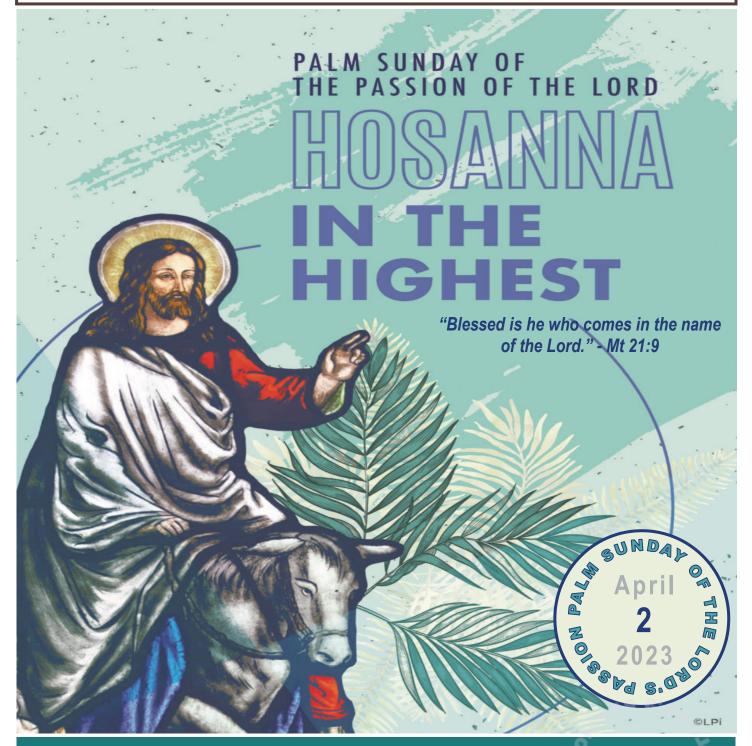
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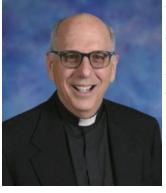
ST. PAUL VI PARISH



St. Mary Church 105 Herrick Road Riverside Mater Christi Church 2401 S. 10th Avenue North Riverside

SUNDAL

A message from our Pastor



Today we celebrate Palm Sunday, the beginning of the most holy week in the Church's calendar. Just a few short weeks ago we began our Lenten journey on Ash Wednesday. As you may recall, we burned last year's palms to make this year's ashes.

We know the story of Palm Sunday – Jesus enters Jerusalem where the crowd welcomes him with palm branches and celebration. Yet, how quickly things will change! Just a couple of days later this same crowd will be chanting "Crucify him!" before Pontius Pilate. Jesus will be crucified, die and be buried. But that's not the end of the story, is it?

We are an Easter people and we are transformed and called by the love and sacrifice of Jesus Christ! Use this week to participate and honor his love for each and every one of us. Remember where we started, where we are now and where the

Lord is calling us to be.

You are Palms and Ashes by Laura Kelly Fannuci

Imagine you are the palms.

Waved aloft in triumph and praise last year, the symbol of Palm Sunday. Now dried and brittle, gathered to be broken and burned in holy fire.

It takes mere seconds to sear the palms. To transform them as unrecognizable from what they were. Smoldered to soot, their dirty grey now a far cry from the strong, slender green they were at their prime.

What sears us like that? What turns us from palms to ashes?

Life brings a thousand ways we are burned. But we do not disappear. The ashes of what we were can become a powerful sign—as outward and obvious as the smear of soot we will wear on our foreheads today.

The truth at the heart of our faith is that suffering is not meaningless. It is terrible, but can still be transformative. We bear this proof on our skin today. We will live it out over the next forty days.

We will become what we receive.

Imagine you are the palms.

Imagine whatever was smooth or straight about your life becoming bent and broken. Imagine whatever was young and green—strong and beautiful, jubilant and triumphant—now burning in hottest flames.

But now imagine that what looks like death is not the end.

Imagine being cooled with care, gathered with reverence, blessed with love, sprinkled with holiness. Imagine being spread and shared—with hundreds more than the single hand that once held you.

Imagine being pressed on young skin, old skin, soft skin, wrinkled skin, dirty skin, over and over with words of prophetic power. Imagine being turned into the cross, dark and startling for all to see.

Imagine being carried out into the world as a sign of the Savior.

We are the palms. We are the ashes.

Today we are transformed.

Fr. Tom May, Pastor

Save The Date - Saturday, May 13

Fr. Tom will be celebrating the 40^{th} Anniversary of his Ordination into the priest-hood with a Mass at St Mary Church at 4:00 PM and reception to follow in the Parish Center.

Further details to follow.

A message from our Associate Pastor



Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion marks the beginning of Holy Week, the final week of preparation before the feast of Easter. Philip Kosloski of *Aleteia* answers some typical questions we might have during the celebration of Palm Sunday.

Why does Mass begin with a procession?

Besides imitating Jesus' procession into Jerusalem, the sanctuary of the church is naturally a place that symbolize heaven, with the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Furthermore, often the sanctuary is elevated by a number of steps. This too has symbolism, lifting up our eyes (and hearts) to God, but also **reminding us of Jesus' ascent to Mount Calvary.** The priest assumes this role and ascends to a "mystical" Mount Calvary to offer the sacrifice of the Mass, participating in the one sacrifice of Jesus on the cross.

Why palms or other plants are used for the procession

Biblical scholars often translate the branches people used for Jesus' triumphal entry in generic terms, such as in the Gospel of Matthew, "The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, **while others cut branches from the trees** and strewed them on the road" (Matthew 21:8).

In essence, when palm branches are not available, it is perfectly acceptable to find any type of suitable branch to help commemorate Palm Sunday.

The branches are meant to be a symbolic gesture, **symbolizing the need to lay down our hearts before Jesus**, allowing him access into our inmost being. This is why, even if you don't have branches of any sort for your celebration, you can still participate in the spiritual theme of Palm Sunday.

Why does the priest wear red?

Red is the color of blood and symbolizes love, fire, passion, and the blood of sacrifice. Red is worn on Palm Sunday, Good Friday, any day related to Jesus' Passion, on Pentecost and on the feast days of those who died for the faith (martyrs).

Why is the Gospel reading so long?

For Roman Catholics, the weekly Sunday Mass readings are extremely short when compared to the Passion narrative that is recited (or sung) every year on Palm Sunday. This makes Palm Sunday somewhat difficult to attend for those who have trouble standing for the entire Gospel proclamation.

However, did you know that every Sunday may have been like that in the early Church?

Many of the first Christians were Jewish, and so, not surprisingly, they modeled their liturgy on the synagogue services. This included a continuous reading of Sacred Scripture that was carried on from one week to the next. It was divided up into two separate readings, one from the "Law" and the other from the "Prophets."

Why does the congregation participate in the Passion reading?

Holy Week is the most sacred time in the Church's liturgical calendar, entirely focused on Jesus' Passion, death, and resurrection. A recurrent theme throughout the week is a call to accompany Jesus during this most painful part of his life on earth.

Palm Sunday opens Holy Week with a solemn recitation of Jesus' Passion, and typically this involves each person having a role. When celebrated in a church, the parishioners often take the role of the crowd. This culminates in the entire congregation saying, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" In this instance we recognize the role our sins have in Jesus' crucifixion and how Jesus suffered and died for us, even though we weren't even born yet.

What should I do with my blessed palms?

After leaving church on Sunday, you may have come home with several long palm branches from the celebration of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

You may be asking yourself, "Well, what should I do with these?"

Whatever you do, don't throw them away!

According to the *Code of Canon Law*, blessed items are not to be discarded in a trash can, but treated with respect (cf. #1171). At Mass these palm branches were set apart by a blessing from the priest and made into a "sacramental," an object that is meant to draw us closer to the celebration of the seven sacraments. Throwing them in the trash ignores their sacred purpose and treats them like any other object we no longer need.

Worship

MASS SCHEDULE

Mater Christi Church

Daily Mass

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am

Church (Live replay on YouTube)

Anticipated Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm Church

Sunday Mass

8:00 am Church

(Live replay on YouTube)

9:30 am Church

11:00 am Church*

St. Mary Church

Daily Mass

Monday-Friday 8:30 am Church

Anticipated Mass

Saturday 4:00 pm Church

Sunday Mass

8:00 am Church

10:00 am Church*

5:00 pm Church

*Children's Liturgy of the Word

MASS LIVESTREAM LINK ON YOUTUBE:

youtube.com/channel/UC1KACprstDfNk-Zy8MOAeaA

Sunday Drive-Up Holy Communion

St. Mary Church side parking lot near the elevator entrance

9:15 to 9:30 am

Please remain in your vehicle and the volunteers will guide you.

RECONCILIATION

Mater Christi Church

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 pm, before 5:00 pm Mass or by appointment

St. Mary Church

Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 pm, before 4:00 pm Mass or by appointment

<u>This Week's Scripture Reading</u> Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 16-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/ Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Luke 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/ls 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/ls 55:1-11/ls 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

PRESIDER SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF April 8 & 9:

St. Mary Church Presider:

Sunday Apr 9 8:00 AM Fr. Thomas Unz

10:00 AM Fr. Robert Banzin (Church) 10:00 AM Fr. Thomas May (Parish Ctr)

12:00 PM Fr. Matthew Nemchausky

Mater Christi Church Presider:

Saturday **Apr 8** 7:00 PM Fr. Thomas May (Easter Vigil)

Sunday Apr 9 8:00 AM Fr. Thomas May

9:30 AM Fr. Matthew Nemchausky

11:00 AM Fr. Brian Taber, SJ

*Presider schedule is subject to change.

Hail Mary Challenge 1.444.115

Come pray the Glorious Mysteries of the Holy Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary.

Please keep sending in your prayers for healing and join us for the Zoom Rosary Sundays at 7:30pm.

Join us at this link: Meeting ID: 812 1056 2468 - Passcode: 949134 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81210562468? pwd=eG80RGRkREdyN0RieUILVFVhYWVBQT09

Please submit your count to stmarymarys@gmail.com. The counts received at are tabulated for inclusion in upcoming communications.



The Celebration of **Divine Mercy** Sunday

April 16, 2023 3:00 pm Mater Christi Church

Please join us as we gather for prayer and reflection for Divine Mercy Sunday with Holy Hour, Eucharistic Adoration, Individual Confessions, and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Worship

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 1 - The Feast of St. Hugh
(MC) 8:00 am † St. Paul VI Volunteers
(SM) 4:00 pm † Leo Augustinas, Sr. (Ken & Marcia Diubek),
Deceased members of the Buckley Family (Buckley Family)

(MC) 5:00 pm † Joanne Koszala (Gene Koszala), Jim Burns (Del Burns)

Sunday, April 2 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

(SM/MC) 8:00 am † Madonna Curran (Jack & Joan Wiaduck) (MC) 9:30 am † Jose Gonzalez Monroy, Rosa Guzman Jaso (SM) 10:00 am † Leo J. Augustinas, Sr. (Buckley Family), Leo Augustinas, Jr. (Buckley Family), Adelaide Shields (Shields Family) (MC) 11:00 am † Healing for the sick in our parish, Juan & Francisca Madera

(SM) 5:00 pm † All children of St. Paul VI Parish

Monday, April 3

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Victims of Domestic Violence, Francis Xavier Swift (Cheryl Albertsen)

Tuesday, April 4

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Dorothy Rzonca (SPVI Bereavement Ministry), Sidney Gallagher (Cheryl Albertsen)

Wednesday, April 5

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † School Sisters of Notre Dame Benefactors

Thursday, April 6 - Holy Thursday (Mass of the Lord's Supper) (SM) 7:00 pm † St. Paul VI Parishioners

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday of the Lord's Passion (MC) 3:00 pm & (SM) 7:00 pm † Communion Service & Veneration of the Cross

Saturday, April 8 - Holy Saturday (MC) 7:00 pm Easter Vigil † Jim Burns (Del Burns)

Sunday, April 9 - EASTER OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

(SM/MC) 8:00 am † Leo Chimienti (Joanne Suba), Kathryn Vabro (SPVI Bereavement Ministry)

(MC) 9:30 am † Edwin Dulik, Jose Gonzalez Monroy, Rosa Guzman Jaso, Kathryn Vabro (Vabro Family)

(SM) 10:00 am † Wengren & Madai Families, Kay Falbo (Rick & Gloria Rossi), Nicoline Shields

(MC) 11:00 am † Rosemary Kaluzny, Rocotello, Roebuck & Spagnoletti Families

(SM) 12:00 pm † St. Paul VI Parishioners

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In our hearts and prayers, we pray...

For the deceased

PRAYER FOR THE ETERNAL REST

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

For all those who have died, especially for Celestine Casper, and James Heilenbach, Gregory Wagner, and Robert Keehn, III.

May they rest in Peace.

For the sick and homebound

Virginia Alba Cheryl Albertsen Christine Alvarado Jim Arndt Neenah B. Arlene Batek Alberto Blasi Anita Blasi Deacon Bob Boharic Jennifer Borow Del Burns Raybon Carroll Al Cimino Victorino Herrera Corral Gloria DeSanto Margarita Diaz Therese Dolmant Carol Dvorak Elliott Franche Midge Galloro Lindsey Gavin Jayme Girard Dawn Gmitro Mimi Gnolfo Bern Gordus Anthony Gorski

Elena Gorski Irene Gorski Bob Gurski Katie Hassberger Thomas Higgins Marilynne Higgins Robert Holas Irene Horacek Olga Horacek Wassyl Kalin Noel Keen

Bill Kernan Patricia King Norman Kirkley Theresa Kledek Joanne Kosey Jerry Kosik Donald J. Kotrba, Sr Mary Kratochvil Joseph Kratochvil Diane Kretz Christina Lee Ramon Lehnen Charlotte Lindauer Ashley Marlow Eileen Marquetti **Emily Martinez** Harper Faith McGee Dolores Messlein Lizzie Mooney Freda Murphy

Irene Nelsen

Fr. M. Cyril Nemecek
Annie Nystrom
Beth Pennacchio
Dean Pennacchio
Rafaela Perez
Elsie Piszczor
Maria Pura
Maria Retana
Roberto Requena
Dolores Rieber
George Rieber Sr.
Rogelio Rojas
Bridget Sarley
Maria Consuelo Serrano

Carol Schaffer
Lorraine Schmecht
Ann Stauffer
Nicholas John Stiso
Erin Stobaugh
Ethan Tkalec
Maria Villafuerte
Jennifer Walden
Carina Willems

Henry & Dorothy Zalabak
Pat Zdarsky

If you have a loved one that you would like to be remembered for a special intention during Mass, please visit our parish office located at 40 E. Burlington St., Riverside or call 708-447-1020 to schedule one.

To request your Mass Intention to be included in the bulletin, please submit at least 2 weeks prior to the requested Sunday bulletin date.



TRIDUUM

No morning prayer or Mass on April 6, 7, 8 Holy Thursday-The Mass of the Lord's Supper, April 6 7:00 PM St Mary Church Mass

Altar of repose and Adoration at Mater Christi Church until Midnight

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion, April 7 3:00 PM Mater Christi Church- Service and

7:00 PM St Mary Church- Service and Veneration

Holy Saturday, April 8

No Saturday Evening Mass

12:00 PM Blessing of Easter Baskets and

Food at both campuses

7:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass at Mater Christi

EASTER THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Sunday, April 9

8:00 AM Mater Christi Church and St Mary Church

9:30 AM Mater Christi Church

10:00 AM St Mary Church and Parish Center

11:00 AM Mater Christi Church

12:00 PM St Mary Church

No 5:00 PM Mass Easter Sunday

ADORATION

Mondays at Mater Christi Church 6:00 - 8:00 PM

CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES EN ESPAÑOL

April 3

6:00-6:45 PM Mater Christi Church (bilingual) and St Mary Church (English)

Please visit our website:

www.stpaulviparish.org or scan the QR code for more information.



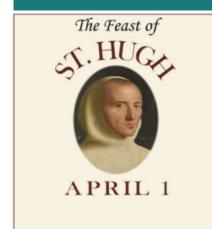
SELF-OFFERINGS

Beginning Ash Wednesday, there will be small sheets of paper available in the narthex and pews on which parishioners can write self-offerings and prayer intentions.

- 1. Please take a few moments to write something you can do to further your faith or something for which you would like the congregation to pray.
- 2. Then, place the slip of paper in the collection basket so that it can be placed at the foot of the altar for the consecration of the gifts.

In this way, your self-offering and prayers will become part of the gifts we offer to God each week.

Parish Announcements



Prayer to St. Hugh

O Heavenly Patron, in whose name I glory, pray ever to Christ for me: strengthen in my faith; Establish me in virtue; guard me in the conflict; that I may vanquish the foe malign and attain to glory everlasting.

Amen.



April 22, 2023

II Jonathan Cohen
&

Gianna Marie Stillo



Wayne & Catherine Goodwin

John & Emma Maloney

Stewardship: Gifts of Time, Talent & Treasure

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



2023 LEGACY PLANNING

We Love because He first loved us. (1 John 4:19)

Jesus told us "Whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day, we can be the face of Jesus to others. Please consider making a gift from your individual retirement plan (IRA) that benefits you and our parish. A **qualified charitable distribution (QCD)** allows individuals age $70\frac{1}{2}$ or older to authorize their IRA administrator to make a direct transfer of funds from their IRA to qualified charities, tax-free.

There are three main benefits of giving with a QCD:

- 1. If you are 73 years old or older, the amount you transfer can satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution.
- 2. The amount transferred directly to charity does not generate taxable income, which may reduce your annual income level. This may help lower your Medicare premiums and decrease the amount of Social Security that is subject to tax.
- 3. Your gift will be immediately used, allowing you to see the impact of your gift now.

If you would like more information on how to make a QCD gift to St. Paul VI Parish, please contact Jane Birmingham at 708-447-1020 or jbirmingham@stpaulviparish.org.



HELP THOSE WHO SERVE IN THE HOLY LAND

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides Humanitarian, Liturgical, Pastoral, Archaeological, Charitable, Educational services, as well as care for the Holy Places.

For more information about Christians in Holy Land, please visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

Prayer of Generosity

Lord Jesus, teach me to be generous. Teach me to serve as you deserve, To give and not to count the cost, To fight and not to heed the wounds, To labor and not to seek to rest, To give of my self and not ask for a reward, Except the reward of knowing that I am doing your will.

-St. Ignatius of Loyola

-WAYS TO GIVE-

SCAN TO DONATE



ONLINE

 Click the donate button at <u>www.stpaulviparish.org</u> to set up an EFT or credit/debit card donation.

MAIL - DROP OFF - CALL

- Bishop Lyne Pastoral Center 40 E Burlington St. Riverside IL 60546
- (708) 447-1020

TEXT-TO-GIVE

- Text DONATE to 708-55-4PAUL (708-554-7285).
- A verification and an email will be sent to you.

Please note that checks written for donations or gifts **must** be made payable to **St. Paul VI Parish** as we have transitioned from three separate entities into one. The bank will no longer accept checks made payable to church worship sites. Thank you for your continued support!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at the parish office 708-447-1020.

Stewardship: Gifts of Time, Talent & Treasure

MATER CHRISTI ORGAN UPDATE

On Wednesday March 22, the organ was installed at Mater Christ. If you attended Mass this past weekend you were able to hear the beautiful sound of this magnificent instrument! How wonderful it will be when the joyous hymns of Easter will be played!

As you know the Holy Name Society donated \$10,000 toward this project. In addition, the following parishioners have given gifts to help offset the remaining

balance of the installation cost: Donna DeMuro, John LoCigno, Mel & Christine Tomeczko, Patricia Madai and Patricia Vallez

We are so grateful for the patience, generosity and support of everyone who has so far helped to make this long held dream a reality! We are still accepting donations toward this important enhancement for our worship experience.





CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRS)

Join our faith community—and nearly 13,000 Catholic communities across the United States— in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl at both worship sites or parish office. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the impact of global hunger and climate change on vulnerable communities around the world, and we will pray, fast and give alms to help our sisters and brothers in need.

Please return your filled Rice Bowls to Church or to the parish office by Palm Sunday, April 2.

MODERN DAY SIMON OF CYRENE

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. As we walk with Jesus this week, we remember the countless women, children and men who carry the heavy crosses even today: crosses of hunger, of vulnerability to climate change, or a lack of resources. How– like Simon of Cyrene– can you help to carry the crosses of our sisters and brothers in your local community and around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org/holy-week to learn more.

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Second and Special Collections 2023

Holy Land	April 7, 2023
Catholic Charities - Mother's Day	May 14, 2023
Priests' Health & Retirement	June 11, 2023
Peter's Pence	July 2, 2023

Missionary Co-Op Sunday in July/August Seminarian Education September 17, 2023 World Mission Sunday October 22, 2023 Catholic Campaign for Human Development November 19, 2023

Retirement Fund for Religious December 10, 2023

CRS Rice Bowl During Lent



Vincentian Reflection

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the

holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

Please support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the poor as they carry their cross of suffering and pain.

Thank you!



BUY YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS BY APRIL 7TH FOR THE NEXT BIG DRAWING ON APRIL 10TH!

First Prize of \$500 Second Prize of \$250

CONGRATULATIONS!

Winners for 600 Club 3/27

1st Prize (\$75): John J. McGovern (#320)

2nd Prize (\$25): Pete Brown (#120)

Come by the parish office and grab a raffle ticket. The winner will be notified by email/phone, bulletin. Pick one up at the parish office, 40 E. Burlington St. Riverside. All proceeds from the fundraiser will be credited toward the parish fundraising goal of \$45,000 for the fiscal year 2022-2023.

Any questions? Please contact Jane Birmingham at ibirmingham@stpaulviparish.org or 708-853-1421.

Parish Events

MEN'S CHOIR FOR GOOD FRIDAY 3PM SERVICE

All men of the Parish are welcome to sing on Good Friday, at the 3pm Service at Mater Christi. Join us for rehearsals on Monday April 3rd, in the Marian Room (located in the lower level) at Mater Christi, from 7:00-8:30pm.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING & MASS

All men of St. Paul VI Parish are invited to attend our Holy Name Society (HNS) meetings. Grab a neighbor or a friend and join your fellow parishioners for an evening

of fellowship. Our monthly membership meeting will be held on **Friday**, **April 14**, at the St. Hugh Faith Formation Center building in Menarik Hall (lower level). Doors open at 7:00pm with the meeting commencing at 7:30pm. To kick-off the official start of the MLB season, a baseball-themed meal featuring hotdogs and all the accompaniments will be served for dinner.

The Holy Name Mass will be held on **Sunday, April 16**, at the **10:00am service at the St. Mary's** worship site. *Please note the change of time and location*. There will be hospitality after Mass. All men of the parish and their families are invited to pray together with the HNS at that Mass and share in hospitality after Mass.

FLUTTER TO THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY MEETING

Butterflies have been called nature's angels. Women's Society, if you enjoy these exquisite creatures, come to our April gathering. It will be **Wednesday, April 12,**



beginning promptly at 7 p.m. in the Marian Room at Mater Christi Church. Mary Plunkett of our society will share her obsession with butterflies! Join us if you want to attract them to your garden, hear why they are important, or learn to raise them like Mary. We'll play trivia, enjoy refreshments, and elect our Woman of the Year. Come to church at 6:30 for the Rosary.

Members and prospective members are welcome!



ST. PAUL VI PARISH

Women's Retreat

Keys to Building a Stronger Faith

Sponsored by the St. Paul VI Women's Society



RETREAT LED BY: Fr. Francis Bitterman

DATE: Wednesday, April 19

TIME: 9am to 3pm, we will celebrate Mass at 2:30pm

LOCATION: Mater Christi Church; Marian Room (lower level) FOOD: Continental Breakfast & Lunch included COST: \$30/person

REGISTRATION: Please register by April 5.

For additional information contact: Bern Gordus at 708-447-5423

Keys to Building a Stronger Faith

Retreat hosted by the St. Paul VI Women's Society

Name: (printed) ______Phone:

Lunch (lunch includes sandwich, fruit, chips, pickle, and drink)
Sandwich Selection: Please circle one choice below.

Ham & Cheese Turkey & Cheese Tuna

Please return the registration form, labeled St. Paul VI Women's Retreat, with the \$30 fee by April 5 to the Parish Office or to Ida Clary (708-344-3894).



Fr. Francis Bitterman – currently serves as the pastor of St. Josaphat Parish in Lincoln Park. Read more about Fr. Francis on our website at https://www.stpaulviparish.org/womens-society.html



St. Paul VI Holy Name Society

aster Basket

Split-the-Pot

Sunday, April 2nd at 3:00pm 35 Baskets will be Raffled!

EACH BASKET will include: Spiral Cut Ham, Smoked Sausage, Rye Bread, Butter Lamb, Eggs, Egg Coloring, Peeps, Easter Lamb Cake, 1lb. Solid Milk Chocolate Bunny, Jelly Beans, Easter Lily, and Wine

Details and entry forms at stpaulviparish.org or call (708) 602-1927



SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH

TICKETS AT THE ST MARY PARISH CENTER

126 HERRICK ROAD . RIVERSIDE, IL -3:30 PM - 8:00 PM -

ALL PROCEEDS DONATED TO LOCAL CHARITIES

KIDS 10 AND UNDER FREE!

SILENT AUCTION • BASKET RAFFLE

MUSIC BY TODY Rhodes

ANNUAL!



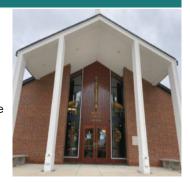
Service Opportunities



CHURCH DECORATORS NEEDED - No experience necessary

Saturday, April 8, 9am to 12pm Easter Decoration

It seems like we just finished putting away the Christmas decorations and Lent is already upon us. I wanted to extend my gratitude to all the volunteers who came out to help for Christmas. Everyone makes a difference! I enjoy getting to know each of you, sharing our talents, and praying together.



Please reach out to Bryant Rouleau at brouleau@stpaulviparish.org if you are interested in pitching in at Mater Christi.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES (CC) - TUESDAY SUPPER

CC Cicero began the Tuesday Supper program at the beginning of the pandemic in October, 2020. The geographic area that is served is mostly the near west suburbs of Berwyn, Cicero, and South Oak Park. The CC clients served are seniors and the working poor. **St. Paul VI Parish is a monthly sponsor.** The Service Outreach Committee coordinates a supper on the 3rd Tuesday of every month; different menus are planned. Thank you to all who have helped us to help others, especially those who help on a regular monthly basis.





Volunteers are needed on the 3rd Tuesday of every month

- 1. <u>Cooks & Bakers</u> Prepare food for 24, ready to serve in disposable trays delivered between 4:45 5 pm to St. Mary's Parking Lot near the entrance off of Herrick Street.
- 2. <u>Drivers</u> needed at 4:40 pm to meet at St. Mary's Parking Lot to load up prepared food and drop off by 5:30 pm at the CC Cicero location where the food is served.

Our next supper will be on Tuesday, April 18th. Check the SignUpGenius link for more info: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054eaea62aaafc1-catholic58#/



FOOD PANTRY - STOCK THE PANTRY!!

Please bring your donation for the Catholic Charities Pantry items to the Parish Office at 40 E. Burlington, Riverside. Canned goods: soup, vegetables, fruit, tuna, and pasta, pasta sauce, rice, cereal, mac n cheese are welcome. In addition, gift cards can be placed in an envelope and dropped at the office mailbox. Please label the envelope CC Food Pantry Collection.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DIAPER DRIVE FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Thank You for your generous donations to the ongoing Knights of Columbus Diaper Drive for Catholic Charities. Any sizes will help families and babies in need but **sizes 5 & 6 are the most needed**. Please drop off your donations at the parish office located at 40 E Burlington St, Riverside, or Mater Christi Church at 2401 S. 10th Ave., North Riverside

SERVICE OUTREACH

How can I volunteer to serve others? Is there a group at St. Paul VI Parish that helps others outside our parish?

These questions may come to mind when you see and hear of hardships that others in our community and in the world are enduring. The St. Paul VI Service Outreach Committee (SOC) focus is to inspire and lead the parish faith community in ministering to those in poverty, service members in the military, the elderly, community families and the environment. Visit our page on the St. Paul VI website, see what we have done, projects that are ongoing and how you can help.

"We are not called to save the world, solve all problems, and help all people. But we each have our own unique call, in our families, in our work, in our world. We have to keep asking God to help us see clearly what our call is and to give us the strength to live out that call with trust." - From the poem, Our Unique Call by Henry Nouwen



FEEDING THE HUNGRY

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Do you enjoy cooking? There is an opportunity and

need for volunteers to help feed the hungry for a homeless shelter located on Lake Street in Oak Park.

On the first Friday of each month, generous cooks provide 40 dinners to Housing Forward. Volunteers make 5-10 dinners on a menu of their choosing comprising of an entree, a vegetable, and a dessert. Containers are supplied. Meals are delivered.

If you are interested in this worthy deed, please contact Kathy Burns, burns.kathleen@comcast.net

Sponsored by the St Paul VI Women's Society.

Parish & Community Resources

ST. PAUL VI PARISH WOMEN'S SOCIETY

The St. Paul VI Women's Society holds its monthly gatherings on the first Wednesday of every month, September through June, unless otherwise noted. The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Room (lower level) of Mater Christi Church. Prior to the meeting, everyone is invited to church for the Rosary at 6:30 pm. To join, contact Carol Dvorak, 708-280-6406, ccdvorak123@yahoo.com; or Susan Kahler, 708-805-1007, sclarekahler@gmail.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bishop Ketteler Council 1628
Catholic men 18 and older are invited to our monthly meeting held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the basement of St. Mary Church (Oak Room).
Info: Roger Jensen at (630) 418-3308.

HISPANIC MINISTRY / MINISTERIO HISPANO

Join the St. Paul VI Hispanic Committee to talk about promoting our Latino faith and share with the parish community.

For questions, contact Matthew Brophy mbrophy@archchicago.org or call 708-447-1020.

Únase al Comité Hispano de St. Paul VI para hablar sobre promover nuestra fe latina y compartir con la comunidad Parroquial.

Si tiene preguntas, comuníquese con Matthew Brophy mbrophy@archchicago.org o llame al 708-447-1020.

ST. PAUL VI HOLY NAME SOCIETY

St Paul VI Parish Holy Name Society (HNS) meets monthly from September through May each term. General meetings are held on the second Friday of each month with a Mass celebrated the Sunday immediately following the meeting. Other HNS events are held throughout the calendar year with information posted in advance in the bulletin. For information contact Ted Watylyk at style="style-type: square;">style=type: square; square; square;

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Prayer Shawl Ministry meets twice a month to pray, knit and crochet. Please let us know when someone in your family or neighborhood is in need of the comfort these prayer filled shawls, hats & scarves provide.

For information, call the parish office at 708-447-1020.

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BAPTISM OF INFANTS

Second and fourth Sundays at St. Mary, first and third Sundays at Mater Christi. Register for Parent Preparation Session by calling the Parish Office at 708-447-1020.



MARRIAGE PREPARATION

This process begins with an interview with a Pastoral Staff member. No date for the ceremony can be reserved until this interview is completed. For more information, call the Parish Office at 708-447-1020.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you would like to receive an anointing, or you know someone who would like to receive this Sacrament, please call the parish office (708-447-1020) to schedule an appointment to arrange a visit.

FUNERAL PLANNING & ARRANGEMENTS

St. Paul VI Parish will assist you in preparing and customizing the Funeral Mass for your loved one. We are here to be of service to you during your time of sorrow.

Please contact the parish office at 708-447-1020 to make arrangements.

There is a simple outline of choices you may use to personalize the Mass for you and your family. All of these are suggestions; you may choose any sacred music that is familiar or important to you.

Contact the parish office for assistance in any musical questions or special requests.

For a complete list of the Outline of Funeral Mass, please visit https://www.stpaulviparish.org/funerals.html

COUNSELING SERVICES

St. Paul VI offers counseling services to our parishioners. All issues are treated with respect and confidentiality.

Appointments are set at your convenience and are held at the Pastoral Center or other suitable location.

Clients are served on a sliding scale and whenever possible insurance reimbursement will be encouraged and supported.

Meet our parish counselor Damaris Colòn-Soto. She is now available for confidential counseling in person at the Lyne Pastoral Center or St. Hugh Faith Formation Center from 9 am-4 pm. To schedule an appointment, please email damariscolon.claret@gmail.com or call 773-313-2492 (Se habla español). She will be available to meet in person at the Lyne Parish Office on Fridays.

For reading resources, visit stpaulviparish.org.

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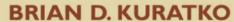
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