

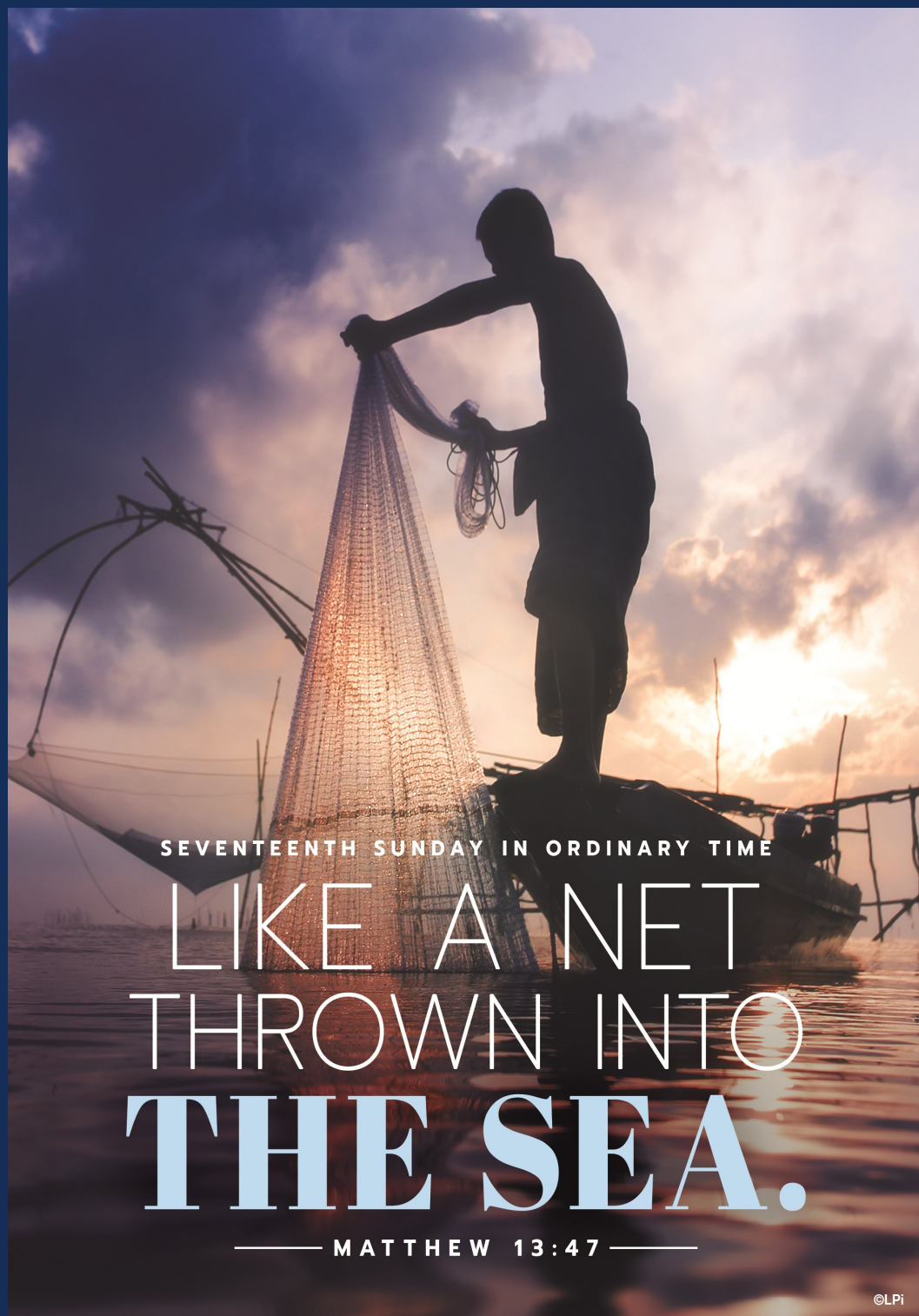
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We are
a people of
faith who
respond to our
Baptismal
call to holiness
by caring for
one another
and journeying
together with
Christ through
prayer,
sacraments,
lifelong
formation and
service in light
of the Gospel
and Catholic
Tradition.



July 26, 2026

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 | Rom 8:28-30 | Mt 13:44-52

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

Today we continue to hear parables about the kingdom of God and the reaction of those who find it. The merchant and the person in the field joyfully sell all they have to acquire their treasures. In a world in which we have so many responsibilities, following God may sometimes feel like an obligation. We abide by truths of the Church that are countercultural and challenging. We give our time and our money for the benefit of our community. We profess bold belief in a Gospel truth that is often questioned. These parables remind us that God desires that we move past seeking him out of a sense of obligation or duty – to a place of joy-filled abandonment to him. To experience the full joy that comes from living the Gospel, Jesus comes to us and remains with us in his sacraments. He invites us over and over again to experience his love and his joy until our hearts are changed and we joyfully put everything aside in pursuit of him.

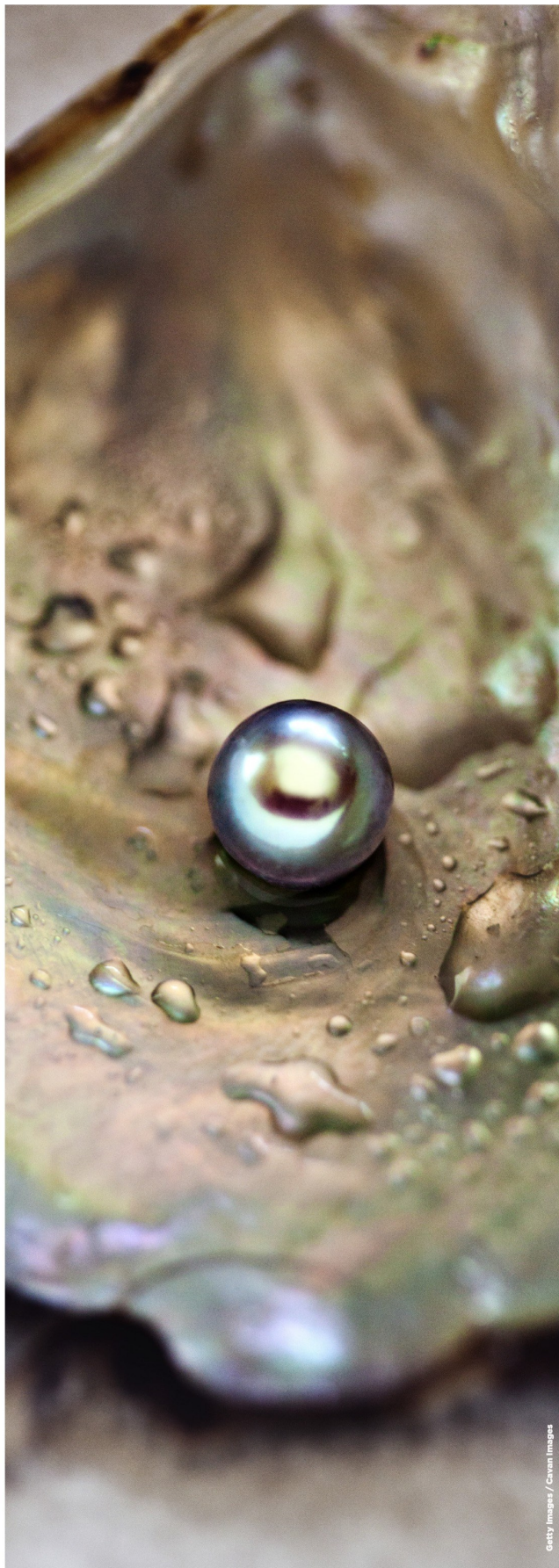
GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I was pulling weeds in the garden when my daughter asked how I knew which plants not to pull. I realized that I simply recognize a weed from a desired plant because I have spent time in my garden. As we journey with Christ, our eyes become fine-tuned to see the difference between what is characteristic of the kingdom of God and what is of this world. King Solomon had eyes fixed on the kingdom, and he knew the value of asking for an understanding heart to help him see more clearly. We must also ask for the wisdom to see clearly what is from God. As we encounter the beauty of God and the truth of his word, we are called to share those encounters with those who are still searching and whose eyes are untrained. Not unlike pulling weeds in the garden, we must train our eyes to find the longed-for pearl as we see and experience the truth of God's love as a community of believers.

PRAY

As you seek to grow in understanding, pray the prayer of St. Anselm of Canterbury this week: *O Lord, my God / teach my heart this day where and how to see you / where and how to find you / Let me find you by loving you / let me love you when I find you. Amen.*





Fr. Jason's Corner..

What Is My Greatest Desire

When we turn on the TV or open the Internet, there are immediately ads recommending great products that tempt the eye and trigger the desire to own them. Have we asked ourselves: what is my greatest treasure that I have or would like to own? Adults would like a good job and money; older people would like health and peace of mind; young people want adventures, fun at a cheap cost, in search of temporary happiness, which later turns out to be a great disappointment. So everyone wants something in life and looks for it, hoping it will bring them at least a little joy and happiness.

Today, Jesus brings us closer to this happiness, this only happiness, and says that all our earthly desires will be satisfied if we seek a certain treasure: the Kingdom of God. Well, he compared this desire to a man who found a treasure and hid it again in the ground. But not forget it; he went, sold everything he had, and bought this field with this treasure. How much value must this treasure have been to him since he had sold everything? He sold his house, all his property; nothing was worth as much to him as this treasure. And this treasure symbolizes the Kingdom of God, and this man's desire is so great that what he had materially seemed to him to be nothing compared to this treasure.

Do we have such a desire for the Kingdom of God? What do we really ask God for in our lives? The young Solomon, as today's first reading tells us, received a proposal from God: *Ask something of me and I will give it to you.* Solomon did not ask for great riches, but for wisdom, and God answered him: *Because you have asked for this, not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches (...) I do as you requested. I give you a heart so wise and understanding that there has never been anyone like you up to now, and after you there will come no one to equal you.*

We see how generous God is. What would we ask God to give us today? One thing. Something material? Even health is not the greatest value, because it also has its end. Let us desire and ask what never ends – the Kingdom of God – what is the most important, what is the most beautiful, what is true, the only, the greatest, for which life is worth giving – as we sing in one of the religious songs.

Have a blessed week!

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/
Mt 14:1-12

OBSERVANCES:

Wednesday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
Thursday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Friday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Saturday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

LITURGY SCHEDULE / MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 27 — AUGUST 2

Monday, July 27th**8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

God's Blessings and protection to James, Jackie and their Family

Max Starowicz - Health, Blessings and safe return home

† Maria Christin Vergara

7:00 pm Polish St. Monica Prayer Group**Fr. Jason**

O zdrowie, potrzebne łaski i szczęśliwy powrót do domu dla Maxa Starowicz

Tuesday, July 28th**8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

God's Blessings and protection to James, Jackie and their Family

† Stanisława Placek

† Maria Christin Vergara

† John Herzig

7:00 pm English Fr. Sebastian

Health & Blessings to Christopher

Max Starowicz - Health, Blessings and safe return home

† Teresa Roślan

Wednesday, July 29th**8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian**

Health and Birthday Blessings for Alicja Starczewski

God's Blessings and protection to James, Jackie and their Family

Max Starowicz - Health, Blessings and safe return home

† Paul Merkel 5th Death Anniversary

† Beatriz C. Olivares Birthday

Remembrance

† Maria Christin Vergara

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Sebastian

O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Alicji Starczewski z okazji urodzin

O zdrowie, potrzebne łaski i szczęśliwy powrót do domu dla Maxa Starowicz

† Barbara Matysek w 14 rocznicę śmierci

† Henryk Matysek

† Emilia, Franciszek i Jan Undas

Thursday, July 30th**8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

God's Blessings for Fr. Sebastian, all the members of Queen Jadwiga group and their families, and All SJB Staff

Max Starowicz - Health, Blessings and safe return home

God's Blessings and protection to James, Jackie and their Family

† Maria Christin Vergara

7:00 pm English Fr. Sebastian

Health & Blessings for Christopher

Max Starowicz - Health, Blessings and safe return home

Friday, July 31st**8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian**

God's Blessings and protection to James, Jackie and their Family

Ligaya (Ellen) Navarro Birthday Blessings

Max Starowicz - Health, Blessings and safe return home

† Roberto Dimaano

7:00 pm Polish Fr. Jason

O zdrowie i opiekę NMP dla Mamy Romy, światło Ducha św. dla Brata Marka i powrót do pełnego zdrowia dla Doroty

Saturday, August 1st First Saturday**Devotion****8:30 am English Fr. Jason**

Blessings for all school and parish office staff, and parish group members

celebrating August Birthdays

Liji Kottekadan Health and Blessings

† Daniel Bartnicki Birthday remembrance

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

Ligaya (Ellen) Navarro Birthday Blessings

Rosario Dimaculangan speedy recovery

Health & Blessings for Evangeline Kurtzer, Arlene Witte, Patricia Mathes, Alice Durkin, John Hermaszewski, Rey Hanley,

Judy & Clifford Drexler

† Lois MacAdam Death Anniversary

† Harriet Hyss Death Anniversary

† Matthew, Bernice and Matt Jr.

Wojtaszek

6:30 pm Polish First Saturday Devotion**Fr. Jason**

O zdrowie, Boże Błogosławieństwo i wszelkie potrzebne łaski dla wnuczka

Kacperka i wnuczki Florence

O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla

Marii Zachemski, Barbary i Zbigniewa

Witkos, Janiny Malacha, Alicji Zalewskiej,

Adeli Zajko, Ireny Włodarczyk, Jadwigi

Toczko, Filomeny Białobrzęskiej, Lidii

Perkowskiej, Jana i Alicji Janowiec,

Wiktorii Wojtasik, Marii Newman

† Stanisław Obrochta

† Józef Leś

† Jadwiga, Jerzy Łapiński oraz Stanisława i

Adam Zajac

† Za Dusze w Czyśćcu cierpiące

Sunday, August 2nd**7:00 am Polish Fr. Jason**

† Za wszystkich zmarłych z Rodziny Poborca i Babiarcz

† Majka Pikul

† Za zmarłych z Rodziny Pikul, Kalata, Bajko i Wołyńskich

8:30 am English Fr. Sebastian

† Victor and Helena Mazurek 18th Death Anniversary

† Anna and Antoni Skowrya Death

Anniversary

† John Jerome Arenó

10:00 am English Fr. Sebastian

Blessings to Rhonda & Robert Stankiewicz on their 23rd Wedding Anniversary

God's Blessings and protection for Basia & Bernard Pacyniak on their 50th Wedding

Anniversary

† Michelle Gucik

† Vito Joseph Gargano, Theresa M.

Gargano, Vincent Joseph Gargano

† Anna & Augustyn Luc

† Chae O' Keefe

† Betty Martin

† Silverio Fernandez

11:30 am Polish Fr. Jason

O zdrowie i Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Kazimiery Puacz z okazji Urodzin i całej rodziny Puaczów

O Boże Błogosławieństwo i Dary Ducha

Św. z prośbą o wskazówki, mądrość

wyborów i siłę dla Mariusza

O Boże Błogosławieństwo z okazji 50

rocznicy ślubu dla Marii i Eugeniusza

Serafin

† Jan Hermanowski

† Edward Rybka

† Wiesław Budzik

† Cecylia i Tadeusz Tyszkiewicz

† Maria i Józef Wojdyła

† Zdzisław Serocki

† Jadwiga Serafin

† Józef Leś

† Waleria i Stanisław Buchaniec, Jan i

Stefania Buchaniec

† Katarzyna i Ludwik Pudło

† Janusz Gibes, Zofia Kamysz, oraz zmarli z

Rodzin Bieniaszewski i Uljasz

† Elisa Dellasantina miesiąc po śmierci

† Michał Kmiotek, Marcin Kmiotek i Irena

Kmiotek

† Za dusze w Czyśćcu cierpiące i te które

najbardziej potrzebują pomocy

6:00 pm English Fr. Sebastian

† Philip Grossman and deceased members of Grossman Family



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE THIS WEEK IS OFFERED FOR:
Prayers for Vocations

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Martha Gfesser	Junver Isuga
Maureen Polcyn	Chef Raul Arreda
Fely Ranjo	Baby Joseph Palmert
Millet Beltran	Charles Stephen Collins
RJ Calisura	Ben & Linda Caldea
Anne Marie Guerrier	Robert F. Adams, Jr.
Betty Bukraba	Bienvienido Costes
Elizabeth Marrinan	Mahmoud Srou
C. Kozeny	Araceli Madridejos
Mario Brancato	Hedy Sancho
Pamela Triplitt	Alan Enzbigilis Sr.
Patricia	Clifford & Judith Drexler
Lourdes Loraya	Sam Pace
Marian i Maria Dzieciuch	Betts Eleanor
Barbara Witkos	Helen Williams
Rosetta Bizzotto	Darlene Neumann
Harry Largent	Stanisława Pabisz
Toni Kilroy	Kazimierz Pabisz
Caridad M. Altares	Flordeliza H. Sotto
Alina Gawlik	Pedro H. Sotto
Dolores Motto	Nicholas Mazur
Brooke Johnson	Siony Urgena
Silverio Fernandez	Gloria Arago
Jannette Mendoza	George Frey
Mario Loraya	Scott Johnson
Vivian Daoud	Aurea Primero
Nanette Sadorra	Emilia Fernandez
Isabel C.Villarroel	Ernie Tusa
Luke Kowalski	Francisco Mandigma
Joanna Oliwa	Rosa Moreano
Francisco & Luz Atienza	Corazon Sanchez
Maureen Nathan	Jovita Aro
Charlotte & Carl Lindquist	Lita Rosales
Rose Manio	Zbigniew Witkos
Teresa Parcianny	Susan Czech

OUR BELOVED DEPARTED:

Socorro Arredondo	Zofia Krupa
Michele Citrano	Nancy Pressney



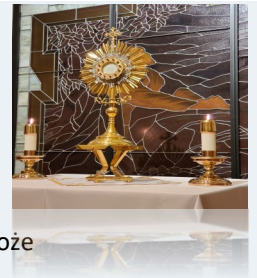
OUR MILITARY: Please pray for those serving in the military, and for a peaceful and just solution to conflict and violence.

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

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES OFFERED THIS WEEK FOR:

Candle 1 O dobrą pracę dla Urszuli i Doroty, Boże Błogosławieństwo i łaskę zdrowia

Candle 2 O nawrócenie męża Bogdana i Boże Błogosławieństwo



SUNDAY OFFERINGS:

July 19 — \$16,200

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 tworzyście naszą wspólnotę.



WEDDING BANNS:



III Brian Lukaszczuk & Patricia Wojdyla
II David Gottsegen & Anna Maria Slowinski

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.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, July 26 – Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Although the names of Joachim and Anne come from ancient Christian tradition rather than Scripture, they have long been honored as the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of Jesus. Their faithful lives prepared Mary to respond generously to God's call. They are the patron saints of grandparents, married couples, and families. Their feast reminds us of the important role parents and grandparents play in passing on the gift of faith to future generations.

Wednesday – Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

The siblings Martha, Mary, and Lazarus were close friends of Jesus and welcomed Him into their home in Bethany. Martha is remembered for her generous service, Mary for listening attentively to the Lord at His feet, and Lazarus for being raised from the dead by Jesus, revealing Christ's power over death. Together, they remind us that Christian discipleship is expressed through both loving service and faithful contemplation.

Thursday – St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

St. Peter Chrysologus (c. 380–450) served as Bishop of Ravenna, Italy, and became renowned for his clear, concise, and inspiring preaching. His title *Chrysologus*, meaning "Golden-Worded," reflects his extraordinary gift as a preacher of the Gospel. He defended the true faith during a time of theological controversy and encouraged Christians to live lives of charity and holiness. He was later proclaimed a Doctor of the Church.

Friday – St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491–1556), a former Spanish soldier, experienced a profound conversion after being wounded in battle. He founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), dedicating himself and his companions to serving the Church through education, missionary work, and spiritual formation. His *Spiritual Exercises* have guided countless people in deepening their relationship with Christ through prayer and discernment. He is the patron saint of spiritual retreats and discernment.

Saturday – St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696–1787) was a gifted lawyer who gave up a successful career to become a priest. He founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists) to preach the Gospel, especially to the poor and abandoned. A compassionate confessor, prolific writer, and outstanding moral theologian, he emphasized God's infinite mercy and love. He was declared a Doctor of the Church and remains a model of pastoral charity and trust in God's mercy.



THE FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION (August 1)

The Five First Saturdays devotion is one of the principal points of the Fatima message. It centers on the urgent need for mankind to offer reparation and expiate for the many injuries that the Immaculate Heart of Mary suffers from the hands of both impious and indifferent men. The First Five

Saturdays devotion stimulates the spirit of reparation; it instills a tender love for the Holy Sacraments of Confession and the Blessed Eucharist. It nurtures a holy affection for the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Rosary. Above all, it is an excellent means to maintain one in the state of grace while immersed in the daily spiritual battles and prosaic existence in the neo-pagan world that we live in.

PRAY WITH THE HOLY FATHER – AUGUST 2026

Each month, the Holy Father invites the faithful throughout the world to unite in prayer for a special intention. During the month of August, Pope Leo XIV asks us to pray:

For Evangelization in the City

Let us pray that in large cities, often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we may find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

As members of our parish family, let us join the Holy Father in this intention by praying that our homes, neighborhoods, and communities become places where all people experience Christ's love, welcome, and hope. May we be instruments of God's presence, reaching out to those who feel forgotten or alone and helping to build a stronger community of faith.



RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

In the United States, every parish is a personal spiritual home. For this reason, Catholics who would like to receive parish services, such as sacraments, certificates, or school references, are encouraged to be officially registered as parishioners. Becoming a parishioner is simple: just stop by the parish office to complete a membership form, and continue helping to build our parish family through Mass and participation in parish life. If you would like to join our parish family or update your information, please contact us at (847) 966-8145 or visit www.sjbrebeuf.org. We would love to welcome you!



SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT THE PAUL

In the Gospel, we find that the demand of daily Christian living is to spend our life primarily searching for the kingdom of God. Last month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to provide \$1,500.00 Twinning with St. Turibius Parish, \$245.00 for Utilities, \$1,550.00 in Rent Assistance, \$2,100.00 in Gift Cards, \$238.00 in Medical Expense, and \$310.00 in Misc. Expenses for our parishioners and friends in need in the Niles Area. Thank You! We would not have been able to do this without your support! 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.



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For parents praying for their children

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MARRIED IN 1976?

Have you registered for the Annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass? Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass to be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on Sunday, **September 13, 2026 at 2:30pm**. The Mass will be celebrated at Holy Name Cathedral (735 N. State Street in Chicago). Please email gwa@archchicago.org or contact the parish office with any questions. To register online, please visit pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding. We hope to see you there!



INVITATION TO THE WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO MERRILLVILLE, IN AUGUST 8-9

Everyone is warmly invited to the 39th Annual Walking Pilgrimage to Merrillville, taking place August 8–9, 2026. The pilgrimage will begin at Immaculate Conception Church, 2944 E. 88th St., on Saturday, August 8. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m., and the pilgrimage will begin immediately afterward.

The registration fee is \$50 for adults and \$30 for children 10 years of age and younger.

Online registration through the Salvatorian Fathers' website began July 20. In-person registration at our parish is available from July 25 through August 7. Buses will depart from our parish parking lot beginning at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 8. Return transportation from Merrillville to our parish will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 9. Pilgrims are encouraged to purchase and wear a T-shirt with our parish logo so that we may be easily recognized as representatives of our parish community.

For more information, please contact Deacon Krzysztof Słowikowski.



ST. JOHN BREBEUF SCHOOL



Mission & Philosophy— Jesus instructed: "Go then, to all peoples everywhere and make my disciples; baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And I will be there with you always, to the end of the age." (*Matthew 28: 19-21*).

Since 1955, St. John Brebeuf Catholic School has educated the children of Niles, Illinois, and surrounding communities.

In a statement developed by SJB School teachers and staff in April 2017, there are four core components of our school's mission:

Faith: We believe in God and our faith leads us in our daily lives.

Community: Each member of the school and parish community plays an important role in the growth and success of our children.

Mindset: We believe in the power of "Yet." We encourage students to embrace their learning journey and develop a never-ending passion for knowledge.

Academic: We emphasize academic excellence by focusing on physical, intellectual, emotional, and spiritual growth.

SJB School is a family. We are a community that is racially, ethnically, and economically diverse. Through a focus on personalized learning and deep Catholic faith, SJB School provides rigorous preparation for student success in high school, college, and life.

St. John Brebeuf is a Catholic school where human culture and knowledge -- enlightened and strengthened by faith -- is shared in a spirit of trust, discipline, and love.

Our school is a living faith community. We witness the presence of Jesus in everything we do.

**WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING
REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2026-2027
SCHOOL YEAR.**

Please visit our website: <https://www.sjbschool.org>
select the registration button to begin the New Student registration process or
email: office@sjbschool.org or call (847) 966-3266

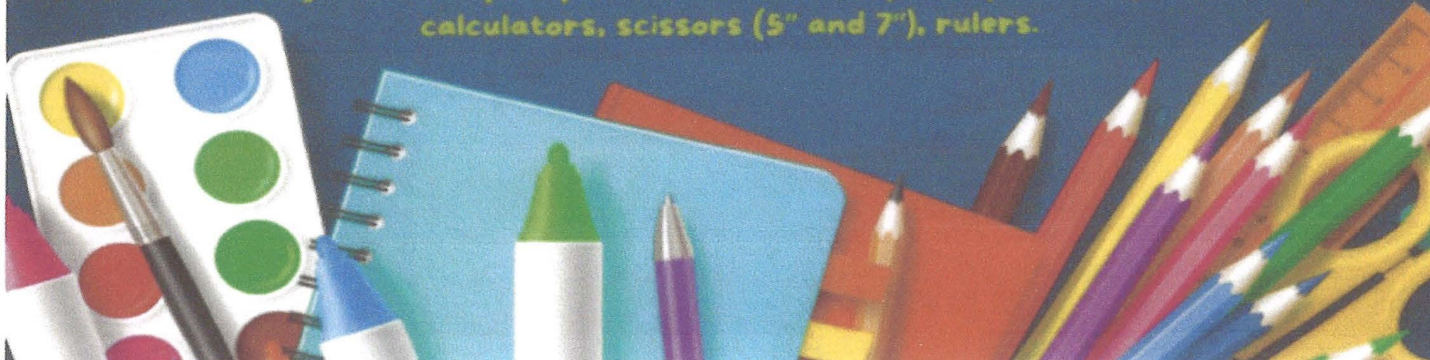
BACK TO SCHOOL Drive

Uncle's Pete Ministry is collecting supplies for the school we support. We plan to donate to: Some local SJB Families, St. Malachy, Marillac Social Service and St. Sylvester. Please help us continue this great tradition started by Uncle Pere Zonsius and Clem Juris.

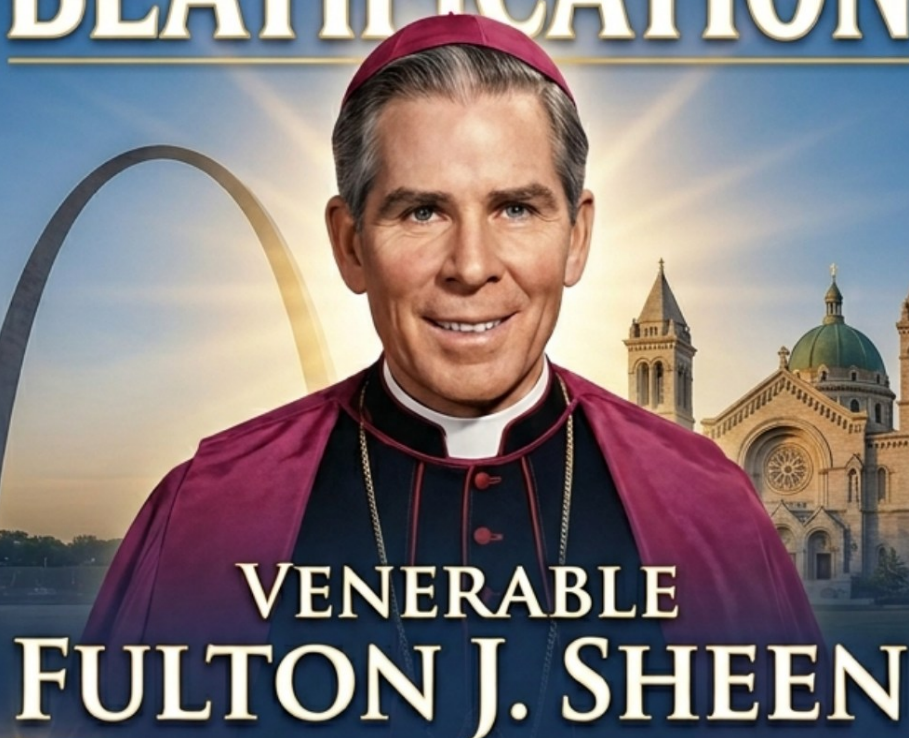
Please mark your calendars for this collection dates:
In Church lobbies Saturdays & Sundays: August 9, 10, 16 & 17, 2025.

Following items would be appreciated:

Back-packs, pens, pencils, colored pencils, crayons, erasable markers, 2-pocket folders, 3-hole lined wide notebook paper, spiral notebooks (wide-ruled), construction paper, Elmer's Glue or glue sticks, pink pearl erasers, mesh pencil pouches, pencil sharpeners, calculators, scissors (5" and 7"), rulers.



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Journey with us for this once-in-a-lifetime experience!

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Join thousands of pilgrims for this powerful celebration of faith as we honor one of the modern era's greatest evangelizers and take a meaningful step toward his canonization!

PILGRIMAGE INCLUDES:

- Coach Bus Transportation
- Group Meals
- Daily Mass
- Ticket to the beatification Mass, Pre-show, and Expo
- Hotel Accommodations (2 nights)
- Guided tours
- All fees and Taxes

PILGRIMAGE COST:
\$725 PER PERSON

Secure your spot
by August 9th!
Find out **MORE**
details by scanning
the QR code



Questions? Contact Us!

PILGRIMAGE EXCLUDES:

- Lunch on day 1 and 2
- Souvenirs
- Expenses of personal nature health/travel insurance

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COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



GOSPEL

It is fun to trade things. You might swap a model jeep car for a model truck. You might trade a big doll for a little doll you can put in your purse. There is a great treasure hidden in heaven. Jesus died on the cross so that you could get the treasure hidden in heaven for you. My brother wanted to trade his new baby sister for a baby brother. God may not do that kind of trading. All you have to give God is your love.



PRAYER

Jesus, I will never lie to obtain a treasure.



PUZZLE

Circle the picture that is **different**. Then color in all the pictures.



MISSION

I will hide a treasure for others to find with a note saying, "I love you, signed God."



DRAW

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Jezus dziś nam to szczęście, to jedyne szczęście, przybliży i mówi, że te wszystkie nasze ziemskie pragnienia będą zaspokojone, jeżeli będziemy poszukiwać pewnego skarbu, a jest nim Królestwo Boże. Otóż to pragnienie porównał do człowieka, który znalazł skarb i ukrył go ponownie w ziemi. Ale nie dlatego, aby o nim zapomnieć, ale poszedł, sprzedał wszystko, co miał, i kupił to pole z tym skarbem. Jak wielką wartość musiał mieć dla niego ten skarb, skoro sprzedał wszystko? Sprzedał dom, cały majątek, nic dla niego nie miało takiej wartości jak ten skarb. A ten skarb właśnie symbolizuje Królestwo Boże, a pragnienie tego człowieka jest tak wielkie, że to, co miał materialnego wydało się dla niego niczym w porównaniu do skarbu.

Czy my mamy takie pragnienie Królestwa Bożego? O co tak naprawdę w naszym życiu prosimy Pana Boga? Młody Salomon, o czym mówi nam dzisiejsze pierwsze czytanie, dostał propozycję od Boga: *Proś o to, co mam ci dać*. Salomon nie poprosił o wielkie bogactwa, lecz o mądrość, i Bóg mu odpowiedział: *Ponieważ poprosiłeś o to, a nie poprosiłeś dla siebie o długie życie ani też o bogactwa (...) więc spełniam twoje pragnienie i dam ci serce mądre i rozsądne, takie, że podobnego tobie przed tobą nie było i po tobie nie będzie*.

Widzimy, jaki Bóg jest hojny. O co byśmy poprosili Boga dzisiaj, aby nam dał? Jedną rzecz. Czy coś materialnego? Nawet zdrowie nie jest największą wartością, bo i ono ma swój koniec. Pragniemy tego i prosimy o to, co nigdy się nie kończy – Królestwa Bożego – co jest najważniejsze, co jest najpiękniejsze, co jest prawdziwe, jedyne, największe, za co warto życie dać – jak śpiewamy w jednej z piosenek religijnych.

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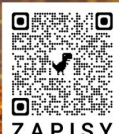
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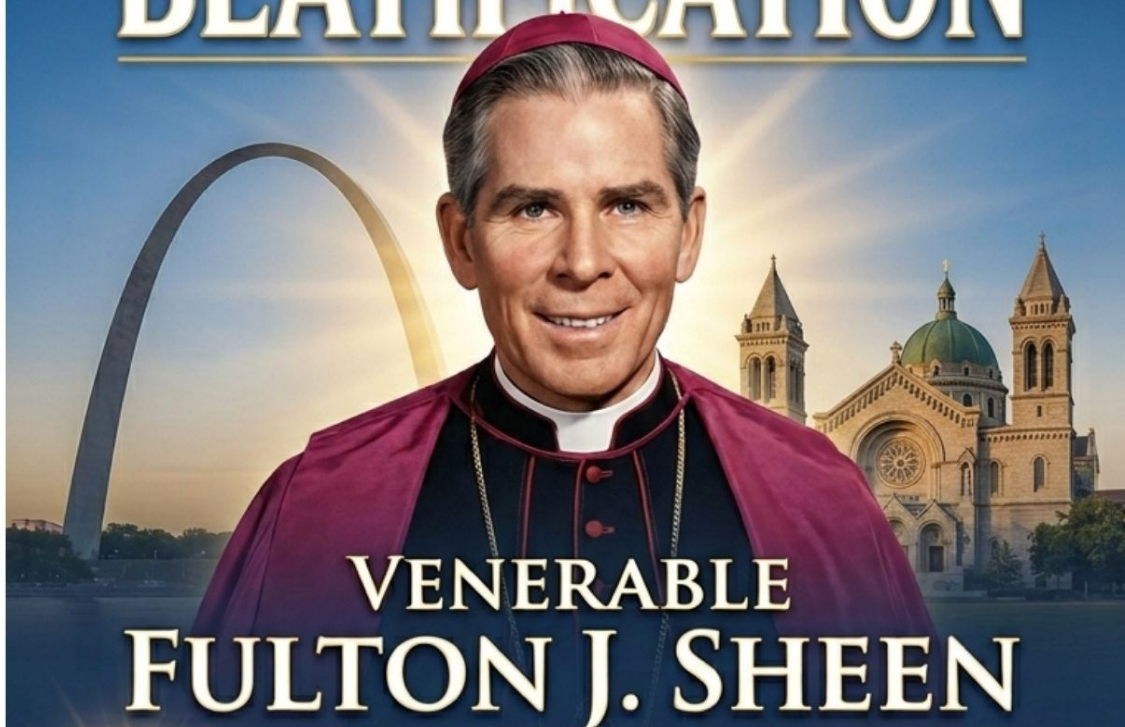


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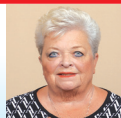


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