— Paula Somers, Mark Foster

9:30 AM— Ryan Alberts, Linda Buchanan

11:30 AM— Linda Horton

6:00 PM— Johanna Jurgens



**Mother's Day
Mass Cards are
available in the
back of church**

Also, please remember there is a Mother's Day Novena of Masses envelope in your monthly mailing which will also remember those deceased mothers and can be placed in the weekly collection, placed in the mail, or dropped off at the parish office.

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.

MASS TIMES WHILE OUT OF TOWN

There are free iPhone apps available that give church locations and Mass times all over the country; *Catholic Mass Times Church Directory* or *Mass Times for Travel*. Or visit the website www.masstimes.org or www.findaparish.com.

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



*First
Communion*

**ST. ALEXANDER PARISH
FIRST COMMUNICANTS**

Gracie Amraen
Roxanna Arriaga
Addie Berka
Bernadette Bizzieri
Colin Byrne
Maeve Byrne
Patrick Cosgrove
Blake Cusack
Vivian Czech
Bailey Dunne
Matthew Dunne
Timmy Eyer
Olivia Faber

Grace Gabel
Mary Garmes
Grace Graunke
Kellianne Keaty
Jonathan Kostelnik
Mackenzie Krol
Carter Lester
Jocelyn Levine
America Linders
Cadence Linders
Freedom Linders
Liberty Linders
Jaxon Lombardi

Eli Lopez
Penelope Maka
Evelyn Malone
Dominic Maurella
Vivienne Montag
Samantha Meyer
Stefania Mohammad
Natalia Ostrowski
Henry Poe
Aubree Reed
Jacob Reif
Lucia Renardo
Francesca Sclaro

Brayden Sellers
Gio Siano
Gaven Singh
Madison Soltis
Gene Sugrue
Arccela Villanueva
Saoirse Welch
Eleanor Woods
Wiktoria Wrzaszczak
Anabella Zavala

Congratulations to the children who celebrated the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on May 4, 2024. We ask St. Alexander parishioners to pray for these children as they continue their journey of faith.



**Blooming for Babies:
Mother's Day Fundraiser
May 11th & 12th**

On Saturday, May 11th and Sunday, May 12th, we will be selling beautiful bouquets of fresh-cut flowers after all Masses to benefit the life-saving mission of The Women's Centers. There will be a beautiful selection of arrangements to choose from with prices for all budgets to help vulnerable moms and their babies. In celebration of the Center's 40th anniversary, they will have a gorgeous one-of-a-kind bouquet, a perfect gift for moms, aunts, grandmothers or any special woman in your life! Please plan to support this wonderful event. For more information, please visit GoTwc.org. Thank you for your consideration!



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3. Enter your name and email
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**Are You A Candidate For
Spiritual Direction?**

1. **Is your experience of faith in transition?**
 - * Exploring new ideas about your faith
 - * Picture of God is changing
 - * Physical place of faith has changed
 - * Spiritual practices need a review
2. **Have you experienced a personal loss?**
 - * Physical loss of a relative, friend, or loved one.
 - * Loss of material possessions or income
 - * Loss of special relationship
3. **Has your self-perception changed?**
 - * Transition from single to married life
 - * Beginning a new job or career
 - * Forced change of career/loss of job
 - * Desire to become more healthy—physically or spiritually
4. **Do you feel a yearning for God?**
 - * Asking where is God in your life experiences
 - * Desire to pay more attention to your relationship with God
 - * Desire to pay closer attention to your prayer life

If you are interested learning more about Spiritual Direction, contact Deacon Mike at 630-243-9342 or mciciura@archchicago.org

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.

St. Al's Over 50 Fellowship

Monthly Meeting
Thursday, May 16th
Parish Lounge — 11:30AM
(use lounge doors on the south end of building)



Pathlights We help **navigate** and **celebrate** aging.

Come out and enjoy some pizza and an informative presentation by Christine Suddreth of Pathlights in Palos Heights. Pathlights, which was formerly PLOWS, is a community resource with services to help older adults and adults with disabilities remain in their home. Christine will provide us with information on their many services, some of which are free. All are welcome to attend!



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)

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.



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!

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

Upcoming Youth Ministry Events

HS YM
(8th Grade-
Seniors in HS)
Sunday Night
7PM-9PM
Dates
April 28th
May 5th
May 19th

JR HIGH YM
6TH & 7TH GRADERS
MAY 9TH
3PM-5PM

**HS YM SOFTBALL
STARTS: JUNE 10TH!**

IF INTERESTED SHOW UP
OR CONTACT
TYLER RIED
(309)826-2049
TRIED@ARCHCHICAGO.ORG



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**.



FRI, MAY 10, 2024
7:30AM - UNTIL SOLD OUT
ST. ALEXANDER PARKING LOT

8TH GRADE
Spring Flower
SALE

10" GERANIUM COMBO HANGING BASKET
*PAYMENT BY CASH OR CHECK **\$22/EA**
ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE 8TH GRADE DINNER DANCE



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	

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FORE THE KIDS

**Archdiocese of Chicago
 Catholic Schools Golf Outing**

Monday, June 24, 2024

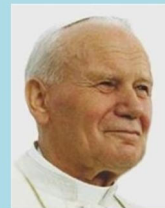
Tee off with us at Fore the Kids 2024! Join the Cardinal's Cup competition to support your parish school. Compete for glory on the greens while making a difference for Catholic students. Register now and champion Catholic education with us!

To register, scan or visit:

giving.archchicago.org/golf



Creation Care Corner



"... the related 'greenhouse effect' has now reached crisis proportions as a consequence of industrial growth, massive urban concentrations and vastly increased energy needs."

— Pope John Paul II

Calculate your carbon footprint.

Popes Francis, Benedict XVI and John Paul II have all spoken of the need to address climate change. It's influenced by the amount of heat trapping CO2 and other greenhouse gases (GHGs) in the atmosphere. Small atmospheric GHG % increases can have a significant impact on Earth's temperature rise. Every day, across everything we do and buy, we contribute to GHG emissions. Calculators can help us better understand how much carbon is produced by different activities. Then, if you decide to reduce your emissions, you'll know where you can generate the biggest impact. Start with this easy to use calculator: <https://www3.epa.gov/carbon-footprint-calculator/> (This EPA calculator does not include air travel, which often is a major contributor to household emissions, but can still help you ID great savings opportunities).

Mass Intentions For The Week

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 5, 2024

Saturday, May 4th

5:00 PM— For the Parishioners
Dolores & Robert Kramarski
Nancy Tarka
Anthony Casale
James D. Mech

Sunday, May 5th

7:30 AM— Vincent & Mary Hoban
Poor Souls in Purgatory
Jerry Springer
Aggie Palmer
Martha Richards
Colleen J. Nix
9:30 AM— Brian Cadore
Stephen “Bud” Stefan
Timothy M. Barrett
Donna M. & Joseph A. Feldner, SGM
Loren Feldner, DDS
11:30 AM— John Svabek
Raymond Peckler
George Lombard
Wittenborn Family
Tony McLaughlin
Barbara Delaney
Bob Westphal
6:00 PM— Special Intention

Monday, May 6th

8:30 AM— Tess & Tom—Engagement Blessing
Mary Lahey
Eileen Pikula
Maureen Quinn—Healing Intention
Robert Thoma
Colleen J. Nix

Tuesday, May 7th

8:30 AM— Mary E. Boyle
Maureen Oleskiewicz
Frank A. Narel
Maureen Quinn—Healing Intention
Colleen J. Nix

Wednesday, May 8th

8:30 AM— Mark Toth
Fr. Thomas McKiernan
Antoinette Gill
Maureen Quinn—Healing Intention
Colleen J. Nix

Thursday, May 9th

8:30 AM— Frank Zagata
Tom & Kathleen Walsh
Maureen Quinn—Healing Intention
Colleen J. Nix

Friday, May 10th (St. John of Avila; St. Damien de

8:30 AM— Marilyn Sutley Veuster)
Colleen J. Nix
Maureen Quinn—Healing Intention
Dennis & Susan Czurylo—55th Wedding
Anniversary

Saturday, May 11th

8:00 AM— Colleen J. Nix
Evelyn & Walter Dorsch

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Saturday, May 11th

5:00 PM— Melissa Russell
Mike—Birthday Blessing
Anthony Mucha
Robert Westphal
Stan & Emily Branauskas

Sunday, May 12th

7:30 AM— For the Parishioners
Joe Macey
Claire Narel
Josephine Data
Mary Laski
Lorraine Wittbrodt
Mary Lahey
Emily Lahey
Aggie Palmer
Colleen J. Nix
Helen Bilina
9:30 AM— Louise Bugaj
Dorothy Janik
Joanne Schwabe
Jim Wann
Helen Wann—Special Intention
Mary Stephens
Margaret Corbett
Antoinette Gill
Barbara Patton
Donna M. & Joseph A. Feldner, SGM
Loren Feldner, DDS
Catherine Hecht
Francis Hughes
11:30 AM— Raymond Peckler
Dan Donovan
Barbara Delaney
6:00 PM— Mother's Day Mass Novena

WORD OF LIFE

“The Lord says to us, ‘Do not fear: I am with you’ (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.”

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