THE LORD HEARS THE CRY OF THE POOR



### ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

14936 W. Wilmington - Peotone Rd. Manhattan, Illinois 60442

### **30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

October 26, 2025

Most Revered Bishop Dennis Spies Administrator Office Phone 815-478-3440

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Website: www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org

MASS INTENTIONS  Mass is celebrated on Saturday evening only				
Oct. 25	5:45pm	+Gladys Meyer req. by The Family Poor Souls in Purgatory req. by Ed & Judy Phelan +Jerome Arseneau req. by The Family Parish Family		
Nov. 1	5:45pm	+Gladys Meyer req. by The Family Parish Family of St. Patrick		
Nov. 8	5:45pm	Poor Souls req. by Ed & Judy Phelan +Gladys Meyer req. by The Family Parish Family of St. Patrick		
Nov. 15	5:45pm	In Thanksgiving req. by Ed & Judy Phelan +Gladys Meyer req. by The Family Parish Family of St. Patrick		

### **LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

	Lector	<u>Minister</u>
Oct. 25	Mark May	L. Cakora
Nov. 1	Mark May	P. Engler
Nov. 8	Jerry Kinsella	C. Kinsella
Nov. 15	Sherrie Ashley	L. Cakora

#### **SERVERS & USHERS**

Please volunteer at the Mass you are attending

### WEEKLY OFFERING FOR 10/19/2025

Sunday \$1,727.00
Maintenance \$10.00
World Mission Sunday \$60.00
Seminarian Endowment Fund \$250

Our weekly budget goal is \$1,211.54

THANK YOU For your faith - filled support

## Scripture Readings For the Week of October 26, 2025

Sunday Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 35:12-14; 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

**Monday** Rom 8: 12-17; Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab; 20-21; Lk 13: 10-17

Tuesday Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles Eph 2: 19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-5, 6; Lk 13:22-30

ThursdayRom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35

**Friday** Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6

### Saturday Solemnity of All Saints

Rv 7: 2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Sunday The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40



## Please Remember our sick;

& Tori Jasinski, Lisa Price, Marshall & Duncan Lorenzen, Barbara Schriver, Leslie Lund, Joe & Carol Price, Beth Oniel, Bernice & Dominick Marino, Tom Lane, Peggy Schiesow, Haley Donzella, Ken Smith, Laura 'Hanson, Steve Niemiec, Nancee Long, Shay Phelan, Lisa Bernard. Joe Hanson



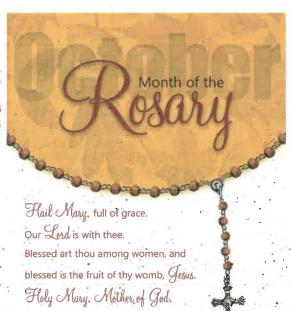






# SAVE THE DATE PARISH HOLIDAY POT LUCK Saturday, Dec. 6 After Mass





pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.



A HUGE THANKS TO
EVERYONE FOR DONATING
TO UNDY SUNDAY.
WE HAD BASKETS
OF ITEMS THAT WE
DELIVERED TO
CATHOLIC CHARITIES!



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1
IS THE FEAST OF ALL SAINT
THIIS YEAR IT IS NOT A
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2
IS THE FEAST OF ALL SOULS
REMEMBERANCE CARDS
ARE ON THE TABLE IN THE VESTIBULE
ALL SOULS REMEMBERANCES WILL BE
PUBLISHED IN THE BULLETIN DURING
THE MONTHE OF NOVEMBER

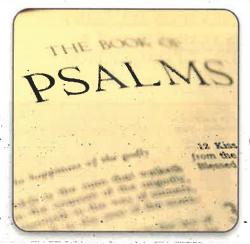




Just a reminder...

OUR HARVEST SOCIAL CARD PARTY
IS THIS WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 29, 2025 - 11:30AM TO 3PM
RETURNS CAN BE MADE THIS
WEEKEND OR AT THE DOOR
VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET IS IN
THE VESTIBULE, PLEASE HELP WHERE
YOU ARE ABLE - THANK YOU

## Celebrating the 4th Week of the Spiritual Exercises





## October 31-November 2

Ignatian, Silent Weekend Retreat for Adults

Biblical scholar Fr. Mitch continues his insightful teaching with a deep dive into the psalms of glory, exploring their historical context and connection to the 4th Week of the Spiritual Exercises.



Retreat Leader: Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ President and founder of Ignatius Productions; EWTN television and radio host; holds a PhD in the Old Testament from Vanderbilt University.

To register for this retreat, scan the QR Code or visit <u>jesuitretreat.org/retreats</u>



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### **VOCATIONS OFFICE**

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## The Four Dimensions of Priestly Formation

Parishioners can encourage the priesthood by praying daily for vocations and for priests, by BY FR. STEVEN BORELLO DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS DIOCESE OF JOLIET

When a man enters seminary to discern the priesthood, he begins a journey of conversion and formation that touches every part of his life. The Church, through the Program for Priestly Formation (PPF), outlines four key dimensions—sometimes called "pillars"—that shape this journey.

The first is human formation, the foundation of it all. A priest must be a man of integrity, balanced and virtuous, capable of relating well to others. Next comes spiritual formation, which roots him in friendship with Christ through daily prayer; the Eucharist, and a life centered on holiness. Intellectual formation, the rigorous studies in philosophy and theology, prepare the man to explain the faith clearly and faithfully. Finally, pastoral formation prepares them to be shepherds— through hospital visits, parish ministry, encounters with the poor, and hands-on experiences of serving God's people.

These dimensions aren't separate boxes to be checked. They are woven together so that the seminarian is gradually shaped into a man configured to Christ the Good Shepherd. Formation is not just training but transformation — a work of grace, in cooperation with human effort. In the end, priestly formation aims at this: a man so conformed to Christ that he can lay down his life for the flock.

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### **ABOUT FATHER BORELLO**

Fr. Steven Borello is a priest of the Diocese of Joliet currently serving as the Director of Vocations.

Fr. Steven grew up in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, and is the oldest of 4 children. He attended the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana where he studied chemistry and chemical engineering. While there, he received a call to the seminary to discern the priesthood.



He received his Bachelors in Theology and Masters of Divinity from Mundelein Seminary and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Joliet in 2011.

He first served as an associate pastor at Notre Dame Parish in Clarendon Hills and was then



# Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time To Boast or Not to Boast

The Gospel makes it pretty clear that exalting yourself is not the way into the Kingdom. So it might sound strange to hear Paul saying he competed well and finished the race and now expects the winner's crown. So why is he any different from the Pharisee in the Gospel?

The Pharisee probably was being honest about himself. Sure, he fasts and tithes, is not greedy or adulterous, but he misses the point. He thinks that justification, being right with God, comes from a person's accomplishments. He feels no need to ask for God's mercy. Yet if he relied on that mercy, he wouldn't boast about his good deeds. Instead, he would ask for God's mercy and then thank God by doing good or being generous. In other words, he put the cart before the horse. He thinks that God is waiting to be bribed with good deeds (or at least a lack of bad ones) so that he can be justified. "After all," thinks the Pharisee, "what else are good deeds for if not to make me look good?"

St. Paul, on the other hand, looks at his life as a Pharisee and is amazed that God forgave his "good works" of keeping the law and persecuting Christians. He is so grateful for God's mercy that he can't wait to tell everyone about Jesus and how he loves us. His boasting is not about what he has done for God; it's more about what God has done through him. In verse 17, he credits God, who gave him the strength to preach the Good News.

Maybe you have examples of what God has done in your life: the people God sent to love you, the talents or abilities God gave you, the times God forgave your sins. Are you so grateful for what God has done that you want to do more for God? Or do you go to church, put your offering in the collection, and work a booth at the parish picnic so that God will be grateful to you? It sounds obvious when put that way, but it is tempting to think that God loves us more when we do good things. Remember that God loved St. Paul while he was still persecuting Christians, loved him enough not only to forgive him but to make him into a great apostle. Why waste your time

trying to earn that love, when you could be doing whatever you can to thank God for it?

Tom Schmidt