

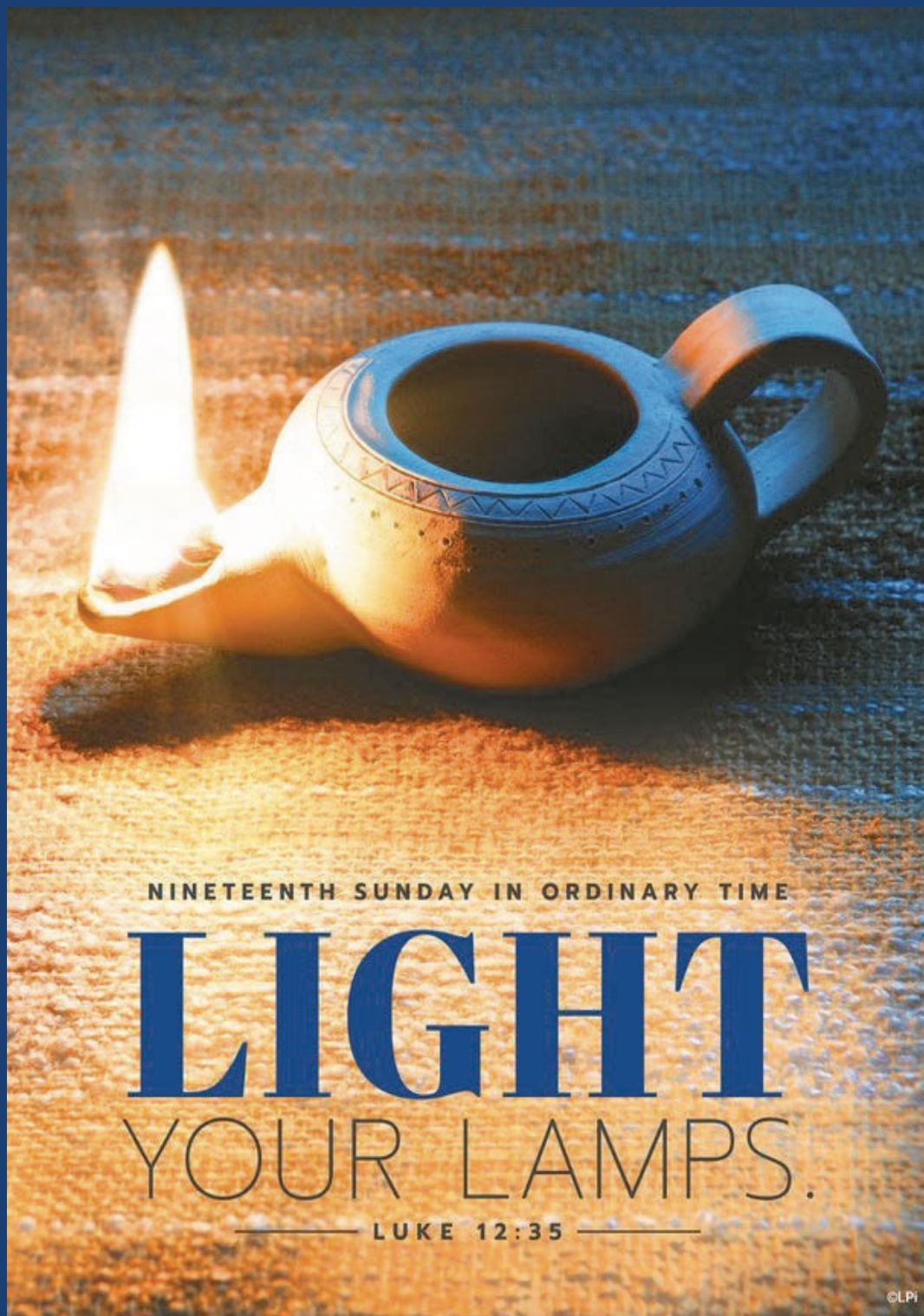
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a people of
faith who
respond to our
Baptismal
call to holiness
by caring for
one another
and journeying
together with
Christ through
prayer,
sacraments,
lifelong
formation and
service in light
of the Gospel
and Catholic
Tradition.



NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LIGHT YOUR LAMPS.

— LUKE 12:35 —

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August 10, 2025

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 18:6-9 | Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 | Lk 12:32-48

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

If we're honest with ourselves, we often want God to give us exactly what we ask for in prayer, or to provide immediate comfort in moments of need. But from the beginning, God revealed that the life of faith would entail trusting in his promises even as we wait for their final fulfillment. The example of Abraham in the second reading can be our model. We are called to emulate Abraham's obedient trust: "for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy." Throughout the Scriptures God promised his people that he would prepare a place for them. This promise propelled the Israelites through famine, exile, and agony, until God brought them to their earthly homeland. Jesus promises a new and everlasting place of rest, where we will live with God forever. We wait in joyful hope that one day he himself will bring us to our heavenly home. Amid the difficulties of life, in seasons of grief, pain, or confusion, it is easy to let doubt creep in. This is when, more than ever, we must cling to our faith, which Paul describes as "the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Trusting in God, we are called to wait with hope and prepare ourselves to readily receive him when he comes. Today's Gospel from Luke provides an image for us to imitate: the faithful servant dutifully awaiting his master's return. What does Jesus say about these servants who keep close watch, always prepared for the moment their master will return? "Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival." The faithful witness of the servants in the Gospel reminds us not to overcomplicate our faith. We simply need to remain diligent in carrying out the work that God has given us to do here and now and to keep ourselves alert as we wait with patience for the coming of the Lord.

PRAY

Our faith strengthens us as we wait for the Lord — as we hold on to the radical belief that our destination is heaven, and our God keeps his promises. Wherever you find yourself on the journey today, cling to his promises! Ask for the grace for deeper trust in him and for greater faithfulness to the work of building up his kingdom as you wait for God to bring all things to their ultimate fulfillment.



A NOTE FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR...

Dear friends,

"Where your treasure is, there will your heart also be." What is my treasure? And where is my treasure? These are questions we must ask ourselves honestly. The answer reveals not only what we value, but also who we are becoming.

Some treasure wealth. Others status, popularity, power or comfort. These things in themselves are not necessarily evil. But when they become our treasure, when our hearts cling to them above all else, they begin to shape us- and not always for the better. At times for the worst. Earthly treasures are fleeting. They decay, rust, and get stolen. Worst of all, they can distract us from the things that matter eternally. We are reminded that 'love of money is the root of all evils.'

Great men and women of the church - Francis of Assisi, Clare of Assisi, Benedict of Nursia and many others- renounced everything earthly to follow Christ in total poverty, since they have found the pearl of great price. While not everyone is destined for such an extraordinary path, it is essential for all of us to establish appropriate priorities and pursue enduring values. "Store up treasures in heaven where nothing can corrupt it or take it away."

How do we secure treasure in heaven? Our lasting treasure is secured when we love sincerely, forgive freely, share our resources with the less fortunate, respect the dignity of others, speak the truth, and put God at the center of our lives. And when we pray humbly, live justly without causing any harm to others, and trust that God's promises are more trustworthy than any investment or successes this world can offer.

To treasure the things of God is to live with open hands and open hearts. Recognizing that everything we have is a gift from God and is to be used for His glory and the good of others. We are to let go of worry and selfishness and cling to faith, hope, and love. Jesus is not asking us to abandon the world, but to re-orient our hearts, to seek first his kingdom and his righteousness.

What do we value most in our life? What do we spend most of our time thinking about, striving for, or worrying over? God wants nothing from us except our hearts given over to him fully, freely, and joyfully.

Let's pray for grace to treasure the things that last, things that lead us closer to Him, so that our hearts may always seek what is eternal. And that at the end of lives journey, we will be welcomed by Him, for whom we lived in this world.

Fr. Paul

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN BREBEUF PARISH

If you are new to our church or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. Whether you are visiting for the first time, worship with us occasionally, or join us every Sunday, we welcome you to St. John Brebeuf Parish. If you do not have home, or if your church is not home to you, we invite you to become part of our parish family. Please call or stop by our parish office to register 847-966-8145. Visit our website <https://www.sjbrebeuf.org> for additional information on parish and community programs for prayer, faith formation, community outreach and information about St. John Brebeuf School. We are glad you are here and hope you will join us.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is private prayer and time before Jesus, really present in the Blessed Sacrament displayed on the altar 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The chapel is located at Fr. Thomas May Parish Ministry Center (8305 N. Harlem Ave.) and is open to all visitors during office hours: Monday through Thursday from 9:00AM – 7:00pm // Friday from 9:00am – 5:00pm // Saturday 9:00am – 1:00pm. After Hours the chapel is only keycard accessible. Please call the Parish Office (847) 966-8145 if you wish to obtain one.



DEVOTIONS

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

every Wednesday after 8:30 am Mass

SACRED HEART OF JESUS — 1st Friday of the Month

In English: after 8:30am Mass / In Polish: after 7:00 pm Mass

OUR LADY OF FATIMA — 1st Saturday of the Month

In English: after 8:30am Mass / In Polish: after 6:30pm Mass

MARIAN PRAYER GROUP in English:

Every Monday 7:00pm Adoration Chapel

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15

OBSERVANCES:

Monday: St. Clare, Virgin

Tuesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

Wednesday: Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

Thursday: St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Friday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Stephen of Hungary

PRO-LIFE CORNER:

Pray to end abortion and euthanasia.

Let us continue to pray daily:

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion." *Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen*



LITURGY SCHEDULE – MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 11 – AUGUST 17

Monday, August 11th

8:30 am English Fr. Jason

Birthday Blessings for Maria Słomski

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

Monica i Alberto Saberbein 18th Wedding

Anniversary Blessings

† Stanisław Dzik

† Monika Wykurz

† Janina Subkowski

Tuesday, August 12th

8:30 am English Fr. Paul

Health and Birthday Blessings for Geraldine

Hardyman

† Dale Anderson 11th year Death Anniv.

† William Uhlig 13th year Death Anniv.

7:00 pm English Fr. Jason

O szczęśliwą podróż i pobyt w Polsce dla

Krystyny, Julii i Ryszarda

God's Blessings and safe travel to Poland

for Greg Banek and Julia Karpinński

† Monika Wykurz

† Janina Subkowski

Wednesday, August 13th

8:30 am English Fr. Paul

Dan & Jean Croke 65th Wedding Anniv.

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

O Bożą opiekę, dary Ducha św i potrzebne

łaski dla Tomka i Jego Rodziny

O powrót do zdrowia dla Elżbiety Kapałka i

potrzebne łaski dla niej i jej Rodziny

† Monika Wykurz

† Eufemia Fiedorowicz

† Stanisław Dzik

† Maria Rudny we wspomnieniu Imienin

† Janina Subkowski

Thursday, August 14th

8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian

Maria Anastacia Banez Birthday Blessings

† Antoni Jurczykowski

† Kazimierz Hanusiak

† Chuck Pembleton 2nd year Death Anniv.

7:00 pm English Fr. Paul

† Monika Wykurz

† Janina Subkowski

Friday, August 15th Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 am Polish Fr. Sebastian

O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla

Marii Dzieciuch z okazji Urodzin i Imienin

8:30 am English Fr. Paul

Health & God's Blessings for Bekielewski

Family

Merril & Nelson - Thanksgiving for all God's

blessings on their 15th Wedding Anniversary

God's Blessings to Edwin, Carolyn Revila &

Family

God's Blessings for James Jacqueline

Sulton and Family

Blessings for Shea & Sheena Keating

Blessings to Tom, Lucy & Family

Blessings to Juanito, Mercy Revila and Fam-

ily

God's Blessings for Fidel, Sally Lacson &

Family

Eden Barbarin God's Blessings

Imelda Vallejo God's Blessing

Menen Salas God's Blessings

Corazon Roque God's Blessings

Modesta Cruz God's Blessings

† In Memory of Jeanine C. Jalocha

† Stella Zalewski-Bandola

† Victor Sarmiento

12:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

O zdrowie dla Marii Dzieciuch i pomoc MB

w walce z chorobą oraz o Boże Bł. okazji

Urodzin i Imienin

O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla

rodziny Bogu wiadomej

† Mitchell Prawica

† Alicja Nawara

† Bolesław Sęk Birthday Remembrance

5:30 pm English Fr. Paul

Ushers & Volunteers in SJB Parish

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Jason

O Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Marii Miętus

z okazji Urodzin

† Rafał Mosio

† Peter Sikorski

† Jan Roman

† Monika Wykurz

† Stanisław Dzik

† Janina Subkowski

Za Roberta o wyjście z nałogu

Saturday, August 16th

8:30 am English Fr. Jason

† Deceased Members of Simonides

Family

5:00 pm English Fr. Sebastian

Birthday Blessings to Julia

† Stella Zalewski-Bandola

† The Soul of John Jerome Arenó

† The Soul of Ines Gallo Birthday

Remembrance

† Sharon Schomer

† Tristan Joseph Balura

6:30 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

O zdrowie i Boże Bł. dla Julii z okazji

Urodzin

† Włodzimierz Jaromin

† Jerzy Łapiński rocznica śmierci

† Benedykt Pacyna

† Adrian Cholewa

† Janina Subkowski

O Boże Błogosławieństwo i opiekę Matki

Bożej dla Janiny Małacha i Jej Rodziny

Sunday, August 17th

7:00 am Polish Fr. Jason

† Katarzyna i Wacław Malewski

† Za wszystkich zmarłych z rodziny Poborca

i Babiarz

† Erik Mosson, Janina i Stanisław Družba

† Stanisław Czaja

† Jan, Helena i Stanisław Strama

† Majka Pikul oraz zmarli z Rodziny Pikul,

Kalata, Bajko i Wołyńskich

8:30 am English Fr. Paul

Health and Birthday Blessings for John Ma-

zur

† John Walsh 4th Death Anniversary

† The Souls of Irena & Edward Ostrega

10:00 am English Fr. Sebastian

† Ann Burns Death Anniversary

† Matthew, Bernice & Matt Jr. Wojtaszek

† Thaddeus and Florence Mirus Death An-

niversary

Blessings and thanksgivings to Caroline &

Alan on their 3rd Wedding Anniversary

Thanksgiving for all the blessings our family

received

† Maria Żaba

† Bolesław Sek

† Helena i Wiktor Mazurek

† For deceased members of Cozzi,

Mortellaro and Lend Family

† Janina i Kazimierz Torba

† Dorota Sawicka

† The Soul of Waleria Kaprak

11:30 am Polish Fr. Jason

† Za Dusze w czyśćcu cierpiące, które

najbardziej potrzebują pomocy

† Jan Czerwiński

† Maria, Feliks, Tadeusz Rutkowski

† Filomena, Bolesław, Zdzisław, Jan

Samborski

† Stanisław Józef Gwiżdż

† Maria Wojdyła

† Czesława Leśniak

† Stanisław Sak

† Zdzisław & Michael Puacz, Zofia ,

Tomasz , Władysław Boczar

† Mieczysław Myśliwiec

† Eugene Mikowski

† Genowefa i Józef Pawuła

† Anna Ciepiela w 2 rocznicę śmierci

† Stanisław Dzik

† Maria Kruczek we wspomnieniu Urodzin i

imienin

† Marta Andrzejczak i zmarli z Rodziny

Andrzejczak i Kazimierak

O zdrowie, Boże Błogosławieństwo i opiekę

Matki Bożej z okazji urodzin dla Grażynki i

jej Rodziny

† Maria Widacha 2 rocznica śmierci

† Janina Subkowski

6:00 pm English Fr. Paul

† Frank Rosienski 98 Birthday Remem-

brance



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE THIS WEEK IS OFFERED FOR:

Blessings for all SJB Eucharistic Ministers, Funeral Ministers and all Volunteers

PLEASE PRAY:



OUR SICK:

Martha Gfesser	Vivian Daoud
Maureen Polcyn	Nanette Sadorra
Fely Ranjo	Isabel C. Villarreal
Millet Beltran	Luke Kowalski
RJ Calisura	Joanna Oliwa
Anne Marie Guerrier	Tom Leonard
Betty Bukraba	Francisco & Luz Atienza
Elizabeth Marrinan	Maureen Nathan
C. Kozeny	Charlotte & Carl Lindquist
Mario Brancato	Rose Manio
Pamela Triplitt	Casey Sergot
Patricia	Teresa Parcianny
Lourdes Loraya	Junver Isuga
Leonard Kadzielawski	Chef Raul Arreda
Marian i Maria Dzieciuch	Baby Joseph Palmert
Barbara Witkos	Concepcion Ponte
Rosetta Bizzotto	Hedy Sancho
Harry Largent	Charles Stephen Collins
Toni Kilroy	Ben & Linda Caldea
Caridad M. Altares	Robert F. Adams, Jr.
Alina Gawlik	Bienvienido Costes
Dolores Motto	Mahmoud Srour
Brooke Johnson	Cindy Strong
Silverio Fernandez	Araceli Madridejos
Alice Parinas	Aileen Sancho
Jannette Mendoza	
Mario Loraya	

OUR BELOVED DEPARTED:

Salvatore Zumpano
Lois Amelia MacAdam
Dorothy Marie Pawelczak



OUR MILITARY: Please pray for those serving in the military, and for a peaceful and just solution to conflict and violence.

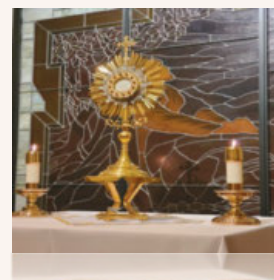
Timothy Casey
Thomas Neuhengen
Mark Honsa
Pvt. James Cunningham
CDR John Tutwiler
SSGT Michael J. Archam
A2C Andrew T. Perkins
Susanne Connolly Tutwiler
Pieter Venter
Jacob Allen

Robert Monaco
Scott Rodberg
Sgt. Daniel Cunningham
CW4 Louis Haberkorn
Marian Niemotko
PFC Seth D. Perkins
Sgt. Ramiro Cadena
Lt. Joseph Disclafani
Joshua Clavel Ramos
Chief Ryan Morrow

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES OFFERED THIS WEEK FOR:

Candle 1 W pewnej intencji Panu Bogu wiadomej

Candle 2 W pewnej intencji Panu Bogu wiadomej



SUNDAY OFFERINGS

AUGUST 3, 2025 – \$15,735



Your faithfulness and generosity are both greatly appreciated and critical to maintain and operate all we do. May God Bless you for your kindness and generosity!

Bóg zapłać za wsparcie naszej parafii !

NO ENVELOPE? Use GiveCentral

Sunday Offertory and Second Collection. Point your phone camera at QR Code and scan.

Jeśli nie masz koperty to użyj GiveCentral z telefonu. Skieruj kamerę na QR kod i otwórz aplikację.



MASS INTENTION REQUESTS –

Internet: www.sjbrebeuf.org (click the yellow box labeled "Mass Intentions" to fill out the online form)

Mail: Please mail your offering to: *Mass Intentions, St. John Brebeuf, 8305 N. Harlem Ave., Niles, IL 60714*. Include the name, date, time, and what the intention is for. Also, please include the name and phone number of person requesting the intention. Phone: 847-966-8145. *Please make your request 2 weeks in advance so we have time to receive it and place it in the bulletin*

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE REMEMBRANCE

Remember a deceased relative or friend in a special way by donating the altar bread and wine that are used at Mass each week. Suggested donation is \$50. Please

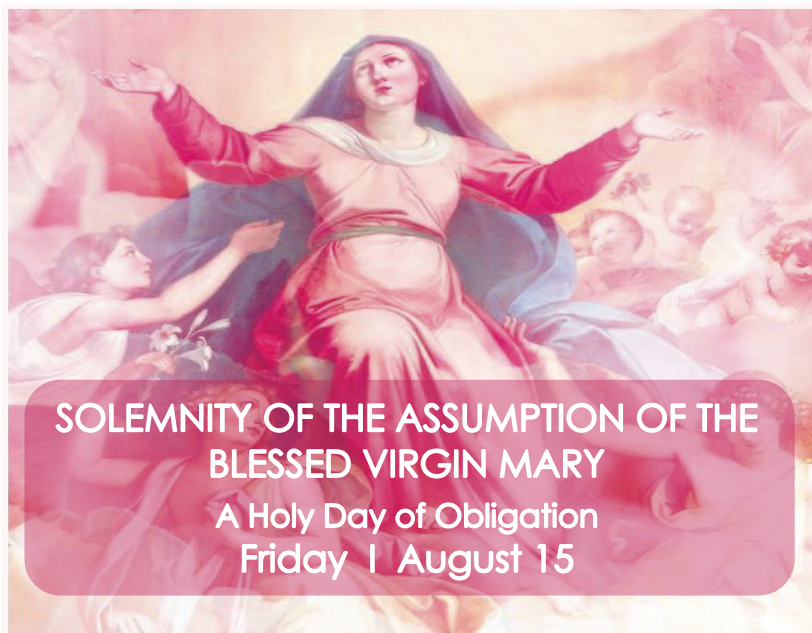
contact the parish office to select a date. The Holy Mass in the person's intention is celebrated every Sunday at 6:00pm.

WEDDING BANNES:

I Paul Sliwka & April Flood



Beautiful Mass cards featuring the image of St. John Brebeuf, the patron saint of our parish, are available for an additional charge from the parish office. These cards are a thoughtful and prayerful way to let someone know a Mass is being offered for them or their loved one.



**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
A Holy Day of Obligation
Friday | August 15

Each year on August 15, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, one of the greatest Marian feasts and a Holy Day of Obligation. On this day, we remember and honor the moment when Mary, at the end of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.

A Sign of Hope and Promise

The Assumption is not only about Mary's unique privilege, it is also about our future in Christ. Mary's assumption is a sign of what is to come for all the faithful. Because she shared so closely in the sufferings and mission of her Son, she was the first to share fully in His Resurrection. Her Assumption reminds us that we, too, are called to eternal life and destined for heaven if we remain faithful.

A Dogma of Faith

The Assumption was formally defined as a dogma of the Catholic faith by Pope Pius XII in 1950, though it had been widely believed and celebrated by Christians since the early centuries of the Church. The dogma proclaims that the Immaculate Mother of God, "having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."

Mass Times:

What Is a Holy Day of Obligation? In the Catholic Church, a Holy Day of Obligation is a special feast day on which the faithful are required to attend Mass, just as they are on Sundays. These days highlight key events in the life of Jesus, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the saints, and are meant to deepen our faith and unity as a Church.

7:00am — Polish
8:30am — English
12:00pm — Polish
5:30pm — English
7:00pm — Polish

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

SAINTS OF THE WEEK:

Saint Clare of Assisi

Feast Day: August 11

On August 11, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Clare of Assisi, a woman of deep faith, courage, and humility. Born into a noble family in



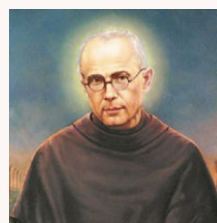
1194, Clare gave up wealth and comfort to follow in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi, embracing a life of poverty, prayer, and service. She founded the Order of Poor Ladies, later known as the Poor Clares, and became the first woman in the Church to write a Rule of Life

for her community. Clare's life was marked by a deep love for Christ in the Eucharist, radical simplicity, and unwavering trust in God's providence. One of the most well-known stories from her life tells how she held up the Blessed Sacrament in a monstrance to ward off invaders threatening her convent, and the attackers fled. For this reason, she is also considered a patroness of Eucharistic adoration. St. Clare is the patron saint of television, eye disorders, and those seeking clarity and simplicity of heart. May her life inspire us to trust fully in God and find joy in living simply and faithfully.

Saint Maximilian Maria Kolbe

Feast Day: August 14

St. Maximilian Kolbe was a Polish Franciscan priest who gave his life in an act of heroic love during World War II. Arrested by the Nazis and



sent to Auschwitz, he volunteered to die in place of another prisoner, a husband and father. Known as the "Martyr of Charity," St. Maximilian lived a life of deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and

was a powerful promoter of the faith through writing and media. He founded the Militia Immaculatae, encouraging others to consecrate themselves to Mary and bring Christ to the world. Pope St. John Paul II canonized him in 1982 and declared him a martyr of love. St. Maximilian's courage, faith, and sacrificial love continue to inspire people around the world to live with trust in God and love for others.



FATIMA DEVOTION / August 13

From May until October every 13th of the month we encouraged you to take part in the bi-lingual Fatima Devotions in our church followed by Rosary procession.

The Thirteenth of the Month Devotions are in honor of the day of the month that Blessed Mary chose for her appearances to the children of Fatima in 1917. Our next Fatima bi-lingual Devotion will be on Wednesday, August 13th following 7pm Polish Mass.

„Pray, pray much and make sacrifices for sinners; many souls go to hell because they have no one to pray and make sacrifices for them.”

SAINT JOHN BREBEUF CHURCH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2025/26 SCHOOL YEAR ENROLLMENT NOW OPEN



GRADES 1-8
CLASSES ON THURSDAYS | 6:00 - 7:30PM
BEGIN SEPTEMBER 25, 2025
LAST DAY TO ENROLL IS SEPTEMBER 5



**GOLDEN
50
JUBILEE**
Cardinal Blase J. Cupich

You are cordially invited to the

GOLDEN JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY MASS

honoring the 50th anniversary
of the priestly ordination of

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

Saturday, August 16, 2025 | 5:15 p.m.

Holy Name Cathedral
735 North State Street, Chicago

Limited free parking available at One Chicago,
14 West Superior Street.

To reserve your space please scan QR code.



Try ALPHA



TASTE OF ALPHA

Tuesday, September 9th 6:30 PM

Saint Juliana Parish Office Building

COME FOR A "TASTE" OF ALPHA AND SEE WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!

You will enjoy a delicious dinner, view an inspiring video, and take part in conversations on faith and life. You will get a "taste" of how ALPHA can deepen your faith and help strengthen your relationship with Jesus. We are hopeful that after this one "taste," you will want more ALPHA!



JOIN US (AND BRING A FRIEND!)
FOR TASTE OF ALPHA ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH AT
6:30 PM IN THE SAINT JULIANA
PARISH OFFICE BUILDING.



For more information or
to register for TASTE OF
ALPHA, scan the QR
code or contact
Marie Dombai at
mdombai@stjuliana.org
or 773.631.4127
ext. 116



**Uncle Pete's Sack Meal
Ministry**
2025 Service Dates

Thank You from Uncle Pete Ministries!

A heartfelt thank you to all SJB parishioners who supported our July sack meal ministry. Thanks to your generosity, **370 sack meals** were donated by parish families and delivered to the Our Lady of Angels Food Pantry. An additional **300 meals** were assembled by *Covenant for the Hungry Ministry* and delivered to the Franciscan Shelter. SJB's *St. Vincent de Paul Society* also held a sack meal-making event, preparing **600 meals** that were distributed to the Franciscan Shelter, Marillac Food Pantry, and IWS Family Health—an incredible collective effort.

We're also grateful for the monetary donations we received, which will help fund future sack meal events. Every contribution matters.

Those who received the meals were truly grateful to be remembered with such care and kindness. Your compassion continues to make a real difference in the lives of others.

For August, bag distribution will be **August 16–17**, and meal drop-off is **August 23–24**. This is a simple but powerful way to serve others, and we welcome all who can take part.

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

— *Uncle Pete Ministries*

Weekend Sack Distribution	Weekend Sack Collection	
	Saturday	Sunday
August 16 - 17	August 23 4:30 – 6:45PM	August 24 6:30 – 11:45AM
September 20 - 21	September 27 4:30 – 6:45PM	September 28 6:30 – 11:45AM
October 18 - 19	October 25 4:30 – 6:45PM	October 26 6:30 – 11:45AM

Please Note: There is no Sunday 6:00PM Mass Sack Collection



**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT THE
PAUL**

In today's Gospel, Jesus says "Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy."

Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will indeed find "an inexhaustible treasure in heaven!"

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the poor, the suffering, and the deprived. All information will be strictly confidential. Contact the Parish Office (847) 966-8145



Admission Free

St. John Brebeuf



CARNIVAL & Oktoberfest

September 18th–21st



Food



Music



8305 North Harlem Avenue
Niles, IL 60714



ATTENTION DJ'S: YOUR ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED

The Parish Carnival/Oktoberfest Committee is looking for a volunteer DJ for the final day of the Parish Carnival and Oktoberfest, Sunday, September 21st (1 PM - 8 PM). All proceeds raised this year will be for a new section of School Roof.

If you are able to lend a hand, please contact, Deacon Andy at ajbeierwal@aol.com or (847) 966-6961.

May our Lord Bless you abundantly for your efforts!

ST. JOHN BREBEUF ALL — SCHOOL REUNION

September 20 at 5 p.m.

Mass at St. John Brebeuf Church, 8305 N. Harlem Ave., Niles; 7 p.m. to midnight, all class reunion in the Parish Ministry Center; contact Shelley Fallon (847) 774-8159M for details.

THE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass is scheduled to be held **Sunday, September 14, 2025** at 2:30 p.m. The mass will be celebrated at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago, IL 60654. Please register by September 8, 2025. There are several ways for a couple to register for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass: online at <https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding> or contact your parish and ask the parish secre-

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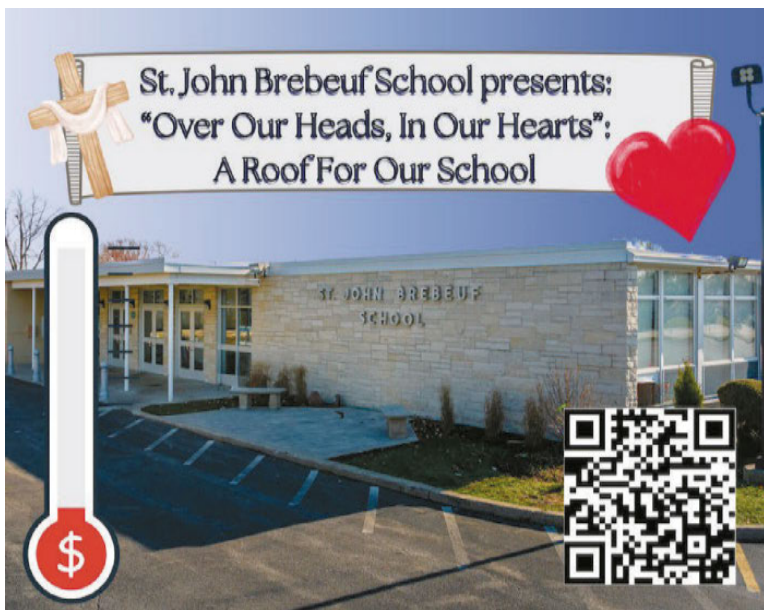
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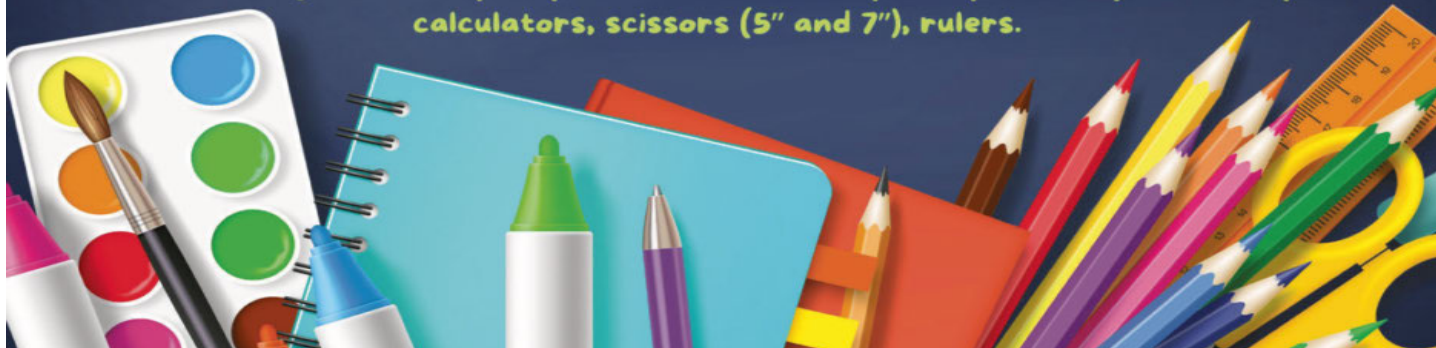
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Czym jest mój skarb? I gdzie jest mój skarb? To pytania, które musimy sobie szczerze zadać. Odpowiedź ujawnia nie tylko to, co cenimy, ale także to, kim się stajemy.

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Wielcy ludzie Kościoła – Franciszek z Asyżu, Klara z Asyżu, Benedykt z Nursji i wielu innych – wyrzekli się wszystkiego, co ziemskie, aby w całkowitym ubóstwie naśladować Chrystusa, ponieważ znaleźli perłę o wielkiej wartości. Choć nie każdemu jest pisana tak niezwykła ścieżka, dla nas wszystkich niezwykle ważne jest ustalenie odpowiednich priorytetów i dążenie do trwałych wartości. „Gromadźcie sobie skarby w niebie, gdzie nic ich nie zniszczy ani nie zabierze”.

Jak możemy zapewnić sobie skarb w niebie? Nasz trwały skarb jest zabezpieczony, gdy szczerze kochamy, hojnie przebaczymy, dzielimy się swoimi zasobami z mniej szczęśliwymi, szanujemy godność innych, mówimy prawdę i stawiamy Boga w centrum naszego życia. A gdy modlimy się pokornie, żyjemy sprawiedliwie, nie wyrządzając krzywdy innym i ufamy, że obietnice Boga są bardziej godne zaufania niż jakakolwiek inwestycja czy sukces, jaki może zaoferować ten świat.

Cenić to, co Boże, to żyć z otwartymi rękami i sercem. Uznać, że wszystko, co posiadamy, jest darem od Boga i powinno być wykorzystywane dla Jego chwały i dobra innych. Mamy porzucić zmartwienia i egoizm, a przyłgnąć do wiary, nadziei i miłości. Jezus nie prosi nas o porzucenie świata, ale o przeorientowanie naszych serc, o szukanie najpierw Jego królestwa i Jego sprawiedliwości. Co cenimy najbardziej w naszym życiu? O czym myślimy, do czego dążymy lub czym się martwimy najczęściej? Bóg nie chce od nas niczego poza oddaniem Mu w pełni, swobodnie i z radością naszych serc.

Módlmy się o łaskę, abyśmy cenili to, co trwałe, co zbliża nas do Niego, aby nasze serca zawsze szukały tego, co wieczne. I aby na końcu naszej życiowej drogi zostaliśmy przyjęci przez Tego, dla którego żyliśmy na tym świecie.

Ks. Paul



UROCZYSTOŚĆ WNIEBOWZIĘCIA NAJŚWIĘTSZEJ MARYI PANNY 15 SIERPNIA – ŚWIĘTO NAKAZANE

15 sierpnia obchodzimy Uroczystość Wniebowzięcia Najświętszej Maryi Panny, jedno z najważniejszych świąt maryjnych w Kościele katolickim. W tym dniu wspominamy, że Maryja, po zakończeniu ziemskiego życia, została z ciałem i duszą wzięta do nieba.

Wniebowzięcie Maryi jest znakiem nadziei i zapowiedzią naszego zmartwychwstania. Maryja, wiarna Służebnica Pańska, jako pierwsza spośród ludzi została w pełni zjednoczona z Bogiem w chwale nieba.

Zapraszamy wszystkich do udziału we Mszy Świętej w tym dniu, by wspólnie uczcić tę wielką tajemnicę wiary i oddać chwałę Bogu za dar Maryi, naszej Matki i Królowej.

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Piękna polska tradycja: Świecenie ziół i kwiatów

W Polsce dzień 15 sierpnia nazywany jest również **Świętem Matki Bożej Zielnej**. W tym dniu przynosimy do kościoła **wiązanki ziół, kwiatów, zbóż i owoców**, by je poświęcić. Ta piękna tradycja ma głębokie korzenie – symbolizuje wdzięczność za plony ziemi oraz zawierzenie ich opiece Matki Bożej. Zgodnie z wiarą ludową, poświęcone zioła i kwiaty chronią domy i pola przed nieszczęściem, a także są znakiem błogosławieństwa Bożego w codziennym życiu.



W TYM TYGODNIU WSPOMINAMY

Święta Klara z Asyżu

Wspomnienie: 11 sierpnia



Święta Klara (1194–1253) była duchową siostrą i uczennicą św. Franciszka z Asyżu. Pochodziła z bogatej rodziny, ale porzuciła wygodne życie, by całkowicie oddać się Bogu w ubóstwie, modlitwie i ciszy. Założyła zakon Ubogich Sióstr Klarysek, który do dziś istnieje na całym świecie.

Jej życie było pełne pokory, zaufania Bogu i miłości do Eucharystii. Jedną z najbardziej znanych scen z jej życia to moment, gdy z monstrancją w rękach obroniła swój klasztor przed napadem – wrogowie uciekli bez walki. Dlatego jest też patronką adoracji Najświętszego Sakramentu.

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Święty Maksymilian Maria Kolbe

Wspomnienie: 14 sierpnia



Św. Maksymilian Maria Kolbe (1894–1941) był franciszkaninem, gorliwym czcicielem Matki Bożej i założycielem Milicji Niepokalanej oraz klasztoru w Niepokalanowie – jednego z największych w Europie.

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Papież Jan Paweł II kanonizował go w 1982 roku jako męczennika miłości. Św. Maksymilian jest patronem rodzin, dziennikarzy, ruchów pro-life i trudnych wyborów moralnych.

Jego życie przypomina nam, że prawdziwa miłość gotowa jest oddać wszystko – nawet życie – dla drugiego człowieka.

„Tylko miłość jest twórcza.” – św. Maksymilian Kolbe



NABOŻEŃSTWO FATIMSKIE / 13 SIERPNIA

Zapraszamy do udziału w dwu-języcznym Nabożeństwie Fatimskim w środę 13 sierpnia po Mszy św. o godz. 7pm połączonego z procesją różańcową wokół kościoła.

Nabożeństwa fatimskie odprawiane są od maja do października, każdego 13. dnia miesiąca, na pamiątkę objawień Matki Bożej w Fatimie w 1917 roku. To właśnie 13 maja Maryja po raz pierwszy ukazała się trojgu pastuszkom: Łucji, Hiacyncie i Franciszkowi, a następnie powtarzała swoje objawienia co miesiąc aż do 13 października. Podczas tych objawień Matka Boża wzywała do modlitwy różańcowej, pokuty i nawrócenia, obiecując pokój i ratunek dla świata, jeśli ludzie odpowiedzą na Jej wezwanie. Nabożeństwa fatimskie są odpowiedzią na Jej prośbę i okazją do wspólnej modlitwy o pokój na świecie, za grzeszników oraz w intencjach, które nosimy w sercu.

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Jesteśmy również wdzięczni za otrzymane datki pieniężne, które pomogą sfinansować kolejne akcje. Każdy wkład ma znaczenie.

Osoby, które otrzymały posiłki, były naprawdę wdzięczne, że ktoś o nich pamięta z taką troską i życzliwością. Wasze współczucie naprawdę zmienia życie innych ludzi.

W sierpniu szare torebki będą ponownie **rozdawane w tyle kościoła po każdej Mszy św. w weekend 16–17 sierpnia**, a przygotowane w nich posiłki będzie można zwrócić w kolejny weekend 23–24 sierpnia. To prosta, ale niezwykle skuteczna forma służby drugiemu człowiekowi. Zapraszamy i szczerze zachęcamy wszystkich parafian do tej niezwykłej akcji. Dziękujemy i niech Bóg okaże Wam swoje błogosławieństwo za nieustające wsparcie!

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Ks. Sebastian Zebrowski, nasz wikariusz, we współpracy z Seminarium w Mundelein przygotował kurs na temat Liturgii Świętej w języku polskim. Szczegółowe informacje oraz dostęp do kursu znajdują się pod poniższym linkiem: https://usml.blackboard.com/webapps/consulting-central/app/launch/TDMv2?locale=en_US&route=offerings/f5dfba52-0efb-43a4-9771-86cbd0bda674; lub skanując poniższy QR kod.



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