

SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

33rd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME



"Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'"

- Mt 25:20b-21

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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS IS OFFERED:**DAILY MASS**

8:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday, June - August
7:30 a.m. Wednesday from start of school year until May*

SCHOOL MASS

8:30 a.m. from start of school year until May*

**In the event of our school closing for inclement weather, on a Wednesday, Daily Mass will remain at 7:30 a.m. and the School Mass at 8:30 a.m. will be cancelled.*

***SATURDAY VIGIL MASS**

5:00 p.m.

***SUNDAY MASSES**

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN - DOOR #3**OFFICE HOURS:**

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

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DEVOTIONS:**DAILY ROSARY**

7:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m. on Wednesdays from the start of the school year until May

7:00 p.m. Wednesday Evenings

DAILY DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET; INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE

8:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m. on Wednesdays from the start of the school year until May

ADORATION

Perpetual Adoration available at Old St. Mary.
Please contact the Parish Office for the code.

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the chapel
First Saturdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

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RCIA - Interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact the Director of Faith Formation at 708-326-9313.

BAPTISMS - Baptisms are usually scheduled the first and third Sunday of the month at 12:15 p.m. following 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements for the baptismal preparation class.

MARRIAGES - Weddings need to be scheduled at least 6 months in advance upon approval of a priest. Remember to secure the church date before the reception hall. Please stop in the parish office to begin this process.

REGISTRATION - New to St. Mary? Please stop in the parish office to complete our registration form or visit our website at www.stmarymokena.org.

ANointing OF THE SICK - Please contact the parish office at 708-326-9300.

A Note From Our Pastor



Question: If it isn't only for people who are dying, when should someone receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick?



Answer: One of the unfortunate realities in the Church today is that so few people understand the meaning and value of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, largely because so many people still mistakenly think of this sacrament as "Last Rites" or "Extreme Unction."

In his life and ministry, Jesus healed the sick. In this sacrament, the Church continues the healing mission of Jesus and, in hope, prays that God will grant healing to the person who is suffering. But even if there is no physical healing, the sacrament offers spiritual healing through the Holy Spirit's gifts of peace and courage. And so, anyone who is living with serious illness (including emotional or psychological illness) and the elderly are encouraged to celebrate this sacrament when it is needed.

The ritual for Anointing of the Sick does also include special prayers and blessings for those who are facing death, including viaticum (communion given to the dying, trusting that the Lord Jesus will be their companion along the way, as they make their final journey).©LPi

Peace and all good things,

Father Dindo

November 25 - November 26: Feast of Christ the King

	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 9:30 AM	Sunday, 11:00 AM	Sunday, 6:00 PM
Lector	Pamela DeGregorio	Antoinette Bria Mary Frances Consola	Bob Cornejo Joe Hartl	Bob Cornejo	James Nowak
Eucharistic Minister	Peter Baker Bob Gombas Sue Murphy Lora Oldham	Bob Cornejo Sandy Halper Stefanie Walthier Christine Weeks	Michael Dilger Frank Grobmeier Joanette Kulesa James Naumczik	Nancy Blake Michael Crowley Kathy Judge Bob Meyers	Karen Haugh Robert Koch James Nowak
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Usher	Mary Ann Braasch Jim Grady Mark Miron James Palermo	Chris Cichowicz Rich Gavillet Tom Magdziasz Roy Mueller	John Delladio Joanne Eaton Joanette Kulesa Jim Kulesa Diane Mucia	William Farhat David Larson Sandra Tome Gladys Weber	Linda Drake Melissa Rolinitis Mike Rolinitis NOT FILLED
Greeter	NOT FILLED	Denise Mueller	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED
Live Stream			Eugene Satrun		

Serving God as an Altar Server is a wonderful way for a child to grow in faith as well as in responsibility, friendship, and other virtues. At St. Mary, we are blessed with an amazing team of Altar Servers. We thank you for giving up your time to serve the Lord and St. Mary. We also thank our wonderful team of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Greeters for their dedication and outstanding service.

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, November 20

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
 2:45p.m. Brownie Meeting 3rd Grade (Guadalupe)
 6:30 p.m. Rosary (Church)

Tuesday, November 21

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
 7:00p.m. Christmas Concert Rehearsal (Church)

Wednesday, November 22

5:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
 7:00 a.m. Rosary (Church)
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 2:00 p.m. Daybreak Cooking (Kitchen)

Thursday, November 23

Office Closed

Happy Thanksgiving

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Friday, November 24

Office Closed

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
 4:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Church)

Saturday, November 25

7:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
 8:00 a.m. Mass
 2:00 p.m. Wedding (Church)
 3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)
 5:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

Sunday, November 26

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 9:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
 11:00a.m. Mass (Church)
 12:00p.m. Regina Caeli Choir Practice (Church)
 3:30p.m. Missionaries of Apostolic Grace (Church)
 6:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

LOOKING FOR
**FAITH
 SERVICE
 & FUN**
 FOR YOUR
 DAUGHTER?



The American Heritage Girls Program enables your daughter to grow in her FAITH, cultivate a heart for SERVICE, and have more FUN than she can imagine! AHG focuses on providing progressive level programming rich in opportunities for girls of all ages and abilities. With each AHG Level, girls are introduced to new skills, badge work, service projects, and outdoor experiences unique to a female audience.

AHG OATH

I promise to love **GOD**. Cherish my **FAMILY**.
 Honor my **COUNTRY**. Serve in my **COMMUNITY**.

**We want to
 start a troop!**

*We are looking for families with
 girls ages 5-12 to charter a troop
 in Spring 2024.*



For more information on starting your daughter's journey with American Heritage Girls join us on

Monday, December 18 at 7pm
 in the St. Mary, Mokena Church Hall
 or contact
dkuboushek@stmarymokena.org.



*Congratulations to
 Michael and Caroline
 Shanahan!*



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 20

8:00am: James Gorecki

Tuesday, November 21

8:00am: The Buttala Family, Sarah Wolf, Virginia Jecha, Michael Ernest, Jerome Litrenta, Leroy and Helen Marciano, Edward J. Burke, Jeanne Jaeger, Mary Reyling

Wednesday, November 22

8:00am: Barlog Stefania

Thursday, November 23

8:00am: Stephen Heffernan

Friday, November 24

8:00am: Remo DiVincenzo

Saturday, November 25

8:00am: Lois Mueller

5:00pm: Jane Narcissi, Virginia White, Ed Ligman, Henry Januchowski, Jo and Bob Joyce, Kathleen Anne O'Sullivan, Mary Reyling, Edward J. Burke

Sunday, November 26

8:00am: Peter and LaVerne Bria

9:30am: Eric, Kathy and Rowland Boucher

11:00am: Jim Szura

6:00pm: Alice Wolf

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Dan Albrecht, Brett Anderson, Joe, Austin, Lisa Bernhard, Florence and Gino Bondi, Agnes Breslin, Alan Brown, Darlene Broadhurst, Jerry Broadhurst, Rachel Butler, Brian Butler, Francis Bulow, Bonnie Caper, James Caper, Michael Carey, Monica DiGiovanni, Janice Dobek, Janet Drobick, Joanne Eaton, Susan Ewert, Vincent Felice, Barb Finn-Figliulo, Bradley Frank, Marcia Frank, Mary Ann Fran-son, Debbie Geren, Bonnie Gondek, Richard Grabenhofer, Jerry Grabowski, Rose Grunhard, Kelly Hampton, Natalie Haran, Jeremiah Hartmann, Mary Ingala, Daniel Izzo, Richard Junge, Les Kazmierczak, Sherley Keene, Diane Klootwyk, Richard Kolovitz, Fr. Roger Kutzner, Carlotta Lawton, Jennifer Naril, Dan Lahy, Chet Lockwood, Vernadine Lumpkin, Walter Lumpkin Jr., Shirley Lyons, Robert Margalus, Donna Matteson, Jeanne Matug, Bill Maynard, John McGeehan, Heidi Meekma, Janice Melisi, Ginny Meyer, Marge Migler, Rich Milkeris, Angel Munoz, Lisa Hunt Nichols, Barb Noone, Geraldine Nykaza, Kenneth O'Gradney, Edward Olenick, Bruce Omastiak, Matthew Orr, Bob Podlasek, Janelle Portman, Dave Racine, Eileen Redican, Eduardo Reyes, George Rohrer, Judy Roque, Barbra Rusin, Midge Saunders, William Schlieman, Dan and Brenda Schmiedel, Diane Schoneich, Barbara Smith, Brandon Smith, Al Sparks, John Stapinski, Geoffrey Sullivan, Joshua Swarez, Victor Tamosaitis, Tiffany Theresa, John Turas, Judy Turas, Leo Wilczek, Tim Weber, Jodie Weber, Jonathan Weber, Dan Wolf, Jerry Wolff, Karen Yaeger

May God grant them healing!



God Bless Our
New Parishioners

The Gerzon Family



Please Pray for our Faithfully
Departed Brothers and
Sisters

Earl Pate,
Richard D. Berner

*Eternal rest grant unto them and let
perpetual light shine upon them!*



Marriage Banns

November 25th

Joshua Sifuentes and
Kathleen Melei





CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

November 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our diocese will soon take up the national collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Your support for this collection November 18/19 brings change to communities across the country and empowers those living in poverty to transform their communities into reflections of the Kingdom of God. In addition to making a national impact, you empower those living in poverty in our own diocese, because one quarter of our collection stays within the Diocese of Joliet.

Local grant recipients in our diocese include emergency assistance and food pantry supplies for St. Vincent De Paul chapters, vocational job training for adults with disabilities, and community outreach programming for at-risk youth and families.

When you contribute to CCHD in your parish, not only do you help address the symptoms of poverty, but your donation also helps alleviate the root causes of poverty—both globally and locally. Twenty-five percent of your donation stays in your diocese to support organizations making a difference in the lives of your neighbors.

Please prayerfully consider how you can help CCHD this year. If you would like more information about the collection and the people it supports, visit the “CCHD Collection” section on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ website at usccb.org/cchd.

Thank you for joining us to work on the margins. With every good wish, may God bless you.

As I remain –

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Ronald A. Hicks

Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks
Bishop of Joliet

National Effort, Local Impact

When you support CCHD, you help local communities across the country innovate and work together to solve their own unique challenges. Twenty-five percent of your contribution stays in the Diocese of Joliet to support the organizations addressing our parishioners’ needs for housing, jobs, and educational opportunities—and for keeping the lights on during a storm.

To learn more about the collection for the CCHD and the way CCHD upholds the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church, visit the “About” section at usccb.org/cchd.





*All men and women
are invited to join us for
our next meeting*

DECEMBER 9, 2023

**GRATEFUL FOR
LEARNING TO
LOVE YOU MORE**

John Narcissi presents his
healing mysteries, his love story,
and his mission



**8am Mass - 10:30am
St. Mary, Mokena
Church Hall**

Breakfast served--RSVPs encouraged!
SMPmensministry@gmail.com

Growing through Grief

with

Jeff Joutras

Author of My Dad's Rose

*A heartfelt journey through lessons from loss
& hope for healing*

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

5:30-6:30pm Dinner

Provided by Men's Ministry

6:45-8:00pm Talk



In 1975, Jeff Joutras was pulled out of his freshman religion class at Providence to hear the devastating news: his father had tragically died in a workplace explosion. Jeff's moving account shares the grief that followed him for decades. His story will resonate with anyone who has lost a loved one.

**Dinner provided. Please RSVP to:
SMPmensministry@gmail.com**



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Please prayerfully consider financially supporting our parish.

We depend on your support to continue the operations of St. Mary as well as those of its many ministries. We ask that you consider supporting the parish through Online Giving.

For those not currently contributing online and would like to learn how to, please consider signing up at

<https://www.osvhub.com/stmarymokena/funds> .

By doing this, you are saving and supporting the great work we have done and will continue to do in our future.

For those of us that do not want to give online, you can still contribute by mailing your donations to:

19515 S. 115th Avenue
Mokena, IL 60448

The Offertory for
Sunday, November 12th will
be shared in the
next bulletin.

Budget \$32,500
Thank you for your generosity.

75th Anniversary Series

Faith into Action

Sponsored by the
Diocese of Joliet

Podcast

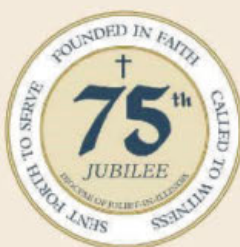
The first episode of the 75th Anniversary podcast series will launch November 6, 2023. Episodes will be released the first Monday of each month. Watch on YouTube or listen on your favorite podcast platform:



Faith Into
Action
YouTube
(video)



Faith Into
Action
Podcast
(audio)



Blessing of St. Francis Xavier Statue

**DECEMBER 3, 2023
1 P.M.**

Blanchette Catholic Center
16555 Weber Rd., Crest Hill

On the Feast of St. Francis Xavier, and the final day of the Novena of Grace, a statue of the saint will be blessed at the BCC. The statue will serve as a constant reminder of the patron saint of our diocese. Bishop Hicks will bless the statue at 1 p.m. that day, in an open ceremony so that all may witness this moving event.

COMMEMORATING 75 YEARS OF CATECHESIS,
EVANGELIZATION AND SERVICE

Novena of Grace with St. Francis Xavier

From November 25 through December 3, 2023, members of our diocese will have the opportunity to participate in a nine-day novena of prayer to St. Francis Xavier, the patron of the Diocese of Joliet.

DAY 1 NOVEMBER 25

Lord, each day you give me new life, new graces, new opportunities to feel your presence. Give me the gift of attentiveness to notice you in the people and your creation which surround my life; that I may grow in faith, and hope, and love. Amen.

DAY 2 NOVEMBER 26

Father, each day you show me the love of a parent for its child: watchful of my every step, eager for me to thrive; you delight in my happiness and console me in my sadness. May the constant love in which you enfold me give me the confidence to show that same love to friend and foe, family and stranger, alike. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

DAY 3 NOVEMBER 27

Father, you speak to me in the silence and in the empty spaces of my life. Give me ears to hear your voice in stillness and in the gentle breeze; eyes to see your presence in things that seem so insignificant at the time. Free me from the relentless whirl of activity, from the obsessions which limit me and snatch away my freedom to answer your call. Like St Francis, may I too become a pilgrim, called to walk the path you set before me, wherever it may lead but always safe in the knowledge that Christ walks beside me unseen. Amen.

DAY 4 NOVEMBER 28

Lord, before I ever came into being you knew me and loved me. You have knit me together the way I am, and given me life and laughter, friends and the faces of kind strangers, and a world of wonder and new discovery. Grant me the freedom and the courage to discover you anew each day in the people I meet, in the places I go, in the sounds I hear and the things I see. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

DAY 5 NOVEMBER 29

Lord Jesus, it is so easy to be tempted as you were tempted in the desert; to make poor decisions for quick gains and satisfaction; to turn the wonderful gifts of your generosity towards unworthy and selfish ends. Give me, day by day, the same Spirit of strength with which you faced down those desert temptations of power, wealth and honour; that my desires and motives, my words and actions, may always be for the greater glory of God, my Lord. Amen.

DAY 6 NOVEMBER 30

Father, as I look back on this day, there are so many teeming thoughts, such a babble of words, and such a blur of activity, that it is difficult to see your gentle and faithful presence amid it all. Show yourself to me today, and every day. Amen.

DAY 7 DECEMBER 1

God our Father, praise to you! I am surrounded by so many good people, if only I take the time to notice: people who speak your word of compassion and kindness; people who act to give reality to your justice and reconciliation; people whose lives are good seed growing in rich soil. Give me, too, the grace to live in your Spirit, and to be your presence for those I meet as I go about the business of my day. Amen.

DAY 8 DECEMBER 2

Father, you are entire goodness and you are goodness for me. Creator of all things, who hold all things in being for me, give me faith in you and in myself, your creation. Amen.


DAY 9 DECEMBER 3

God our Father, as St Francis Xavier travelled to the ends of the earth, impelled by love of Christ and afire with his good news, give me the trust and the grace to base all that I do entirely on you, safe in the knowledge that you raise up the lowly and fill them with good things. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Praying with Saint Francis Xavier
The Novena of Grace

Visit diojoliet.org/75th
for the full novena, which
includes excerpts from the
letters of St. Francis Xavier



ALL WOMEN 18 & OLDER
ARE INVITED TO

Advent BY CANDLELIGHT

Join us for an elegant evening filled with
fellowship, reflection, and food
as we prepare our hearts
to embrace the season of Advent
and greet Christmas with true readiness.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

6:00 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

St. Mary's Church Hall

Doors open at 6pm. The evening includes live instrumental
music, a special Advent reflection, and time for
enjoying the company of friends, new and old.

Included are hors d'oeuvres, wine, and a dessert buffet.

Tickets are \$25, available at www.stmarymokena.org/advent
and in the parish office. Space is limited and no tickets will be
sold at the door. General questions may be directed to Danielle,
dkuboushek@stmarymokena.org.

Hostesses and bakers will be needed to make this evening a success!
Please contact Michelle Sullivan (815) 995-0480 to decorate a table
or Maria Kavanaugh (815) 280-3909 to bring dessert.



*Courage to Trust
Strength to Love*

TEEN "BEHOLD" ADORATION

SUNDAY, 11/19 6PM ADORATION CHAPEL



ADORATION CHAPEL CEMETERY

YOUR SCHEDULES ARE PACKED WITH SCHOOL, EXTRACURRICULARS, SPORTS, WORK AND FAMILY EVENTS. THROW IN THE PRESSURE OF PERFORMING AND COMPETING TO BE YOUR BEST AND THAT LEAVES LITTLE TIME TO STOP, BREATHE AND FIND PEACE IN YOUR LIFE. JOIN US FOR A LITTLE PEACE & CALM WITH OUR LORD!

**FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP
& THANKSGIVING DINNER**

COMING EVENTS

ADVENT KICK-OFF

SUNDAY, DEC 3

7:00PM - CHURCH HALL



For information contact Tom Blue tblue@stmarymokena.org

Little Purple Books are Back!

Daily Advent devotional books will be available after all Masses beginning this weekend, November 18-19.

These fantastic books offer daily 6-minute reflections that will strengthen your faith during Advent. Free will offering.



**Advent
CHALLENGE**
2023

**FILL JESUS' MANGER WITH
GOOD WORKS THIS ADVENT!**

Everyone is invited to take a piece of paper from the basket and read what your challenge is! Once the challenge is completed, put a cotton ball in the manger in the Narthex. By the end of Advent, Jesus will be born into a soft and warm manger filled with good works!



Roses of Mary
St. Mary Parish's
Young Women's Ministry

Young women ages 18 to 39 are invited for the Advent Podcast series

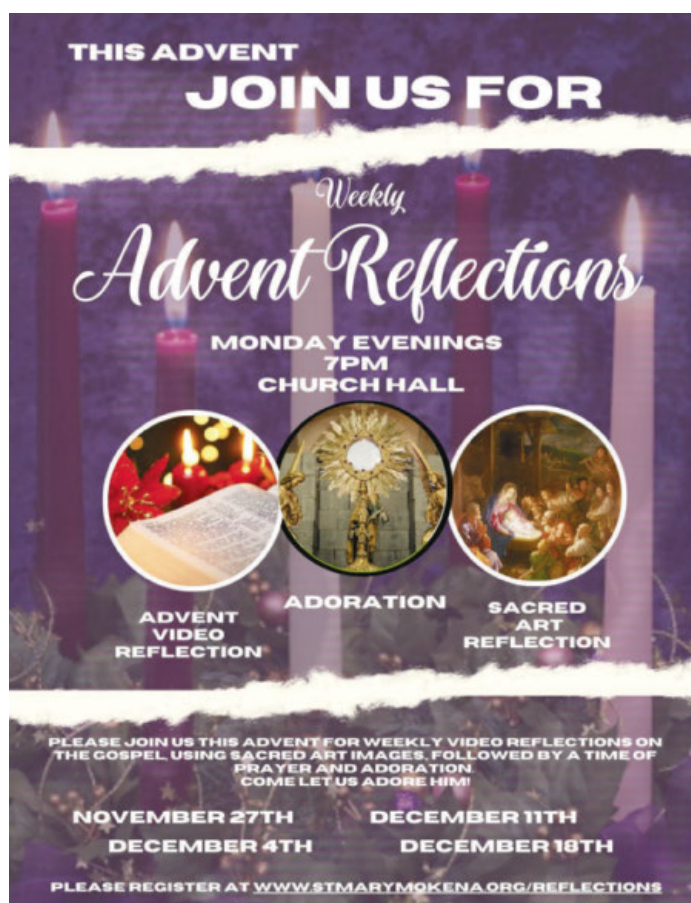
Under Mary's Mantle

from "Abiding Together".

Thursdays starting Nov. 30th at 7:30PM
ST. MARY, MOKENA

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/y4cernbj> to access the podcast for free! Listen to the episode "Fiat" ahead of 11/30.

Contact Erica at esestak@stmarymokena.org with questions or to register.



**THIS ADVENT
JOIN US FOR**

Weekly
Advent Reflections

MONDAY EVENINGS
7PM
CHURCH HALL

**ADVENT
VIDEO
REFLECTION** **ADORATION** **SACRED
ART
REFLECTION**

PLEASE JOIN US THIS ADVENT FOR WEEKLY VIDEO REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL USING SACRED ART IMAGES, FOLLOWED BY A TIME OF PRAYER AND ADORATION. COME LET US ADORE HIM!

NOVEMBER 27TH DECEMBER 11TH
DECEMBER 4TH DECEMBER 18TH

PLEASE REGISTER AT WWW.STMARYMOKENA.ORG/REFLECTIONS

St. Mary's Sacred Music

NOVEMBER 19TH

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS FOUND IN THE BLUE GATHER BOOK ON PAGE 1188

ALL HYMNS FOUND IN NAVY-BLUE ST. MICHAEL HYMNAL

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not affliction. You will call upon me and I will answer you, and I will lead back you captives from every place.

OPENING HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth #513

GLORIA

FIRST READING

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

PSALM

Psalm 128

Blessed are those who fear the Lord

SECOND READING

1 Thes 5:1-6

GOSPEL

Mt 25:14-30

PRESENTATION

Abide with Me #402

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

AMEN

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

COMMUNION HYMN

O Jesus We Adore Thee #664

CLOSING HYMN

Holy God We Praise Thy Name #553

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Mary Christmas Concert

December 10th at 3:00 pm

Joseph Berardi: jberardi@stmarymokena.org Abby Gonyaw: agonyaw@stmarymokena.org



Religious Education

Advent Service Opportunity

Looking for an opportunity to help your community? Here is a great chance to get your family involved!



BY
DEC.
15

“PJ and a book” drive for kids

- Collecting NEW PJs size 6+ and a new or gently used book for kids
- Please drop off your donations at the RE office inside door 3 by Dec 15th (unwrapped)



re@stmarymokena.org

QUESTIONS?: ☎ 708-326-9352



2023 SMS FUN RUN SPONSORS

Run Level

Remax 10 - Skibola Family
The Moy Group - Ragee Nelson Family
ACSI Mechanical Group - Lacny Families
New Lenox Family Eyecare - Petecki Family

Jog Level

Shanahan Insurance Agency - Stanek Family

Walk Level

Imagine That Design -Ferm Family
Aurelios Pizza of Mokena
Sports & Spine Chiropractic - Kelch Family
Berkot's Super Foods
Human Race Sports

In Kind Donations

Accelerate, Joey's Red Hots, Whitemore Ace, Pop's Beef,
Zaps, Eggcetera, Providence Catholic HS, Resale for
Rescues, Chicago Wolves, Raising Canes, Oberweis, and the
Chicago White Sox.



Christmas **GIFT DRIVE**

DECEMBER 2 & 3

Please take a tag or two from our Christmas Giving Trees in the narthex. Return your wrapped gift with the tag to the church hall Christmas Drive weekend. Organizations will be here on Sunday, December 3rd to pick up the gifts and distribute them at their Christmas party.

Please don't be late. We want everyone to receive their gift on time.

7TH & 8TH GRADERS VISIT THE ST. MARY WEBSITE
TO SIGN UP AND VOLUNTEER!

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The Pro-Life Committee

Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Church Hall at 9:00 a.m.

Visit the St. Mary website for more information.

Pray the Holy Rosary in Church on Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. (note new time).

The first Monday of the month our rosary is dedicated to the life of the unborn.



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The Council of Catholic Women

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Christmas Party

Aurelio's Restaurant in Frankfort
December 7 at 6:00 p.m.

Cost is \$25 and advance sign up is necessary.

Please bring a wrapped \$20.00 value grab bag gift.

There will be a Board Meeting Wednesday, December 13 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fatima Room, Church Hall.



The Young at Heart Senior Club

Join us for our
Christmas

Party

Wednesday,

December 6

1:00 p.m. in the
Church Hall

We will have an ugly sweater contest!



ALL PARISHIONERS & Friends are to join the Young at Heart to a trip to

Four Winds Casino

Wednesday, November 28th

\$44.00 per person Includes bus transportation, \$15 toward slots and \$10 voucher toward lunch.

We will meet in the parking lot by 9:15 a.m. and depart by 9:30 a.m. We will return at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Questions, call Ann Norkus (708) 699-5018.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next **Officer Meeting** will be
Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m. in
the Lourdes Room., Church Hall

The next **Council Meeting** will be
Tuesday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Guadalupe Room, Church Hall.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Degree Ceremony for New Members

This event is open to the parish, friends and family
December 6 at 6:30 p.m.
in the Church Hall

Knights of Columbus **Christmas Party**

Saturday, December 9 at
6:00 p.m. in the Church Hall



Pictures with Santa

Sunday, December 17th
in the Church Hall
after all Masses
Bring your camera!

Blood Drive

Thursday, December 21
2:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
in the Church Hall

All Ministers of Care are invited to pick up a poinsettia, Christmas card and small gift to deliver to the homebound person you visit.

Please stop by the parish office beginning Monday, December 11th.

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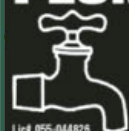
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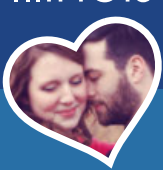
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