

SEPTEMBER

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2025

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We are 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.

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
THAT THE WORLD
MIGHT BE
SAVED.

— JOHN 3:17 —



September 14, 2025

Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Num 21:4b-9 | Phil 2:6-11 | Jn 3:13-17

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

Although God had freed our ancestors in faith from their slavery in Egypt, today we find them grumbling against the Lord as they wander in the desert. Even after we've glimpsed so much of God's goodness, we, too, can begin to grumble in challenging moments of our lives. It's precisely then that we need to cling to faith. After serpents appeared and began to bite those who had grumbled against God, those who had been bitten only had to look at the serpent mounted on a pole and put their faith in God once again to be healed. Similarly, when we find ourselves in the trials of life, we need only look at the cross of Jesus with faith. "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." Amid the storms of our lives, we are called to put our trust in his cross, for through it we are saved and set free.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Paul tells us that God the Father "greatly exalted" Jesus for his humility in embracing the cross, and that ultimately, all creation will join the Father in glorifying Christ. We who know the gift of what Jesus did for us on the cross are called to praise him with our voices and our lives. We praise and glorify Christ first through our example. How might our day-to-day interactions give others a glimpse of the humble and self-emptying love of Jesus? Finally, think of the ways that knowing Christ's love has made a difference in your life. Has it made you more patient? Has it made you more hopeful? Think of ways that you could share this in conversation. Telling others about what God has done for you or the difference that he has made in your life is one way of exalting Christ.

PRAISE

Today, spend some time thanking and praising God for the gift of the cross and our salvation in Christ. You might wish to use this traditional prayer frequently used during the stations of the cross in Lent: "We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you. Because, by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world."





A NOTE FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR...

Dear friends,

Every year on September 14th we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. This feast is the 'commemoration of the rescue of the Holy Cross from the Persians in the seventh century.' However, the public veneration of the Holy Cross began in the fourth century when St. Helen, mother of Emperor Constantine the Great, discovered it in Jerusalem.

Christ by willingly accepting death on the cross, destroyed the powers of evil and death, and reopened the paradise for mankind forever. As a result, the cross becomes the tree of life for those who believe in Christ. The Cross no longer is a symbol of shame, but of our salvation.

'When the Israelites complained against God and Moses in the wilderness God sent fiery serpents as a punishment. Many people died from snake bites. As a remedy, Moses, with the instruction of the Lord, made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole, and those who had been bitten and looked at the bronze serpent lived. They were saved from death because they obeyed the words of Moses.

Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so will the Son of Man be lifted up on the cross. Jesus, though was in the form of God, humbled himself, and became obedient unto death. Christ by willingly accepting death, destroyed the powers of evil and death, and reopened the paradise for mankind. As a result, the cross becomes the tree of life for those who believe in Christ.

The Cross no longer is a symbol of shame, but of our salvation. If anyone turns to Christ with a repentant heart and believes in Him may have eternal life. He died on the cross to heal us from the poison of sin. He embraced our condemnation upon Himself and redeemed us from eternal punishment. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.' Thus, the cross is a sign of God's love for us, and sin cannot destroy His love for us.

Jesus says, 'If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross daily and follow me.' Exaltation of the cross invites us to accept our own crosses willingly and joyfully and challenges us to live by it. We exalt the cross of Christ when we love one another, forgive those who wrong us, embrace sickness and suffering with faith and trust. May God help us to carry our crosses.

God bless you all!

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

HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY in English: Every Friday 3:00pm Adoration Chapel

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Jn 19:25-27/Lk 2:33-35

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

OBSERVANCES:

Monday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Tuesday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Wednesday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church;
St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Saturday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, Priest, and Paul Chõng Ha-sang,
and Companions, Martyrs [M]

PRO-LIFE CORNER:

Join the Pro-Life movement! 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 SEPTEMBER 15 - SEPTEMBER 21

**Monday, September 15th****8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

Dr. Annie Dulski God's Blessings

† The Soul of Alicja Nawara

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

O Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Elizabeth & Christopher Białoobreski z okazji 18 rocznicy Ślubu z Rodzina

† O radość nieba dla zmarłych z Rodziny Stankiewicz

† O Boże Miłosierdzie dla śp. Józefa Kuliś

Tuesday, September 16th**8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

† Mark Wydra Birthday Remembrance

† The Souls of Helen & Walter Szewdo

† Repose of the Soul of Józef Kuliś

† Raymond Grochocki Death Anniversary

7:00 pm English Fr. Paul

Single Parents and Families in need

Wednesday, September 17th**8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

† Eternal rest for Erik Mosson, Janina & Stanisław Drużba

Thanksgiving and Blessings for Sherwin and Cheryl Romero on their 25th Wedding Anniversary**7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian**

† Józef i Czesława Ostrowski

† O Boże Miłosierdzie dla śp. Józefa Kuliś

Thursday, September 18th**8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian**

Zygmunt & Salomea Koziara Health & God's Blessings

Piotr Bak Birthday Health & God's Blessings

† Repose of the Soul of Józef Kuliś

† Julianna Rebis

7:00 pm English Fr. Jason

Sick & Suffering

Friday, September 19th**8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

All SJB Volunteers

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Jason Divine Mercy

Za Roberta o wyjście z nałogu

O większą wiarę i Bożą opiekę Daniela, Lisy oraz ich dzieci

O zdrowie, potrzebne łaski i dary Ducha św. dla Daniela Mańko w dniu 17 Urodzin
O zdrowie i potrzebne łaski dla Zdzisława Mańko

† Rafał Mosio

† Jan Roman

† O Boże Miłosierdzie dla śp. Józefa Kuliś

† Aniela Furtak 26 rocznica śmierci

† Stanisław Dzik

Saturday, September 20th**8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

† Ryszard Kukliński

† Łukasz Hanusiak

5:00 pm English Fr. Jason

† In Memory of Stella Zalewski-Bandola

† Mary Rohrich 9th Death Anniversary

† Matthew, Bernice & Matt Jr. Wojtaszek

† Tristan Joseph Balura

† All deceased Alumni from S. John Brebeuf School

† John Jerome Arenó

† Eternal rest for the Soul of Cezary Noga

† Madeline Albano 5th year Death Anniversary**6:30 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian**O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo w dniu 85 urodzin dla Teresy Orłowskiej
O szczęśliwą operację dla Zenka

† Łukasz Hanusiak

† Włodzimierz Jaromin

† Emilia, Franciszek i Jan Undas w rocznice śmierci

† O Boże Miłosierdzie dla śp. Józefa Kuliś

† Za zmarłych z rodziny Ciepiela i Cebula

Sunday, September 21st**7:00 am Polish Fr. Sebastian**

† Franciszek Ryciuk

† Majka Pikul oraz zmarli z Rodziny Pikul, Kalata, Bajko i Wołyńskich

O Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Rodziny Sobski

† O Boże Miłosierdzie dla śp. Józefa Kuliś miesiąc po śmierci

† Za wszystkich zmarłych z rodziny

Poborca i Babiarsz

8:30 am English Fr. Paul

† Arthur & Dorothy M. Kapchinski

† Eternal repose of the Souls of Bienvenido Dela Cruz, Silverio Amatong Jr. and Francisca Amatong

† The Souls of Irena & Edward Ostrega

† Eternal rest for Henryk Stankiewicz

† Ceferina Pontanos and Julian Inobaya Birthday Remembrance

† Piotr Skowrya 17th Anniversary of his death**10:00 am English Fr. Paul**† The Soul of Marcus Wegner 5th Year Death Anniversary† Theresa Allotye 1st year Death Anniversary

† Eternal repose of the Soul of Susana Blohm Koepke

11:30 am Polish Fr. Sebastian

† Jan Czerwiński

† Stanisław Józef Gwiżdż

† Józef Rybka 53 rocznica śmierci

† Helena Geneja

† Maria Wojdyła

† Edyta Galimski 6 miesięcy po śmierci

† Czesława Leśniak

† Stanisław Sak

Z okazji Urodzin o Boże Błogosławieństwo Ginny i Chrisa Puacz

† Mieczysław Myśliwiec

† Marian Grum 1 rocznica śmierci oraz zmarłych z Rodziny Grum i Kaznowskich

† Benedykt Pacyna

† Anna Szczygieł

† Franciszek Koczwara 2 rocznica śmierci

† Maria i Grzegorz Piecuch

† Stefania i Tadeusz Cwiok

† Lucy Planica

† Stefania i Czesław Janiczak

† Maria Majerska

O Boże Błogosławieństwo i opiekę Matki Bożej w czasie pielgrzymki do Medjugorje dla Stanisława i Haliny

† Jerzy Planica

† Stanisław Dzik

† Tadeusz Wlostowski 13 rocznica śmierci

6:00 pm English Fr. Jason

† The Souls of Philip Grossman & All deceased members of Grossman Family

† Joanne Eberwein 93rd Birthday Remembrance



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE THIS WEEK IS OFFERED FOR:

W podziękowaniu i z prośbą o dalsze Boże Bł. dla Agnieszki i Brendana Bernacki z okazji 1 rocznicy Ślubu

PLEASE PRAY:



OUR SICK:

Martha Gfesser	Vivian Daoud
Maureen Polcyn	Nanette Sadorra
Fely Ranjo	Isabel C.Villarroel
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	Teresa Parcianny
Patricia	Junver Isuga
Lourdes Loraya	Chef Raul Arreda
Leonard Kadzielawski	Baby Joseph Palmert
Marian i Maria Dzieciuch	Concepcion Ponte
Barbara Witkos	Hedy Sancho
Rosetta Bizzotto	Charles Stephen Collins
Harry Largent	Ben & Linda Caldea
Toni Kilroy	Robert F. Adams, Jr.
Caridad M. Altares	Bienvienido Costes
Alina Gawlik	Mahmoud Srour
Dolores Motto	Cindy Strong
Brooke Johnson	Araceli Madridejos
Silverio Fernandez	Aileen Sancho
Alice Parinas	Alan Enzbigilis Sr.
Jannette Mendoza	Clifford & Judith Drexler
Mario Loraya	Peggy Hanley

OUR BELOVED DEPARTED:

Kazimierz Panek
Elżbieta Popek
Jan Milewski



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

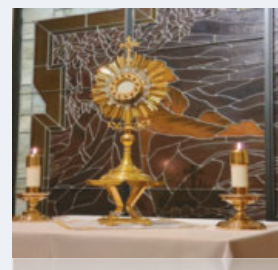
Timothy Casey
Thomas Neuhengen
Mark Honsa
Pvt. James Cunningham
CDR John Tutwiler
SSGT Michael J. Archam
A2C Andrew T. Perkins
Susanne Connolly Tutwiler
Pieter Venter
Jacob Allen

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 O zdrowie, Boże Bł.
i potrzebne łaski dla Aliny Drabik

Candle 2 O zdrowie, Boże Bł.
i potrzebne łaski dla Aliny Drabik



SUNDAY OFFERINGS

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 – \$17,022



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 !

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.

PRAYER LIST

If you or a loved one needs prayers due to an illness, please call the parish office to put the name on the list. If the person has recovered please notify the office. If you have any members in your family currently serving in the military, please call the parish office so we may pray for them.

MASS CARDS

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. Please contact the parish office for more information or to request a Mass and card.



OUR LADY OF SORROWS



The Catholic feast of Our Lady of Sorrows is celebrated annually on **September 15th**. This day holds great significance for Catholics around the world as it commemorates the seven sorrows that the Virgin Mary experienced throughout her life. These sorrows include the prophecy of Simeon, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the child Jesus in the temple, the meeting of Jesus and Mary on the way to Calvary, the crucifixion, the taking down of the body of Jesus from the cross, and the burial of Jesus.

Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted (and you yourself a sword will pierce) so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Our Lady of Sorrows reminds Catholics that Mary is not just the mother of Jesus but also the mother of all believers, including you and me. She walks with us on our journey to God and understands our struggles and pains. When we turn to her in prayer, she intercedes for us and brings our petitions to God.

The feast of Our Lady of Sorrows invites us to reflect on Mary's sorrows and how they relate to our lives. We can experience similar sorrows, such as illness, loss of loved ones, and other personal struggles. However, just as Mary remained faithful to God in the midst of her sorrows, we, too, are called to have faith and trust in God's plan for us.

(<https://thenationalshrineofmarymotherofthechurch.com/>)

PARISH SCRIPTURE STUDY

Plan to attend our fall Scripture Study Program. We will be studying the Acts of The Apostles. What does it mean for a community to follow Jesus? With full benefit of the Holy Spirit, the earliest believers shaped communities of faith from Jerusalem to Rome and all points in between. The Acts of the Apostles invites us to witness the Spirit at work as the apostles of Jesus become evangelists and pastors, as communities of believers expand to include Gentiles, and as local challenges test the staying power of the young church. Marvel at the spread of Christianity throughout the Roman Empire. Empowered by the Holy Spirit and the deep conviction that Jesus is Lord, the first generation church continues to witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. **Our Sessions will begin on Sunday 10/19/2025. We meet from 10:00am - 12:00pm.**

If interested or would like more information contact Chester Gilbert at bbgilbert@comcast.net or 847 966 4789.



CALLING ALL ST. JOHN BREBEUF CATHOLICS



The Archdiocesan Pastoral Council (APC) would like to hear from you. APC is an advisory body which serves to assist the Cardinal in his pastoral duties and agenda. Appointed delegates represent the parishioners of a Vicariate/Deanery bringing the parishioners ideas, questions, concerns and faith experiences to Cardinal Cupich.

My name is Carolyn Drblik, the delegate for Vicariate II - Deanery A, representing St. John Brebeuf, Queen of All Saints Basilica, SS Peter & Lambert, St. Mary of the Woods, and All Saints parishes. **The Cardinal is interested in hearing from you.** Your faith experiences in the parish and suggestions are valuable. Your concerns are important. Cardinal Cupich will provide responses to your questions and thoroughly review all concerns brought to him with explanations to you. Won't you take a few moments to share your comments with Cardinal Cupich at **APCrep@sibrebeuf.org** Together we can foster evangelization and instill hope on our faith journey.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Today's Gospel reminds us of God's great love for each of, a love so great that He sent His son not to condemn the world, but to save it, so that we might have eternal life. Do you consider yourself a naturally caring, compassionate, and giving person? If so, come and share your gifts with people in need by joining the Society of St. Vincent DePaul. In the coming weeks more information will be shared about the spirituality, and works of the Society of St. Vincent DePaul at the Parish Masses.

If you are interested, please contact Chester Gilbert, President of the Society of St. Vincent DePaul at Bbgilbert@Comcast.net, or (847) 966-4789.



VOICES OF SPRED ...

"SPRED is the call; SPRED is the weekly sharing of myself with others on a level that just does not occur anywhere else in my life. SPRED has changed the way I view my faith and SPRED will forever live within my soul. Thanks to all of you who help us receive the call."

"I have found SPRED has given me an opportunity to share individual's journeys into our faith community. From the time each joins us at a young age to watching them as adults take part in our church environment -- I am richer for their growth."

"I have become more conscious of the needs of the vulnerable, not just those with learning difficulties but other vulnerable people."

"SPRED has been a blessing for our family. Nick loves going. He feels totally accepted and spiritually blessed. As an RE teacher, I know that the curriculum would be hard for him and turn him off from religion, by the mere fact that it's classroom learning. He loves the connections that he makes with his friends at SPRED."

These are just some of the many comments that participants of SPRED have made about the program. Open your mind, your heart to a new and wonderful opportunity to enrich your faith. Please join us to learn more:

Date/ Time:	Tuesday, September 23rd at 6:30 pm
Place:	St. John Brebeuf: Conference Room
Contact:	Julia Hess 773-539-7510 or jhess@archchicago.org

Please visit our SPRED resource center sites:

www.spred-chicago.org or www.queenofangelsspred.org

BETHLEHEM ART

September 27th & 28th



We will host representatives of the Catholic Christian Community from Jerusalem and Bethlehem in the Holy Land who will be displaying handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles. Due to the political conflict and the reduction of tourism, the Catholic Community has come to depend more on the sale of these articles abroad to survive and to keep their faith and Christian presence in the holy land. The woodcarvings are beautiful and reflect faith and love for the Lord. Please consider purchasing a gift that will be remembered and cherished for yourself or someone dear to you. The handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles will be available for purchase after all the weekend Masses.

YOUNG ADULTS

CATECHISM STUDY

EVERY
TUESDAY **7:30 PM**



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Uncle Pete's Sack Meal
Ministry
2025 Service Dates

Thank You from Uncle Pete Ministries!

We are deeply grateful to all SJB parishioners who supported our August sack meal ministry. With your generosity, **470 sack meals** were donated by parish families and delivered to the Franciscan Shelter, St. Stanislaus Soup Kitchen, Deborah's Place, and the House of the Good Shepherd. In addition, **500 meals** were prepared by *Covenant for the Hungry Ministry* and the *SJB Young Adults*—an amazing contribution.

We also appreciate the monetary gifts that came in, which will help fund future sack meal events. Every donation makes a difference.

Those who received the meals expressed true gratitude for being remembered with such care. Your kindness continues to impact lives in a very real way.

Looking ahead: bag distribution will take place **September 20–21**, and meal drop-off is scheduled for **September 27–28**. This is a simple but powerful way to serve, and all are invited to join us.

Thank you, and may God bless you for your continued support.

— Uncle Pete Ministries

Weekend Sack Distribution	Weekend Sack Collection	
	Saturday	Sunday
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

GOLFERS WANTED ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



HOSTED BY SJB HOLY NAME
MEN'S CLUB
ALL ARE WELCOME..... BRING YOUR
FAMILY AND FRIENDS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

ARLINGTON LAKES GOLF CLUB
(1211 S. NEW WILKE ROAD
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS / JUST SOUTH OF
CENTRAL ROAD

**\$80.00 PER GOLFER -
INCLUDES 18 HOLES OF GOLF
WITH CART**

CHOICE OF HOT DOG OR BRAT WITH CHIPS
AND SOFT DRINK BEVERAGE DURING YOUR
ROUND OF GOLF

**MUST BE PAID IN FULL
BY 09/16 TO
GUARANTEE YOUR TEE
TIMES
50/50 RAFFLE**

FIRST TEE OFF @ 11:00AM
MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW AS
THEY GO QUICKLY!!!!



JIM LANGE
847-826-1676
DENNIS O'DONOVAN
847-744-2927



We cordially invite you to join us for the

Pilgrimage to Kentucky

We will visit the Abbey of
Gethsemane, Noah's Arc replica,
and Museum of Creation

\$600

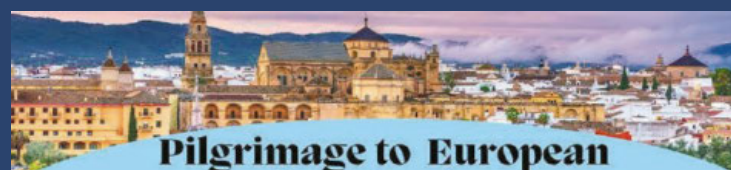
**October 17-19,
2025**

Included: bus, hotel stay,
breakfasts in hotel, 2
lunches, entrance fees

**Register in the
parish office**

tel. 847-966-8145

8305 N Harlem Ave, Niles, IL 60714



Pilgrimage to European Sanctuaries France - Spain - Portugal

Under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Paul Vilangappara - St. John Brebeuf Parish

Dates & Pricing April 24, 2026 - May 06, 2026
Price: \$4,300

Embark on a spiritual and cultural journey through Spain, France, and Portugal, exploring iconic cities like Barcelona, Lourdes, and Fatima. From the architectural wonders of Gaudi to sacred pilgrimage sites and breathtaking coastal views, this trip offers a perfect blend of faith, history, and unforgettable experiences.

What's Included

- ✓ Flight from Chicago to Barcelona with layover in Lisbon, direct flight from Lisbon to Chicago with TAP Portugal Airlines+ baggage 23kg and hand luggage
- ✓ Accommodations in 3-4 star hotels
- ✓ Coach services
- ✓ Whisper systems
- ✓ Insurance: KL 30,000 euro, NNW 10,000 pin, OC 10,000 euro, chronic diseases, COVID-19
- ✓ English speaking local guide during the whole pilgrimage
- ✓ Breakfast and dinner with wine
- ✓ FADO NIGHT in Lisbon
- ✓ All reservations (with Holy Mass) and preparing the program

What's NOT Included

- ✓ Obligatory costs of the program - about 170-190 EURO (entrances, guides in Spain, local taxes, wine tasting) Tips, expenses of a personal nature.

Optional

- ✓ Supplement for a single room - 600 EURO per person
- ✓ Insurance in case of emergency - 150 EURO



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OKTOBERFEST



September 18-21, 2025

FOOD - MUSIC - DRINKS

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SILVER: \$500
GOLD: \$1000
DIAMOND: \$5000

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THROUGHOUT OKTOBERFEST, DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR IN THE GYM,
AND IN THE CHURCH BULLETIN

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Chrystus, dobrowolnie przyjmując śmierć na krzyżu, zniszczył moce zła i śmierci, otwierając na zawsze raj dla ludzkości. W rezultacie krzyż staje się drzewem życia dla tych, którzy wierzą w Chrystusa. Krzyż nie jest już symbolem hańby, lecz naszego zbawienia. „Kiedy Izraelici szemrali przeciwko Bogu i Mojżeszowi na pustyni, Bóg zesłał na nich jadowite węże jako karę. Wielu ludzi zmarło od ukąszeń. Jako lekarstwo Mojżesz, za radą Pana, sporządził węża z brązu i umieścił go na palu, a ci, którzy zostali ukąszeni i spojrzeli na węża z brązu, ożyli. Zostali uratowani od śmierci, ponieważ posłuchali słów Mojżesza.

Jak Mojżesz wywyższył węża na pustyni, tak Syn Człowieczy zostanie wywyższony na krzyżu. Jezus, choć był w postaci Bożej, uniżył się i stał się posłuszny aż do śmierci. Chrystus, dobrowolnie przyjmując śmierć, zniszczył moce zła i śmierci, otwierając na nowo raj dla ludzkości. W rezultacie krzyż staje się drzewem życia dla tych, którzy wierzą w Chrystusa. Krzyż nie jest już symbolem wstydu, lecz naszego zbawienia. Jeśli ktoś zwróci się do Chrystusa ze skruszonym sercem i wiarą w Niego, może mieć życie wieczne. Umarł na krzyżu, aby uzdrowić nas z trucizny grzechu. Przyjął na siebie nasze potępienie i odkupił nas od wiecznej kary. „Albowiem tak Bóg umiłował świat, że Syna swego Jednorodzonego dał”. Zatem krzyż jest znakiem Bożej miłości do nas, a grzech nie może zniszczyć Jego miłości do nas.

Jezus mówi: „Jeśli kto chce pójść za Mną, niech się zaprze samego siebie, niech co dnia bierze krzyż swój i niech Mnie naśladuje”. Wywyższenie krzyża zachęca nas do dobrowolnego i radosnego przyjęcia własnych krzyży i wzywa nas do życia zgodnie z nim.

Wywyższamy krzyż Chrystusa, kiedy miłujemy się wzajemnie, przebaczamy tym, którzy nas skrzywdzili, przyjmujemy choroby i cierpienia z wiarą i zaufaniem. Niech Bóg pomoże nam nieść nasze krzyże.

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WSPOMNIENIE NAJŚWIĘTSZEJ MARYI PANNY BOLESNEJ 15 WRZEŚNIA

Bliska jest nam Maryja Niepokalana, kochamy Ją jako Królową, jakże zachwycająca jest w dniu swego Wniebowzięcia. Ale najbardziej bliska, najbardziej człowiecza jest Maryja Bolesna. Chyba dlatego, że żadna matka na ziemi nie przeżyła tyle i nie przecierpiała tyle, co Matka Zbawiciela. Jakże bolesnym echem odbiły się w Jej sercu prorocze słowa Symeona, wypowiedziane w świątyni jerozolimskiej w dniu ofiarowania Pana Jezusa: „A Twoją duszę miecz przeniknie, aby na jaw wyszły zamysły serc wielu” (por. Łk 2,35). Stąd jakże bardzo Maryja - jako Matka Boża Bolesna rozumie każdego człowieka, każdego cierpiącego, wszystkich, którzy jesteśmy Jej dziećmi.



Wśród wielu modlitw do Matki Bożej Bolesnej zalecanych przez Kościół Święty i odmawianych w wielu sanktuariach jest **Koronka ku czci Jej Siedmiu Boleści**. Na Koronce tej rozważa się ziemskie życie i cierpienia Matki Najświętszej:

1. Boleść - Proroctwo Symeona,
2. Boleść - Ucieczka do Egiptu,
3. Boleść - Zgubienie Pana Jezusa,
4. Boleść - Spotkanie na Drodze Krzyżowej,
5. Boleść - Trwanie pod krzyżem,
6. Boleść - Piastowanie po zdjęciu z krzyża Ciała Pana Jezusa,
7. Boleść - Złożenie do grobu.

O tej modlitwie mówiła w Kibeho w Rwandzie Matka Boża, przedstawiając się widzącym Ją dzieciom jako Matka Słowa. (Wypada wspomnieć, iż w latach 1981-83 w Kibeho miały miejsce objawienia Matki Bożej, zatwierdzone przez Kościół). W uznaniu objawień z Kibeho za autentyczne dużą rolę odegrał fakt, że Matka Boża, płacząc, zapowiedziała widzącym, że w Rwandzie będą się działy przerażające rzeczy. Dziewczęta widziały rzeki pełne krwi, mordujących się wzajemnie ludzi i wiele innych wstrząsających obrazów.

Maryja wielokrotnie powtarzała: „Obudźcie się. Wstańcie. Obmyjcie się i rozejrzyjcie uważnie. Musicie oddać się modlitwie. Musicie rozwinąć w sobie cnoty miłości, oddania i pokory. (...) Okażcie skrucę, żałujcie, żałujcie! Nawróćcie się, kiedy jeszcze jest czas”. W czasie swych objawień w Kibeho Matka Najświętsza szczególnie polecała rozważać Mękę Pańską, odmawiać Różaniec oraz Koronkę do Siedmiu Boleści Matki Bożej.

Rozpoczyna się wrzesień, miesiąc, w którym Kościół wspomina Najświętszą Maryję Pannę Bolesną. Sięgnijmy w tym czasie w swojej pobożności maryjnej także po tę ostatnią formę modlitwy, świadomi, że rozważając te tajemnice, w szczególny sposób czcimy Matkę Bożą Bolesną i upraszamy dla siebie i bliźnich potrzebne łaski w tym życiu, a zwłaszcza w godzinę naszej śmierci.

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Saturday 8:30 am 5:00 pm, 6:30 pm (Polish)
Sunday 8:30, 10:00 am & 6:00 pm (English)
7:00 am and 11:30 am, (Polish)
Daily Mass Monday - Saturday 8:30 am
7:00 pm Monday, Wednesday & Friday (Polish)
7:00 pm Tuesday & Thursday (English)

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4pm - 5pm // Monday - Friday 6:30pm—7pm
First Friday: 8am—8:30am & 6pm - 7pm (English & Polish)