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# ST. JOHN BREBEUF

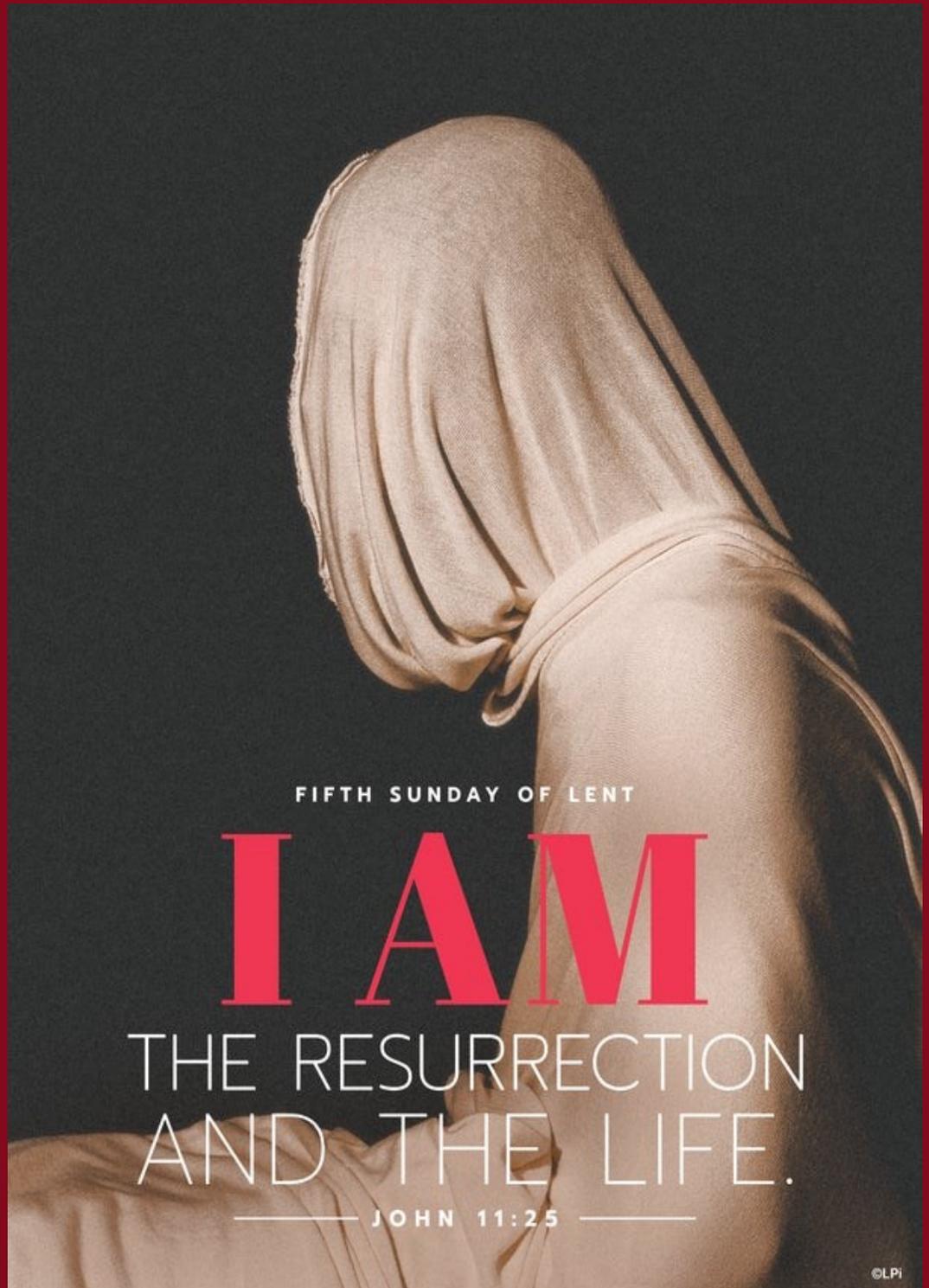
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We are a people of faith who respond to our Baptismal call to holiness by caring for one another and journeying together with Christ through prayer, sacraments, lifelong formation and service in light of the Gospel and Catholic Tradition.



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

# I AM

## THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE.

— JOHN 11:25 —

March 22, 2026

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14 | Rom 8:8-11 | Jn 11:1-45

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

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

The raising of Lazarus marks an irreversible turning point in Jesus' ministry. It's impossible to publicly raise someone from the dead and continue to fly beneath the radar. It's no surprise that the next time we meet Jesus, he'll be greeted with Hosannas and palm branches as the promised Son of David. But we also know that by raising Lazarus, Jesus attracts the attention of his enemies and sets himself on a course that ultimately leads to the cross. In our own life of discipleship, there may be times when we will have to step up and make a decisive and public choice for our faith or our values. Standing up for what's right may bring praise and admiration, or lead to misunderstanding or even persecution. We can draw strength in these decisive moments from the knowledge that the One we follow is the resurrection and the life. Any risk we take in following him is worth it in the end.

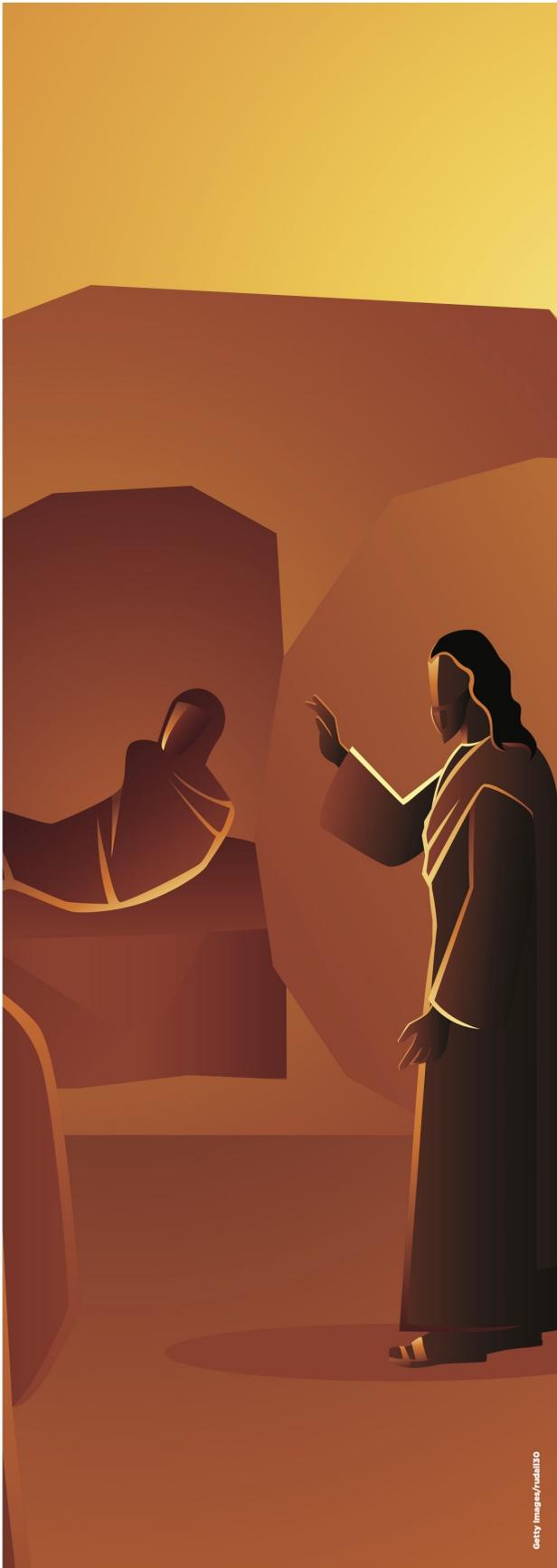
### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's Gospel passage features the shortest and perhaps one of the most profound verses in all of Scripture: "And Jesus wept." This text reveals that before he restored his friend to life, we have a God who weeps with us over the losses and tragedies of our lives. Likewise, before we can announce the Good News of the Gospel, we must learn the "art of accompaniment," as Pope Francis reminded us in *Evangelii Gaudium*. (169) This requires that we offer "our closeness and our compassionate gaze" to all those we seek to evangelize. When our first action consists of compassion, empathy, and entering into the joys and sorrows of others, our efforts at evangelization will bear much fruit.

### INVITATION

St. Paul tells us to "Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep." (Rom 12:15) As we enter the final week of Lent and prepare for Holy Week, spend some time thinking about who in your life is experiencing a particular moment of joy or sorrow at this time. Consider one concrete action you can take to be present to them: it could be dropping off a meal to someone who recently had surgery, sitting with someone who lost a loved one and listening as they share stories of their lives together, or, bringing a special treat to celebrate a friend's recent accomplishment. Then - do it.





## Fr. Jason's Corner..

### What Gives Meaning to Human Life?

Our life experience teaches us the truth that if we have an important goal in life, it is easier for us to overcome various difficulties in order to achieve it. The bigger the goal, the more forcefully we strive for it and the more we can sacrifice to achieve it. We must have the same purpose, the same meaning, must have our whole earthly life. This is the goal that God himself shows us. This goal is He himself, eternal life in Him and with Him, in His Kingdom. Many are groping for this meaning of life. Today's Liturgy of the Word is one of the lights that show us the meaning of our life, so that we do not have to grope in the dark. That something that should give meaning to our lives should be our faith.

Jesus, who brings his friend Lazarus back to life, is the God of whom today's First Reading speaks: the God who wants to open our tombs and bring us out of them in order to restore to us the joy and meaning of life. Let us allow Jesus today to raise us from the dead, to help us rise from our graves. Let us not hinder Him with our pride and our human wisdom, but let us humbly present to Him our pains and sufferings. Let us use the help that he wants to give us. If the cause of our suffering is sin, then Jesus is waiting for us in the confessional in the person of the priest.

In this sacrament, we can encounter Jesus who wants to raise us and heal our wounds. Let us believe that He can do this. Through his priests, in the confessional, he wants to call to us with a loud voice, by name: come out of the graves of your sins, your sufferings, your slavery, leave your graves and start all over again. Stop focusing on yourselves. Look at me, at my Cross, at other people who are also suffering, who need your help.

A man who has found the meaning of life, who has found faith in Jesus, who died and rose for us so that we might have eternal life, is able to come to terms with the most painful loss, who can experience the greatest pain and suffering, who can see meaning in everything. A man full of faith knows that there is life behind the gate of death, and only by dying in various ways, accepting the loss of something, can he receive true life. A man of faith knows very well that he is in the hands of a loving God, and therefore, everything that happens in this life will sooner or later bear positive fruit. But such faith will not come by itself. This faith must be asked for with simplicity and humility in prayer! We must cry out for such faith as the Apostles did: *"Lord, increase our faith!"* So there is no other way of life than to draw it from Christ himself.

God bless you!

Fr. Jason

## 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

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jr 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

### OBSERVANCES:

Monday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Wednesday: The Annunciation of the Lord

## LITURGY SCHEDULE / MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 23 — MARCH 29

**Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>****8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

† Maria Żaba Birthday Remembrance  
 † Kazimierz Torba Birthday Remembrance

**7:00 pm English Mission Fr. Mike Knotek**

† Józef Gibes  
 † Myra Lustofin  
 † Bronisława Świącicka 15<sup>th</sup> Death Anniversary

**Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>****8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

† Maria Żaba Birthday Remembrance  
 † Zofia Kyrzcz

**6:00 pm Confession****7:00 pm English Mission Fr. Mike Knotek**

† Józef Gibes

**Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> Annunciation of the Lord****8:30 am English Fr. Paul**

† Alicia Duarte Alvarez Birthday Remembrance  
 † Daniel Kowalewski and Leon Kowalewski Birthday Remembrance

**7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian**

O łaskę powrotu do zdrowia i wszelkie potrzebne łaski w walce z chorobą nowotworową dla Heleny Mazur i Elżbiety Kapalka

O udaną operację serca dla Przemysława Gołębiowskiego i szybki powrót do zdrowia

† Józef Mucha  
 † Stanisław i Jan Kula w rocznicę śmierci  
 † Stanisław Kogut  
 † Józef Gibes

**Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>****8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

Virginia Harris Birthday Blessings

**6:00 pm REP Confession****7:00 pm English Fr. Paul**

† Krzysztof Kuzebski  
 † Józef Gibes

**Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>****8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian**

† All Souls in Purgatory

**9:15-10:30 SJB School Confession****3:15 pm English Stations of the Cross Dc.****Andrew Beierwaltes****6:00 pm Pol/Eng Outdoor Stations of the Cross + Mass**

† Józef Mazgaj 1. rocznica śmierci  
 † Stanisław Kogut  
 † Stanisław i Irena Kaźmierczak  
 † Józef Gibes

**Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>****8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian**

Monica E. Stankiewicz Birthday Blessings  
 Lita Rosales 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday - Health & God's Blessings

**4:00 pm Confession****5:00 pm English Fr. Paul**

Diane Richter - Birthday Blessings  
 Ann Żalak - Blessings and Thanksgiving on her 93<sup>rd</sup> Birthday  
 † Celso Aquino Birthday Remembrance  
 † Matthew F. Wojtaszek, Sr. 7<sup>th</sup> year Death Anniversary

† John Jerome Areno

† Maria Kozłara

† Cezary Noga

† Thomas Fleming Death Anniversary

**6:30 pm Polish Fr. Jason**

† Stanisław Wysocki

† Teresa Roślan

† Stanisław Obrochta

† Piotr Bleszko

† Józef Leś

† Roman Kapica 18. rocznica śmierci

† Józef Gibes

**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday****7:00 am Polish Fr. Jason**

Intencja dziękczynno-błagalna z okazji 59-tej rocznicy zawarcia Związku Małżeńskiego Marii i Czesława Komosa  
 † Za wszystkich zmarłych z Rodziny Poborca i Babiarcz  
 † Stanisław Dzik

**8:30 am English Fr. Mike Solazzo**

Health and Birthday Blessings for Alicja Starczewski

† Krzysztof Ruta Death anniversary

**10:00 am English Fr. Paul**

Health and the protection of the Blessed Mother on Olivia Stachurski's Birthday. Special Blessings for Cozzi Family and God's presence and protection for Caroline & Baby during the pregnancy and delivery

† Vito Joseph Gargano, Theresa M. Gargano, Vincent Joseph Gargano

† Michele Gućik

† Philip Grosman Death Anniversary

† Armando and Clelia Massimini

† Dominic D'Souza

† Anna Stanley Dworakowski

**11:30 am Polish Fr. Jason**

O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Marii i Jana Piotrowskich

O Boże Błogosławieństwo i Dary Ducha Św. z prośbą o wskazówki, mądrość wyborów i siłę dla Mariusza

O uzdrowienie z choroby, Bożą opiekę i Dary Ducha Św. dla Haliny i Józefa  
 O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Sławka, Zbyszka, Marty, Jarosława, Iwony i Tomasza z Rodzinami

Z prośbą o uzdrowienie dla Aleksandry Warzecha

Aneta D. o zdrowie, Boże

Błogosławieństwo i potrzebne łaski w dniu Urodzin

Z okazji 91. rocznicy Urodzin dla Janiny Krasowskiej oraz wielu łask Bożych i opiekę Matki Bożej na następne lata.

O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Alec, Oliwia i Julian Zajac z ich Rodziców

O Błogosławieństwo i opiekę Bożą dla Nastasji i Daniela

O zdrowie Błogosławieństwo Boże dla dzieci Kasi, Rafała, oraz zięcia Mikołaja

O Dary Ducha Św., opiekę Matki Bożej i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Joanny Dwojak

† Maria Wojdyła

† Zofia Szpara

† Mieczysław Myśliwiec

† Stanisław, Maria, Władysław Cudzych

oraz za zmarłych z rodziny Wojtanek

† Edward Rybka

† Czesława Leśniak

† Stanisław Zajac w 26 rocznicę śmierci

† Henry Zajac

† Jan i Józefa Zajac

† Aniela, Jan i Wacław Engel

† Wiesław Budzik

† Zdzisław Puacz, Michael Puacz, Zofia,

Tomasz i Władysław Boczar

† Stanisław Obrochta

† Jadwiga Serafin

† Piotr Bleszko

† Józef Leś

† Józef i Genowefa Pawula

† Zygmunt Grochowski w 12. rocznicę śmierci

† Janusz Chmielewski

† Maria Wojdyła

† Józef Wojdyła

† Zdzisław Serocki

† Helena Geneja

† Janusz Sainski

† Jan i Leokadia Przestrzelski w rocznicę śmierci

**4:00 pm Gorzkie Żale + Mass Fr. Sebastian**

† Stefan i Marianna Szwarz

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

† Józef Gibes



**ALTAR BREAD AND WINE THIS WEEK IS OFFERED FOR:** † Alicia Duarte Alvarez - In Memory of Her Birthday from Duarte Family

**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 Tripllit  
 Patricia  
 Lourdes Loraya  
 Marian i Maria Dzieciuch  
 Barbara Witkos  
 Rosetta Bizzotto  
 Harry Largent  
 Toni Kilroy  
 Caridad M. Altares  
 Alina Gawlik  
 Dolores Motto  
 Brooke Johnson  
 Silverio Fernandez  
 Jannette Mendoza  
 Mario Loraya  
 Vivian Daoud  
 Nanette Sadorra  
 Isabel C.Villarroel  
 Luke Kowalski  
 Joanna Oliwa  
 Francisco & Luz Atienza  
 Maureen Nathan  
 Charlotte & Carl Lindquist

Rose Manio  
 Teresa Parciany  
 Junver Isuga  
 Chef Raul Arreda  
 Baby Joseph Palmert  
 Concepcion Ponte  
 Charles Stephen Collins  
 Ben & Linda Caldea  
 Robert F. Adams, Jr.  
 Bienvenido Costes  
 Mahmoud Srouer  
 Araceli Madrideojos  
 Hedy Sancho  
 Alan Enzbigilis Sr.  
 Clifford & Judith Drexler  
 Sam Pace  
 Betts Eleanor  
 Helen Williams  
 Darlene Neumann  
 Stanisława Pabisz  
 Kazimierz Pabisz  
 Flordeliza H. Sotto  
 Pedro H. Sotto  
 Nicholas Mazur  
 Siony Urgena  
 Gloria Arago  
 George Frey  
 Scott Johnson  
 Aurea Prinero  
 Emilia Fernandez  
 Ernie Tusa  
 Francisco Mandigma  
 Rosa Moreano

**OUR BELOVED DEPARTED:**

Aizen Ravenholm



**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  
 Marian Niemotko  
 PFC Seth D. Perkins  
 Sgt. Ramiro Cadena  
 Pieter Venter  
 Jacob Allen  
 Robert Monaco  
 Scott Rodberg  
 Sgt. Daniel Cunningham  
 CW4 Louis Haberkorn  
 SSGT Michael J. Archam  
 A2C Andrew T. Perkins  
 Lt. Joseph Disclafani  
 Joshua Clavel Ramos  
 Chief Ryan Morrow  
 Angelina Garza

**PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES OFFERED THIS WEEK FOR:**



**Candle 1** † Stanisław Józef Gwiżdż - O życie wieczne i radość nieba w 5. rocznicę śmierci  
**Candle 2** † Stanisław Józef Gwiżdż - O życie wieczne i radość nieba w 5. rocznicę śmierci

**SUNDAY OFFERINGS:**

**March 15, 2026 — \$18,434**

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, za hojność, zaangażowanie oraz za to, że tworzycie naszą wspólnotę.*



**MONTHLY COLLECTION / February 2026**

Sunday Offertory Monthly Collection	\$ 69,386.00
Sunday Offertory Monthly Online Collection	\$ 12,040.08
Total Sunday Offertory Monthly Collection	\$ 81,426.08
Monthly Sunday Offertory Budgeted Collection	\$ 98,593.00
Monthly Difference from Budget - Over/(Under)	<b>\$ 17,166.92</b>

**July 1, 2025- June 30, 2026**

Year-To-Date Sunday Offertory Collection	\$ 551,140.85
Year-To-Date Sunday Offertory Online Collection	\$ 100,872.24
Total Year-To-Date Sunday Offertory Collection	\$ 652,013.09
Year-To-Date Budgeted Sunday Offertory Collection	\$ 1,183,116.00
Year-To-Date Difference from Budget - Over/ (Under)	<b>\$ 136,730.91</b>

**MASS INTENTION REQUESTS – Internet:**

[www.sjbrebeuf.org](http://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*

# 2026 HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

## MARCH 28/29 - PALM SUNDAY

Saturday - 5:00 pm (English), 6:30 pm (Polish); Sunday - 8:30 am,  
10:00 am & 6:00 pm (English); 7:00 am & 11:30 am (Polish)

Monday & Tuesday - March 30 & 31 and Wednesday -

April 1: Mass 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

## LENTEN PARISH RECONCILIATION (ENGLISH/POLISH) / WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

5:30pm - 7:00 pm & 7:30pm - 9:00 pm

## THE SACRED TRIDUUM

### HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 2

8:30 am Morning Prayer

5:30 pm The Lord's Supper (English)

7:30 pm The Lord's Supper (Polish)

After Liturgy Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
and Adoration until Midnight

### GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3

8:30 am Morning Prayer

3:00 pm Station of the Cross (Bilingual)

5:30 pm The Lord's Passion (English)

7:30 pm The Lord's Passion (Polish)

Following Liturgy Adoration at the Tomb of Jesus  
until Saturday 2:30pm

### HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 4

8:30 am Morning Prayer

**EASTER BASKETS BLESSING IN PARISH MINISTRY CENTER**

9:30 am - 2:00 pm (every 30 min)

7:30 pm Easter Vigil (Bilingual)

### EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 5

6:00 am Sunrise Mass (Polish), 8:30 am (English); 10 am (English);  
11:30 am (Polish) / No 6:00 pm Mass

### EASTER MONDAY - APRIL 6

8:30 am (English), 12:00 noon (Polish), 7 pm (Polish)

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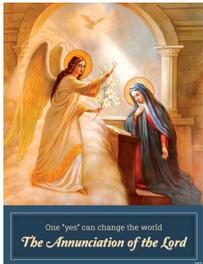




**DAILY MASSES:** 8:30am / Monday - Saturday  
 7:00pm / Monday, Wednesday & Friday (Polish)  
 7:00pm / Tuesday & Thursday (English)

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** 3:15pm (English) / 7:00 pm (bi-lingual)

**GORZKIE ŻAŁE:** (POLISH LENTEN LAMENTATION) Sundays at 4:00 pm



**MARCH 25 – THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD** celebrates the moment when the Angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would become the Mother of God, and she accepted, allowing the Word to become flesh.

This feast honors both the mystery of the Incarnation and Mary's faithful "yes." It also

reminds us of the dignity of every human life, especially the unborn, and invites us to trust in God's will as Mary did.

### Prayer will save lives!

Over one million babies are aborted in the United States every year. This enormous number of deaths is breathtaking. Many people are curious as to what they can do to help save a baby from being aborted. The most important thing we can do is PRAY.

#### What is the Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn Child Novena?

Spiritual Adoption of an unborn child is a powerful novena prayer for the child in the womb threatened by abortion. **Through the pledge to undertake Spiritual Adoption, a person undertakes to pray daily for an unborn child for nine months.** The act of Spiritual Adoption is a personal and charitable gift of prayer, love and sacrifice. Through our prayers, God is able to bestow faith in God's mercy to the mothers and fathers of the unborn, and granting them the gift of peace in their hearts. Through our heartfelt commitment to pray, the deep wounds caused by the sin of abortion can begin to be healed. You will be the "Spiritual Parent" of this unborn baby!

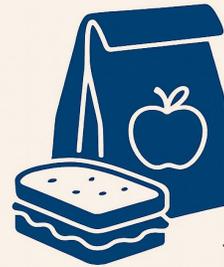
After the US Supreme Court legalized abortion in 1973, Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen wrote a prayer to let the faithful know that we are not powerless against anti-life forces. He wanted us to know that, someday, in heaven, we will embrace the babies whom we have spiritually adopted. It goes like this:

*Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby [baby's name] that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Amen.*



While this child will remain unknown to his or her 'spiritual parent', God knows who the child is. Many people have found that naming 'their child' helps to keep them focused on the reality that their prayers are helping to save a particular baby from the harm of abortion.

You can find more information at [www.spiritualadoption.org](http://www.spiritualadoption.org)



## UNCLE PETE'S MINISTRIES

### SACK MEALS FOR THE LESS FORTUNATE

A simple sack meal can make a real difference for someone facing hunger.

Uncle Pete's Sack Meal Ministry kicks off this weekend, **March 21– 22**, serving those in need throughout the Chicagoland area.

Bags and instructions will be available as you exit the church. The effort is simple. Please prepare **two sack meals**, each containing:

- 2 sandwiches (meat only) on white or wheat bread or a roll (*Please no condiments or cheese*)
- 2 hard-boiled eggs
- 1 small bag of chips
- 1 apple or orange (*no bananas*)
- 2–3 cookies or one small candy bar
- 1 small bottle of water or juice box
- 1 paper napkin

#### Drop-Off Times

Meals may be dropped off at the front of the church:

<b>Saturday, March 28</b> 4:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.	<b>Sunday, March 29</b> 6:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
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Please consider being part of this ministry and helping care for those who are struggling with hunger.

**Thank you for your generosity and support.**

God bless,  
 Uncle Pete's Ministries



**SUNDAY,  
APRIL 12**

**ST. JOHN  
BREBEUF**

REV. THOMAS P. MAY  
PARISH MINISTRY CENTER

**\$ 15.00 / FOR  
15 GAMES**

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ATTENDANCE**

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AT 3:00PM

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## CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

All are invited to make or renew their 33-day Consecration together on THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD Wednesday, March 25th, 2026

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## LENTEN PROJECT UPDATE - TREE OF HOPE

We would like to sincerely thank the parishioners of St. John Brebeuf Parish for your generosity and support of our Tree of Hope Project benefiting Divine Mercy Academy in Chokaa, Nairobi, Kenya. Thanks to your kindness and open hearts, **\$30,224** has already been donated to help provide education, daily meals, and care for the children served by the Missionaries of the Poor. Your support truly brings hope and opportunity to these young students. The Trees of Hope will remain displayed in the church until March 28, so there is still time to participate. If you would like to contribute, please take an envelope from the tree and return it with your donation during the weekend collection or to the parish office. Donations may be made by cash or check. Please make checks payable to Missionaries of the Poor.

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**We need your help** and ask for your perspective on our parish's efforts to help you grow in your relationship to Christ. The short survey is available **through March 31<sup>st</sup>**. The link to the online survey is <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/p52cdp> or simply scan the QR code that is on all parish social media and website. Paper copies are available in both Polish and English at the South and North church entrances and can be returned to the same place.

All responses will be confidential. We value your feedback and eagerly await your suggestions and concerns.

Thank you for helping with this important project!



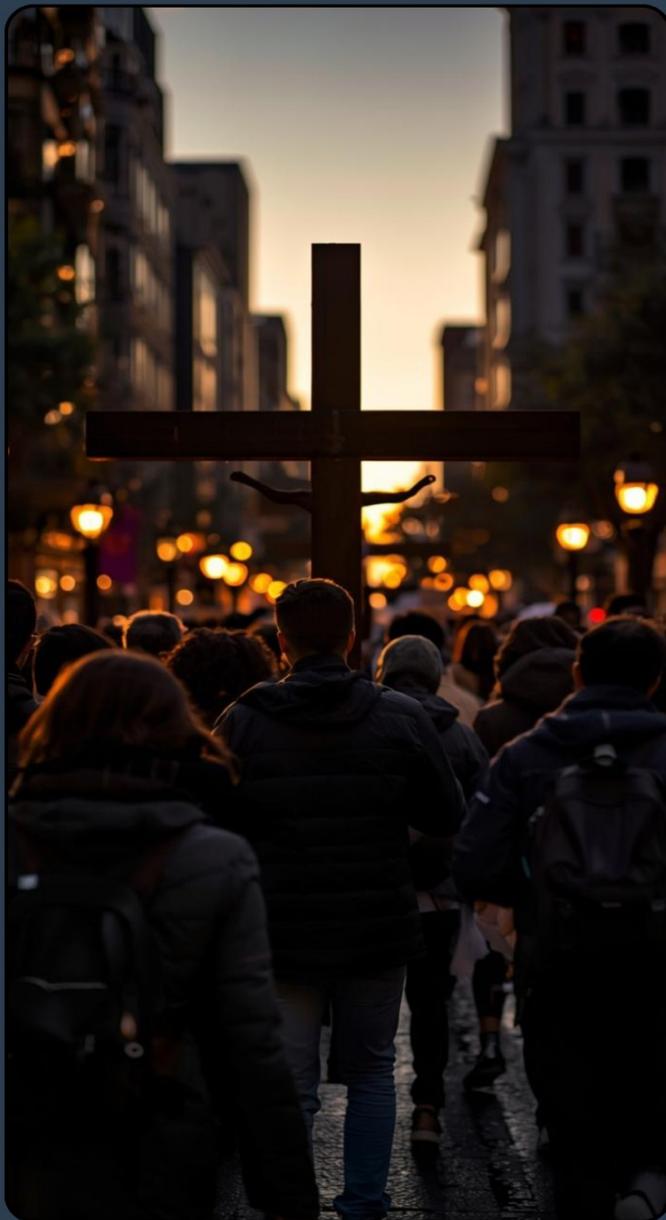
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March 27, 2026 / 6pm

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### Co nadaje sens ludzkiemu życiu?

Doświadczenia życiowe uczą nas prawdy, że jeśli mamy jakiś ważny cel w życiu, to łatwiej jest nam pokonywać różnorakie trudności, by go osiągnąć. Im cel jest większy, tym z większą siłą do niego dążymy i potrafimy wiele poświęcić, aby go osiągnąć. Taki sam cel, sens, musi posiadać nasze całe ziemskie życie. Taki cel pokazuje nam sam Bóg. Tym celem jest On sam, życie wieczne w Nim i z Nim, w Jego królestwie. Wielu szuka tego sensu życia po omacku. Dzisiejsza liturgia słowa jest jednym ze światła, ukazujących nam sens naszego życia, byśmy nie musieli szukać po omacku. Tym czymś, co powinno nadawać sens naszemu życiu, powinna być nasza wiara.

Jezus, który przywraca życie swojemu przyjacielowi Łazarzowi, jest tym Bogiem, o którym mówi dzisiejsze pierwsze czytanie – Bogiem, który chce otwierać nasze groby i wydobywać nas z nich, aby przywrócić nam radość i sens życia. Pozwólmy dzisiaj Jezusowi, aby On nas wskrzesił, aby pomógł nam powstać z naszych grobów. Nie przeszkadzajmy Mu swoją pychą i naszym ludzkim wymądrzaniem się, ale pokornie przedstawmy Mu nasze bolączki i cierpienia.

Korzystajmy z Jego pomocy, którą On nam chce dać. Jeśli przyczyną naszego cierpienia jest grzech, to Jezus czeka na nas w konfesjonale w osobie kapłana. W tym sakramencie możemy spotkać Jezusa, który chce nas wskrzesić i chce leczyć nasze rany. Uwierzy, że On może to uczynić. On, poprzez swoich kapłanów, w konfesjonale, chce do nas zawołać donośnym głosem, po imieniu: wyjdźcie na zewnątrz, tzn. wyjdźcie z grobów waszych grzechów, waszych cierpień, waszych zniewoleń, zostawcie swoje groby i zacznijcie wszystko od nowa. Przestańcie skupiać się na sobie, spójrzcie na Mnie, na Mój Krzyż, na innych ludzi, którzy także cierpią, którzy potrzebują waszej pomocy.

Człowiek, który odnalazł sens życia, który odnalazł wiarę w Jezusa, który dla nas umarł i zmartwychwstał, byśmy mieli życie wieczne, potrafi pogodzić się z najdotkliwszą stratą, potrafi przeżyć największy ból i cierpienie, potrafi we wszystkim widzieć sens. Człowiek pełen wiary wie, że za bramą śmierci jest życie i tylko umierając w różnoraki sposób, godząc się z utratą czegoś, może otrzymać prawdziwe życie. Człowiek wiary bowiem bardzo dobrze wie, że jest w rękach kochającego Boga i dlatego wszystko, co się w jego życiu wydarza, prędzej czy później wyda pozytywny owoc. Ale taka wiara sama nie przyjdzie. O taką wiarę trzeba prosić z prostotą i pokorą na modlitwie! Trzeba nam o taką wiarę wołać, jak to czynili Apostołowie: „*Panie, przemóż nam wiary!*” Nie ma więc innego sposobu na życie jak tylko czerpanie go od samego Chrystusa.

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## 25 marca — UROCZYSTOŚĆ ZWIASTOWANIA PAŃSKIEGO DZIEŃ ŚWIĘTOŚCI ŻYCIA

Uroczystość Zwiastowania Pańskiego, obchodzona dziewięć miesięcy przed Bożym Narodzeniem, przypomina moment, w którym Maryja, posłuszna woli Bożej, zgodziła się zostać Matką Jezusa Chrystusa. Święto to wprowadził najpierw Kościół wschodni w V wieku, a na Zachodzie upowszechniło się za czasów papieża św. Grzegorza Wielkiego. Początkowo miało charakter chrystologiczny, podkreślając tajemnicę Wcielenia, czyli początek naszego zbawienia, choć z czasem nabrało również wymiaru maryjnego.

**W uroczystość Zwiastowania Pańskiego, Kościół przeżywa Dzień Świętości Życia. W tym dniu w sposób szczególny spoglądamy nie tylko na swoje życie, które jest wielkim darem Stwórcy. Nadarza się też dobra okazja, by zatroszczyć się o życie tych najbardziej bezbronnych, poczętych, ale jeszcze nienarodzonych, którym grozi zagłada.**

### CO TO JEST DUCHOWA ADOPCJA?

W Uroczystość Zwiastowania Pańskiego, dzień ten jest połączony z Duchową Adopcją Dziecka Poczętego. Duchowa Adopcja Dziecka Poczętego polega na indywidualnym modlitewnym zobowiązaniu podjętym w intencji dziecka zagrożonego zabicie w łonie matki. Trwa 9 miesięcy. Osoba podejmująca modlitwę odmawia jedną dowolnie wybraną tajemnicę różańca oraz modlitwę w intencji dziecka i jego rodziców.

Można dołączyć dodatkowe postanowienia: czytanie Pisma Świętego, adorację Najświętszego Sakramentu, Komunię św., praktyki ascetyczne, a także konkretną pomoc osobom potrzebującym. Należy podejmować postanowienia realne, mając na uwadze indywidualne możliwości ich wypełnienia.

Duchowa adopcja dziecka poczętego może być podjęta w dowolnym czasie, również prywatnie w domu, ale zwyczajowo w uroczystej formule zapoczątkowuje się ją w uroczystość Zwiastowania Pańskiego lub inne święto Matki Bożej.

Wiecej informacji na stronie:  
[www.duchowaadopcja.pl](http://www.duchowaadopcja.pl)





## NABOŻEŃSTWA PASYJNE

Droga Krzyżowa

w każdy piątek Wielkiego Postu:

3:15pm w j. angielskim

7:00pm w j. polskim

**Gorzkie Żale** w każdą niedzielę Wielkiego Postu o godz. 4:00pm.

## STOWARZYSZENIE ŚW. JADWIGI KRÓLOWEJ

zaprasza na wielkopostne spotkania:

- **26 marca** – „Królowa wielu narodów”

(Wszystkie katechezy autorstwa ks. Edwarda Stańko.)

**Spotkania rozpoczynamy Mszą Świętą o godz. 8:30 rano.**

Po Mszy Świętej zapraszamy na Różaniec Święty, który odmówimy w Kaplicy Maryjnej za głównym ołtarzem. Następnie przejdziemy do budynku parafialnego, do sali „C”, gdzie podamy kawę uwarzoną przez naszego kapelana, ks. Sebastiana. Aby zarezerwować kubek kawy i miejsce przy stole, prosimy o kontakt: – z biurem parafialnym (p. Ola) tel. 847 - 966-8145 lub z p. Alicją Kowalską, prezes Stowarzyszenia, tel. 847-966-8056

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## PARADA KONSTYTUCJI 3 MAJA

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## POSTNY PROJEKT– DRZEWA NADZIEI

Serdecznie dziękujemy parafianom St. John Brebeuf Parish za hojność i wsparcie naszego Projektu Drzewa Nadziei, który wspiera dzieci ze Szkoły Bożego Miłosierdzia w Chokaa, Nairobi w Kenii. Dzięki Waszej życzliwości i otwartym sercom udało się już zebrać \$ 30 224, które pomogą zapewnić edukację, codzienne posiłki i opiekę dzieciom, którymi opiekują się Missionaries of the Poor. Wasze wsparcie przynosi tym dzieciom nadzieję i szansę na lepszą przyszłość. Drzewa Nadziei będą wystawione w kościele do 28 marca, dlatego wciąż można włączyć się w tę akcję. Osoby, które chciałyby wesprzeć projekt, prosimy o zabranie koperty z Drzewa Nadziei i złożenie ofiary podczas składki lub w biurze parafialnym. Ofiary można składać w formie gotówki lub czeku. Czeki prosimy wystawiać na Missionaries of the Poor. Dziękujemy za Waszą hojność i za pomoc w kontynuowaniu tego pięknego dzieła wiary, miłości i nadziei.

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Radia Maryja przy stole wielkanocnym  
z udziałem Ojców z Radia Maryja z Torunia

**Niedziela, 19 kwietnia 2026**

**11:30 AM - Msza św. w kościele Św. Jana Brebeuf**

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Po Mszy św. spotkanie w Centrum Parafialnym

### Karty Wstępu:

Centrala Radia Maryja tel. 773.385.8472

Biuro Parafii Św. Jana Brebeuf

tel. 847.966.8145



# WIELKI TYDZIEŃ I WIELKANOC 2026

## NIEDZIELA PALMOWA - 28/29 MARCA

6:30 pm (sobota), 7:00 am i 11:30 am (po polsku)  
5:00 pm (sobota), 8:30 am, 10:00 am i 6:00 (po angielsku)  
Poniedziałek–wtorek: 30–31 Marca i środa: 1 kwietnia  
Msza św. 8:30 am i 7:00 pm

## SPOWIEDŹ WIELKOPOSTNA / ŚRODA, 1 KWIETNIA

5:30 - 7:00 pm i 7:30 - 9:00 pm

## TRIDUUM PASCHALNE

### WIELKI CZWARTEK, 2 KWIETNIA

8:30 am Jutrznia  
5:30 pm Msza Wieczerzy Pańskiej  
(po angielsku)  
7:30 Msza Wieczerzy Pańskiej (po polsku)  
Adoracja do północy

### WIELKI PIĄTEK, 3 KWIETNIA

8:30 am Jutrznia  
3:00 pm Droga Krzyżowa (po polsku i angielsku)  
5:30 pm Liturgia Męki Pańskiej (po angielsku)  
7:30 pm Liturgia Męki Pańskiej (po polsku)  
Adoracja przy Grobie Pańskim (całą noc do soboty 2:30 pm)

### WIELKA SOBOTA, 4 KWIETNIA

8:30 am Jutrznia  
**POŚWIĘCENIE POKARMÓW W SALI PMC**  
**9:30 am - 2:00 pm (co pół godziny)**  
7:30 pm Wigilia Paschalna (po polsku i angielsku)

### NIEDZIELA ZMARTWYCHWSTANIA - 5 KWIETNIA

6:00 am Msza św. rezurekcyjna (po polsku)  
8:30 am i 10:00 am (po angielsku); 11:30 am (po polsku)  
Nie będzie Mszy św. o 6:00 pm

### PONIEDZIAŁEK WIELKANOCNY - 6 KWIETNIA

8:30 am (po angielsku), 12:00 pm (po polsku)  
i 7:00 pm (po polsku)

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7:00 am and 11:30 am, (Polish)  
Daily Mass Monday - Saturday 8:30 am  
7:00 pm Monday, Wednesday & Friday (Polish)  
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