

St. Alexander Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

The Palos Catholic



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2

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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

Deacons: Jim Horton, Michael Ciciura, Fran Pendergast

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Parish E-Mail: alchurch1@comcast.net

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

St. Alexander School

126th St. and 71st Ave. Palos Heights, IL 60463

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

Principal: Sharon O'Toole

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Religious Education Office

126th St. and 71st Ave. Palos Heights, IL 60463

Phone: 708-448-6624

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

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 Vigil: 7:00 PM

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 - Benediction and Eucharistic
Adoration for one hour

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 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

Archdiocese of Chicago Vocation Director:

Rev. Timothy Monahan 312-534-8298



FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Many thanks to Lisa Rollheiser and Tracy Fioretti-Moehle who organized our evening of comedy and music on Friday, April 28th. Also thanks to all those who helped assist by promoting the event, decorating tables, working the front door, those who helped to clean up, and for all those who attended the event. All those in attendance seemed to have a great time especially when the music was playing and there was time to talk and mingle with fellow parishioners and friends. It was a true community builder and if anybody ever has an idea for events such as these in the future, please don't hesitate to bring them up to myself or a member of our parish staff. Speaking of parish events, please mark your calendar for Sunday, June 25th the day of our Parish Picnic. More details will be forthcoming in future bulletins.

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 6th. 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.

As I stated in the past, our new sharing parish is Our Lady of the Heights which is located in Chicago Heights, Illinois. On page eight in today's bulletin is a thank you note from the pastor of Our Lady of the Heights, Fr. Gary Graf, a friend of both St. Alexander parish and myself. I too am thankful for your generosity and am proud that our loving community remembers those parishes and communities in need.

Please remember our school children are still seeking support for this year's Raider Run to be held on Thursday, May 11th. 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, a happy blessed 60th birthday to Cap'n Crunch who has provided us with nutrition and brought joy to many people at breakfast throughout the years. When you are in the grocery store in the cereal aisle and see a picture of the Cap'n on a box of one of his many flavors of cereals wave hello and say "happy birthday Cap'n". Then watch those around you shopping give you a strange look.

God Bless,
Father Marty



**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.



Charlotte Joan Brennan, daughter of Dan & Christina was baptized by Fr. Martin Michniewicz on Sunday, April 30, 2023.

We welcome Charlotte Joan into the family of the church and offer her parents our prayers and good wishes.



I Kathleen Reynolds & Joseph Haberkorn



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:

Chester McGrath, father of Marie Cimaglia

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

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION



If you had to summarize the essential core of the Christian life, what would it be? Mercy, truth, or love, perhaps? The readings today suggest another word which may surprise you. That word is priesthood.

St. Peter says to us, "You are a 'chosen race, a royal priesthood...'" To be part of a priesthood is to offer a particular sacrifice in order for the community to survive and thrive. Jesus is the great high priest because he offers the one perfect sacrifice which heals and perfects the entire human race. Peter the Apostle wants us to know that all the baptized share in this priestly ministry. The whole of our lives, including every detail, is meant to become our acceptable offering to God.

The baptized exercise this priesthood in many ways, I'll mention three. At Sunday Mass, in private prayer, and in daily work. At Mass, we offer the sacrifice of our lives with that of the priest, who symbolizes Christ the Priest. In our prayer, a "morning offering" prayer is a great way to offer up all the joys and sufferings of the day to come. In our daily work, we sacrifice our time, comfort, money, and energy to do good for others. All this gives the deepest possible meaning to our lives: we share in the priesthood which saves the world. That's at the core of our faith.

— Father John Muir

Today's Readings: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5,
18-19 (22)/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12



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
Joe Punda	Branden Copenhaver
Joe Guzman	Greg Ceebin
Stanley Maciasz	

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 at 708-448-4861.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK May 8-14, 2023

Monday:	Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/ Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/ Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/ Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/ Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/ Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Sunday:	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

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Spring 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Mother's Day is a time dedicated to remembering all of the mothers and mother figures in our lives—the women who have fed, nurtured, taught, and sustained us. Mothers are essential in every generation, in every moment of each day, to the fullness of God's plan for human life and community.

Helping mothers in need is core to our faith, and helping mothers is a central calling for Catholic Charities. As Christ reminds us, we must care for women and children in need, especially mothers raising children alone.

Your generous donation to the Mother's Day Collection for Catholic Charities enables the Church's work on behalf of mothers. Catholic Charities helps tens of thousands of mothers each year with counseling services; food, housing, and utility assistance; adoption support; home-visit parenting support; domestic violence safe-shelter; and so much more.

Your donations are critical to this work of faith. They enable us to be Christ's hands throughout Cook and Lake counties. As the largest provider of human services in our region, the Catholic Church touches thousands of lives daily through the work of Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities relies on the contributions of Catholics who recognize and embrace the call to witness and unite in service, as one Church.

I reach out to our parishes once each year for support of Charities' work. Mother's Day is your chance to make a gift to this central, mighty mission of our Church. Please considering donating either:

- In-person during the second collection on Mother's Day, May 14
- On-line at www.catholiccharities.net/donate
- By mail at Catholic Charities, P.O. Box 8275, Carol Stream, IL 60197-8275

Please accept my sincere gratitude for your past support. I encourage you to be as generous as you can again this year, so that together we might witness a message of mercy and hope a world in need—starting with mothers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago

THANK YOU!

A very special thank you to Fr. Marty, Paula Somers, and Nancy Romano for the wonderful publicity and assistance with rectory sales for Laugh with DeGraaf. The creative lamp posts balloon art of Cindy Kennedy really set the stage beautifully. The sales crew of Tracy Fioretti-Moehle, Carol Hardiman, Wendy Loftus, Liz Pufunt, Nancy Romano, and Paula Somers encouraged attendance and kept the cash safe! The evening finished off with the beautiful sounds from guitarist John Perovich, such a gift! Great song selections. Finally, thank you to all that attended AND broke down the gym after the event...it felt like old times. Thank you to Tracy Fioretti-Moehle for helping me make the idea happen!

Lisa Rollheiser

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, May 13th

5:00 PM— Maureen Balich, Bev Antos

Sunday, May 14th

7:30 AM— Karen McNeal, Mary Dombrowski,
Pat Sobczak

9:30 AM— Joan Obiala, Carol Schuemann,
Wendy Loftus

11:30 AM— Val Thoma, Tom Stuchly

6:00 PM— Michael Collins, Sharon Ayres

LECTORS

Saturday, May 13th

5:00 PM— Jan John

Sunday, May 14th

7:30 AM— Paula Somers

9:30 AM— Debbie Myron, Linda Buchanan

11:30 AM— Mary Lally, Mary Ann Klimek

6:00 PM— James Clark, Bob Ayres



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.

The Eighth Grade class would like to thank all of the parishioners and school families who supported our bake sale this past weekend. We appreciate all of your support for our end of the year activities!

Thank you St. Alexander Parish.



St. Al's Over 50 Fellowship

Monthly Meeting

Thursday, May 18th

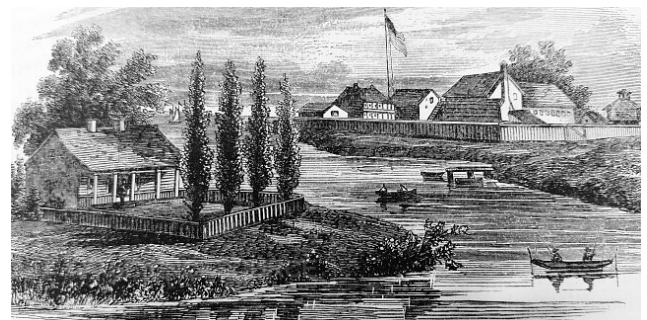
Parish Lounge — 11:30AM

(please enter on the south side of the lounge)

Our special guest will be Historian, Author, and Actor Joseph Geringer

Joseph Geringer will be our guide to travel back to celebrate the building of Fort Dearborn, 220 years ago. Learn the story of Chicago's Frontier Days, little known, but amazing facts, and the peaceful relationship between the Pioneers and Native Americans. The turn of the relationship with the War of 1812.

A lite lunch will be served.
Guests are always welcome!





Fr. Marty
May 24, 1986
(37 Years)

Fr. Colm Mitchell
May 21, 2022
(1 year)

Deacon Jim Horton
May 27, 2007
(16 years)

Deacon Mike Ciciura
May 15, 2011
(12 years)

Deacon Fran Pendergast
May 14, 2022
(1 year)

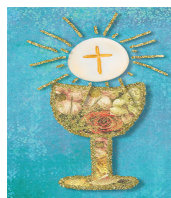
**Please join us every
Wednesday during May to
pray the Rosary at the Mary
statue from 6:00-7:00PM**



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



*First
Communion*

**ST. ALEXANDER PARISH
FIRST COMMUNICANTS**

Ella Amraen
Will Andrekus
Collin Augustyn
Declan Binninger
Bennett Brown
Henry Burcher
Andrew Byrne
Lauren Cavanaugh
Abigail Chopik
Alexander Chopik
Henry Dabrowski
Lyla Doherty
Anna Drapa

Claire Drapa
William Dunne
Finley Enright
Nathan Erdman
Henry Fountain
Penelope Freeman
Iker Garduno
Alexander Hackney
Scarlett Hansen
George Horvatic
Ameila Jensen
Nolan Lukasik
Adaline Lux

Luca Majerczak
Nikola Malacina
Katelyn Maslowski
William McCarthy
Catalina Novak
Caleb Neumann
Riley O'Connor
Olivia O'Donnell
Brian O'Kane
Lydia Oleksy
Emma Parra
Vivian Quinn
John Risner

James Schamber
Michaleen Slattery
Bernadette Smith
Princeton Tadros
Beau Thompson
Armani Villanueva
Hannah Woods
Wesley Woods
Julia Zavala
Anna Zawadzki
Henry Zawadzki
Connor Zenner

*Congratulations to the children who celebrated the Sacrament of
First Holy Communion on May 6, 2023. We ask St. Alexander parishioners
to pray for these children as they continue their journey of faith.*



OUR LADY
OF THE HEIGHTS
— PARISH —

April 19, 2023

Rev. Martin Michniewicz and the Parishioners of St. Alexander
St. Alexander Catholic Church
7025 West 126th Street
Palos Heights, IL 60463

Dear Father Marty and Our Friends at St. Alexander,

Thank you so much for your most generous sharing parish gift of \$7,446 earlier this spring.

Our first 18 months as a combined parish (formerly St. Kieran, St. Agnes and St. Paul in Chicago Heights) have been challenging, but we have been gaining wonderful momentum. Our pew counts are increasing as we have extended a warm welcome through our ministry work to the many Hispanic families that call Chicago's far south suburbs, home. We are also pleased to share that the Religious Education program we host at our St. Kieran worship site served more than 500 families this past year and led to our creating a 2:00 Youth Mass each Sunday!

We truly appreciate your support of our parish and its families. We hope that we will continue to be worthy of your faith-driven generosity as a sharing parish.

May you and those you love continue to be blessed,

Rev. Gary Graf
Pastor

*Bless you Brother
I'll you do for our parish
families! My family!
Easter Peace,
Graf*



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. THEODORE GUERIN COUNCIL #14057

**Meeting: Wednesday, May 10th
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.

Contact the parish office at 708-448-4861 if you would like a Mass intention for 2023 and 2024.

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.

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.

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	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
Roger Benda - U.S. Marines	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 Riden - U.S. Navy	Ryan Grant - U.S. Army
Kevin Lewis - U.S. Navy	Nicholas Crot - U.S. Marines
Michael Lindstrom - U.S. Army	Jared Macchettie - U.S. Marine
Ryan Graeber - U.S. Marines	Ben St. Aubin - U.S. Navy
Mary Kate Wetzel - U.S. Marines	Isaac Baines - U.S. Navy
Chloe Van Witzenburg - U.S. Army	Cody Goldman - National Guard
Hanna Van Witzenburg - U.S. Army	Cameron Smentek - U.S. Army
Gino Albergo - U.S. Army	Judith Hite - U.S. Army
Anthony Baudo - U.S. Army	Jake Soukup - U.S. Army
Michael D. Faloon - National Guard	Jose Sanchez - U.S. Army
Hunter Leschman - U.S. Navy	

**NEW
2-mile
COURSE!**

**ALL AGES
WELCOME**

RAIDER NATION

2023 ST. ALEXANDER RAIDER RUN

**THURSDAY
MAY 11, 2023
6:00 PM**

**KIDS DASH
Ages 6 &
under
at 5:40 PM**

All proceeds
will be used to
upgrade/enhance
schoolwide
technology at
St. Alexander
School!



**to Register or Volunteer please visit:
WWW.STALEXANDERSCHOOL.COM**

Student Pledges are due by May 12th!



**Help raise your voice to state legislators,
so that thousands of children can
continue receiving a great Catholic
education in the future**

Through this link, <https://p2a.co/gmqrehi>, contacting your legislator is simple and takes less than one minute to complete. Let your legislators know you value the Illinois Invest In Kids Act, what it means to our 4,200 students from low-income and working-class families receiving these Tax Credit Scholarships, and ask them to #RemoveTheSunset!

Passed in 2017, the Illinois Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program provides scholarships to students from low-income and working-class families to attend their best-fit school. The program is a proven success with bipartisan voter support, awarding nearly 44,000 scholarships throughout the state. Despite its immense success, the Tax Credit Scholarship Program is a pilot program. It has a sunset clause which will end the program in 2023, unless our state lawmakers vote to extend the pilot or make the program permanent.

Many deserving students would not be able to attend our Catholic schools without these scholarships. Please join us now in our efforts to #RemoveTheSunset! Share the link, <https://p2a.co/gmqrehi> with family and friends and help spread the word! The link can also be accessed on our St. Alexander website.



**YOU'RE
INVITED!**

**St. Alexander
Prayer Shawl
Ministry Meeting**

Saturday, May 13th 9:00 AM — Room 311

Meetings are in the SAVE Room (just follow the signs) and 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.



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!

WE NEED YOU!



The St. Alexander Athletic Board is hosting an open forum meeting for anyone interested in participating with the Athletic Board

Who: Any Parent of a St. Alexander Student

When: Thursday, May 18th @ 7:30pm

Where: Franklin's Public House

Come join us for a beverage and appetizer and help support our RAIDERS!

Mother's Day FLOWER SALE

May 13th & 14th 2023

Proceeds from the sale of flowers help women facing a crisis pregnancy.



Devotion

6 Stems

\$10



Love You More

9 Stems

\$15



Heart Strings

14 Stems

\$20



Lavender Essence

15 Stems

\$25



Mamma Mia

15 Stems

\$30



The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland

5116 North Cicero Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60630

Phone: 773-794-1313 www.GoTWC.org





PALOS HEIGHTS SCHOOL DIST. 128 PRESCHOOL SCREENING

Monday, May 8th 10:00AM-4:00PM

Indian Hill School 12800 Austin, Palos Heights

The screening is open to all children 3-5 years of age that reside in School District 128. Please call 708-597-1285 between 8:30AM-3:30PM for an appointment. Contact Cathy Leslie with questions.

Palos Heights Farmers Market
May 17-October 11
Wednesdays 8am-1pm
12217 S. Harlem Ave
No Market July 5

Logos: LINK-Up Illinois, UNITED Health Insure, Palos Heights Farmers Market, Northwestern Medicine, CNB Bank & Trust, LEGACY Auto-Owners Insurance.

PASTORAL COUNSELING SERVICES AT ST. ALEXANDER PARISH



Services for individuals,
couples & families

For more information, call
448-4861 ext. 310

Sr. Claire M. Czerwicz, SSND, LCPC

Pastoral Counselor & Spiritual Director

St. Rita of Cascia: A Saint for Our Day

Wife, Mother, Widow, Augustinian Nun, Peacemaker

116th Annual Solemn Novena

Saturday, May 13, 2023 through Sunday, May 21, 2023

6:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation - 7:00 p.m. Mass and Novena Prayers

Feast Day Masses

Monday, May 22, 2023

9:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation - 10:00 a.m. Mass and Novena Prayers

6:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation - 7:00 p.m. Mass and Novena Prayers

Veneration of the Relic of St. Rita will be available daily; Healing Mass and a Blessing with the St Rita Oil on May 21st;
Blessed roses will be distributed on the Feast Day Masses on May 22nd.



St. Rita of Cascia is the Patroness
of the Impossible

Daily Preachers

Saturday, May 13th - Fr. Tony Pizzo, O.S.A.

Sunday, May 14th - Fr. Cody Ford, P.N.O.S.A.

Monday, May 15th - Fr. Sam Joutas, O.S.A.

Tuesday, May 16th - Fr. Andy Matijevic

Wednesday, May 17th - Fr. Jeff Rath, O.S.A.

Thursday, May 18th - Fr. Bernard Danber, O.S.A.

Friday, May 19th - Fr. Brian Walker, O.P.

Saturday, May 20th - Fr. Jack Tierney, O.S.A.

Sunday, May 21st - Fr. Richard Fragomeni

Monday, May 22nd 10:00 a.m. - Bishop Daniel Turley, O.S.A.

Monday, May 22nd 7:00 p.m. - Fr. Tom McCarthy, O.S.A.

St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel

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Mass Intentions For The Week

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 7, 2023

Saturday, May 6th

5:00 PM— Eugene McMahon
Mickey & Joe Havel
Dolores Kramarski
Poor Souls in Purgatory
Linda Barcelona
Ken & Eleanor Reilly
Nancy Tarka

Sunday, May 7th

7:30 AM— Frank A. Narel
Vincent & Mary Hoban
Aggie A. Palmer
Colleen J. Nix
Linda Koepke
9:30 AM— Gerald Barry
Brian Cadore
Jim Nash
Edgar Beaulieu
Mary E. Boyle
Special Intention
Tom O'Mara
Donna Marie & Joseph A. Feldner
Dr. Loren Feldner
Walter & Sophia Feiling
11:30 AM— Mary & John Stephens
George Lombard
Wittenborn Family
Raymond & Marion Hunt
6:00 PM— Maureen Oleskiewicz
For the Parishioners

Monday, May 8th

8:30 AM— Macey Family
Mark Toth
Fr. Thomas M. McKiernan
Walter Wloszek—16th Anniversary
Colleen J. Nix
Special Intention

Tuesday, May 9th

8:30 AM— Mary Jo Saplin
Charlotte Bosko—Birthday Blessing
Tom & Kathleen Walsh
Colleen J. Nix
Special Intention

Wednesday, May 10th (*St. John of Avila & St. Damien*

8:30 AM— Marilyn Sutley *de Veuster*
Colleen J. Nix
Special Intention
Susan & Dennis Czurylo—50th Anniv.

Thursday, May 11th

8:30 AM— Mike—Birthday Blessing
Colleen J. Nix
Denise Graney
Special Intention

Friday, May 12th (*Sts. Neueus & Achilleus, St. Pancras*)

8:30 AM— Emily Lahey
Francis Hughes
Colleen J. Nix
Special Intention

Saturday, May 13th (*Our Lady of Fatima*)

8:00 AM— Colleen J. Nix
Special Intention

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 14, 2023

Saturday, May 13th

5:00 PM— For the Parishioners
Cathy Smith
Pat Dolan
Mary Stephens
Ron Antos
Patricia Ware
Grace & Tony Malanga
Eleanor Chapan
Eleanor & Ken Reilly
Jacob Dylan Hudy
Chuck Siemiawski
Dennis Czurylo

Sunday, May 14th

7:30 AM— Josephine Data
Mary K. Laski
Claire Narel
Mary Lahey
Linda Koepke
Catherine Hoban
Aggie A. Palmer
Colleen J. Nix
Karen Craven
9:30 AM— Mary C. McCartin
Anne R. Biskoski
Fran Dybisz
Nancy Czajkowski
Lorraine Enright
Terese Gniadek
Erika Frelander
Joan Bagniewski
Special Intention
Sheila Boyle
Lorraine Lipke
Debra Gillies
Bernice Wisniewski
Lorraine Scodro
Concetta Garry
Margaret Corbett
Sophie Myslinski
Linda Barcelona
Dalia Santuras
Lillian Buck
Helen Balina
Meg Feldner
Donna M. & Joseph A. Feldner
Dr. Loren J. Feldner
11:30 AM— Peg Curly
Lorraine Enright
Mary Catherine Stephens
Patricia Bragg
Dolores Kramarski
Mary Eileen Crean
Lorraine Wittbrodt
Lillian Runquist
Dan Donovan
6:00 PM— Meg Brett
Raymond & Marion Hunt