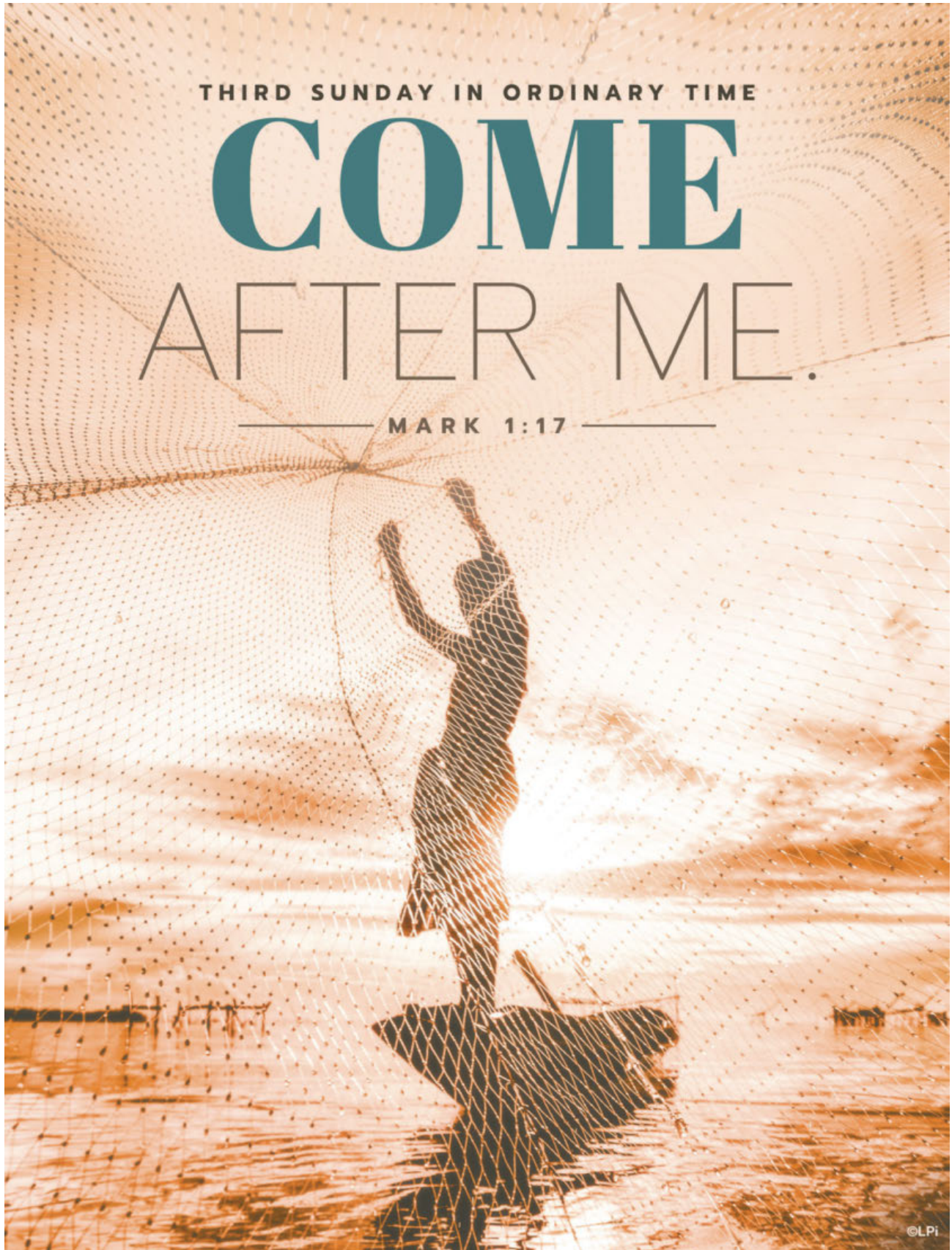


SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

COME AFTER ME.

— MARK 1:17 —



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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 THROUGH FRIDAY

8:30 A.M.- 4:00 P.M.

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.

From Our Pastor



Does God Forgive Abortion?

Question: Can a person (the mother, father, or provider) ever be forgiven for an abortion?



Answer: For people of faith, any conversation of human sinfulness should always lead us to reflect on God's loving mercy. Because God's mercy is greater than any sin, the Church is clear that even those involved in the sin of abortion can be reconciled with God and the Church. To help make this grace more available through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis extended the permission to absolve someone of the sin of abortion to all priests in 2016.

Even with the grace and blessings of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the tragedy of abortion and the aftermath of abortion takes a toll on everyone involved. Ministries of outreach and support, such as Project Rachel, offer pastoral counseling, support groups, retreats, and other forms of care. As Christians, we are also called to help promote this healing and reconciliation in all its forms. To learn more, visit www.hopeafterabortion.com. ©LPi

January 27 - January 28: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

| | Saturday, 5:00 PM | Sunday, 8:00 AM | Sunday, 9:30 AM | Sunday, 11:00 AM | Sunday, 6:00 PM |
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| Lector | Bridget Barron | Guy Cesario Tom Magdziasz | SMS Student 1 SMS Student 2 | Bob Cornejo | James Nowak |
| Eucharistic Minister | Mary Ann Braasch Bob Gombas Karen Gordon Andrea Taylor | Dave Skrzypiec Leslie Skrzypiec Stefanie Walthier Christine Weeks | Frank Grobmeier Joe Hartl Chris McGeever James Naumczik | Sarah Halm-Lutterodt Kathy Judge Bob Meyers NOT FILLED | James Nowak Judy Siegmund Patrick Wajda |
| Altar Server | Charlotte Barron Andrew Jansky Seamus McGarry NOT FILLED | Danielle Cullen David Heitman Hannah Johnston Daniela Lacny | Silas Kuboushek Tyler Masloroff McKenna Mason Jack McCarthy | Natalie Galka Emmy Skotnicki Nathan Skotnicki NOT FILLED | Caitlin Eiden Finn McInerney NOT FILLED |
| 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 Mike Rolinitis NOT FILLED NOT FILLED |
| Greeter | NOT FILLED | Sandy Halper | 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.

If you are assigned and are unable to serve, please request a substitute via the Scheduler.

3rd Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, January 22

7:30 a.m. Rosary
8:00 a.m. Mass
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet
6:30 p.m. Rosary

Tuesday, January 23

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
3:30 p.m. Children's Choir Practice (Church)
4:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. K-6 (Classrooms)
5:00 p.m. RE Adoration (Church)
5:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice (Church)
6:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. 7-8 (Classrooms)
7:00 p.m. RE Adoration (Church)
7:00 p.m. K of C Officer Meeting (Lourdes)
7:00 p.m. Regina Caeli Choir Rehearsal (Church)
7:00 p.m. SWG Deanery Meeting (Fatima)
7:00 p.m. Scripture Study (Guadalupe)

Wednesday, January 24

5:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
8:30 a.m. School Mass (Church)
9:00 a.m. Scripture Study (Guadalupe)
2:00 p.m. Daybreak Cooking (Kitchen)
2:45 p.m. Cheerleading Meeting (Guadalupe)
4:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. 1-8 (Classrooms)
5:00 p.m. RE Adoration (Church)
5:30 p.m. RCIA Meeting (Fatima)
6:30 p.m. Search Leadership Meeting (Lourdes)
6:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. 7-8 (Classrooms)
7:00 p.m. RE Adoration (Church)
7:00 p.m. K of C Degree Ceremony (Guadalupe)

Thursday, January 25

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
9:30 a.m. Mom's Podcast Club (Fatima)
4:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. 1-8 (Classrooms)
5:00 p.m. RE Adoration (Church)
7:00 p.m. Behold (Church)

Friday, January 26

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Coffeehouse (Fatima)

Saturday, January 27

7:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
8:00 a.m. Men's Ministry (Guadalupe)
3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)
5:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

Sunday, January 28

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
9:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
9:30 a.m. RE Classes (Gr. K-6) (Classrooms)
9:30 a.m. RE Book Fair (Lourdes and Fatima)
11:00a.m. Mass (Church)
12:30p.m. Baptisms (Church)
12:30p.m. Baptismal Prep (Virtual)
3:30 p.m. Missionaries of Apostolic Grace (Fatima)
4:00 p.m. The Search for Teens (Guadalupe)
6:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

Divine Mercy In-Home Ministry

This Apostolate is one of compassion, mercy, and prayer. We are available to be with families and their loved ones, who are sick and dying, to pray the Divine Mercy chaplet with them.

For information or if you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact

Michelle and Paul Sullivan
at 815-995-0480.

"When they say this chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as a just Judge but as a merciful Savior."
(Diary of St. Faustina, 1541)



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**MISSIONARIES
TO THE FAMILY**

AN INITIATIVE TO REVITALIZE THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 22

8:00am: Barbara Klickowski

Tuesday, January 23

8:00am: Elizabeth Plaza, Lila White, Joseph Dowling, Caitlin Moore, Jim Sansone

Wednesday, January 24

7:30am: Chuck Halper

8:30am: Fiore and Maria Petrassi

Thursday, January 25

8:00am: Pat Budzyn

Friday, January 26

8:00am: Jake Chettiath

Saturday, January 27

8:00am: Josephy O'Rourke

5:00pm: Larry Jagmin, Robert and Veronica Erxleben, Pat Budzyn, MaryAnn Braasch, Ercole and Innocenza Sturino, Raymond E. Hardwidge, Shirley Lyons, Jennifer Strezo

Sunday, January 28

8:00am: Pat Budzyn

9:30am: Teresa Peshon

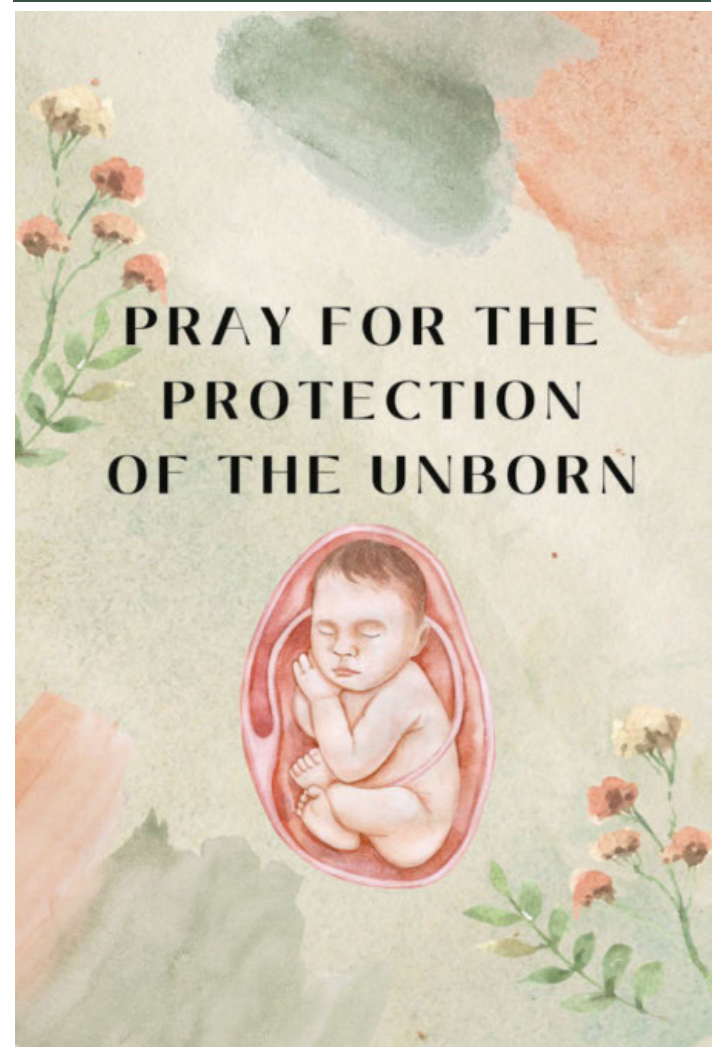
11:00am: Gabriella Checchi

6:00pm: Daniel Francis Murray

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Dan Albrecht, Brett Anderson, Joe, Austin, Lisa Bernhard, Florence and Gino Bondi, Agnes Breslin, Alan Brown, Darlene 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 Franson, 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, Ed Polzin, Janelle Portman, Norbert Przybylski, 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!





All men are invited to join
us for our next meeting
JANUARY 27, 2023

THE BEAUTY & HISTORY OF OUR CATHOLIC MASS

Discussion led by
Bob Cornejo and Nick DiGiovanni



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

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

St. Mary's Scripture Study

DISCOVER WHY IS MARY SO IMPORTANT TO CATHOLICS AND WHY DO SO MANY PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD HAVE DEVOTION TO HER THROUGHOUT THE CENTURIES.

JOIN US ON
TUESDAY EVENINGS 7:00-8:30PM
OR
WEDNESDAY MORNINGS 9-10:30AM
IN THE CHURCH HALL

BEGINS JANUARY 23 RD/24TH

TO SIGN UP, PLEASE CONTACT MARY HARTL:
708-479-1031
OR MARYHARTL@COMCAST.NET



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, December 31st was

Online Giving \$15,700.25
Envelopes \$22,472.35
\$38,172.60

The Offertory for
Sunday, January 7th was

Online Giving \$15,885.25
Envelopes \$19,532.41
\$35,417.66

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

Behold **IS RETURNING**



JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
ADORATION AND MUSIC ON
THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH
7:00 - 8:00 P.M.
ST. MARY CHURCH | MOKENA



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- Bavarian Creme
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**SUNDAY, 1/21
6PM MASS FOLLOWED BY YM
MEETING AT 7PM CHURCH HALL**

High School & Junior High Girls are invited to an evening just for girls!

Sunday, February 4th

7:00 pm

St. Mary's Parish Hall



Galentine's Party and Girl Talk

"Girl Talk" is a night of fun and formation

Tacos! CRUMBL Cookie! Photo backdrop! Win a Stanley!

Join us for a conversation regarding girls' unique bodies and cycles, so they can have confidence and understanding of how God made them. Sign ups welcome, but not required. Use the QR code below!



Annie Norton



Annie is a registered nurse and certified Marquette Method instructor with Simply NFP. She is a parishioner at St. Marys and has 4 children. She can be reached at annie@simplynfp.com or (815) 953-9067

Meet your hosts:

Meg is a registered nurse working in women's health as a labor and delivery nurse. She is an instructor in the Marquette Method of NFP with Simply NFP. She is a St. Mary's parishioner and school mom. She can be reached at megmkay@yahoo.com or by phone 708-465-3718.



Meg Murray

Simply NFP provides natural family planning instruction virtually and in person to couples and women, as well as providing educational presentations regarding cycle health and awareness to girls and women of all ages.



Join other Catholic moms of school-age children and younger for conversation on the podcast "Let Love: A podcast with the Sisters of Life"

Thursday, January 25

at 9:30am

in the Church Hall
"The Secret to Peace"
 Season 12, Episode 6

Listen to podcast prior to gathering
 (search "Let Love" wherever you listen to podcasts)
 but even if you don't get to it, we'd love to have you join us!
 Children are welcome and snacks and toys are provided.

Questions?

Email DKuboushek@StMaryMokena.org



WOMEN'S MINISTRY
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We invite all women to join us on
Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 8:45am
 in the School Cafeteria

The Our Father Prayer

We will discuss the prayer that encompasses the whole Gospel message and came straight from the mouth of Jesus. We have a gifted speaker who will help us break it apart so that it never becomes routine. Meet other wonderful women of the parish and be inspired by learning more about our faith and sharing stories of hope with other women.



Please plan to join us, we'd love to have you at Women's Ministry.
 RSVP and questions to
sistersinchrist@stmarymokena.org.

Called & Gifted

Discover God's call for your life through a 5-step process of discerning your personal charisms

Saturday, March 16, 2024
 Sign-in and refreshments 8:30 a.m.
 Programming 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

St. Mary Parish
 901 N. Center Street
 Plano, IL 60545

Please register by March 7

Register by March 7
 Scan the QR code or visit groo.de/IC02024

\$30/person, registration required

DIOCESE OF JOLIET

Discover God's call for your life through a 5-step process of discerning your personal charisms

The Holy Spirit is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work that only you can do. This enriching workshop will help you discern your spiritual gifts and how they can benefit your family and community.

Details: siena.org/called-gifted

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MARCH 2, 2024

10AM-4PM

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St. Mary Parish Choirs

Children's Choir- This choir consists of children in grades second through eighth. The Children's Choir sings every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 9:30 am Mass (the members who attend St. Mary's school will also sing at the school mass on Wednesday mornings). Rehearsals are on Tuesday at 3:30 pm every week.

Adult Choir- The Adult Choir is open to adults of all ages. This choir sings on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 9:30 am. The choir rehearses every Tuesday at 5:30 pm. This Choir consists of volunteers and is open to anyone to join, no experience required.

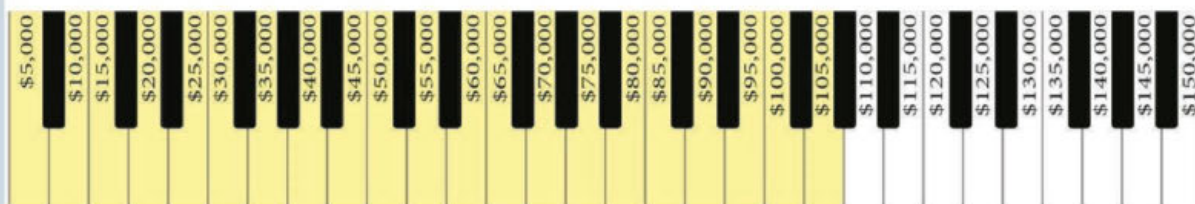
Regina Caeli Choir- The Regina Caeli Choir sings at the 11:00 am Mass weekly. The choir rehearses every Tuesday at 7:00 pm. The Regina Caeli Choir sings choral music with four-part harmony, as well as Latin Motets.

For more information please contact
Joseph Berardi: jberardi@stmarymokena.org

A Symphony of Giving Fundraising Update

Last updated on January 8th

Fundraising Goal - \$150,000



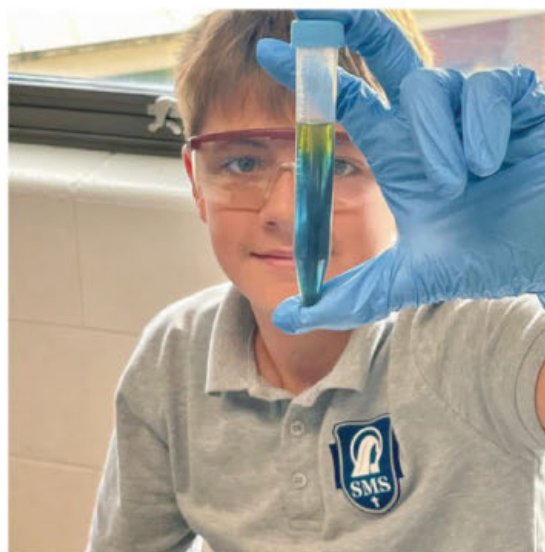


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THROUGH 8TH GRADE

JANUARY 28, 2024
10:30 AM - 2:30 PM



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RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION

JOIN ST. MARY'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BOARD!

We're seeking new members
for 2024-2025 term

Volunteering for the Religious Education Board is a wonderful way to serve your parish! As you prayerfully consider applying, please be aware of the following details and expectations of Board Members:

- One (1) Board term is three (3) years in length.
- Board meetings are held every other month.
- The board serves in an advisory function to the Pastor and Director of Religious Education.
- Board members will be expected to support the vision and mission statements of the St. Mary Religious Education Program and the strategic plan for the current catechetical year.
- Board members will be expected to be present at some Sacramental and special events throughout the catechetical year.

Thank you for your consideration to serve in this important role. Your involvement will assist Catholic parents in raising their children in the faith and help build the domestic church.

We look forward to hearing from you! To apply, please complete the Discernment Candidate Profile found here:
<https://tinyurl.com/yprza3rj>

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Jan. 30, 2024



**Friday, February 9, 2024
McCormick Place, Chicago**

Hospitality suite hours: 6:00 PM - 11:30 PM

Showroom hours: 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM

Enjoy early access to the Chicago Auto Show and the spectacular Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet Hospitality Suite!



As a guest of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, we look forward to hosting you in our spectacular hospitality suite, which includes:

- Hors d'oeuvres
- Open bar
- Live music
- Professional photographs
- Private coat check
- and warm cookies with gourmet coffee to end the evening!

One attendee will win a 2024 Chevrolet Blazer!
You must be present to win.

This black-tie-mandatory event raises funds that directly impact over 55,000 individuals assisted by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet annually. Thank you for your support!

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First Look for Charity and the Chicago Auto Show are presented by the Chicago Automobile Trade Association, representing the new-car dealers of Chicagoland and northwest Indiana.

We are a faith-based organization providing service to people in need and calling others of good will to do the same.



JOIN US FOR OUR
ANNUAL
HOLY HOUR FOR
LIFE

SUNDAY,
JANUARY 21
3:00 P.M.
IN CHURCH



St. Mary
Catholic Church
19151 S. 115th Ave.
Mokena, IL

EXPOSITION OF THE
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SCRIPTURE
READING &
REFLECTION by
Deacon John Rex

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

DIVINE MERCY
CHAPLET

BENEDICTION



MRS. MCGINNIS' 2ND GRADE CLASS LEARNS A LESSON IN HUMILITY

PRAYER PARENT PROGRAM

This year St. Mary School started this new program. Two parent volunteers from each class teach a lesson on a virtue one hour per month. Erica Miklaszewski and Melissa Cartolano are the prayer parents for Mrs. McGinnis's 2nd grade class this year. The lesson in December focused on the virtue of humility. The children learned how Christ was born into poverty and yet there were three kings who humbled themselves and brought gifts to honor the newborn baby king. As the kings did, so we should do also.

We should honor new born babies and Mothers in need. So, a collection of baby supplies (formula, diapers, pacifiers, etc.) were delivered to Aid for Women, Pregnancy Crisis Center in Flossmoor. They were very grateful for the unexpected donation from the wonderful 2nd Graders in Mrs. McGinnis' class!!



As part of their project each team had to work together to decorate a onesie for the newborns as part of their gift. The kids did such a wonderful job working together and they are so eager to please the Lord!



THANK YOU TO MRS. MCGINNIS,
STUDENTS AND CLASSROOM
PARENTS FOR ORGANIZING
THIS WONDERFUL LESSON.

WE APPLAUD YOUR
EFFORTS.
GOD BLESS YOU.





The Council of Catholic Women

There will be a General Meeting Thursday, January 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Guadalupe Room, Church Hall.

There will be a Board Meeting Wednesday, February 7 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fatima Room, Church Hall.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next Officer Meeting will be Tuesday, January 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lourdes Room, Church Hall.

3rd Degree Exemplification on Wednesday, January 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Hall.

The next **Council Meeting** will be Tuesday, February 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Guadalupe Room, Church Hall.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, January 21
after all morning Masses in the Church Hall.

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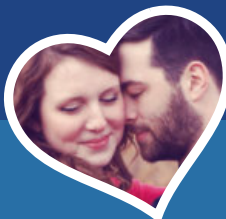
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