

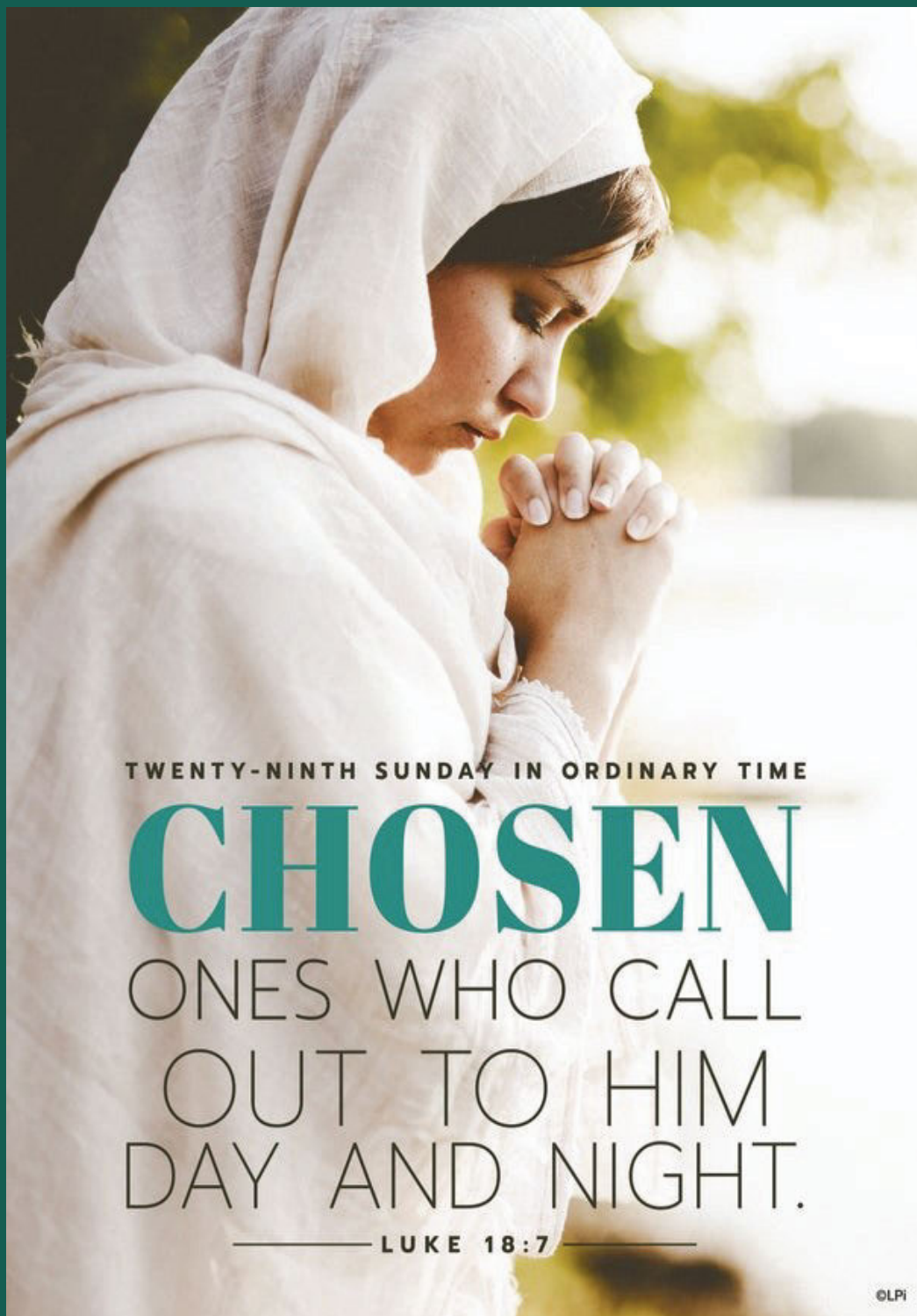
OCTOBER
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2025

ST. JOHN BREBEUF

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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.



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHOSEN
ONES WHO CALL
OUT TO HIM
DAY AND NIGHT.

— LUKE 18:7 —



October 19, 2025

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13 | 2 Tim 3:14-4:2 | Luke 18:1-8

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

Studying Scripture is not a side dish on the plate of practicing the faith. It is an essential component of the virtuous life, and without it, our faith will surely falter. In his second letter to Timothy, Saint Paul reminds us that the Scriptures are the inspired Word of God and they train us in righteous living and equip us for every good work. There will undoubtedly be times when we feel ill-equipped – when we are fatigued, frustrated, or concerned. It is precisely in these moments that we're invited to go quickly to the holy Word of God! Read it, pray with it, and invite the Spirit to speak to you through it. There you will find the wisdom needed to face every circumstance.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Our faith journey was never meant to be a solitary endeavor! We see this in today's first reading when Aaron and Hur stand beside Moses, holding his weary arms in the air as the battle rages on against the Amalekites. This image of the three men on the mountain – Moses with his arms raised high, Aaron and Hur on either side supporting them – is a powerful image of companionship in the Christian life. When you feel too weary to pray, look around – the Lord has likely given you companions who can support you precisely in the ways you need at this time. Pay attention, too, to who God might be inviting you to support in prayer. Our Gospel tells us that God always hears our prayer and calls us to be persistent in prayer. Certainly, God will "secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night." God calls us to persist in prayer because it reveals our faith and trust in him that we constantly bring our needs before him.

REFLECT

Our readings offer helpful tools to turn to when discouragement or isolation may cloud our spiritual vision. Take some time this week to listen to the Lord's voice in Scripture. Or, if you're feeling weary, ask a few friends to pray with and for you. Remember that although God may seem distant, he always hears us. Be persistent in bringing your needs to him and wait with patience – surely, he will come swiftly to your aid.



A note from the Associate Pastor...

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday, we celebrate the patronal feast of our Parish. October 19th is a feast day of **St. John Brebeuf**, a Jesuit missionary and martyr whose life exemplifies unwavering dedication to Christ and the Gospel. Born in France in 1593, Brebeuf journeyed to New France (Canada) in 1625, where he spent years living among the Huron people, learning their language, and sharing the message of Christ with deep respect for their culture.

Despite immense hardships, harsh winters, illness, and resistance, Brébeuf remained steadfast. His love for the Huron people was profound, and his writings reveal a heart filled with compassion and humility. In 1649, he was captured and martyred during a time of tribal conflict. His death was brutal, but his faith never wavered.

We are proud to be the only United States parish named after St. John Brebeuf. We are honored to be under the care of such a great saint who spread the Gospel to the people of America. Interestingly, on the very same day, we celebrate the memorial of another martyr whose relics we have in our parish: Blessed Jerzy Popiełuszko, a courageous priest whose voice became a beacon of truth during one of Poland's darkest chapters. Born in 1947, Fr. Jerzy served as a chaplain to the Solidarity movement, offering spiritual strength to workers resisting communist oppression. His homilies—rooted in the Gospel and human dignity—were broadcast across the country, stirring hearts and challenging injustice.

Despite threats and surveillance, he refused to be silenced. On October 19, 1984, he was kidnapped and murdered by secret police agents. His death shocked the nation, but his legacy lives on as a symbol of peaceful resistance, moral courage, and fidelity to Christ.

Those two saints give us an example of how faith and love can transform us and those around us. Their martyrdom is not forgotten and brings us a testimony of hope and love.

Fr. Sebastian

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: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9

OBSERVANCES:

Monday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

Wednesday: St. John Paul II, Pope

Thursday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest

Friday: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

PRO-LIFE CORNER:

Why can't we love them both?

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 OCTOBER 20 - OCTOBER 25

**Monday, October 20th****8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

† Alice Wheeler

† Joseph Mazur

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

† Edward Przybysz

Tuesday, October 21st**8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

† Henryk Stankiewicz Eternal rest

† Pedro Dimano Death Anniversary

† Joseph Mazur

† Aaron Olivares

7:00 pm English Fr. Jason

† Jan & Katarzyna Woźniczka

Wednesday, October 22nd**8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

† Zofia, Tomasz, Władysław Boczar

† Joseph Mazur

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian St. Rita**Devotion**

† Józef Leś

Thursday, October 23rd**8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

† James & Marie Barnes

† The Soul of Pedro Dimano Birthday Remembrance

† Ruben D. Reyes, SR

† Joseph Mazur

7:00 pm English Fr. Sebastian

For Sick & Suffering

Friday, October 24th**8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

† Meynardo & Erlinda Gonzales

Malou Parsons Birthday Blessings

† Joseph Mazur

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

† Stanisław Dzik

† Paul Domański

Saturday, October 25th**8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

Health and Birthday Blessings for Joanna Oliva

Health and God's Blessings for Macie

Ann Wytaniec on her 3rd Birthday

† Richard Jaretz

† The Soul of Wei Shen 2nd Death Anniversary

† Joseph Mazur

5:00 pm English Fr. Paul

Debbie Friedman Birthday Blessings

Jennifer Alexander Health & Blessings

Bonnie Alexander for strength to cope

Wanda Podgorski Health & Blessings

Georgiann Pappone Health & God's

Blessings

God's Blessings for Ziegler and Hehn

Family

† Stella Zalewski-Bandola

† John Jerome Arenó

† James Kurtzer

† Tristan Joseph Balura

6:30 pm Polish Fr. Jason

O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo z

okazji 25 rocznicy ślubu dla Maliny i

Sławomira Zakrzewskich z prośbą o

dalszą opiekę Matki Najświętszej na

dalsze wspólne lata

W 50 rocznicę Ślubu dla Barbary i

Wiesława Ciołkiewicz w podziękowaniu

za wspólne lata i z prośbą o dalsze Boże

Błogosławieństwo

† Józef Kuryło

† Stanisław Wysocki

† Za zmarłych z Rodziny Grom i

Rutkowskich

† Amelia i Józef Wysocki

† Paweł Staszalek

† Włodzimierz Jaromin

† Jan Milewski

† Teresa i Henryk Żywica

† Stanisława Fraczak

† Zuzanna i Józef Augustyn

† Cecylia i Edward Mrowicki

† Kazimiera i Czesław Kubaczyk

† Zdzisław Kot 5 rocznica śmierci

† Zofia i Czesław Grabarz oraz Helena i

Jan Kurpisz

† O radość nieba dla Haliny Kluszo w

rocznicę śmierci

† Maria i Franciszek Chlebek

Sunday, October 26th**7:00 am Polish Fr. Jason**

† Majka Pikul oraz zmarli z Rodziny

Pikul, Kalata, Bajko i Wołyńskich

† Marianna Wołyńska w rocznicę

śmierci

† Za wszystkich zmarłych z rodziny

Poborca i Babiarsz

† Teresa Mikołajczyk zmarła w Polsce

8:30 am English Fr. Mike Solazzo

Thanksgiving & Blessings Gift of Life

Ligaya Quilantang

God's Blessings for Roi Constantino & Christine Remando on their Wedding Day

† Krzysztof Ruta Eternal rest

† Joseph Mazur

10:00 am English Fr. Paul† The Soul of Ursula Montegna 1st

Death Anniversary

† Marcus Wegner 5th Death Anniversary

† Eternal Repose of the Souls of Paz

Cedilla and Family

11:30 am Polish Fr. Jason

Health & God's Blessings for Kowalczyk

& Kowalski Family

O Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Krystyny

Fijor

Elżbieta Ścisłowska - O zdrowie,

potrzebne łaski i Boże

Błogosławieństwo z okazji 80 Urodzin

O Boże Błogosławieństwo i potrzebne

łaski dla Tomasza z okazji Urodzin

† Czesław, Helena Miskiewicz, Antoni,

Irena Żarczyński, Michael, Ramona Hess

† Zdzisław Kot

† Jan Hermanowski we wspomnieniu

urodzin

† Maria Wojdyła

† Stanisław Sak

† Jan Rychtar

† Władysława, Kazimierz Urbaś oraz Jan

Błoniarsz

† Czesława Leśniak

† Mieczysław Myśliwiec

† Stanisław Dzik

† Anna Baraniewicz

† Daniel Szaciłowski Birthday

Remembrance

† Krzysztof Kuzebski

† Wojciech Wiszniewski i Marek

Wiszniewski w 4 rocznicę śmierci

† Zofia Kania 1 rocznica śmierci

† Krzysztof Kuzebski

† Tadeusz Domagała we wspomnieniu

imienin

† Jan Karpiński

† Halina Dudek we wspomnieniu

Urodzin

6:00 pm English Youth Mass**Fr. Sebastian**

† The Souls of Philip Grossman & All

deceased members of Grossman Family

† Mary Tremulis



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE THIS WEEK IS OFFERED FOR:

† In Memory of Jeanine C. Jalocho 1st Death Anniversary

PLEASE PRAY:



OUR SICK:

Martha Gfesser
Maureen Polcyn
Fely Ranjo
Millet Beltran
RJ Calisura
Anne Marie Guerrier
Betty Bukraba
Elizabeth Marrinan
C. Kozeny
Mario Brancato
Pamela Triplit
Patricia
Lourdes Loraya
Leonard Kadzielawski
Marian i Maria Dzieciuch
Barbara Witkos
Rosetta Bizzotto
Harry Largent
Toni Kilroy
Caridad M. Altares
Alina Gawlik
Dolores Motto
Brooke Johnson
Silverio Fernandez
Alice Parinas
Jannette Mendoza
Mario Loraya
Vivian Daoud
Nanette Sadorra

Isabel C. Villarroel
Luke Kowalski
Joanna Oliwa
Tom Leonard
Francisco & Luz Atienza
Maureen Nathan
Charlotte & Carl Lindquist
Rose Manio
Teresa Parcianny
Junver Isuga
Chef Raul Arreda
Baby Joseph Palmert
Concepcion Ponte
Charles Stephen Collins
Ben & Linda Caldea
Robert F. Adams, Jr.
Bienvenido Costes
Mahmoud Srour
Cindy Strong
Araceli Madridejos
Hedy Sancho
Alan Enzbigilis Sr.
Clifford & Judith Drexler
Peggy Hanley
Sam Pace
Betts Eleanor
Helen Williams
Darlene Neumann

OUR BELOVED DEPARTED:

Balbina Janik
Jan Uchacz



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

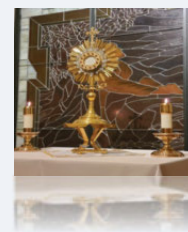
Timothy Casey
Thomas Neuhengen
Mark Honsa
Pvt. James Cunningham
CDR John Tutwiler
SSGT Michael J. Archam
A2C Andrew T. Perkins
Susanne Connolly Tutwiler
Pieter Venter
Jacob Allen

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 † In Memory of Jeanine C. Jalocho

Candle 2 † In Memory of Jeanine C. Jalocho



SUNDAY OFFERINGS:

OCTOBER 12, 2025 — \$ 15,698

Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity. Your support is essential to our mission and ministry. May God bless you abundantly for your kindness and commitment. We're grateful you're part of our community!

Bóg zapłać za nieustanne wsparcie naszej parafii, hojność, zaangażowanie oraz przynależność do naszej wspólnoty.



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*

MASS CARDS

Mass cards are a meaningful Catholic tradition that allows the faithful to offer the Holy Mass for a specific intention. When you request a Mass, a priest offers the Eucharistic celebration for your intention, whether it's for someone who has passed away, is ill, or is celebrating a special occasion. It is a beautiful way to express your prayers, support, and love through the most sacred act of worship in the Church.

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.

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.



OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Please join us at SJB church for Rosary prayers during the month of October:

- every day at the 7:00 pm Mass
 - Saturday after 8:30am and 6:30 pm Masses
 - Sunday after 11:30 am and 6:00 pm Masses.
- If you are unable to join us we encourage to pray the Rosary at the comfort of your own home.

Uncle Pete's Ministry/Respect Life Month Baby Gift Shower

Uncle Pete's Ministry will again sponsor its annual Baby Shower. **Please bring a NEW baby or toddler item with you to Mass this and next weekend, October 24-25.** All donations go to

local agencies that serve needy moms and babies in the Chicago area. Thank you...and God bless!



RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Pray the Respect Life Month Novena / October 22-30, 2025

Join thousands of Catholics across the country praying for the protection of human life from conception to natural death.

Each day of the novena features a different prayer intention, a short reflection, ideas for building a culture of life, and more.

respect life month novena



October 22-30, 2025

The annual Respect Life Month Novena prays for the protection of human life, from conception to natural death. Each day of the novena features a different pro-life prayer intention which is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

Join thousands of Catholics in praying for life!

Sign Up!

Get the daily prayers by email or text message!
Scan the QR code or visit
respectlife.org/respect-life-month-novena.



respectlife.org



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Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities | uscbb.org/prolife

PARISH SCRIPTURE STUDY

Plan to attend our fall Scripture Study Program. We are studying the Acts of The Apostles.

Our Sessions began today and will continue each Sunday from 10am to 12pm. If interested or would like more information contact Chester Gilbert at bgilbert@comcast.net or 847 966 4789.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



In the Gospel today Jesus tells his disciples to pray always without becoming weary., indeed our prayer must always be an expression of our love for God, our family, our world, and especially for the suffering poor.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, please say a special prayer for the poor who have no one to pray for them.

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



St. John Brebeuf Parish invites you to the monthly

ST. RITA DEVOTION

Every 22nd day of each month after the evening mass

Devotion will be followed by the blessing of roses



THANK YOU, ST. JOHN BREBEUF PARISH

On this World Mission Sunday, we give thanks to St. John Brebeuf Parish for your faithful and ongoing support of the Missionaries of the Poor (MOP) — especially the children of Divine Mercy School and the

Orphanage Center for Boys in Kenya Mission. Your generosity and prayers bring the light of Christ to the poorest of the poor. Through your help, the brothers of MOP continue to provide food, shelter, education, and spiritual care to those most in need. Several volunteers from our community recently joined the mission in Kenya and shared how deeply this experience touched their hearts: *Visiting Kenya was a beautiful and humbling experience that reminded me how we are all called to walk with Christ (Tomas). Even small acts of love can be multiplied by God to feed many (Ewa). Serving others helps us reflect the love of Christ in our world (Anna).* On this World Mission Sunday, may we all renew our commitment to pray, give, and go forth in faith, continuing to share the Gospel and God's mercy with the world. Thank you, St. John Brebeuf, for being a parish with a missionary heart!

MOP Volunteers – Chicago Team

SUPPORT VOCATIONS

It's that time of year again that the Knights of Columbus is holding our Vocations Support Program. The Knights will be selling raffle tickets on line this year to help support our priests of tomorrow. Last year, our council was able to donate \$500 each to six different seminarians from your generous support.

Please use the QR Code above to purchase your tickets in books of 5 for \$20.

Also, it is very important that you add our **council number 4338** to this online form in order for us to receive credit for these purchases.. 1st prize is \$10,000 and \$20,000 in total cash prizes. Thank you all for your support.



Matt Petrash
Past Grand Knight
Council 4338



Support Vocations



Uncle Pete's Sack Meal
Ministry
2025 Service Dates

Dear SJB Parishioners,

As we wrap up this year's sack meal ministry, we invite you to join us in one last push to support those in need. Your generosity throughout the year has brought nourishment to so many—thank you.

Last month, parish and school families prepared **640 sack meals** delivered to:

- **Mother Teresa Sister of Charity Soup Kitchen & Ministry**, 115 N. Oakley — serving the hungry and homeless.
- **Franciscan Outreach**, 2715 W. Harrison — an overnight shelter offering meals and support services for men and women.
- **Our Lady of Angels Food Pantry & Outreach**, 824 N. Hamlin — serving the surrounding community, including youth, seniors, and individuals experiencing homelessness.

In addition, we received several cash donations that will help fund sack-meal making events later this fall—thank you for making that possible.

The recipients are grateful and look forward to the meals you provide. Please consider participating in this final weekend of collections.

With gratitude,

Uncle Pete Ministries

Weekend Sack Distribution	Weekend Sack Collection	
	Saturday	Sunday
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

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



QUIGLEY DAY #2: SERVICE DAY

October 25, 2025 | 8:15 – 11:30 a.m.

High school-age men are invited to enjoy a day of service, prayer and fun.

We will pack lunches for Uncle Pete's Ministry to help serve the less fortunate in Chicago. You can learn more about Uncle Pete's Ministry here: osbchicago.org/unclepeteministries.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Parents are invited to attend! Please let Katie know* so we have enough supplies. **Pick-up and drop-off available at two parishes.** Students able to drive can park in the Holy Name Cathedral garage (14 W. Superior St.).

Scan code for more info or contact
*Katie Hazen: khazen@archchicago.org



Mega Bingo!



**Sunday,
October 26, 2025**

**St. John Brebeuf
Rev. Thomas P. May Parish
Ministry Center
8305 N. Harlem Avenue –
Niles**

\$15 for 15 Games

All Pay-outs at \$50

**Final Game Jack Pot
Pay-Out
at \$500**

**Additional Chance to Win
PULL TABS AVAILABLE!!!!**

**Doors Open at 2:30pm -
Games Begin at 3pm
Refreshments Available**

**For Further Information Contact:
Dennis O'Donovan 847-744-2927
John Jekot 847-651-7624**



WORLD PREMIERE: "MYSTERY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY" – A SPECIAL CONCERT AT ST. JOHN BREBEUF CHURCH

As part of the 1st edition of the "Culture by Poland" Festival, celebrating Polish Heritage Month in the United States, we are honored to invite you to a remarkable musical event concluding the **celebration that will take place on Sunday, November 2 at 12:30 PM.**

The highlight of the evening will be the world premiere of "*Misterium o Matce Bożej*" (*Mystery of the Blessed Virgin Mary*) – a powerful new composition for soprano saxophone, accordion, and mixed choir by one of Poland's most esteemed contemporary sacred music composers, Prof. Paweł Łukaszewski, who will also conduct the performance. This deeply spiritual and moving work was specially commissioned for this occasion and promises to be a unique musical and liturgical experience. In addition to the premiere, the concert program will feature a rich selection of Polish sacred and patriotic music, including: *Bogurodzica* and *Gaude Mater Polonia* – treasures of Polish musical tradition; Works by renowned Polish composers: *Henryk Mikołaj Górecki*, *Wojciech Kilar*, *Marek Raczyński*, and *Mikołaj Majkusiak* and timeless compositions by J.S. Bach, Edvard Grieg and Astor Piazzolla. **Free Admission.**



BAL NIEPODLEGŁOŚCI POLISH INDEPENDENCE DAY BALL

at St. John Brebeuf

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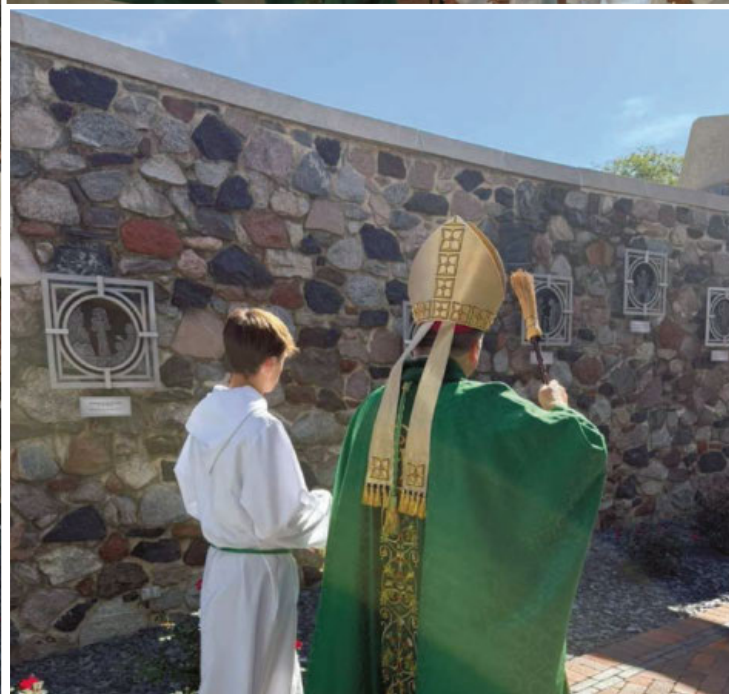
**We invite you to celebrate Polish
Independence Day on Saturday,
November 15, 2025**

**Tickets/Bilety \$85
(when purchasing whole table -
\$80 per person)**

**6:30 PM - Holy Mass with the installation
of the relics of St. Maximilian Kolbe
7:30 PM - Performance by "Polonia"
Ensemble, dinner, and dance in the
PMC- Ministry Center. We will be
entertained by the Fox Band**



MASS AND DEDICATION OF THE ROSARY GARDEN BY
BISHOP KRZYSZTOF NYKIEL / Sunday, October 12, 2025



The poster features a dark blue background with a circular arrangement of flags including the USA, Mexico, Germany, Poland, India, Italy, and the Philippines. A central circular seal for St. John Brebeuf Parish, established in 1953, is positioned above the main title. The title 'CELEBRATION OF CULTURES' is written in large, bold, white letters. Below it, a red ribbon banner displays the date 'October 25, 2025'. Further down, the text 'Food | Drinks | Entertainment | Activities' is shown. A red bar indicates the time '3 PM - 8 PM AT PMC MINISTRY CENTER', and a blue bar provides the address '8305 N HARLEM, NILES, IL 60714'. A grey bar states 'Free Admission'. At the bottom left, a globe icon is next to the website 'www.sjbrebeuf.org'.

ST. JOHN BREBEUF CHURCH

**CELEBRATION
OF CULTURES**

October 25, 2025

Food | Drinks | Entertainment | Activities

3 PM - 8 PM AT PMC MINISTRY CENTER

8305 N HARLEM, NILES, IL 60714

Free Admission

 www.sjbrebeuf.org

The Celebration of Cultures

Join us for a
funfilled event
with cultural
foods from USA,
Germany, India,
Italy, Mexico,
Philippines and
Poland.

Entertainment includes

4pm—Sol Azteca,
4:30pm -
Biedroneczki
Children's Choir,
5pm -Nicolaus
Copernicus
School,
5:45pm -Yelin
Korean
Drumming,
6pm -Indian
Vocals by Lesley
Arackn and
Daughters,
6:15pm -Ellen
Balmadrid,
Filipino Singer
6:30pm - Polonia
Folk Dance &
Song Ensemble.

PRESALE TICKETS

25 tickets for \$20
are sold after all
Masses today.

Presale Tickets
may also be
purchased at the
Parish Office.

Tickets at the
door will be \$1
each.



Z biurka księdza wikariusza...

Drodzy Parafianie,

W tę niedzielę obchodzimy święto patronalne naszej parafii. 19 października przypada wspomnienie św. Jana Brebeufa, jezuickiego misjonarza i męczennika, którego życie jest przykładem niezachwianego oddania Chrystusowi i Ewangelii. Urodzony we Francji w 1593 roku, Brebeuf wyruszył w podróż do Nowej Francji (Kanada) w 1625 roku, gdzie spędził lata wśród Huronów, ucząc się ich języka i głosząc przesłanie Chrystusa z głębokim szacunkiem dla ich kultury.

Pomimo ogromnych trudności, surowych zim, chorób i oporu, Brébeuf pozostał niezłomny. Jego miłość do Huronów była głęboka, a jego pisma ukazują serce pełne współczucia i pokory. W 1649 roku został pojmany i poniósł śmierć męczeńską w czasie konfliktu plemiennego. Jego śmierć była okrutna, ale jego wiara nigdy nie zachwiała się.

Jesteśmy dumni, że jesteśmy jedyną parafią w Stanach Zjednoczonych nazwaną imieniem św. Jana Brebeufa. Jesteśmy zaszczytzeni, że jesteśmy pod opieką tak wielkiego świętego, który głosił Ewangelię ludziom Ameryki.

Co ciekawe, tego samego dnia obchodzimy wspomnienie innego męczennika, którego relikwie przechowujemy w naszej parafii: błogosławionego Jerzego Popiełuszki, odważnego kapłana, którego głos stał się światłem prawdy w jednym z najciemniejszych rozdziałów w dziejach Polski.

Urodzony w 1947 roku, ks. Jerzy był kapłanem Solidarności, niosąc duchową siłę robotnikom stawiającym opór komunistycznej opresji. Jego homilie – zakorzenione w Ewangelii i godności człowieka – były transmitowane w całym kraju, poruszając serca i rzucając wyzwanie niesprawiedliwości.

Pomimo grób i inwigilacji, nie dał się uciszyć. 19 października 1984 roku został porwany i zamordowany przez agentów tajnej policji. Jego śmierć wstrząsnęła narodem, ale jego dziedzictwo trwa nadal jako symbol pokojowego oporu, odwagi moralnej i wierności Chrystusowi.

Ci dwaj święci dają nam przykład tego, jak wiara i miłość mogą przemieniać nas i otaczających nas ludzi. Ich męczeństwo nie zostało zapomniane i jest dla nas świadectwem nadziei i miłości.

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Z okazji Światowej Niedzieli Misyjnej składamy serdeczne podziękowania Parafii św. Jana Brebeufa za Wasze nieustanne wsparcie dla Misjonarzy Ubogich (Missionaries of the Poor – MOP), a szczególnie dla dzieci ze Szkoły Miłosierdzia Bożego oraz Ośrodka dla Chłopców w Kenii.

Dzięki Waszej hojności i modlitwie Bracia zakonni mogą każdego dnia nieść pomoc najbardziej potrzebującym — zapewniając im pożywienie, dach nad głową, edukację i duchowe wsparcie.

Wolontariusze z naszej wspólnoty, którzy w czasie wakacji odwiedzili misję w Kenii, dzielą się swoimi wrażeniami:

„Wizyta w Kenii była pięknym i pokornym doświadczeniem, które przypomniło mi, że wszyscy jesteśmy wezwani, by iść z Chrystusem.” — *Tomas*

„Nawet małe gesty miłości mogą być pomnożone przez Boga i nakarmić wielu.” — *Ewa*

„Służąc innym, odbijamy w świecie miłość samego Chrystusa.” — *Anna*

W tę Niedzielę Misyjną odnowmy nasze powołanie do modlitwy, dzielenia się i czynnego zaangażowania, aby głosić Ewangelię i nieść Boże miłosierdzie tym, którzy najbardziej go potrzebują.

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"Rodzina Ulmów dołącza dziś do szlachetnego i bogatego grona synów i córek narodu polskiego, którzy w wiekach dawnych, ale też i we współczesnym czasie zostali wyniesieni do chwały ołtarzy jako Święci i Błogosławieni. Świadek ich życia jest przykładem i wzorem do naśladowania. Są nam też ofiarowani jako orędownicy u Pana Boga, abyśmy mogli powierzać im naszą codzienność, nasze nadzieje, radości, potrzeby i zmartwienia.

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