QUEEN OF PEACE

CATHOLIC PARISH

AUGUST 2, 2026 | 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome!

OUR WORSHIP SITES:

Our Lady, Mother of the Church

8747 W. Lawrence Avenue
Chicago, IL 60656

Masses:

Tuesday:	7:00 am
Thursday:	7:00 am
Sunday:	10:00 am

St. Eugene Church

7958 W. Foster Avenue
Chicago, IL 60656

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Rectory Office Hours

Mon.- Thur.:	9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Friday:	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday:	9:00 am - 1:00 pm

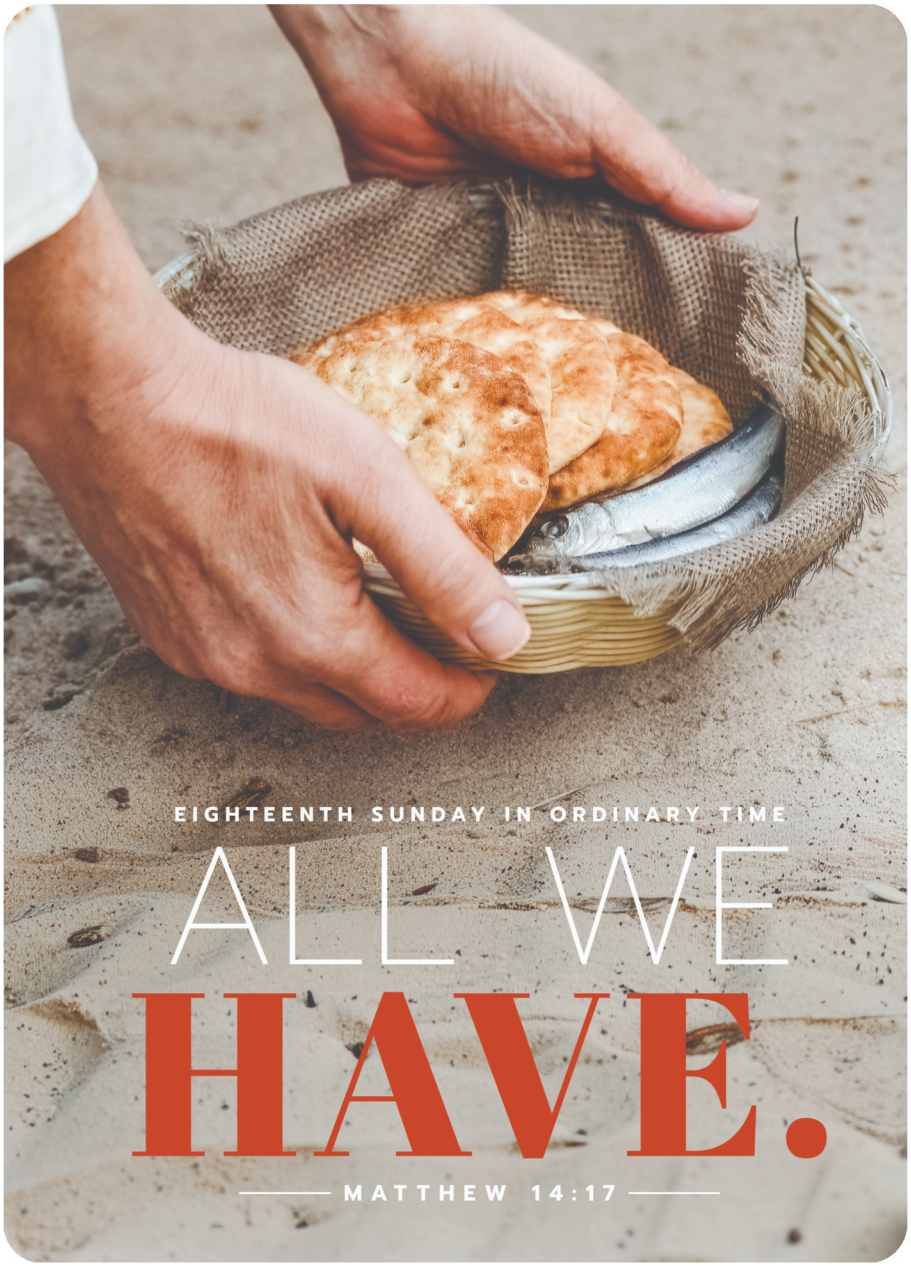
Masses

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



OUR MISSION

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.

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. Eugene Church
Mondays 4 - 6 pm.
Benediction at 5:45 pm.

CHURCH ETIQUETTE
In order to fully partake in the Mass, the Priest should be the last one in and the first one out.

Dress Appropriately ~ remember, you are in God's house.



FROM THE DESK OF FR. RICH

Today we celebrate the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Our first reading is from a part of the book of Isaiah written when the Jewish people were exiled in Babylon. This section is often referred to as the "book of comfort" because of the encouragement it gives. Today's passage is a glorious finale to the "book of comfort": Poor people are being invited to a sumptuous banquet.

Today's second reading concludes the eighth chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans. This chapter reflects on the salvation brought about by God in and through Jesus. Paul concludes this chapter with a jubilant hymn that celebrates the love of God expressed in Christ.



Don't be an anonymous Christian ------ register!

I came across the following article that appeared in the New World issue of May 23, 1999. It was written by Bishop Joseph N. Perry. I thought it was important enough to share with all in our parish.

There are several reasons why we encourage Catholics to formally register themselves and their family members in a parish:

- Registered membership in your parish is the most effective way of stepping forward to say that you wish to be a member of the band of disciples as we work together to create a world and society worthy of the Lord's return. We hope to be in the number that the Lord considers his harvest (Matt 13:39).

- Church membership offers you the wisdom and support of others whose lives are held together by an integrity that flows from living according to God's ways.

- Registered membership facilitates that personal discipline of regular giving back to God your tithes through your church with the use of parish envelopes marked for each Sunday and holy day of obligation.

- Registered membership reminds us of that obligation we have to leave behind to the church and recorded history accurate numbers of the faithful and the movements of the Catholic population.

Modern life also sees us very selective with whom and what we want to be involved. Some mistakenly perceive the expectations of church community on its members to be a nuisance amidst all other pressures that bear down on us from society and government, family and personal obligations. Privacy is the norm when community and family are indigenous to the Christian experience. Therefore, some find attractive the popular ideas that one can be a Christian sitting at home; that one can worship at home or before the radio or TV when these ideas are very strange with no valid basis in scripture.

Our Christian faith is essentially a group experience. From the gathering of the twelve apostles (Mark 3:13), to the sending forth of the further 72 disciples (Luke 10), to the Last Supper Room (Matthew 26), to the Pentecost event (Acts 2), the Christian story is a faith of the group, not of the individual. There is no such thing as a private Christian.

If Queen of Peace is the parish you come to worship in or you engage in any of our many ministries and organizations, please take the time to formally register, if you have not done so already. If our parish is important to you and your spiritual and social life so, too, is making your presence known to us, so that we can better serve you and/or your family especially at the unpredictable times of sickness, tragedy, hospitalization and even death.

Please register! You can do so by stopping in the parish office Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. We'd love to welcome you to our parish community.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Peace starts with a smile

Fr. Rich Yanos

The Glories of Ireland

All are invited to join your fellow parishioners, family and friends on our next adventure as we discover "The Glories of Ireland" May 2 – 13, 2027.
Brochures containing our entire itinerary are now available in the bulletin and brochure kiosks of our worship sites and at the parish office.
To learn more about this exciting destination come and join us for an informational meeting on Monday night, August 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the Hayes Center at Our Lady, Mother of the Church. All are welcome!





OUR MILITARY PARISHIONERS

Major Adamczyk
Ghaleb Azroui
Matthew Calderisi
Timothy Emmett Carolan
Melissa Rose Cortese
Andrew Dale, USMC
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 McLenighan
Daniel Meaney
Keith Miller
Michael Morales
Mike Mroszczak
Thomas Neuhengen
Eric Norwood
Vincent Page
Jasmine Poffenbarger
Chad Pritchard
Nicholas Ranch
Adam Roberts
Joseph Saineghi, Jr.
Holly Schippers
Michael Schippers, Jr.
Sean Sherlock
Sharon Sherlock
Phillip R. Simonsen
Tony Strzalka
Anthony Vanhanselaere

Saturday, August 1, 2026

8:30 am Mass at SE Church

Baby Sandra Romeo Power & Grandma Sandra Romeo

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass at SE Church

Mario Burzawa
Robert Cisek
Stanley & Frances Purchla
Joseph Reyes
Pat Schippers

Sunday, August 2, 2026

8:30 am Mass at SE Church

Braxton, Heredia & Betty Families
Yvonne De Gennaro
Mazur Family
S.I. For Nicole & Mike
S.I. For Matt & Sabrina

10:00 am Mass at OLMC Church

People of the Parish
Tadeusz & Maria Knurek
Stefania & Jan Kulon
Tim Leonardo
Mimi D. Palermo
Giulia & Angelo Parente
Zofia & Czeslaw Pilch
Barbara Smolinska-Pyrich
Edward Rebacz
Nicola Troiano

11:30 am Mass at SE Church

Edward Coyne
Graziella Deadessis
Grace Lour Dellota
Angles Hernandez
Alexandar Hyrc
Mariano G. Lising, Jr.
Donato Donald Parente
Mario R. Rizzi
Vincenzo Sammarco

Monday, August 3, 2026

9:00 am Mass at SE Church

Juan Diaz
Alice Guest

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

7:00 am Mass at OLMC Church

S.I. For Family
S.I. For Matthew
Wieslawa Karczmarczyk
S.I. For Konrad Sniezek

Wednesday, August 5, 2026

9:00 am Mass at SE Church

Irinea & Armando Abdon, Sr.
Jolanta Bogusz - Birthday Remembrance
Joseph Ross
Harriet Trzop

Thursday, August 6, 2026

7:00 am Mass at OLMC Church

Regina Podwysocka—5th Death Anniversary
Roman & Stanislaw Godlewski

Friday, August 7, 2026

9:00 am Mass at SE Church

Souls in Purgatory
Ronald Feiereisel

Saturday, August 8, 2026

8:30 am Mass at SE Church

Chillemi, Patel & Leydens Families
Joseph Marsillo, Jr.
Angeline Santella

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass at SE Church

Mirno Della-Santina
Pamela & Tim Heider
Bruno Janus - Birthday Remembrance
Bozena Mogielnicki
Dominick & Lucia Notarvonata
Doreen Penkala
Carlito Radaza
Margie Szajowski
Rev. Fred Tomzik
Helen & Walter Wojtas

Sunday, August 9, 2026

8:30 am Mass at SE Church

Elzbieta Chojnowska
Augusto Di Brita
Mazur Family

10:00 am Mass at OLMC Church

John Catanese
John Muehlfelder, Sr. - Birthday Remembrance
Donato Parente
Jozef & Stefania Rebacz
Adela & Wincenty Dmochowski
S.I. For Matt & Sabrina

11:30 am Mass at SE Church

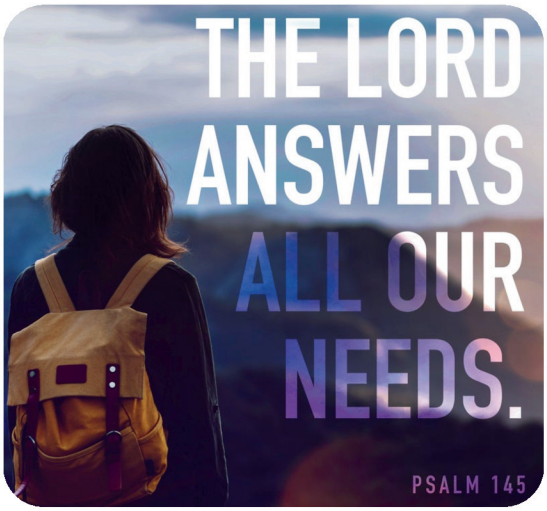
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Ed Barzowski
Brunetto & Cecilia Brunetto
Rosetta Favia
Conrado Morales - Birthday
Soledad Morales - 1st Death Anniversary

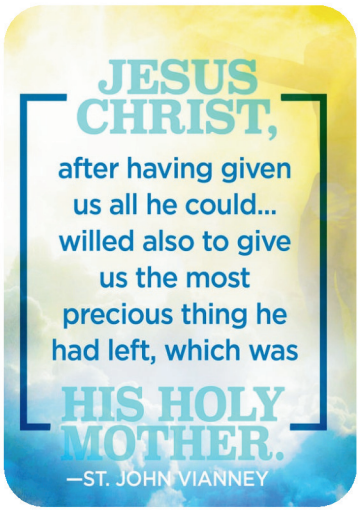
	Celebrant	Extraordinary Minister	Altar Server	Lectors
Saturday, 08/08/26 4:30 PM - SE	Rev. Robert Carlton	L. Feist - WB R. Sparacino - B Rev. Carlton / M. Pollowy - C T. Crivlare - O A. Cisek - WO S. Sparacino - Cup B D. Sulimowski - Cup O	L. Parillo H. Magda	O. McAteer
Sunday, 08/09/26 8:30 am - SE	Rev. Robert Carlton	B. Czubek - WB B. Ndiwe - B Rev. Carlton / M. Cozzo - C G. Fornek - O P. Draniczarek - WO R. Cantal - Cup B J. Fornek - Cup O	I. Francis W. Francis B. Francis	I. Rog
Sunday, 08/09/26 10:00 am - OLMC	Rev. Jacek Dada	D. Flynn - T M. Nimietz - T Rev. Dada / N. Mosk - C R. Catalano - Cup A J. Conlon - Cup T	G. Pilch J. Pilch	G. Henderson - 1st reading P. Vega - 2nd reading
Sunday, 08/09/26 11:30 am - SE	Rev. Greg Rom	P. Tomzik - WB B. Berggren - B Rev. Carlton / M. Holder - C C. Giacalone - O S. Melendrez - WO P. Paetsch - Cup B U. Pawlowski - Cup O	AJ Orlando E. Switalla M. Clancy J. Rog	M. Nimietz

THIS WEEK AT
Our Lady, Mother of the Church



BREAD & WINE IS IN MEMORY OF
FRANK SUCHOR





WALKING CLUB



Come join us for a 30-45 minute walk after the 8:30am Mass at St. Eugene Church on Saturday mornings.
Whether you are looking to get a little extra exercise, enjoy the outdoors, or simply catch up with fellow parishioners, this group is for you! It's open to all fitness levels, all ages, and no marathon training required.
Any questions, please contact Jodi at jod26@comcast.net.

AVAILABLE NOW!

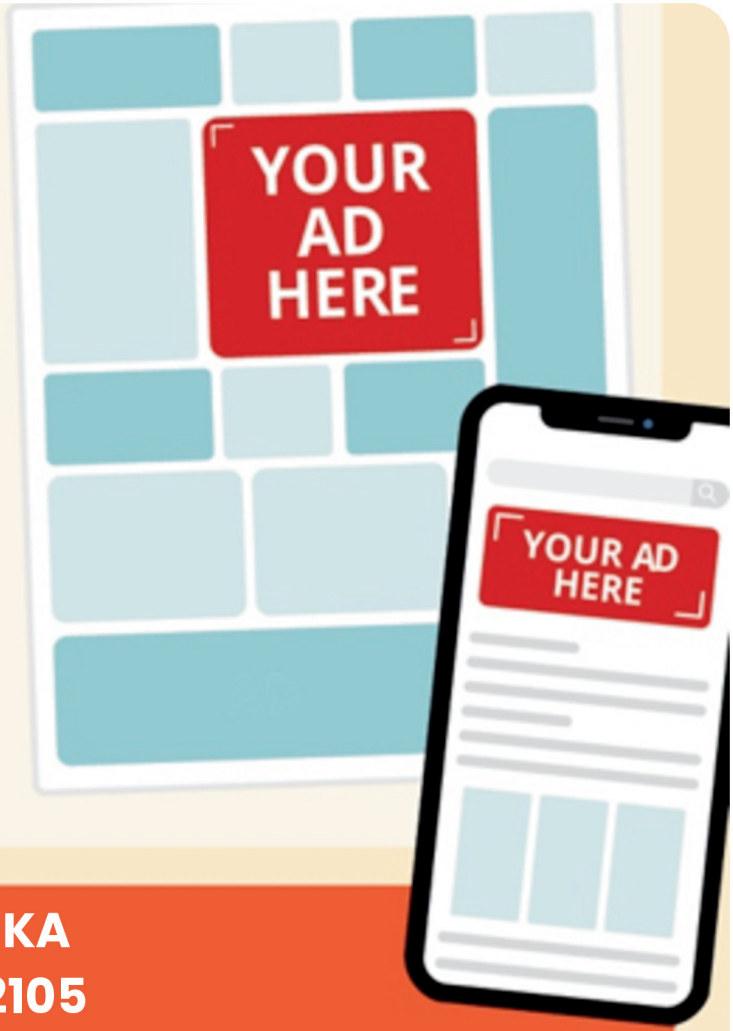
PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

The Support of Your Business is Greatly Appreciated

Dorothy Jaworska from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. It is the support of the business community that helps to make our church thrive. Please consider purchasing a print and/or digital ad as your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

Church bulletin advertising is a cost-effective way to advertise 52 times per year and show support for your local community; in turn, parishioners will support you!

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Queen of Peace Parish

Religious Education Program 2026-2027

Provided at St. Eugene School



The Religious Education Program is provided by St. Eugene School. Please contact school office at 773-763-2235 for information about Religious Education Program or go to the school website and click on the Religious Education Tab to read or register your child.

- 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 6th 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. Please call school for details about this program.



ST. EUGENE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Mission Statement
St. Eugene School prepares and inspires students to achieve their full potential and lead meaningful lives, grounded in the teachings of our Catholic faith.

Vision
To be celebrated as a school where we recognize and celebrate the uniqueness of each child, which is affirmed through our instructional strategies, methods, and materials utilized to promote the continuous academic, spiritual, moral, emotional, and physical development of the whole child.

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SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
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verbum dei Chicago

We are Verbum Dei, a Catholic Missionary Community in Chicago. We bear the Living Word of God through the charism of prayer and preaching. Our world is evolving so fast that there is an urgency to respond according to the needs of all walks of life. We provide the space for people to have a personal Encounter with Jesus Christ through the School of the Word, retreats and other initiatives. Our very diverse groups: English, Polish, Hispanic and Filipino communities, are very welcoming and will suit your spiritual needs. You'll never walk alone wherever you are. The Verbum Dei Missionary Family can be found in many parts of the world. We act on a global scale, but we respond on a local scale!
Come and be part of this wonderful adventure!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact Joe Marley at 708-702-2726 Marley-j@comcast.net

THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club will be off for the summer but we will return in September. Enjoy your Summer! See you soon!

Please contact Debra at dltimmreck@gmail.com or call 773-398-4472 if you have any questions.

The Friendship Club is going on an adventure on Sunday, December 20, 2026. The bus will leave the south parking lot of Our Lady, Mother of the Church at 12:00 and return at approximately 4:00.
We will be traveling to Lake Zurich to see The Real Story of Christmas - the entire life of Jesus from manger to resurrection-a Shepherd who saw it all. You will be transported back in time to Bethlehem for the very first Christmas. Cost of the trip is $72.00. For more information and to make a reservation, please call Debbie at 773-631-6330.

IN OUR HEARTS THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

† Cecilia Distor
† Margaret Mary Jankiewicz
† Baldassare Di Pasquale
† Laura J. Catennazo



May the souls of the faithful rest in peace.



Bible Study

Please join us on Wednesdays in St. Eugene School-room 110 from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Questions or comments please feel free to email Frank at fjlizak@comcast.net
Hope to see you there!



Bulletin Submissions

Bulletin requests must be sent 2 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.

Religious Education Program

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Please contact the Rectory Office for:

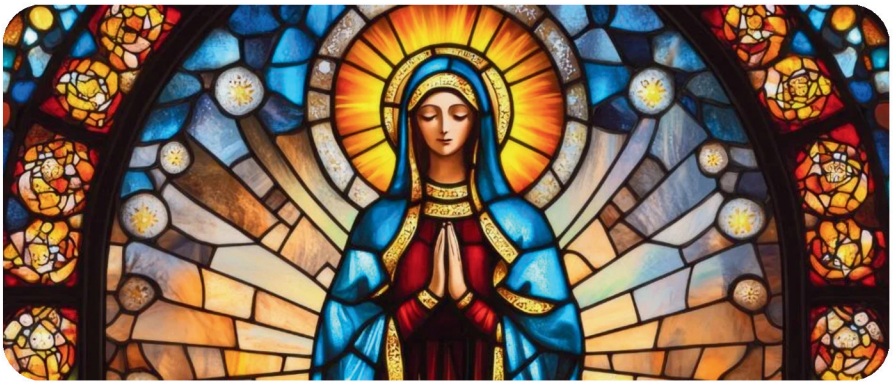
- Information about Sacraments of Baptism (Parents requesting Baptism for their child at Queen of Peace must be registered and active members of the Parish), Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, Funerals.
- Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA)
- Request sacramental records such as baptism, confirmation, marriage, or other certificates.
- To register as a new parishioner.
- To schedule a Mass intention (Mass Intentions can be scheduled only in person at the rectory office).
- Make a donation or set up financial support options
- Get general information like office hours, event schedules, or directions to the church facilities.

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PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

After another successful year, we will be taking a summer break.
For July and August, with 12 or so ladies, we were able to make a donation of 200 shawls and lap robes for all residents of Harmony Nursing Center in Chicago.
We also donated baby blankets to Maryville Crisis Nursery for their residents, and a Gift Shop, where they were able to make some profits for things they needed.
We hope more of you will join us next year to continue this ministry that is celebrating 20 years thanks to Shirley Schindler.
Thank you for all the many yarn donations.

Please call Pam Hoffelt
773-848-4586.



Pat Apida
Annabella Amato
Ralph J. Amelio & Victoria Amelio
Patricia Basili
Judy Bauer
Don Bellisario
Ludwika Bialo
Bronislaw Bialo
V. Bischof
Gabriella Bongiorno
Frank Bucaro
Johnmar Castillo
Gracie Carey
Karen Cazolas
Mary Ciliak
Mark Corrado
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Renee Holm
Amani Holder
Janet Horn
Sophia Kakish
Terry Katz
Arthur Kopeck
Harry Krawczyk
Thomas Landeck
James LaPietra
Abagail Lim
Allie Lim
Frank Lizak
Liam Logan
Rose Mary Maratto
Dcn. Ted Marszalek
Stanisław Mazek
Azucena Melendrez
Lena Menconi
Dolores Michalek
Judy Mitrenga
Linda Morton
Norman Mosk
Michael J. Muscarello
John Murphy
Joan Nicosia
Joey Notaro
Anthony Notaro
Lola & Belle Nuccio
Rev. James J. O'Brien
Donie Odulio
Catherine O'Hara
Catherine O'Keefe
Blanca Pacia
Camille Pavlis
Myles Pavlis
Karen Pavlis-Karasawa
Kevin Pemberton
Jackie Pomis
Maria Pulice
Rita Rogers
Jean Rogers
Bill Ruhl
Nunzio Rizzo
Tom Ryan
Diane Rizzuto
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Dave Tudron
Ernesto Vergara
Jack Wagner
Nancy Wesclitz
Dolores Wilk



STEWARDSHIP

07/26/2026

4:30pm SE	$3,899.00
8:30am SE	$3,522.50
10:00am OLMC	$1,440.00
11:30am SE	$2,207.00
Online Collection	$5,287.02
Mail	$2,907.00
Sunday Total	**$19,262.52**
Summer MIssion Apeal	$5,893.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!

You can scan QR code to go directly to GiveCentral and support our Parish.

SCAN ME

If paying by check, please make the check payable to Queen of Peace Parish. Thank you.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

August 9
School Support Fund
August 15
Assumption
August 16
Repair & Maintenance

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GOD PROVIDES ..... IN MANY WAYS

As you may remember, Tuesday, July 14 was brutally hot. It was also grocery distribution day at St. Eulalia's Quinn Center. And distribution is done in the parking lot as cars slowly drive through. Just the kind of day that extra help can go a long way in serving clients and keeping volunteers safe.

And how did God provide? Six teenage boys, summer camp counselors for the Quinn Center's Day Camp, left their indoor activities and joined the group to help with set up and distribution. For strength, energy, and endurance, you can't beat teenage boys. Thank you to these special young men who stepped up to meet the challenge.



That day, 124 families, encompassing over 500 people, received bagged suppers and bags of groceries that helped them stretch their food budgets.

Two days earlier, our faithful Queen of Peace volunteers gathered to assemble those bags of groceries. We were lucky .... We got to work indoors! This is another example of God providing -- faithful people who share their time and energy on a Sunday afternoon to help folks who aren't as fortunate as they.

I recently ran into a quote from St. Teresa of Calcutta: "It's not about how much you do, but how much love you put into what you do that counts." There was a lot of love put forth by these volunteers. And please don't forget, your financial support of this ministry through your bi-monthly envelope is crucially important. You may not be in a position to help physically, but you show your love when your support enables us to buy the groceries that will be distributed. Thank you!



If you have any questions or would like to participate in this ministry, please contact Jan Magnuson at jan7744@comcast.net or at 312-806-7210. Our next bagging session will be Sunday, August 9. Meet at 2:00 by Door 4 in the parking lot at St. Eulalia.

OCIA - ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS.

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.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 773-775-6660 OR FR. CARLTON AT RCARLTON@ARCHCHICAGO.ORG.

ROSARIES THIS WEEK FOR THE POPE AND HIS INTENTION; EVANGELIZATION IN THE CITY

"Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community." The Rosary Guild members are: Emily A., Lori G., James H., John I., Lita J., Evelyn K., Terri K., Lonnie M., Mary M., Ted M., Josephine N., Emilie P., Stefania P., Jean R., Demi S., and Shirley S. If you would like to be part of the Rosary Guild, please reach out to the parish office.



LIVING ROSARY

People pray a decade of the Rosary every day for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, which is for the glory of the Most Holy Trinity, and also in honor of Saint Philomena, patron of the Living Rosary. If you would like to sign up to pray a daily decade, please contact the parish office.

Joyful Mysteries:
Annunciation - Lori G.
Visitation - Barb R.
Nativity - Josephine N.
Presentation - Karen R.
Finding the Temple - Mary M.

Luminous Mysteries
Baptism of Jesus - Barb R.
Wedding at Cana - Mary M.
Proclaim the Kingdom - Terri K.
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 - Mary M.
Crucifixion - Demi S.

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 943 EAGLE PROJECT
SOCK AND HYGIENE DRIVE

Help Homeless Men and Women Veterans by Donating these New Items

Collecting August 17th – September 8th

My name is Noah Sokolowski from Boy Scout Troop 943 out of St. Monica Church. I am a junior at Ridgewood High School and have been scouting for eight years. I am working with VFW Post 8322 at 6940 W. Diversey Ave. to help collect supplies for homeless veterans. I picked this Sock and Hygiene drive to help people who are in need and don't have the means to get some basic necessities. I feel it is a need to help Veterans who have helped our country and giving back to them. Your help would be appreciated for me to achieve my Eagle rank and help homeless Veterans.



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Thus says the LORD:
All you who are thirsty,
come to the water! (Is 55:1)

Psalm:

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs. (Ps 145)

Second Reading:

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities,
nor present things, nor future things,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor any other creature will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Rom 8:38-39)

Gospel:

Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven,
he said the blessing, broke the loaves,
and gave them to the disciples,
who in turn gave them to the crowds. (Mt 14:19)

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Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

When Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes, he didn't create only what was needed — there were leftovers that could be saved and shared again. God is lavish in bestowing His grace upon us. He always gives enough to share.

Observances for the week of August 2, 2026

Sunday:	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	St. John Vianney, Priest
Wednesday:	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Thursday:	The Transfiguration of the Lord
Friday:	St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
Saturday:	St. Dominic, Priest
Next Sunday:	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Virtues, *Explained!*

Respect, wrote the theologian Fr. Romano Guardini, is the "everyday form of reverence." It is an admiration of the sacredness of a thing, and so respect for those made in God's image flows naturally from our primary respect for God Himself.

Blessing of God's Provision

Dear God,
Thank You for the ways You have always provided in the past, and be with us in these days as well. Bless our community — every family, every home, every person entrusted to our parish's care. Provide for our needs — bodily, emotional, financial, mental, and spiritual — in Your holy and sacred name.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of August 2, 2026

Sunday:
Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18/
Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Monday:
Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/
Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday:
Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday:
Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday:
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/
2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

Friday:
Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday:
Hb 1:12-2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/
Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday:
1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In his song, "Lose Yourself," the artist Eminem raps, **"the mood all changed."**

We all know that moment when the mood changes, when life turns from lighthearted to deadly serious. That happens in today's Gospel. Jesus has just heard that John the Baptist, his cousin, forerunner, and friend, has been murdered. As Matthew tells us, **"When Jesus heard of it, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself."** Until now, he had been teaching in parables and healing quietly. But John's death signals a new phase. The shadow of the Cross begins to fall. Evil shows its teeth.

And how does Jesus respond? Not with rage or despair. He goes to a lonely place to go into deep communion with his Father. From that silence comes action. He feeds the multitude. Out of grief comes generosity. Out of sorrow, life.

This is the rhythm of every disciple's life. When tragedy or violence breaks our hearts, we face a choice. We can react, or we can retreat into prayer — like and with Christ. This is the hidden place where pain becomes compassion and compassion becomes self-gift.

Lord Jesus, when life intensifies, draw me into Your quiet strength. In that hidden place with You and the Father, turn my heartbreak into the bread of love for the world. Amen.

— Father John Muir



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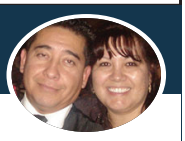
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