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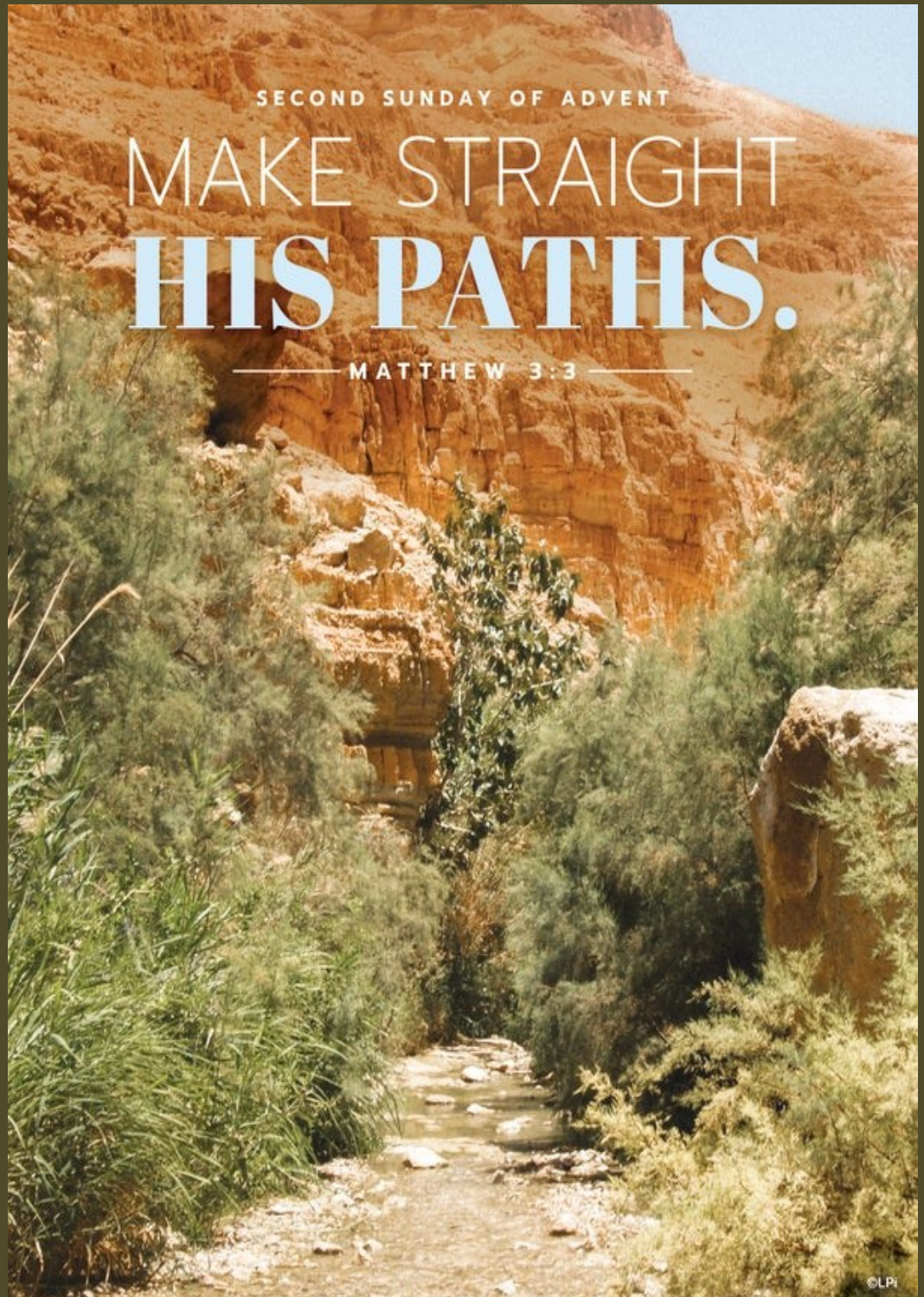
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THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

December 7, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent

Is 11:1-10 | Rom 15:4-9 | Mt 3:1-12

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

Today's Gospel is a challenging one, inviting us to consider how much spiritual fruit we are bearing in our lives. St. John the Baptist tells us, "Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance," reminding us that the depth of our conversion will be measured by our fruit. Speaking to the Pharisees and Sadducees, John says it is not enough to say that "We have Abraham as our father." If he were speaking today, John might put it this way: it's not enough to say "I'm Catholic!" or "I belong to X Parish." Our lives must show outward evidence of the inward conversion we have undergone. The good news for us today is that we can pause and take stock of how well we are bearing spiritual fruit. Pay attention to what areas might need pruning or fertilizing to ensure that when we come to the Lord's threshing floor at the end of our lives, there is a bountiful harvest he can gather into his barn.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Our first reading gives us a glimpse of God's kingdom: The Son of David will rule with wisdom, understanding, counsel, and knowledge, judging "the poor with justice" and striking "the ruthless with the rod of his mouth." In his kingdom "the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb" and yet "there shall be no harm or ruin." What a poetic way of describing the harmony and wholeness that God longs for in society! As disciples, this is our mission. We're called to work so that God's kingdom vision can become reality. As we work for peace and justice, we're doing our part in the Church's work of evangelization. As the U.S. bishops reminded us in their letter *Communities of Salt and Light*, "social justice is an integral part of evangelization, a constitutive dimension of preaching the Gospel, and an essential part of the Church's mission."

REFLECT

In the Gospel, John the Baptist says of Jesus, "He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire." Our ability to bear spiritual fruit comes from the power of the Holy Spirit within us. Take a moment to reflect on where you see the gifts (see the first reading from Isaiah!) and fruits of the Holy Spirit in your life. How might the Spirit of God be working to increase your spiritual fruitfulness this Advent?

[JESUS] WILL
BAPTIZE YOU WITH
THE HOLY SPIRIT
AND FIRE.

(MT 3:11)



A note from the Associate Pastor...

Dear Parishioners,

The second Sunday of Advent is already here. *Marena Tha!* Come, Lord Jesus!

Let us think. Is Advent an important season for us, or is it just another "Christmas" time filled with fast-paced cleaning, decorating, and shopping? Is this time any special? And if it is not, how can we make it more special and more God-oriented?

There are so many opportunities to prepare for Jesus' coming. Our parish offers some important events. We can attend the Spirituality Groups (Advent will have special classes). We can attend the Sacrament of Reconciliation to clean our souls (M-F at 6:30 pm, Sat 4-5 pm).

On December 8th, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, which is a patronal feast of the United States and an opportunity to renew our commitment to our Blessed Mother. Just a couple of days later, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and the Philippines.

There will also be a special occasion to come to the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday, December 22nd. More confessors will be available on that day. Moreover, our Religious Education Program invites all parishioners to watch the Nativity Play on December 18th at 6 pm. "Laudate" Children's Choir will perform during the event.

Finally, our Filipino American Group invites all parishioners to the Novena of Simbang Gabi, celebrated every day for nine days before Christmas Day. Thus, we have an excellent opportunity to experience this Advent in a holy way that brings us closer to God.

God Bless You,
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: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/
Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

OBSERVANCES:

Monday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

Wednesday: Our Lady of Loreto

Thursday: St. Damasus I, Pope

Friday: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturday: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

PRO-LIFE CORNER: Every single child has been given an immortal soul made in God's image and likeness. 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 DECEMBER 8 — 14

Monday, December 8th Polish Advent**Mission(P.A.M)****Immaculate Conception of the BVM****8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

Marta Robak Birthday Health & God's Blessings

† Sr. Salvador Roberta Del Mundo

† Victor Sarmiento

† Teresa Samson

† Danny O'Donnell

† Rommel Manlucu

† In Memory of Stella Zalewski-Bandola

12:00 pm Polish (P.A.M) Fr. Jacek**Świątek****5:30 pm English Fr. Sebastian****7:00 pm Polish (P.A.M) Fr. Jacek****Świątek**

Boże bł. Dla Marty Robak z racji urodzin
Dziękczynna z prośbą o zdrowie i opiekę
MB dla Haliny i Jana w r. ślubu oraz całej
Rodziny

† Katarzyna & Józef Dąbek

† Karol Słowikowski 10 m. po śmierci

† Zofia Szpara

† Stanley Obrochta

† Józef & Joanna Dybisz

Tuesday, December 9th Polish Advent**Mission****8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

Alexia Harris 10th Birthday Health & God's Blessings

† Ferdynand & Maria Wojcik

† Dorothy Kulis Death Anniversary

† Richard Saviano Death Anniversary

† Danny O'Donnell

† Jadwiga Serafin 1st Month Anniversary of Death

12:00 pm Polish (P.A.M) Fr. Jacek**Świątek****7:00 pm Polish (P.A.M) Fr. Jacek****Świątek**

† Stanley Obrochta

Wednesday, December 10th Polish Advent Mission**8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

† Michael Klonowski Death Anniversary

† Danny O'Donnell

11:00 am Confession**12:00 pm Polish (P.A.M) Fr. Jacek****Świątek****6:00 pm Confession****7:00 pm Polish (P.A.M) Fr. Jacek****Świątek**

O łaskę powrotu do zdrowia i wszelkie
potrzebne łaski w walce z chorobą

nowotworową dla Heleny Mazur

O łaskę powrotu do zdrowia i wszelkie

potrzebne łaski w walce z chorobą

nowotworową dla Elżbiety Kapałka

† Stanisław Oleksiuk w Rocznicę Śmierci

† Stanley Obrochta

† Stanisław Dzik

Thursday, December 11th**8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian**

† Danny O'Donnell

9:00 am English Advent Retreat**Fr. Sebastian****7:00 pm English Fr. Jason**

† Stanley Obrochta

7:30 pm English Advent Retreat**Fr. Sebastian****Friday, December 12th****8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

† Danny O'Donnell

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

† Stanley Obrochta

† Stanisław Dzik

Saturday, December 13th**8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian**

Mariusz Robak Birthday Blessings

† Danny O'Donnell

4:00 pm Confession**5:00 pm English Fr. Mike Solazzo**

† In Memory of Stella Zalewski-Bandola

† Emily Augustyński

† Christine Janik

† Tristan Joseph Balura

† Carl & Maria Komorowski and mem-

bers of Labeledz Family and Maria Sziling

† John Jerome Arenó

† Matthew, Bernice & Matt Jr. Wojtaszek

6:30 pm Polish Fr. Jason

Mariusz Robak o Boże bł. z okazji urodzin

O zdrowie i Bożą opiekę dla Krzysztofa

O zdrowie i Bożą opiekę dla Doroty

† Stanisław Szypcio

† Zofia Szpara

† Włodzimierz Jaromin

† Zofia, Barbara & Stanisław Lach

† Zofia Cieślak

† Franciszek Lach

† Genowefa & Józef Pawula

† Halina Klujso & Jan Klujso

† Teresa Żelechowski 1 Rocznicą Śmierci

† Stanley Obrochta

† Anna & Jan Słowik

† Franciszek Knapik w 33 r. śmierci

† Urszula i Jan Słowik

† Małgorzata Knapik w 13 r. śmierci

† Aleksandra Cwiok zmarłą w Polsce

† Edward Cwik

† Zofia Borys

† Stanisława & Władysław Malupa

† Stanisław Dudło

† Stanisław Dzik

† Zdzisław Wiklański w r. śmierci

† Józef Leś

Sunday, December 14th**7:00 am Polish Fr. Jason**

† Christopher Rywak

† Majka Pikul oraz zmarli z Rodziny Pikul,

Kalata, Bajko i Wołyńskich

† Radosława i zmarłych z rodziny

Rutkowskich, Sokołowskich i Baluk

† Danny O'Donnell

† Zdzisław Wiklański w Rocznicę Śmierci

† Za wszystkich zmarłych z rodziny

Poborca i Babiarcz

8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian

Olivia & Joseph Steiner Wedding Anniv.

† Danny O'Donnell

10:00 am English Fr. Sebastian

† Patricia Burns Birthday Remembrance

† Daniel L. Bartnicki Birthday Remem-

brance

† Zdzisław Wiklański Death Anniversary

11:30 am Polish Fr. Jason

O zdrowie i Bożą opiekę dla Jessiki z okazji Urodzin

O zdrowie i Bożą opiekę dla Chrisa

Dziękczynna, z prośbą o Boże Bł. dary

Ducha Św i potrzebne łaski dla Natalii

† Maria, Feliks, Tadeusz Rutkowski

† Alfons Rutkowski

† Maria Wojdyła

† Stanisław Sak

† Mieczysław Myśliwiec

† Leszek Lesniewski we Wspomnieniu

Urodzin

† Za Dusze Śp. Stanisław, Maria i

Władysław Cudzych

† Eugene Mikowski

† Sophie Kowalewicz

† Marta Fabian 5 Rocznicą Śmierci

† Marianna Szwarc

† Stanley Obrochta

† Janina, Stanisław & Eugeniusz

Piechowski

† Józef Koziół zmarły w Polsce

† Irena Kantor 10 Rocznicą Śmierci

† Stanisław Dzik

† Józef Leś

6:00 pm English Fr. Paul

† Philip Grossman & All deceased

members of Grossman Family



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE THIS WEEK IS OFFERED FOR:

† In Memory of Stella Zalewski-Bandola

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 Enzbogilis Sr.
Clifford & Judith Drexler
Peggy Hanley
Sam Pace
Betts Eleanor
Helen Williams
Darlene Neumann
Stanisława Pabisz
Kazimierz Pabisz



OUR BELOVED DEPARTED:

John Kalisz
Stefan Miko

Maria
Binkowski



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. Jalocha

Candle 2 † In Memory of Jeanine C. Jalocha



SUNDAY OFFERINGS:

NOVEMBER 23, 2025 — \$17,514

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.



BAPTIZED IN NOVEMBER:

Natalia Anna Krolikowski
Jack Ted Pankiewicz
Anton Kai Veliz
Izabela Maria Irla



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*

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. To order one please contact our parish office.

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.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Monday, December 8

MASS TIMES:

8:30am — English

12:00pm — Polish

5:30pm — English

7:00pm — Polish

The Parish Office will be closed.



The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception invites us, in the midst of Advent, to remember that grace always begins with God. Before Mary ever spoke her “yes,” God prepared her heart from the moment of

her conception, preserving her from original sin so she could freely welcome Jesus into the world. This feast is not about privilege but about mission. Mary is the new Eve, the one whose openness to God begins the healing of what was broken in Eden. Her immaculate heart shows us what God desires for every person: a life healed, renewed, and filled with grace.

Celebrating December 8 reminds us that God’s initiative always comes first. As we prepare for Christmas, Mary teaches us to trust, to surrender, and to allow God to work in our own hearts. She is a safe, gentle mother who leads us to her Son. May this feast strengthen our hope: What God accomplished perfectly in Mary, He desires to begin quietly in us, bringing light where there is shadow, peace where there is fear, and grace where we feel weak.

Our Lady of Guadalupe / December 12

On December 12, the Church celebrates Our Lady of Guadalupe, a tender reminder that God draws close to His people with both love and purpose. When Mary appeared to Saint Juan Diego in 1531, she came not with power or grandeur, but with the gentleness of a mother—speaking in his language, standing in his culture, and offering comfort in a time of fear, division, and uncertainty. Her message endures: *“Am I not here, I who am your Mother?”*

These words echo across centuries, reminding us that we are never abandoned, never unseen, and never without hope. Mary enters the ordinary pathways of our lives carrying the presence of Christ, the Light who heals and restores.

Our Lady of Guadalupe continues to be a sign of unity, dignity, and compassion, especially for the poor and those who feel forgotten. She invites us to draw near to her Son, to trust God’s plan even when it seems unclear, and to bring the warmth of Christ’s love into the lives of others.

As we honor her today, may we allow her maternal guidance to lead us toward deeper faith, courageous charity, and renewed peace.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Americas, pray for us.





KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

- Turn off radios, TV and be prayerfully at peace, reflecting a renewed inner spiritual joy to all others.
- Greet people with "Merry Christmas", not "happy holidays".
- Visit nursing homes, hospitals, and the home-bound, and bring them Christmas joys and greetings.
- Sing religious Christmas carols together with family, friends: go Christmas caroling!

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need. 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 suffering and poor to celebrate Christmas.

All information will be strictly confidential.
Please call the Parish Office at (847) 966-8145



INVITATION TO SPREAD MEETINGS

The Faith Communities of the Archdiocese of Chicago invite you to the SPRED catechetical program meetings for people with intellectual disabilities. The meetings take place in various locations. Please refer to the observation session calendar available on the website: www.queenofangels.org. More information: jhees@archchicago.org.



ATTENTION ST. JOHN BREBEUF SENIORS

We invite you to join our group, and become members of our "GOLDEN AGERS CLUB". We meet every Tuesday morning, Room C in the Ministry Center from 9:45 am til 1:30 pm. If you enjoy socializing and playing some BINGO, our club is the place to meet. So please consider visiting us soon.



BREAKFAST With Santa

PANCAKES & TREATS | TOY RAFFLE | PHOTO WITH SANTA

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14 - PMC 9:30 AM - 12 PM

\$15 PP - 2 YRS AND UNDER - FREE



Please donate a new, unwrapped toy for
Uncle Pete's Toy Drive!



CHILDREN LITURGY OF THE WORD

Each Sunday, at the 10:00am English Mass and the 11:30am Polish Mass before the Scripture readings begin, children ages 4-12 are called forward, and sent with a blessing to a separate room for a Gospel lesson. They will hear the same Scriptures that are proclaimed at Mass, but explained on a level that younger children can understand. The children will return to their family in church after the Creed, as the Offertory and Liturgy of the Eucharist begins.

These sessions are not faith formation classes, arts-and-crafts activities, or babysitting during Mass. Rather, the children hear the same Mass readings as adults – but in simpler terms that are easier to grasp. They came back home understanding the readings so much better and eager to talk about some of the things done to explain these. The lessons stuck with them!

The Compassionate Friends
WORLDWIDE CANDLE LIGHTING
for the Loss of a Child

SUNDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 14, 2025

QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS BASILICA

6280 N. SAUGANASH AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60646

6:45 P.M. PROGRAM BEGINS

7:00 P.M. CANDLE LIGHTING

The Elizabeth Ministry at Queen of All Saints parish is honored to host the local gathering of the *Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting* service this year.

Everyone is welcome to attend and participate in this annual ecumenical, non-denominational Christian service.

The service will also be livestreamed on gasparish.org for those who wish to join us from home.

Every year, on the second Sunday in December, *The Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting* unites family and friends around the globe in lighting candles for one hour to honor the memories of the sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, and grandchildren who left too soon, for any reason, at any time.

As candles are lit at 7:00 p.m. local time, hundreds of thousands of persons commemorate and honor the memory of all children gone too soon. What started in the United States in 1997 as a small internet observance, has since swelled in numbers as word has spread throughout the world of the remembrance of children who have died, but will never be forgotten.



The Compassionate Friends
 Supporting Family After a Child Dies

The Compassionate Friends provides highly personal comfort, hope, and support to every family experiencing the death of a child, and helps others better assist the grieving family.

www.compassionatefriends.org

Call Kathy at 773-865-8673 or email eli-elizabethministry.gas@gmail.com with questions or to request the name of a loved one to be read during the service. In addition, if you wish to share any memories, or photos of your loved ones, to be displayed at our ceremony, please include this in your email.



Queen of All Saints Basilica

The Roman Catholic community of Queen of All Saints is committed to Christ, sharing God's gifts and building the Church together, through word, worship and service.

www.gasparish.org

COUNSELING SUPPORT LINE

If you feeling anxious or depressed and you'd like to talk with a counselor, please call the Catholic Charities Counseling Support Line at (312) 948-6951 anytime M-F from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Spanish speaking counselors are available. If you leave a message after hours, a counselor will call you back.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Catholic Charities Legal Assistance Department has attorneys and volunteer attorneys available to provide advice in numerous areas of law. If you are unsure about your legal rights or lost in the legal system, they can help. Services include in-depth advice and possible direct representation on many issues, including landlord/tenant disputes, family law, consumer and debtor rights, foreclosure, employment issues, orders of protection, power of attorney, and more. CCLA provides free to low-cost legal services to eligible low-income individuals. For help and more information, contact the legal advice line at (312) 948-6821.

HURTING FROM ABORTION?

There are people who understand and can help. Are you hurting emotionally and spiritually after an abortion? There is hope for your future! If you're suffering because of an abortion, you may feel alone. But you are not. Call 1-888-456-HOPE. www.hopeafterabortion.com

YOUNG ADULTS

CATECHISM STUDY

EVERY
TUESDAY

7:30 PM



ST JOHN BREBEUF

8307 N Harlem Ave, Niles, IL 60714



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St. John Brebeuf

Youth Ministry

Every 4th Sunday of the month

**MASS AT 6PM
AND MEETING
AFTERWARDS**





Greetings Mga Kababayan!

We invite you to join our 9-day Novena "Night" Masses (Simbang Gabi) in honor of Our Blessed Mother as we anticipate Christmas, starting on December 15, 2025.

On Sunday, December 21, 2025, the celebration starts at 5:00pm, followed by a reception at the SJR Parish Center.

To enhance the festive spirit, we invite you to dress in your Filipiniana or native attire, or your Sunday best in Christmas colors such as red, green, or gold.

In addition, we will also present our parish priest, Fr. Jason, along with our associate priests and deacons, with monetary gifts for Christmas.

Although many members have already committed to sponsoring the Holy Mass, additional contributions are welcome. If you wish to donate, please make your check payable to: Fil-Am Parishioners of SJR.

We deeply appreciate your support and generosity. Thank you!

We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Sofia Caturan, President

And

The Fil-Am Parishioners of SJR



**Sunday,
December 7, 2025**

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

\$15.00 for 15 Games

***Pay-Out's determined
by Attendance***

**Additional Chance
to Win**

PULL TABS AVAILABLE!!!!

**Doors Open at
3:30pm**

**Games Begin at
4:00pm**

Refreshments Available

For Further Information Contact:
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847-744-2927
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THANK YOU!

*We are deeply grateful
to all our donors and volunteers
whose generosity made this year's
Polish Independence Day Celebration possible.
Your support means so much!*

LA Mechanical Inc – Adam & Lukasz with employees

Skaja Funeral Home

Quest Maintenance Inc

BW Landscaping

BCLS – Bill's Snow Removal

PaveStar/Asphalt – Joe Boccuzzi

Polsko Słowianska Unia Kredytowa (Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union)

Deacon Andrew Beierwaltes & his wife Maggie

John Ornelas & Monika Salamon – Microsoft Corp

Paweł Prylinski – The Chicago Blackhawks ice hockey team

Dr. Kusz Dental Center – Dr. Katarzyna Kusz & Kamil Andreasik

Major Dental Clinics – Dr. Daniel Domagała

Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home

Eagle Distributors Inc – Andrzej Nawara

Shop & Save Market – Cezary Jakubowski

Polish Chicago Organization – Polonia for Poland

Montrose Deli – Halina & Stanisław Urbaniakowie

Covered Affairs Incorporated – Magda & Krzysztof Figura

St. Queen Jadwiga Group – baked goods

Anonymous sponsors of the lottery prizes

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Kiedy jako młody kleryk rozpoczynałem formację w seminarium, ks. Jacek był moim profesorem na pierwszym roku filozofii. Ponad dwadzieścia lat temu przygotował mnie również do Pierwszej Komunii Świętej (2001). Zawsze podziwiałem go jako czytanego i wszechstronnie wykształconego kapłana, któremu dobro Kościoła i jego wiernych stoi zawsze na pierwszym miejscu. Co ciekawe, był on również profesorem kilku znanych nam księży: ks. Piotra Samborskiego (byłego wikarego naszej parafii oraz obecnego proboszcza parafii św. Krzyża w Deerfield) oraz ks. Pawła Adamusa, który pomaga nam w spowiedziach pierwszopiątkowych.

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UROCZYSTOŚĆ NIEPOKALANEGO POCZĘCIA NAJŚWIĘTSZEJ MARYI PANNY Poniedziałek, 8 grudnia

PORZĄDEK MSZY ŚWIĘTYCH:

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12:00pm — w j. polskim
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