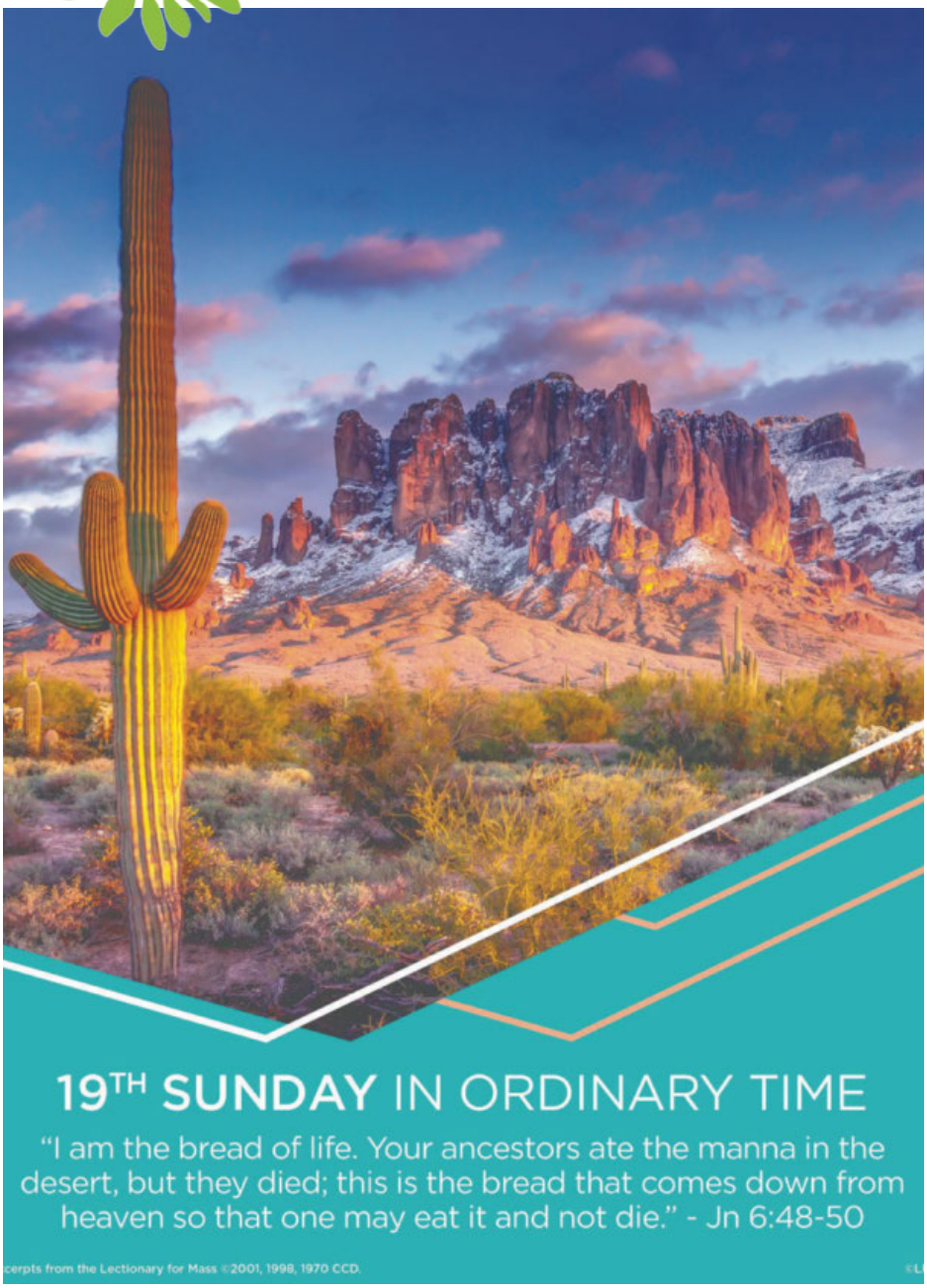
Queen of Peace Parish

Welcome!

We, the Catholic community of Queen of Peace Parish, centered in the Eucharist, strive to grow in our faith and our relationship with God as a welcoming people, working for peace and justice through service to others.



OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

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Monday:	9:00 am
Wednesday:	9:00 am
Friday:	9:00 am
Saturday:	8:30 am
Sunday Vigil Mass:	4:30 pm
Sunday:	8:30 am
	11:30 am

CONFESSIONS 3:30 pm on Saturday

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday:	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Benediction:	5:45 pm

August 11, 2024

From the desk of Fr. Rich



Today we celebrate the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

In our First Reading from the Book of Kings we hear of the prophet Elijah, who lived about 800 years before Christ. Because he was loyal to God, he fell into disfavor with King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. He had to flee for his life to Mount Horeb (also known as Mount Sinai). Today's passage takes place as he begins his flight.

As in the past four Sundays, our second Scripture reading is from the letter to the Ephesians. This part of the letter contains advice for Christian living. The author says that actions which cause division in a community are simply unacceptable. In today's reading, the author sees mutual forgiveness as essential for any group that calls itself Christian. There is an echo here of part of the Lord's Prayer.

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In John's gospel today Jesus says, "I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

These words are at the heart and core and foundation for much of the Church's theology of the Eucharist even to this day. Reflecting upon what Jesus offers to us – the very gift of himself whenever we partake in receiving Communion at Mass – is such an unbelievable gift to us all. It's so sad that we have this opportunity to be in communion and solidarity with Christ every weekend and yet so many who call themselves Catholic seldom or rarely gather weekly around the Lord's table to share in this privilege.

It saddens me to think what some of the reasons for this might be. Could it be that many Catholics have never fully realized that we truly believe in what Jesus is saying to us in today's gospel? Could it be that many Catholics do not understand or realize that our theology of the Eucharist is based upon our belief in the 'Real Presence' of Christ in the consecrated bread we receive at every Mass? If we as Catholics really believed that we have an opportunity to be as close to Christ as we could possibly get in the Communion we receive at Mass our churches would not be able to hold us all. For this reason, we have work that yet needs to be done. Christ didn't leave us empty handed and alone when he left this earth. He clearly intended for us to know that we could be as close and as intimate with him as were his early disciples and apostles. This could be done by gathering with one another around the table of the Lord and sharing in the bread that is broken and the cup that is poured out for us. 'Take this all of you and eat it…This is my Body! Take this all of you and drink from it…This is my Blood! Whenever you do this do it in memory of me.' There could be no clearer words used to define what we are invited and privileged to receive at every Mass.

It is sometimes asked, if Christ were here with us today how would our lives be different? The truth of the matter is He is here with us today but sadly, many don't even realize it. If we did, we'd all be lining the aisles in our church's every week, wouldn't we?

This Thursday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – a Holy Day of Obligation. **Masses will be celebrated at 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.at Our Lady, Mother of the Church, and 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at St. Eugene.** All are encouraged to gather for Mass this day.

What is the Church celebrating on this day? In 1950 Pope Pius XII officially proclaimed the doctrine of the Assumption: "The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." The doctrine, which has its roots in ancient Catholic belief, shows the connection between Mary's unique role as God's mother, preserved from original sin and the reality of our final resurrection in Christ. In her assumption, Mary was preserved from the decay of death. Mary, the mother of the Savior, is the first to share in the Lord's resurrection. She is the living model for all people whose future destiny is union with the risen Lord. Her assumption to heaven is an anticipation of our own resurrection. It is for these reasons we celebrate this day as special in the Church.

Many ask…why do Catholics have special Veneration for Mary? We venerate Mary because she is the mother of God and our mother. "All generations will call me blessed" (Lk 1:48). By praying to and honoring Mary in a special way, we are led to love her and to imitate her many virtues, especially her total commitment to God's will and her single-hearted faith in God's work. "You see before you the Lord's servant…let it happen to me as you have said" (Lk 1:38). As his mother she is uniquely close to him; she is the perfect model of those who center their lives on Jesus.

Mary's role as our mother is not meant to hide Jesus' role as our one mediator. Rather, her maternal function shows forth the Lord's love and shares his graces. Mary is a special grace to humanity; she uniquely attracts us to her son. Note how classical Marian art—the *Pieta* or any of the famous icons of Mary and Jesus—depicts Mary drawing our attention to her son. The focus of the painting or the statue is Jesus, not Mary. *Mary's role in salvation is to give her son to humanity. She leads us to him, shows us how-to live-in response to him, and intercedes on our behalf.*

Sometimes Catholics are accused of worshipping Mary as though she were a god. True devotion to Mary *honors* Mary; we *worship* God alone. When we pray in Mary's honor, we are really thanking and praising God for blessing one of our sisters. The doctrine of the communion of saints teaches us that those who are close to God will intercede on our behalf. The New Testament reveals a valuable lesson concerning Mary: Jesus does answer her pleas for others. The miracle of the wine at Cana testifies to this (see Jn 2:1-12).

Join us for Mass as we celebrate her Assumption into heaven this Thursday, August 15th at **7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at Our Lady, Mother of the Church, and 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at St. Eugene.**

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Finally, a little humor….
Q. Which area of Palestine was especially wealthy?
A. The area around Jordan. The banks were always overflowing.

Fr. Rich Yanos



QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH - MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 10, 2024

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass - Mass at St. Eugene Church

People of the Parish
John Dudek
Jozef Krol
Law Enforcement
Jean & Nick Mazzocchi
Domenic & Lucia Notardonato
Joseph Pecora
Bob Schu
Tom & Josephine Szczech
Jose Villalba

Sunday, August 11, 2024

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

People of the Parish
Robert J. Brun
Law Enforcement
Nate & Szczech Families
Maria & Matthias Rempala
S.I. Jacqueline Connoly—Healings

10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Ann Caruso
Thomas & Dorothy Fahy
Ed & Mary Kenevan
Steve, Angeline & Donal Lesniak
Josephine Miller
Patrick O'Regan
Donato Parente
Pietro Pisello
Jozef Rebacz
Helena Swieton

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Giuseppe Giacalone
Pearl & George Giovannoni
Erika Arquilla Hlavacek
Fred Rogers
Stan Stypka

Monday, August 12, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Souls in Purgatory, Cornell & Pozzie Families
Regina Podwysocka

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Canonization of Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney
Anthony & Aurora Barone
Andrzej Dabrowski, Dominic Nardi
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Snyder & Family

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Jaun Diaz
Obama & Killmer Families
Anna Scola
Diane Rizzuto
Canonization of Servant of God Sr. M. Annella

Thursday, August 15, 2024,
The Assumption of the Blesssed Virgin Mary

7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Deacon Dan Dietsch 10th Death Anniversary
Carol Musial

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene

John Kula, Deacon Jerry Kwasegroch
Virginia Lawrence, Lorraine & Tom Ryan

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Amalia Grossi
Jaroslav Kochan, Carlos Soul

7:00 pm Mass at St. Eugene

Jolanta Bogusz

Friday, August 16, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Jude & Minn Fams., S.I. Konrad Sniezek
S.I. Alba Zazueta –Blessings and Healings

Saturday, August 17, 2024

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Ewing & Brain Families, Lucille Gutowski
Imre & Linda Hollosi, Anna Zeglen

Saturday, August 17, 2024

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass - Mass at St. Eugene Church

Dominica Donato, Anna Dudek, Wayne J. Greco
Maria Janus - Birthday Remembrance
Law Enforcement, Jimmy McGuire
Karol & Frances Roch, Fr. Fred Tomzik
Lucas & Frances Szczech
Maria & Salvatore Tenuta,

Sunday, August 18, 2024

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Robert J. Brun, Cinquini Family
Giacomo & Maria Daniello
Jozef & Stanislawa Krol, Law Enforcement
Tony Parisi, Joseph Portenlanger

10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

People of the Parish
Walter & Marianne Feret
Bill & Marty Hogan, Pietro Pisello
Mary & Walter Prezette, Stefania Rebacz
Ranzo Rizzi, Helena Swieton
Duane Thurber

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Domenico & Anna Battista
Brunetto & Cecilia Brunetti
Chris & Thadeusz Dabros & Family
Jolanta Grabowska
Mardoian & Jonathan Families, Hillard Michalek
Michael Michalek
Jill Pace B-day Remembrance
Giuseppina Savino
Michael Vito Parente

Date	Celebrant	Extraordinary Minister	Altar Server	Lectors
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Thursday, 08/15 7:00 am - OLMC	Rev. Greg Rom	T. Kaisling - TB M. Marszalek - TC		W. Kaczmarczyk - 1st P. Vega - 2nd
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Thursday, 08/15 9:00 am - SE	Rev. Robert Carlton	C. Lim - WB M. Lim - B L. Feist - C G. Bermas - O I. Rog - WO		J. Magnuson
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Thursday, 08/15 4:00 pm - OLMC	Rev. Ed Pacocha	M. D'Alessandro - AB P. Peterson - AC E. Espi - TB R. Catalano - TB C. Capps – TC		L. Muehlfelder - 1st N. Mosk - 2nd
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Thursday, 08/15 7:00 pm - SE	Rev. Robert Carlton	Open - WB U. Pawlowski - B C. Bobka - C Open - O P. Paetsch - WO		P. Brown
Saturday, 08/17 4:30 pm - SE	Rev. Ed Pacocha Deacon Chris Virruso Preaches	C. Lim - WB F. Klus - B Celebrant & Deacon - C J. Horn - O B. Gebhardt - WO M. Lim - Cup B J. Gebhardt - Cup O	H. Wyszkowski B. Villena A. McGovern O. Loboda	J. Magnuson
Sunday, 08/18 8:30 am - SE	Rev. Greg Rom	I. Rog - WB R. Kennedy - B M. Holder - C J. Noronha - O M. Egan - WO C. Mikucki - Cup B J. Pomis - Cup O	C. Brown A. Czubek J. Rog	M. Egan
Sunday, 08/18 10:00 am - OLMC	Rev. Rich Yanos Deacon Chris Virruso Preaches	R. Molas - AB R. Catalano - AC N. Mosk - TB P. Peterson - TB P. Vega - TC	D. Flynn G. Pilch J. Pilch	J. Colon - 1st J. Molas -2nd
Sunday, 08/18 11:30 am - SE	Rev. Robert Carlton	T. Moore - WB C. Paulini - B O. Giacalone - C M. Villaba - O D. Hernandez - WO U. Pawlowski - CB F. Pacia - Cup O	L. Acierno C. Rodriguez M. Clancy A. Tekampe	C. Giacalone

ROSARIES TO BEGIN A GLOBAL POVERTY FUND

The Holy See has proposed that some of the monies earmarked for nuclear weapons and other military expenditures be instead used to help establish a global poverty fund. Rosary Guild members pray at least one Rosary for this week's Rosary intention, and include Emily A., Lori G., James H., John I., Lita J., Evelyn K., Terri K., Gilda M., Lonnie M., Mary M., Ted M., Josephine N., Emilie P., Stefania P., Jean R., Demi S., Shirley S., and Milabelle T. Thank you for your Rosaries.

LIVING ROSARY

The feast of the patron of the Living Rosary, St. Philomena, is this Sunday, August 11. Through her intercession, the founder of the Living Rosary, Blessed Pauline-Marie Jaricot, received a cure of her heart disease. The Curé of Ars and patron of parish priests, St. John Vianney, encouraged people to go to St. Philomena for intercession. St. Padre Pio described St. Philomena as the "little princess of Paradise." Living Rosary members pray at least a decade of the Rosary daily for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary for the glory of the Most Holy Trinity, and in honor of St. Philomena. Thank you for your decades of the Rosary.

Joyful Mysteries
Annunciation - Ted M.
Visitation - Barb R.
Nativity - Josephine N.
Presentation - Karen R.
Finding in the Temple - Mary M.

Luminous Mysteries
Baptism of Jesus - Barb R.
Wedding at Cana - Mary M.
Proclaim the Kingdom - Ted M.
Transfiguration - Emily A.
Institution of Eucharist - Emily A.

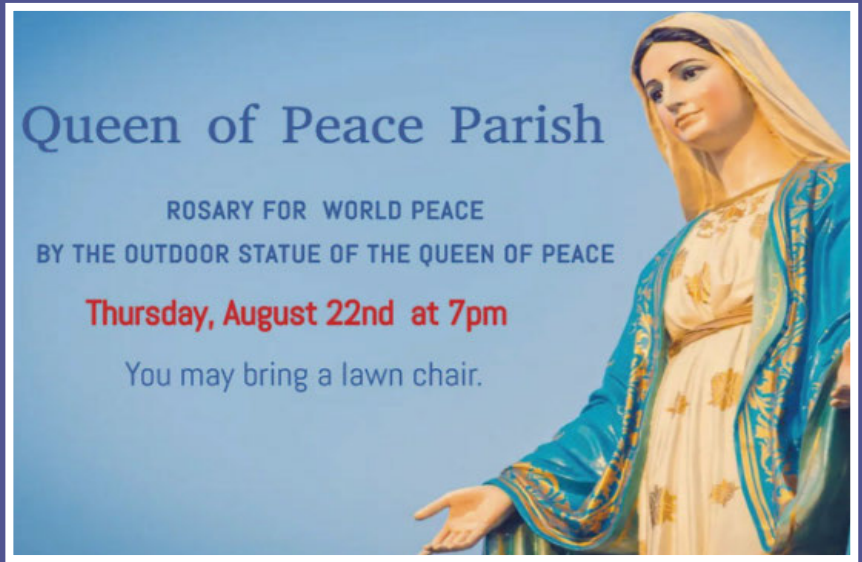
Sorrowful Mysteries
Agony in the Garden - Jean R.
Scourging at the Pillar - Jean R.
Crowning with Thorns - Mary M.
Carrying of the Cross - Ted M.
Crucifixion - Demi S.

Glorious Mysteries
Resurrection - Lita J.
Ascension - Marsha G.
Descent of Holy Spirit - Camille C.
Assumption of Mary - Camille C.
Coronation of Mary - Camille C.

ROSARY AUGUST 22 BY THE OUTDOOR STATUE OF THE QUEEN OF PEACE

Thursday, August 22 is the memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. You are invited to pray a Rosary for peace on that day at 7 p.m. You may bring a lawn chair.







RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH
2024-2025 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
PROVIDED AT ST. EUGENE SCHOOL

Regular Program Classes - Grades 1-7: Classes take place in a classroom setting with the overall work covered in class with the exception of the seventh grade students who complete additional papers and service hours in preparation for making their Sacrament of Confirmation in the fall of their eighth grade year. Classes are held on Tuesdays beginning October 1st and are held from 3:45-4:45 p.m.

Independent Study Program - Grades 1 – 7: This class is for parents who want their children to complete their grade-level chapter work at home and want to use their church attendance as their participation in religious education.
This program requires your child to attend at least fifteen of their weekly masses at Queen of Peace Parish at either St. Eugene Church or Our Lady, Mother of the Church from date enrolled to April.

PLEASE CALL THE MAIN OFFICE AT (773)763-2235.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Pat Apida
Annabella Amato
Ralph J. Amelio
Victoria Amelio
Peter Badagliacca
Patricia & Lawrence Basili
Judy Bauer
Don Bellisario
Ludwika Bialo
Bronislaw Bialo
A. & V. Bischof
Gabriella Bongiorno
Virginia Bongiorno-Lawrence
Johnmar Castillo
Gracie Carey
Karen Cazolas
Mary Ciliak
Mark Corrado
Jacqueline Connoly
Sharon Crowley
Susan Curtin
Angela & Rocco D'Alessandro
John Dahlquist
Joseph Duna
Arol Fijalkiewivz
Tony Fiore
Bob Gasiorek
Harry Gelardi
Patricia Gelfond
Susan Hennessy
Jeff Herden
Renee Holm
Ryszard Jablonski
Terry Katz
Arthur Kopeck
Harry Krawczyk
Thomas Landeck
James LaPietra
Abagail Lim
Allie Lim
Frank Lizak
Rose Mary Maratto
Mickey Margelewski
Stanisław Mazek
Azucena & Jazmine Melendrez
Lena Menconi
Dolores Michalek
Patrick Miscinischinski
Linda Morton
Norman Mosk
Michael C. & Virginia Muscarello
Michael J. Muscarello
Joey Notaro
Anthony Notaro
Victtoria Nudo
Rev. James J. O'Brien
Donie Odulio
Catherine O'Hara
Blanca Pacia
Camille Pavlis
Karen Pavlis - Karasawa
Kay Phelan
Rita Rogers
Jean Rogers
Bill Ruhl
Lorraine & Tom Ryan
Diane Rizzuto
Pat Schippers
Shirley Schindler
Peter Schroeder
Robert Shelton
Dolores Scorza
Maria Slomski
Daniel Staniec
Emily Steckiewicz
Rachael Stowe
Mae Stryker
Lavergne Suchor
Tom Szczech
Dave Tudron
Paul Tscherwenka
Ernesto Vergara
Dolores Wilk

We pray for our loved ones who are serving in any branch of the Armed Forces during this time of conflict.



**Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
for the selfless acts they perform for us
in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior. Amen**

Major Adamczyk
Joseph Antosh, Jr.
Ghaleb Azroui
Matthew Calderisi
Timothy Emmett Carolan
Melissa Rose Cortese
James Vincent Degrazia
Patrick Edward Dillon
Zbigniew Dudkowski
Matthew Scott Forrest
Dominic John Guerrieri, Jr.
Major Dirk Haller
Andrew Hopkins
Christopher Jenkins
Bernard Edward Kusinski
Lt. Radoslaw Korzeniak
Antonio James Lim
Payne Manczko
Chris Marchiori
Daniel McLenieghan
Daniel Meaney
Keith Miller
Michael Morales
Mike Mroszczak
Thomas Neuhengen
Eric Norwood
Elliott O'Claire
Vincent Page
Chad Pritchard
Nicholas Ranch
Adam Roberts
Joseph Saineghi, Jr.
Holly Schippers
Michael Schippers, Jr.
Sean Sherlock
Sharon Sherlock
Phillip R. Simonsen
Tony Strzalka

BECOMING CATHOLIC — OCIA (FORMERLY RCIA)
ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and for those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. OCIA can also be a method for Catholics to complete their reception of the initiation sacraments. The manual used in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults states that the rite is designed for adults "who after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely seek the living God." The manual also states when speaking about those in the process "By God's help they will be strengthened spiritually during their preparation and at the proper time receive the sacraments fruitfully."

WHO IS OCIA FOR?

- Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic Faith
- Those who want to join the Catholic Church through Baptism, or Profession of Faith
- Those who were baptized Catholic as infants but never received religious education, Confirmation, or First Eucharist.

In celebrating this month of Our Lady's final journey to God in her glorious Assumption, let us ask her motherly intercession to draw souls to the Sacred Heart of her Son. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey too — of conversion to God and what he intends for us. RCIA is the process by which persons who were never baptized, or were baptized in another Christian tradition, become members of the Church, a people on pilgrimage to our Heavenly Father. Please contact the Parish Office at 773-775-6660

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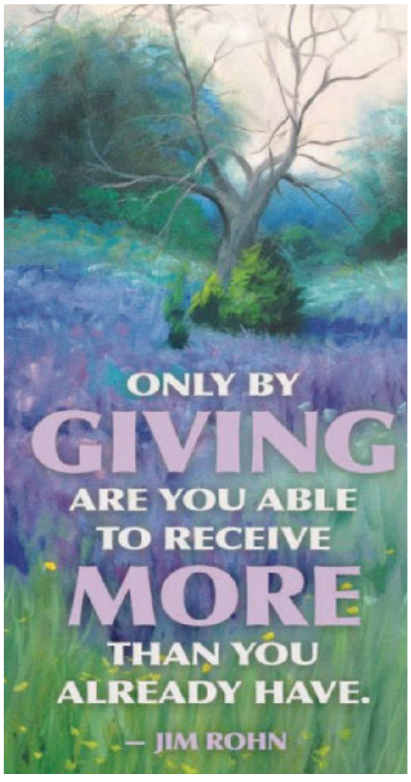
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Registration is Now Open
2024-2025



SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024

4:30pm SE	$ 3,398.00
8:30am SE	$ 2,335.50
10:00am OLMC	$ 2,759.00
11:30am SE	$ 2,752.00
Mail	$ 5,840.00
Total Physical	**$ 17,084,50**
Online Collection	$ 3672.02
Grand Total	**$ 20,756.52**







SECOND COLLECTIONS

August 11
School Support

August 15
Assumption of the BVM

August 18
Parish Repairs & Maintenance

Bible Study

Wednesday in St. Eugene
School room 110
from 10:00 to 12:00.
Questions or comments please feel free to email Frank at fjlizak@comcast.net.
Hope to see you there!



Please Pray for our Deceased Parishioners:

†LaVerne Wronsky

† Joanna Bischof

† Alice Bieniarz

May the souls of the faithful rest in peace.







Bulletin Submissions:

Bulletin requests must be sent two weeks prior to the desired bulletin weekend to mgeurtsen@archchicago.org We reserve the right to edit. Submissions will be placed in the bulletin if space allows and pending administration approval. Please call the parish office for the holiday schedule. *Thank you.*

Garden Ministry Collection



The Garden Ministry will have another collection of fresh produce from our gardens or our local grocery store on **August 17 and August 18.** The collection will take place before all the masses at Our Lady, Mother of the Church and also St. Eugene Church.

Please place your donation on the tables in each church. All donations are given to the Quinn Center at St. Eulalia parish for their hunger ministry. Thank you for your generosity. If you have any questions, just email lizakfam@aol.com.



2nd Weddings Banns
Makenzie F. Payton &
Brett J. Rosenbush

Midwest Augustinian Office of
Lay Engagement
Connect with us!

3rd Annual Men's Retreat Sept. 21-22, 2024

Theme:
Fostering Community

Location:
Mount Assisi Retreat Center
Lemont, IL

Join us in exploring the essence of fostering an authentic Christian community wherever you are.
Escape the hustle and bustle to reconnect with yourself and establish connections in the serene surroundings of Mount Assisi Retreat Center in Lemont, IL. With over 60 acres of outdoor space for leisurely walks and more, now is the perfect time to:

- **Recharge and Reflect:** Take a break from your daily routine to focus on what truly matters.
- **Build Brotherhood:** Engage with like-minded individuals and nurture lasting connections.
- **Discover Fresh Perspectives:** Gain insights and skills to enhance your personal and professional life.

We are thrilled to have **Bishop Dan Turley, Br. Joe Ruiz, Fr. Bernie Scianna, and Fr. Samuel Joutras** join us for fellowship and lead the retreat. To sign up, please visit the Midwest Augustinian Website at www.midwestaugustinians.org or call 773-614-5880.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

MARRIED IN 1974?

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 that will be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on **Sunday, September 15, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.** The Mass will be held at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, Illinois.

Please email **gwa@archchicago.org** or contact your parish office with any questions.
To register online, please visit **pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding.**

We hope to see you there!

GARDEN MINISTRY THANK YOU

On the weekend of July 27/28, the Garden Ministry collected fresh produce to bring to our sharing parish hunger ministry program at St. Eulalia's Quinn Center.

Garden Ministry

Two cars were filled with bags of tomatoes, beans, cucumbers and more. The Quinn Center was very happy to receive all these bags of fresh produce for their ministry.

Thank you to all who donated either from your garden or grocery store. It was most appreciated.

Look for another donation weekend in a few weeks. If you or your family would like to help in the next delivery, just email me.

Thank you,

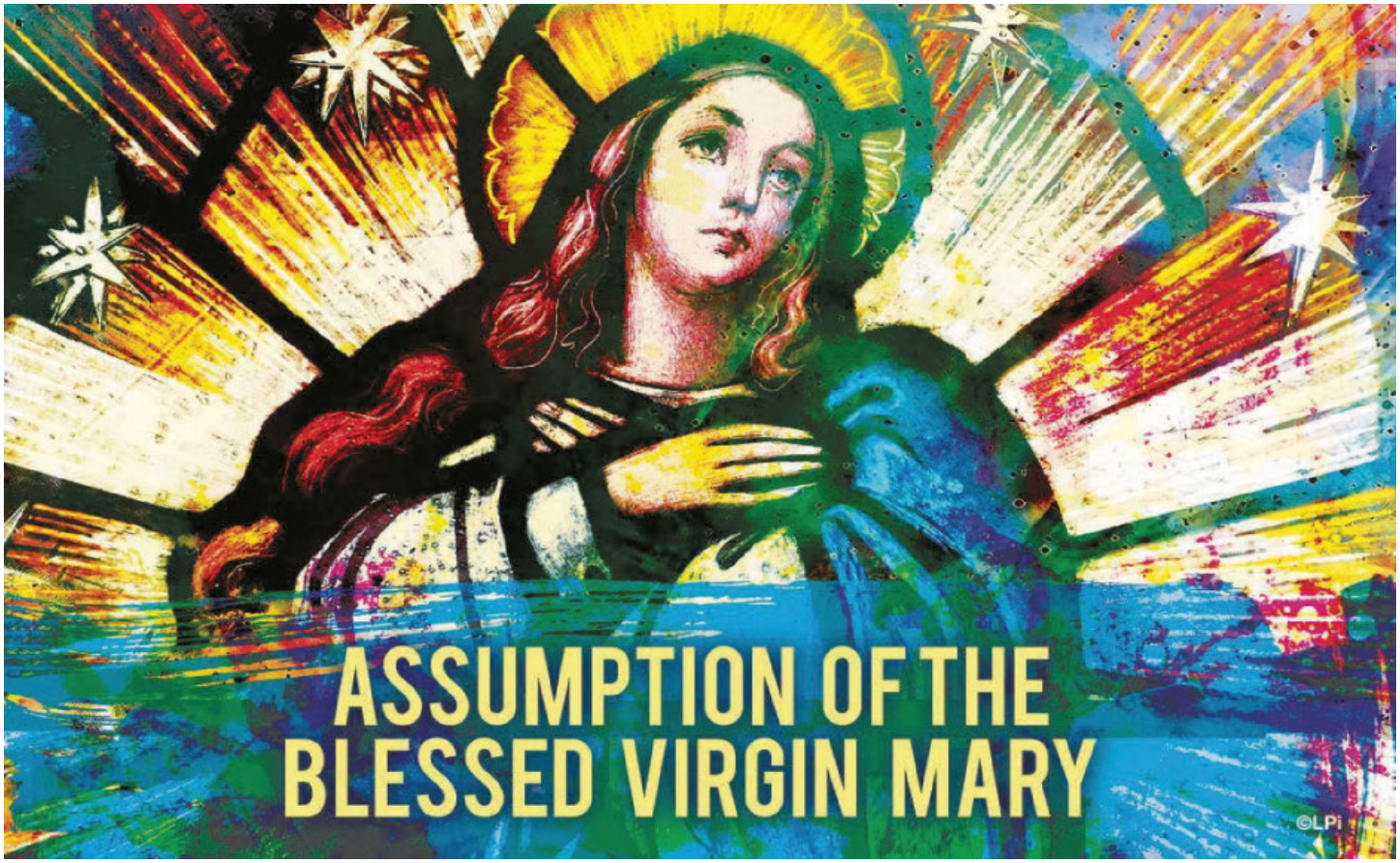
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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Eugene Church

Mondays 4 - 6 pm. Benediction at 5:45 pm.



Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of August 11, 2024

Sunday:
1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

Monday:
Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/ Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday:
Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/ Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday:
Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mt 18:15-20

Thursday:
Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Friday:
Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/ Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday:
Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/ Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday:
Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/ Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

This week we hear Jesus say, *"He that believes in me, has eternal life"* (John 6:47). These straightforward words, uttered by human lips, sound — how to put this? — insane. Who could possibly say such a thing? Jesus says things that are so high, so demanding, so beyond our capacity to fathom, we hardly know what to do with them and (if you're like me), they usually go in one ear and out the other. So, let us ask: how can believing in him lead to eternal life?

To believe in something means not just to acknowledge its existence, but also to orient yourself entirely to it. If a football player believes in his team, it means he puts his life totally at the service of that goal. If a student believes in her dream to become a doctor, she gives everything she has to her studies and preparation for her MCAT test. Belief means to move boldly toward something we love, and trust is possible to attain.

What is the highest possible good at which we can aim? It is God himself, the gift of eternal life without end. Jesus has made this "good" possible in and through his human nature. To believe in him means to have him as our ultimate goal. This week let's believe the truth of these words and make practical decisions to orient ourselves toward what we see available in him: eternal life.

— *Father John Muir*

Liturgical Life

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Murmurings

When people whisper, what they whisper usually is not flattering. It's also usually not accurate. If it was either of these things, it probably wouldn't have to be whispered.

"Stop murmuring among yourselves," Jesus tells the community in today's Gospel, and I think I detect a hint of impatience in his voice — or is that just my own bias? Maybe, maybe not. But it's true that what they were whispering about wasn't particularly flattering, and it also wasn't very accurate: *Did you hear what he said? That he's the bread of life?*

Do they disbelieve, or are they simply confused? Resentful? Afraid? Overwhelmed? We don't know, but we do know that they're not bringing their questions into the open. They're whispering them, trading them secretly, like contraband candy.

We know this guy. Who does he think he is? Well, if you ask me...

And then we get to what is usually the true purpose of a whispered opinion: the desire to make oneself out as the correct and unchallenged judge of the matter at hand.

In many ways, we have become a Church of murmurers. *Did you see what Bishop So-and-So said to Such-and-Such newspaper? Did you hear what Fr. Whatshisname said in his homily? Who does he think he is? Well, if you ask me...*

Perhaps it was always this way, even before modern times. Perhaps this Gospel shows us that this is no new thing.

Today, we see Jesus respond to his sulking critics by drawing their attention back to the truth at the heart of his teaching. *Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me.* And that is the end of their murmuring.

The truth is like a brick wall, and it knocks them over — or rather they, hurling themselves against it, knock themselves over.

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." — John 6:51

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

I've heard that faith is a theological virtue. What does that mean?

Answer:

To say a virtue is theological means that it comes as a gift from God. St. Thomas Aquinas, a Dominican monk who crafted the famous arguments for the existence of God, wrote: "This alone is the true knowledge of God: to know that God is beyond knowing." God is transcendent. This word comes from the Latin "transcendere," meaning "to climb beyond." When something is transcendent, it exists beyond our normal range of experience. Philosopher Peter Kreeft put it simply: "God is always more."

While God created us in His image and likeness, too often we re-create Him in ours. We project our deepest hopes, our subliminal fears, and our hidden dreams, and conjure up our own image of what God could be. Yet God can never be limited to our own perception of Him.

That's where faith comes in. We read in the Catechism that "faith is the theological virtue by which we believe in God and believe all that He has said and revealed to us and all that the Holy Church proposes for our belief" (CCC 1814). We can know God through reason, to a point. As human beings, we want to know and understand the world around us, but God isn't in the world around us. He's beyond it. The best way to come to know God is not through our own clever mental maneuvering, but through trusting in God's revelation of Himself. We might think we know who God is, but the only way we can have any idea is if we trust, through the virtue of faith, who He has revealed Himself to be.

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die."
- Jn 6:48-50

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

The prophet Elijah was exhausted and prayed for death under a broom tree. How do you help a friend or family member who has such despair?

Second Reading:

Paul's high standard for living in the community of believers was literally unheard of in the ancient world. How can any community of faith achieve such an ideal way of living?

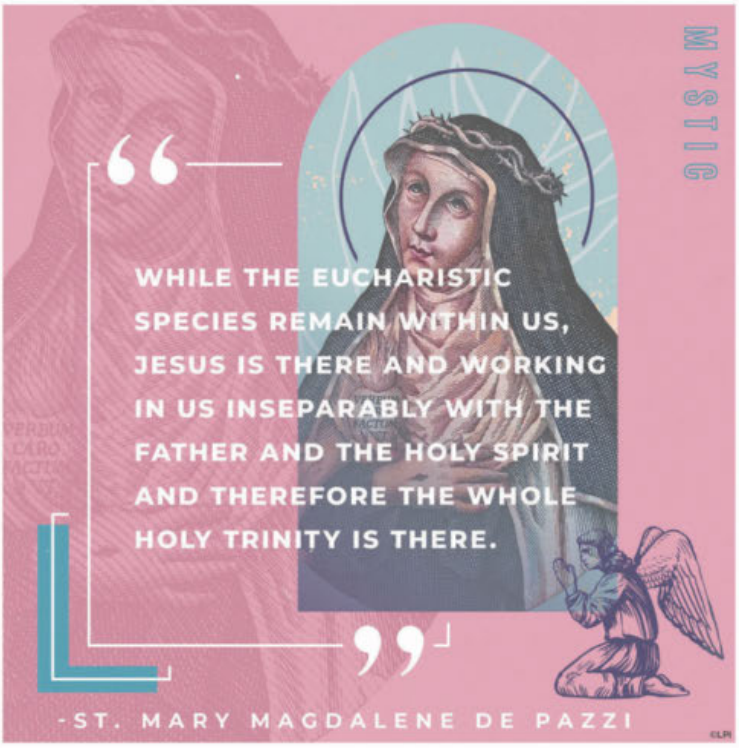
Gospel:

Despite opposition from those who knew Jesus and his family personally, Jesus offered eternal life to all who believe in him. How can someone remain open to new or challenging ideas?



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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
He got up, ate, and drank;
then strengthened by that food,
he walked forty days and forty nights to the
mountain of God, Horeb. (1 Kgs 19:8)

Psalm:
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

Second Reading:
So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love,
as Christ loved us. (Eph 5:1-2)

Gospel:
"I am the living bread that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever;
and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life
of the world." (Jn 6:51)

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Inspiration of the Week

Jesus tells us that he is the living bread that came down from heaven. His actions, his example, his teachings — they are not just words on a page, stories from a moth-eaten history book. They are life. They are food for our journey, and they are forever.

Observances for the week of August 11, 2024

Sunday:	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
Tuesday:	Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
Wednesday:	St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
Thursday:	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday:	St. Stephen of Hungary
Next Sunday:	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Servant of God Darwin Ramos, a poor Filipino boy, died from muscular dystrophy at the age of 17. Never brought low by the disease, he spoke of his illness as his "mission for Jesus." Many were blessed by his smile and compassionate friendship. He was known as the Master of Joy.

Prayer for Memory

Dear Lord,
Don't let me forget the ways You've fought for me throughout history. You have been in my life in endless ways and words. May these memories comfort and encourage me now and always. Amen.

Kids Corner

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus down from heaven so that we can look forward to living with you forever in heaven. Amen.

Mission for the Week

The Hebrews often baked manna into little cakes. Ask your parents if you can make pancakes this weekend, and talk about how Jesus is like manna.

Sharing the Gospel

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus compared himself to manna. A long time ago God's people ate manna in the desert, because there was no other food to eat.

By sending manna falling from the sky every morning, God taught his people to trust him. Manna tasted good, and it kept them healthy. God took care of them and gave them all they needed. Then, hundreds of years later, God sent Jesus down from heaven, so people could have everlasting life with him.

Now color the picture!

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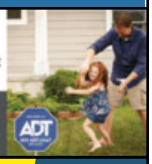


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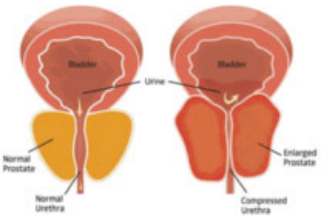
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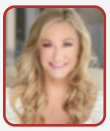


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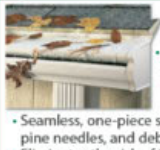
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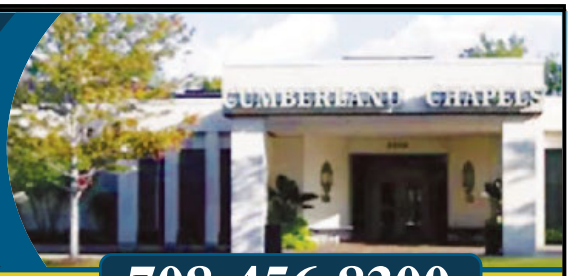


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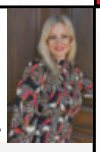
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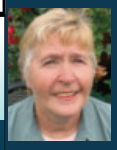
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