



ST. PAUL VI PARISH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."
- Mt 16:24b-25*



HAPPY
Labor Day

St. Mary Church
105 Herrick Road
Riverside

Mater Christi Church
2401 S. 10th Avenue
North Riverside

A message from our Pastor



There are some days that are just truly perfect and last Sunday was one of them! From start to finish, the Block Party was a resounding success! We could not have asked for a more picture-perfect weather day than the one that the Lord provided! It was one of those magical end of summertime Midwest days that, when they occur, make us realize how lucky we are to live where we do!

Beginning the day with prayer and the blessing of the newly installed St. Hugh Prayer Garden was truly touching. Looking out at everyone gathered to honor our past and celebrate our present and our future was humbling. We have worked hard these past two years to bring our communities together the fruit of that patience and labor is beginning to show.

A big thank you to Matt Radek and the planning team! They kept great notes from last year's event and were able to use them to make this year's party even better! Thank you to all the parish groups that lent their support, especially The Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus, Women's Guild, and the St. Mary School Sports Club.

Who knew that Bingo could be so fun? Thank you to Bishop Kevin Birmingham for starting what I am sure will become a much-loved tradition for our picnic!

Thank you to all those who baked (or shopped) for the Cake Walk! And thank you to Ann Weber Zadarsky for her enthusiastic running of that sweet tradition.

Thank you to Maria Ramos for coordinating all our youth helpers. Isn't it great to see so many of our young people willing to volunteer their time to help ensure a successful event?

I especially want to thank Bryant Rouleau and his set up and clean up crew! The campus looked amazing and everyone had everything they needed – and if they didn't, you took care of it!

(If I missed someone or some groups, as I invariably do when I am thanking people after an event, I apologize. It is never my intent to forget to acknowledge someone.)

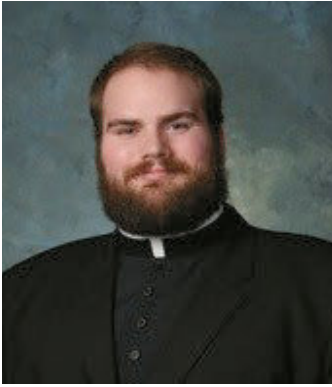
There was a wonderful variety of food, drink, entertainment, music, and things to win. Thank you to everyone who came and helped and supported this event. I loved seeing our parish community – friends, families, neighbors and guests – people of all ages, mixing and mingling, eating and drinking, laughing and dancing, visiting and enjoying a beautiful day together!

If you weren't able to make it, mark your calendars for October 14th when we will celebrate Oktoberfest hosted by the Knights of Columbus on the St. Mary campus.

Have you bought your 600 Club raffle tickets yet? The first drawing will be in a couple of weeks. Like they say with the Lottery – you can't win if you don't play!

Fr. Tom May, Pastor

A message from our Associate Pastor



This Friday we are celebrating the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is one of only three birthdays that the Church celebrates liturgically, Pentecost has an argument as a four birthday. Along with St. John the Baptist and our Lord the Blessed Mary's birthday celebrates what is to come. Elizabeth Scalia of Aleteia has more to say about this celebration.

"Your birth, O Virgin Mother of God, proclaims joy to the whole world, for from you arose the glorious Sun of Justice, Christ our God; he freed us from the age-old curse and filled us with holiness; he destroyed death and gave us eternal life." – Antiphon for the Cantic of Zechariah, Morning Prayer for September 8

On this feast day honoring the birth of Mary, Mother of God, [the Gospel reading](#) contains the genealogy and Annunciation from Matthew — the whole list of patriarchs and fathers, with the occasional mention of the mother:

"Judah became the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar. . . Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab. Boaz became the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth. . . David became the father of Solomon, whose mother had been the wife of Uriah. . ."

It goes on like that, and then,

"Achim the father of Eliud, Eliud the father of Eleazar. Eleazar the father of Matthan, Matthan the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary.

A genealogy goes down the line and then suddenly, there is a twist; suddenly a man is named, but he is not noted as the father or someone, or the son of someone but as the *husband* of the mother, who is — O mystery — the Mother of Completeness, the Mother of Our Creator, the Mother of the Christ.

"Mary is the Mysterious Book of Predestination to glory." -St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

A subtle twist in the narrative signals that *everything is different*, now. There is a giant spike driven into the line of patriarchy, here; suddenly it is not the father who matters most, but the Mother, and before Jesus is even conceived — before he was "knitted in secret, in the womb" and taking his own flesh and blood from Mary's — we understand that nothing will ever be as it was.

Consider:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. — John 1:1 In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless wasteland, and darkness covered the abyss, while a mighty wind swept over the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. -Genesis 1:1-3

Both of these verses describe something from nothing — voids and spaces. In March, when we are thinking about the Annunciation, they could well describe the condition of Mary's virginal womb, but perhaps, on this day, we can also contemplate these words as describing Mary's soul at the time of her conception. The God of No Accidents, who Is, Was, Ever Shall Be, the God who breathed forth Creation with its Incarnational mirror already in place, knew his Vessel. He knew from whence the Ark of his New Covenant would come, for he would provide it, and in the necessary pristine condition.

Gabriel called her "full of grace."

If we think back to those lines from Genesis, and John, we can almost consider Mary-in-utero to be a sort of mirror of the quiescent "nothing" that existed before Creation. A created creature, loved into being and marked by grace, lies waiting to be born. She lives and grows obscurely, still this model of quiescence.

From the stillpoint "nothing" of Mary's physical and spiritual blank sheet comes the rest of the story. Salvation. Return. The Way. Back to where we started.

"Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did." -St. Maximilian Kolbe

Why is Mary so important to Catholics? Why do we honor her so greatly and call her "Blessed"? Why do we even go to the trouble to recall her birth? She was "just a woman," right?

Well, no. She was "full of grace." She would have to be. *I am just a woman.* Billions of people are "just women," and most of them are good, decent people, but could any of them have been the exceptional vessel meant to carry, nourish, en flesh and deliver to the world its Creator and Savior?

Mary's goodness was by no merit of her own; she was given the grace to be this pristine entity. She was given the grace, also, to say "yes" to Gabriel, when a "no" would have been perfectly understandable, given her age and era. She acknowledges all of that in her splendid Magnificat in the Gospel of Luke.

"Angels constantly guard the clients of this Blessed Virgin from the assaults of Hell." -St. Gertrude the Great

But we remember and celebrate the fact of her birth because — whether merited or not — she was the one chosen by God to ignite a force that still burns in mankind.

It all began when it began. But the beginning of Completeness is what we celebrate today, when we celebrate the birth of Mary, the Theotokos, the God-bearer. The sublime Mother whom Jesus, at the foot of his cross, gave to every one of us.

"The Father takes pleasure in looking upon the heart of the most holy Virgin Mary, as the masterpiece of his hands. . . . The Son takes pleasure in it as the heart of His Mother, the source from which He drew the blood that . . . ransomed us." — St. John Vianney

Fr. Matt Nemchausky, Associate Pastor

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

MASS LIVESTREAM LINK ON YOUTUBE:

[youtube.com/channel/UC1KACprstDfNk-Zy8MOAeaA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1KACprstDfNk-Zy8MOAeaA)

(no set Mass time for livestream)

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mater Christi Church

Monday 6:00 to 8:00 pm

St. Mary Church

Thursday 3:00 to 9:00 pm

ROSARY

Mater Christi Church

Monday - Saturday 7:30 am

St. Mary Church

Monday - Friday After 8:30 am Daily Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary

Thursday 3:00 to 4:00 pm

PRESIDER SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 9 & 10:

St. Mary Church

Saturday **Sep 9**

Sunday **Sep 10**

President:

4:00 PM Fr. Thomas Unz

8:00 AM Fr. Matthew Nemchausky

10:00 AM Fr. Robert Banzin

5:00 PM Fr. Thomas May

Mater Christi Church

Saturday **Sep 9**

Sunday **Sep 10**

President:

5:00 PM Fr. Matthew Nemchausky

8:00 AM Fr. Brian Taber, SJ

9:30 AM Fr. Thomas May

11:00 AM Fr. Thomas May

**Presider schedule is subject to change.*

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/

Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/
Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/
Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

HAIL MARY CHALLENGE

1,574,286

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:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81210562468?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81210562468?pwd=eG80RGRkREdyN0RieUJLVFVhYWVVBQT09)

[pwd=eG80RGRkREdyN0RieUJLVFVhYWVVBQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81210562468?pwd=eG80RGRkREdyN0RieUJLVFVhYWVVBQT09)

Meeting ID: 812 1056 2468

Passcode: 949134

Please submit your count to stmarymarys@gmail.com.

The counts received at are tabulated for inclusion in upcoming communications.

VIRTUAL PRAYER WALL

Share your prayer request so others can pray for you, or pray for the needs on the wall. Remember, this is a public forum. Be sure you have permission to share the personal details of others, especially names.

All prayer intentions will be moderated before posting.

Virtual Prayer Wall requests can be made by visiting www.stpaulviparish.org or call the parish office at 708-447-1020.

Worship

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 2

(MC) 8:00 am † For all the workers
(SM) 4:00 pm † Fr. Cy Nemecek (Sharmayne Stach), Tony DeMark & Jack McMahon (Garry De Mark)
(MC) 5:00 pm † Laura Rosko (Peggy Devlin), Michael Devlin (Peggy Devlin), Jim Burns (Del Burns)

Sunday, September 3

(SM/MC) 8:00 am † Members of the Stumpo Family (Dorothy Conjura)
(MC) 9:30 am † Celestine Casper, Jose Gonzalez Monroy, Rosa Guzman Jasso, Andrew Garcia
(SM) 10:00 am † Barbara Newman (Andrei & Marzena Ciszewski), Tom Lysaught, IV (Anne Lysaught), Maria Baruffi (Susie Browne)
(MC) 11:00 am † Bruno Kaluzny, Florindo Gonzalez & Guillermo Nunez
(SM) 5:00 pm † Fr. Charles Igechi (Anne Lysaught)

Monday, September 4

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Philip Wengren (Patricia Madai), Rev. M. Cyril Nemecek, Kujawa Family (Bob Dedowicz), Tom Herbstritt (John & Susie O'Brien)

Tuesday, September 5

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Ernest D. DiMonte, Joseph & Leona Carrabotta (Anne Lysaught)

Wednesday, September 6

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Carolyn Barney

Thursday, September 7

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Anthony Galano (Irene Mack Machalek)

Friday, September 8

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Lorraine Kwiatkowski

Saturday, September 9

(MC) 8:00 am † St. Paul VI Parish Volunteers, Suzanne Nemecek (Susan Kisel), Richard Bargo (Susan Kisel)
(SM) 4:00 pm † St. Paul VI Women's Society, Kathleen Walsh (Sharmayne Stach)
(MC) 5:00 pm † Daniel Mokrzycki, Lillian & Ed Mokrzycki, Jim Burns (Del Burns)

Sunday, September 10

(SM/MC) 8:00 am † Joseph & Leona Carrabotta (Rogelio Guico & Family), Madeline Solik, Mary Kennedy (Rosa Ambrosia), Therese Folliard
(MC) 9:30 am † George R. Zdarsky, Dalton Lee Brown (Pat Brown), Jose Gonzalez Monroy, Rosa Guzman Jasso, Andrew Garcia, Virginia Novak (Patricia Brown)
(SM) 10:00 am † Celestine Casper, Mr. & Mrs. Paul & Kimberly Carrabotta (Anne Lysaught)
(MC) 11:00 am † Ron Gryzlak, Fr. Cy Nemecek
(SM) 5:00 pm † Carmen J. Cerrone (Gattuso Family), Antonina Gulli (Gattuso Family), Luigi Gattuso (Gattuso Family), Andrea Gattuso (Gattuso Family)



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
Charles Detweiler.**

May they rest in peace.

FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Virginia Alba	Theresa Kledek
Cheryl Albertsen	Russell Klemp
Jinnie Allan	Joanne Kosey
Christine Alvarado	Jerry Kosik
Jim Arndt	Donald J. Kotrba, Sr.
Neenah B.	Mary Kratochvil
Arlene Batek	Joseph Kratochvil
Alberto Blasi	Diane Kretz
Anita Blasi	Dorothy Kraus
Deacon Bob Boharic	Christina Lee
Jennifer Borow	Ramon Lehnen
Lauri Bukowski	Anthony Lindauer
Del Burns	Charlotte Lindauer
Raybon Carroll	Ashley Marlow
Al Cimino	Eileen Marquetti
Victorino Herrera Corral	Emily Martinez
Glen Cox	Harper Faith McGee
Gloria DeSanto	Spencer Mehr
Margarita Diaz	Dolores Messlein
Therese Dolmant	Lizzie Mooney
Carol Dvorak	Freda Murphy
Alex Dynako	Irene Nelsen
David Dynako	Annie Nystrom
Elliott Franche	Margaret O.
Midge Galloro	Russ O'Brien
Lindsey Gavin	Beth Pennacchio
Jayme Girard	Dean Pennacchio
Dawn Gmitro	Rafaela Perez
Mimi Gnolfo	Elsie Piszczor
Bern Gordus	Maria Pura
Anthony Gorski	Maria Retana
Elena Gorski	Roberto Requena
Irene Gorski	Dolores Rieber
Bob Gurski	George Rieber Sr.
Katie Hassberger	Al Riebock
Thomas Higgins	Rogelio Rojas
Marilynne Higgins	Maria Consuelo Serrano
Robert Holas	Carol Schaffer
Irene Horacek	Lorraine Schmecht
Olga Horacek	Ann Stauffer
Peggy K	Nicholas John Stiso
Wassyl Kalin	Ethan Tkalec
Noel Keen	Maria Villafuerte
Bill Kernan	Jennifer Walden
Patricia King	Carina Willems
Norman Kirkley	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 minimum 2 weeks prior to the requested Sunday bulletin date.

Stewardship: Gifts of Time, Talent & Treasure

Month Ending July 2023		Special Collections YTD (7/1/2023– 7/31/2023)	
Sunday Collections	\$ 58,230	Capital Improvement	\$ 5,406
Online/Text Offerings	<u>21,420</u>	Energy	\$ 715
Total Received	\$ 79,650	Building & Grounds	\$ 1,271
Budget	<u>84,675</u>	Mother of Mothers Shrine	\$ 150
Greater/(Less) Than Budget	\$ (5,025)	Arts & Environment	\$ 543
% Greater/(Less) Than Budget	(5.9%)	St. Mary School Education Fund	\$ 1,069
Fiscal Year to Date (7/1/2023-7/31/2023)		RE & Lifelong Faith Formation Fund	\$ 2,817
YTD Sunday Collections	\$ 79,650	Fund to Bury Veterans	\$ 15
YTD Budgeted Collections	<u>84,675</u>	Sharing Parishes	\$ 1,537
Greater/ (Less) Than Budget	\$ (5,025)	Archdiocesan Special Collections	\$ 8,216
Percent Greater/(Less) Than Budget	(5.9%)		
Water Main YTD (8/25/23)	\$ 2,845		

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO 

2023 LEGACY PLANNING

Take Advantage of Highest Payout Rates in Over a Decade!

As we walk on the road with Jesus, you can reflect His Light and support our sisters and brothers who make this life journey with us by considering a gift to the Church that pays you back – charitable gift annuity. When you establish a charitable gift annuity with the archdiocese, not only will you receive fixed payments for life, but you can designate our parish as the remainder beneficiary.

How It Works:

1. Make a gift of \$10,000 or more to the Archdiocese of Chicago. Fund your gift annuity with cash or securities.
2. Receive fixed payments for life – for yourself or a loved one age 60 or older. Payment rates are based upon the age of the annuitant at the time you establish the gift annuity.
3. Enjoy immediate and future tax benefits, including a federal income tax deduction for a portion of your gift, if you itemize.
4. You can schedule payments according to your financial needs, and a portion of each annuity payment will be tax-free (through life expectancy).
5. The funds remaining after your lifetime will support our parish or school – as designated by you.

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.

Ways to give

MAIL - DROP OFF - CALL

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

ONLINE

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

TEXT-TO-GIVE

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



SCAN TO DONATE

How to scan a QR code using your iPhone or Android phone:

- Open the Camera app on your phone.
- Then point your phone on the QR code to scan.
- Tap on the pop-up banner to open St. Paul VI Donate page.

Parish Announcements & Events



Banns III

September 9, 2023

Emily Durkin & Greg Booth
Alma Heredia & Daniel Charal
Marisa Nikischer & Kevin McMahon



Congratulations!

ON YOUR WEDDING DAY

September 2, 2023

Lisa Heilenbach & Thomas West

ALPHA SERIES RETURNS SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

GOOD FOOD! GOOD DISCUSSION! GREAT COMPANY!



Have you seen this red question mark before? Do you ever wonder what it means? Come to Alpha Series and find out.

What can I expect from Alpha meetings?

Meetings will take place on Thursday evenings at 6:30-8:30 pm at Mater Christi Marian Room.

Each evening will include a light dinner, video followed by discussion. This is a 10-week program and a retreat experience.

Come to one session or all. It's up to you! All are welcome!

A testimony from a parishioner in 2022 Alpha Series:

"Viewing a presentation prior to a discussion within a smaller group was a wonderful faith formation and celebration of Christianity! We invite you to come and share your experiences, too!"

-David and Michaele Ann Pokraka



Curious?
Scan the QR Code
to register

REGISTER FOR THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (OCIA) PROGRAM

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a year-long process of prayer, learning, and reflection designed for those seeking to become Catholic, those seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation, and for those simply exploring the Catholic faith. It is open to all adults 18+.

If you are interested, please contact the parish office or fill out the interest form.

The interest form can be found on our website at <https://tinyurl.com/spvi-ocia>

For questions, contact the parish office: stpaulviinfo@stpaulviparish.org or 708-447-1020.

Dates and times will be determined once we have acquired the number of participants.

GET YOUR 600 CLUB RAFFLE TICKETS!

This year our goal is to sell all 600 numbers! If we do, we will have an extra drawing on Thursday, February 29, 2024, and one lucky winner will receive \$500!

Here are the rules for the St. Paul VI 600 Club Raffle Parish Fundraiser:

- There are 600 numbers available for purchase.
- Each chance is \$75.00 You must be at least 18 years old to enter.
- Every chance is eligible for the weekly drawing.
- Numbers can win more than one time.
- The first drawing will take place on Monday, September 25, 2023, and will continue weekly until the last drawing on Monday, June 24, 2024.
- Every Monday between September 25, 2023, and June 24, 2024, two numbers will be picked. The first number drawn will win \$75 and the second number drawn will win \$25.

Additionally, there will be four special drawings and prizes that will supersede the regular weekly drawing as follows: St Paul VI Feast Day Monday, September 25, 2023 – First prize \$250, second prize \$100 Christmas Monday, December 25, 2023 – First prize \$500, second prize \$250 Easter Monday, April 1, 2024 – First prize \$500, second prize \$250 (the feast of St Hugh!) Fiscal Year End Monday, June 24, 2024 – First prize \$250, second prize \$100.

ALL proceeds from this fundraiser will help defray regular operating costs in the parish budget. The parish FUNDRAISING GOAL for 2023-2024 is \$35,000.

How do I enter the raffle? Please fill out the following form to reserve your chance(s). Tickets will also be available for purchase at 40 E. Burlington, Riverside, and will be sold after masses at both St. Mary and Mater Christi beginning in August 2023.

[Visit our website to download and print the order form.](#) Ticket numbers are assigned in the order payments are received.

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

Thank you in advance for supporting the parish and GOOD LUCK!



Parish Announcements & Events

SERVICE OUTREACH SERVICE FAIR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

St Paul VI Service Outreach Committee will be hosting a Service Fair at St Mary's after the 8 and 10 a.m. masses and at Mater Christi after the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. masses. Weather permitting it will be outdoors in front of the main church entrances (if raining, it will be in the St. Mary Oak Room and Mater Christi Marian Room).



We will have volunteers manning tables with information and sign-up sheets for all of our ongoing service projects which include Greater Chicago Food Depository, Housing Forward Suppers, Catholic Charities Tuesday Suppers and Food Pantry Collections, St Vincent de Paul, Project CURE sending medical supplies to needy countries including Ukraine, and BedsPlus homeless shelter supplies.

Please bring your calendars and see what you may be able to fit into your schedules. Let the Holy Spirit inspire you to emulate Jesus as a servant to help others.

We will also have information and sign-up sheets for all of the Parish Action Day projects which will be held on Nov. 4th this year.



St Paul VI Parish Action Day Saturday, November 4, 2023

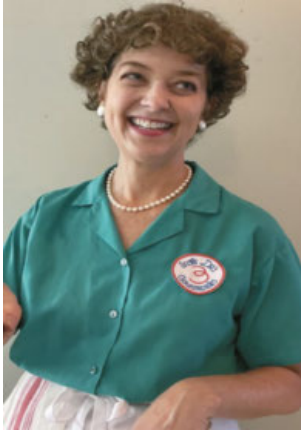
Mark your calendars for November 4th! Parish Action Day is a service day that has been held at St Mary's from 2012 thru 2019. It is sponsored by the Service Outreach Committee and its purpose is to build community and camaraderie with all parishioners as they serve a few hours together to help the needy, the military, and the environment.

We will start the day with a continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the St Mary Parish Center (gym). At 9:00 a.m. there will be a send-off prayer by the Pastor and then each group will go off to do the service project that they signed up for. There are 8 different project groups to sign up for this year. Please note that each person participating can only sign up for one group since they are all being held simultaneously.

Projects will include packing supplies for the homeless, a Veterans program at Hines VA, environmental landscape work around town, decorating cookies for the homeless, making holiday cards for the military, specialized cleaning in both of our churches, making Random Acts of Kindness notes to distribute around our neighborhoods, sorting coats and clothing, and making after-school snack packs for Catholic Charities.

The Service Outreach Committee will be holding a Service Fair on Sunday, Sept. 24th after morning masses at both St Mary and Mater Christi which will include displays explaining all of the Parish Action Day projects as well as sign-up sheets for each project. We encourage everyone to sign up for a project that will work best for you and your family. We have projects for all ages. Great for those who need service hours. Please plan to join your friends, neighbors, and fellow parishioners in a day of fun and service!

Parish Announcements & Events



WOMEN'S SOCIETY TO HOST "JULIA CHILD"

Talented speaker Leslie Goddard will treat the Women's Society to her portrayal of iconic chef Julia Child on Wednesday evening, Sept. 6 at Mater Christi's Marian Room. Actress and scholar Goddard will portray the chef who brought the art of French cooking to TV from 1963 to 1973. It is a return engagement for Goddard, who holds a master's in theater and a doctorate in U.S. history and women's studies.

Members of the Women's Society and women interested in joining are welcome! Goddard will speak at 7:30, so please arrive promptly at 7:00 for a brief business report, refreshments, and split-the-pot tickets, and to pay our modest \$15 annual dues. We invite you to join us at 6:30 in church for the rosary. For questions, contact Sue Kahler, sclarekahler@gmail.com, 708-805-1007.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING AND NEW MEMBERSHIP BREAKFAST

Please save these dates... our first Holy Name Society (HNS) meeting of the 2023-24 term will be held on **Friday, September 8, 2023**, at the St. Hugh Faith Formation Center building in Menarik Hall (lower level).

Also, on **Sunday, September 10, 2023**, our HNS Mass will be celebrated at the 9:30 a.m. service at the Mater Christi worship site immediately followed by the New Membership Breakfast. If you haven't been to an HNS meeting, Mass, or breakfast, all men of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend. As always, the New Membership Breakfast will include a full breakfast and will feature a guest speaker (to be determined). Please stay tuned for additional details.



TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

Each Fall, the Knights of Columbus hold a Tootsie Roll Drive to support individuals with physical and/or intellectual disabilities.

The funds collected are distributed to organizations in our parish and community for persons with disabilities including SPRED (**SP**ecial **RE**ligious **D**evelopment), Misericordia Home, UCP Seguin and WSSRA (West Suburban Special Recreation Association). During this challenging time, it is particularly difficult for persons with disabilities as well as their families. Your generous donation will help the Knights of Columbus in their commitment to these charities. Each person contributing to this fund will receive a tootsie roll.

The Knights will be at various location and times.
September 8 & 9 - Around the town (local streets)

Thank you for your support!



JOIN US!

Tuesday, September 19th
5:00 pm
St. Mary Oak Room

All Seniors are invited to dinner hosted by St. Paul VI Holy Name Society.
Enjoy some dinner and company with other Senior parishioners.

Please RSVP to be added to the headcount.

Chef Dan Schoen at dschoen325@gmail.com (312-320-7324)
Chef Kevin Tabor at tabor316@comcast.net (708-334-8536)

Reconciliation will be available immediately after dinner.



St. Mary School 11th Annual

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**October 6th
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We cordially invite you to participate as a Sponsor of the 11th Annual St. Mary School Walkathon that will take place on Friday, October 6th. Funds raised will help St. Mary School support over 300 students, Pre-K through 8th grade, from over 22 surrounding communities and the city of Chicago.

Visit www.stmaryschoolriverside.org/walkathon for more information.

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2023/24 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration is now open for the 2023/24 catechetical year. The St. Paul VI Religious Education program offers full sacramental preparation for the sacraments of initiation into the Catholic faith; First Reconciliation, First Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Classes begin the week of September 10, 2023. Scan the QR Code for more information.



Register Now!



Service Opportunities

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. **Cooks & Bakers** – 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. **Drivers** – 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, September 19th. Check the SignUpGenius link for more info: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054eaea62aaafc1-catholic63#/>



FOOD PANTRY - STOCK THE PANTRY!!

Summer is here! Families take a break and people go on vacations. But the Food Pantry stays open. Please continue to support the Food Pantry by keeping it stocked this summer. 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, and 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 COLLECTING DIAPERS 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.



GARDEN MINISTRY SHARES THEIR HARVEST

The Garden of Eden at the St. Mary campus will be sharing their harvest with local food pantries. Bring your **home-grown** fruits, veggies, and herbs to St. Mary's vegetable garden on the east side of the St. Mary's parking lot on Monday mornings from 7:30 am to 9:30 am. Please do not bring boxed, canned or processed food.

Please contact Sallie Boge for complete details at gardenministry@aol.com



SAINT KATERI'S CLOSET

We are still accepting First Communion outfits for our St. Kateri's Closet. We are looking to build a closet of dresses and suits for children and parents to shop and borrow for this special occasion. Items can then be returned freshly laundered for the next family to use.



There is no cost to the families. Donations can be dropped off at:

St. Hugh Faith Formation Center
2400 S. 10th Ave., North Riverside

St. Paul VI Parish Office (Lyne Parish Office)
40 E. Burlington St., Riverside

Questions? Contact Chris at 708-224-9993 or jcvalfred@outlook.com



REPACK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The next session is Saturday, Sept. 23rd, from 1:00 - 3:45 pm. Kids 11+ must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

For questions or to register contact John Legan via text or call at 708-870-0045 or email at bishopse5a@gmail.com.

Please sign up by Wednesday, September 23rd.



FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Looking for 40 volunteers to help feed the hungry for a homeless shelter located on Lake Street in Oak Park on the first Friday of each month. Each 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.

Interested? 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. For information, contact Co-President Nicki Mendez, 708-539-6575, nicki828@att.net; or Co-President Theresa Mendez, 815-383-8841, thrsmdz@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 stpaulvihns@gmail.com.

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Paul VI's Conference of the St. Vincent DePaul Society helps those in the surrounding areas with assistance. If you need assistance or know someone that needs assistance, please call the parish office and leave a message for St. Vincent DePaul and a volunteer will contact you.

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 Colón-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.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCE

FOR HELP 24/7

National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233

Love is Respect (For Teens) 1-866-331-9474

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