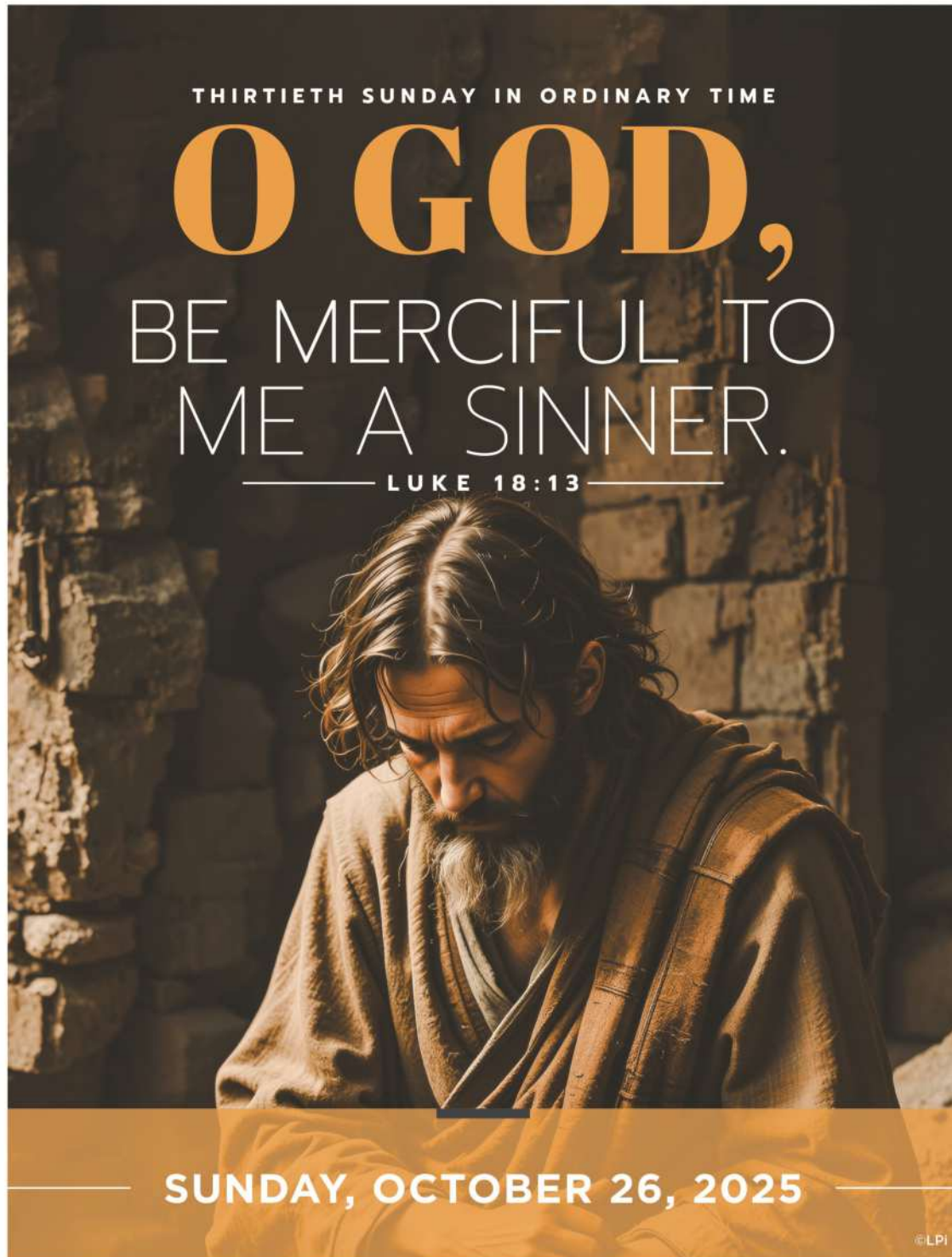


SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Send, O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church."



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

***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.****PARISH DIRECTORY**

Pastor: Fr. Joe Gasta

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Welbert Suarez

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

LAUDS;

7:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings

ADORATION

Perpetual Adoration available at Old St. Mary.

Please contact the Parish Office for the code.

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS:

Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.

Saturday 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

First Saturdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Deacons:

Deacon Peter Manning

Deacon John Rex

Deacon Kevin Plankinton

Deacon Dave Stanton

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, October 27

7:00 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 4:30 p.m. Little Flowers (Guadalupe and Lourdes)
 6:00 p.m. SPRED Meeting (Fatima)
 6:30 p.m. Rosary (Church)

Tuesday, October 28

7:00 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 4:30 p.m. RE Gr. K-6 (Classrooms)
 6:30 p.m. RE Gr. 7&8 (Classrooms)
 6:30 p.m. Bereavement Support (Chapel)
 7:00 p.m. Scripture Study (Guadalupe)
 7:00 p.m. K of C Officer Meeting (Lourdes)
 7:00 p.m. Roses of Mary (Fatima)
 7:30 p.m. Youth Ministry Bible Study (JP II Room)

Wednesday, October 29

5:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
 7:00 a.m. Confessions
 7:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
 9:00 a.m. Scripture Study (Church Hall All)
 11:00a.m. Young at Heart Set Up (Guadalupe)
 1:00 p.m. Young at Heart Halloween Party (Guadalupe)
 4:30 p.m. RE Gr. 1-8 (Classrooms)
 6:30 p.m. RE Gr. 7&8 (Classrooms)
 6:30 p.m. The Search (Guadalupe)

Thursday, October 30

7:00 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 9:30 a.m. Podcast Club (Guadalupe)
 4:30 p.m. RE Gr. 1-8 (Classrooms)
 6:30 p.m. St. Peregrine Devotion (Chapel)
 7:00 p.m. Behold (Church)
 7:00 p.m. Welcome (Fatima)

Friday, October 31

7:00 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

Saturday, November 1

7:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
 8:00 a.m. First Saturday Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. First Saturday Confessions (Church)
 9:15 a.m. Militia Immaculata (Fatima)
 3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)
 5:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

Sunday, November 2

Donut Sunday

7:15 a.m. Lauds (Church)
 8:00 a.m. Mass CCW Mass of Remembrance (Church)
 9:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
 9:30 a.m. RE Classes Gr. K-6 (Classrooms)
 11:00a.m. Mass (Church)
 12:00p.m. Knights of the Holy Temple (Fatima)
 12:00p.m. The Search (Guadalupe)
 12:30p.m. Baptisms (Church)
 6:00 p.m. Mass (Church)
 6:00 p.m. Youth Ministry (Guadalupe)

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 disciples and help make other
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A Pastoral Letter for the People
 of the **Diocese of Joliet**

THE SOLEMNITY OF

All Saints Day

(Saturday, November 1st)

is NOT a
 Holy Day of Obligation
 this year, since the
 Solemnity falls on a
 Saturday.

Mass in honor of All Saints Day
 will still be celebrated at 8:00 a.m.
 on November 1st.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 27

8:00am: William Pollard

Tuesday, October 28

8:00am: Mary Scaturro, James Barr

Wednesday, October 29

7:30am: Grant Carl Koenigstein

8:30am: Mary Ann Cullen

Thursday, October 30

8:00am: Larry Bahnaman Jr.

Friday, October 31

8:00am: Bill Phelan

Saturday, November 1

8:00am: Rosemarie Nisivaco, David Heniff

5:00pm: Alice Jeros, Nancy Hennecke, Nancy Snow,
Jill Madden, Maureen Hernon

Sunday, November 2

8:00am: Salvatore and Rosaro Sturino

9:30am: Stephen Unton

11:00am: Frank Edgeworth

6:00pm: The Jachymiak family



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Dan Albrecht, Brett Anderson, Joe, Austin, Tammy Balamut, Lisa Barber, Lisa Bernhard, Florence and Gino Bondi, Agnes Breslin, Alan Brown, Darlene Broadhurst, Rachel Butler, Brian Butler, Francis Bulow, Brenda Castile, Dolores Castro, Bonnie Caper, James Caper, Michael Carey, Monica DiGiovanni, Janet Drobick, Vincent Felice, Barb Finn-Figliulo, John Finili, Bradley Frank, Marcia Frank, Mary Ann Franson, Debbie Geren, Bonnie Gondek, Richard Grabenhofer, Colleen Grabenhofer, Jerry Grabowski, Kelly Hampton, Natalie Haran, Jeremiah Hartmann, Bobbie, Howie, Mary Ingala, Daniel Izzo, Richard Junge, Les Kazmierczak, Sherley Keene, Joseph Kerke, Hattie Kerke, Diane Klotowyk, Beverly Klosowski, Richard Kolovitz, Jan Kosmatine, John Kurator, Joseph Kurczewski, Fr. Roger Kutzner, Jennifer Naril, Dan Lahy, Andy Lihosit, Chet Lockwood, Vernadine Lumpkin, Jay Lutsky, Shirley Lyons, Terrence McKenna, Jack Manuszak, Robert Margalus, Jeanne Matug, Bill Maynard, John McGeehan, Joelee McMaster, Thomas Meehan, Heidi Meekma, Janice Melisi, Ginny Meyer, Rich Milkeris, Isabella Miller, Angel Munoz, Pat Murphy, Sue Murphy, Lisa Hunt Nichols, Jim Narel, Celine Narel, Geraldine Nykaza, Kenneth O'Grady, Irene Okoniewski, Callie Olson, Bruce Omastiak, Matthew Orr, Bob and Jackie Pasqualoni, Ed Polzin, Janelle Portman, Rosemary Purcell, Dave Racine, Eileen Redican, Eduardo Reyes, Sean Rio, George Rohrer, Judy Roque, Barbara Rusin, Joseph Santiago, Midge Saunders, William Schlieman, Dan and Brenda Schmiedel, Diane Schoneich, Marie Shaw, Wendy Sifuentes, Karen Singer, Barbara Smith, Brandon Smith, Phyllis Stanton, Geoffrey Sullivan, Tom Sullivan, Joshua Swarez, Victor Tamosaitis, Terri Kelso-Tamer, Tiffany Theresa, John Turas, Judy Turas, Marion Walles, Kathy Wereldsma Leo Wilczek, Tim Weber, Jodie Weber, Jonathan Weber, Dan Wolf, Jerry Wolff, Karen Yaeger, Kathleen Yonker

May God grant them healing!



God Bless Our New Parishioners

The Boeschel family,
The Peterson family,
The Carr family,
The Lash family



**Almighty God, watch over and protect our
nation's military members and
their families. Take them into your most gracious
protection. Amen.**

SSG Jarred Andras, ARNG
PFC Jenson Andras, USMC
Capt Lukasz Bokun, ANG
Lt Col Joseph A. Budzyn, USAF
TSgt Loretta Caplinger, USAF
E3 Colette Gagen, USN
ET2 Nicholas Gambino, USCG
PFC Noah Genz, USA
CPT Andrew Jacobs, USA
MIDN Isabella Judeh, USMMA
CPT Kevin Kelly, USA
PV3 Devin Klinger, USA
Cpl John P. Morrison, USMC
Sgt Cody Nicks, USAF
PO3 John O'Brien Nolan, USN
MAJ Steven Pieczynski, USAF

SSG August Pintarro, USA
PFC Joshua Poplin, USA
E-3 Sydney Quatrochi, USAF
Cpl Ryan J. Schwartz, USMC
MA3 Greg Siegmund, USN
CPT David Skrzypiec, USAR
LT Kevin Skrzypiec, USN
Sgt Luke Swiatek, USMC
LCDR Nicholas Swiatkowski, USNR
Maj Jennifer Tenumah, USAF
CPT Vincent R. Teodoro, USA
Cpl Blanton Vego, USMC
PO3 John David Villaseñor, USN
MAJ Bryan Welch, USA
MMN3 Peter Weygandt, USN
CPT Christopher Zolner, USA

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IN THE MILITARY PUBLISHED HERE, PLEASE EMAIL THEIR
NAME, RANK, AND BRANCH OF SERVICE TO BOB CORNEJO,
BCORNEJO@STMARYMOKENA.ORG.
THANK YOU.**



From Your Pastor

My dearest parishioners,

I greet you with love and peace in the name of Jesus!

I have noticed that some people leave the church right after receiving Holy Communion. I know life gets busy: maybe you have *places to go, family concerns, or work responsibilities*, and I truly get that. But it's important that we pause and reflect: *what are we missing when we leave Mass early?*

The Mass is not complete without the final blessing and dismissal. Those last moments are not just formalities, they actually mean something important. The word Mass comes from the Latin phrase ***Ite missa est***, which means: *Go, you are sent*. What began as a simple dismissal has become the Church's missionary call: *to go forth, transformed by the Eucharist, and bring Christ into the world*.

When we leave early, we miss this essential part of the liturgy. It's like walking out of a movie before the ending, leaving a friend's house before they say goodbye, or receiving a beautiful gift but never learning how to use it.

The final blessing is where Christ, through the priest, sends you back into the world with His grace. It is your commissioning moment, your time to say: *Here I am, Lord. Use me as Your instrument*.

So, out of love and pastoral care, I warmly invite you to stay until the very end of Mass, until you hear those powerful words: *Go in peace*. Let us complete our worship together. Let us receive everything Jesus wants to give us, not only the Eucharist, but also the mission that comes with it. Because when you walk out of those church doors, you are not just leaving, you are being sent. God bless you!

Send, O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!

With love in Christ,

Fr. Joe Gasta, RCJ
Pastor

WE CELEBRATE AND REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US.

Halloween

OCTOBER 31ST

Halloween is often associated with the secular world today, but it has its origins in the Catholic faith. In fact, the name “Halloween” originated from the term “All Hallows’ E’en [Evening]”. Just as we often celebrate and anticipate Christmas on Christmas Eve, **Halloween began as a way of celebrating and anticipating All Saints Day**. While it has morphed into a worldly “holiday” today, its origins are sacred.

All Saints Day is a Solemnity – the highest celebration in the Church’s calendar. In fact, this celebration is so important that it is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. (However, in 2025, the Solemnity falls on a Saturday, so there is not an obligation to attend this year.)

This Solemnity celebrates all saints: the saints who have been canonized (people we know to be in heaven) and all of the holy men and women in heaven whom we don’t know about.

All Saints Day

NOVEMBER 1ST



All Souls Day is not a Solemnity. Rather, it is a day where **we pray for all of the faithful departed**.

All Souls Day

NOVEMBER 2ND

On All Souls Day, **we especially pray for the souls in purgatory**. These souls are seeking purification, that they might one day join the saints in heaven and be with our Lord.

Join us in celebrating these sacred days by bringing images of your late loved ones to Mass on Sunday, November 2nd, where we will pray for the repose of their souls.



All Soul's Day

Sunday, November 2nd

If you would like your loved one's picture to be displayed, please arrive 10-15 min before Mass with your photo. You may take your photo home when you leave or it can remain through November 9th (Please have your name and phone number on the back).



*Congratulations to
Matt and Kyla
Payton!*



St. Mary Parish will start
celebrating

First Friday Masses

as part of the First Friday Devotion
to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

First Mass: Friday, November 7th
12:00 PM

The First Friday Devotion consists of:

- Receiving Communion on the First Friday of each month for nine Fridays in a row
- Offering Communion in honor of Christ's Sacred Heart and in reparation for the sins committed against His Sacred Heart

November 1 - November 2

	Saturday, 5:00 PM Solemnity of All Saints	Sunday, 8:00 AM The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)	Sunday, 9:30 AM The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)	Sunday, 11:00 AM The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)	Sunday, 6:00 PM The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)
Lector	Pamela DeGregorio Sue Mahns	Joan Aust Bob Jostes	SMS Student1 SMS Student2	Guy Cesario Bob Cornejo	Ed Pluchar
Eucharistic Minister	John Mitoraj Lora Oldham Karen Sayon Andrea Taylor	Bob Cornejo Sandy Halper Cris Pirelli Christine Weeks	Roger Brown Sally Harper Joshua Sifuentes Kathleen Sifuentes	Michael Crowley Remo Lucci Bob Meyers NOT FILLED	Robert Koch James Nowak Judy Siegmund
Altar Server	Molly Cotton Johnny Cotton Rosamund Cotton NOT FILLED	Hannah Johnston Liam Sullivan NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Lucas Pilon Noah Pilon Logan Raimondi Erin Ventura	Caleb Marietta Luke Tyrka Zachary Tyrka NOT FILLED	Charlie Pluchar Stella Pluchar Therese Pluchar
Usher	Mary Ann Braasch Jim Grady Maurice Helm Mark Miron James Palermo Tom Siemieniec Joe Toman	Chris Cichowicz Ed Dorey Rich Gavillet Roy Mueller	John Delladio Ed Dorey Joanette Kulesa Jim Kulesa Diane Mucia Phillip Sparacino	Ed Dorey William Farhat David Larson Sandra Tome Gladys Weber	Gabriella Carens Linda Drake Maggie Knable NOT FILLED
Greeter	Mary Ann Braasch	Denise Mueller	Ed Dorey	Carolyn Farhat	Ed Dorey Linda Drake
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, Greeters, and Live Streamers for their dedication and outstanding service.

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



Saint Mary
MEN'S MINISTRY

All men are invited to join us for our next meeting
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15



SALVATION

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

Deacon Pete Manning will lead us in a reflection and discussion of Salvation.

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

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



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HAVE EVERY MAN IN OUR
COMMUNITY BE IN THE
BEST PHYSICAL AND
SPIRITUAL SHAPE OF
THEIR LIVES.

BE BETTER

Better son...Better husband
Better brother...Better father



Fit Shepherds are formed through
Demanding workouts
Fraternity
Discipleship

A Fit Shepherd wants to model his life after
the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ.

Please join us every Saturday morning in
any kind of weather at 7:00 am (also
Wednesdays at 5:00 am) in the ...
St. Mary parking lot



WOMEN'S MINISTRY
FAITH • FELLOWSHIP • FAMILY

Taking God With You In The Chaos

How to keep faithful in stormy seasons of life



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025

Women's Ministry meets following the 8am Mass in
the Church Hall. A full breakfast will be served. To
RSVP email: SistersInChrist@stmarymokena.org or
call: 708-326-9313.

James 1:3

*Because you know that the testing of your
faith produces perseverance.*

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Support our ministries this fall
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The Offertory for
October 12th

Online Giving	\$11,867.40
Envelopes	\$17,426.67
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The Offertory for
October 19th

Online Giving	\$13,621.05
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Youth Ministry Upcoming Events

HS MEETINGS

Oct. 26th
Nov. 9th
Nov. 16th
Nov. 23



Blessed Sandra Sabattini
Pray for us!

High School Bible Study
All high Schoolers are invited to join in on a deep dive into the Gospel of Mark.

Starting weekly on Tuesday, Oct. 28 7:30-8:30pm in the Parish office. Join us virtually if you can't make it in person. Contact Matt for details.

Recharge Conference

The Diocese of Joliet is hosting a 1-Day High School Conference as a halfway point to Steubenville 2025. Join us as we spend a day focused on finding voice of the Lord calling you to do incredible things. It'll be a day full of talks, fellowship, and live music. Reach out to Matt if you are interested.

When? January 10th
9am-6pm Ending with Mass
Where? St. Raphael in Naperville
Lunch is included. We will travel by bus



Donut Sunday November 2nd

Join us in the church hall after all morning masses while supplies last. All proceeds go to support our Youth Ministry Program!
Need High School service hours? Reach out for our sign-up form

Junior High

Next Meeting Nov. 3rd in the school cafeteria.
6:00-7:30pm
(Enter door 4)

Contact Youth Minister, Matt Jung, with any questions.

mjung@stmarymokena.org



Youth Ministry

MOMS Podcast Club

Join other Catholic moms of school-age children and younger for conversation on the "Real + True" podcast.

Thursday, October 30

9:30 am

in the Church Hall
Season 3, Episode 8

"Family, Trauma, and Honoring Your Father and Mother with Brya Hanan"

Listen to podcast prior to gathering (search "Real + True" 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

St. Peregrine DEVOTION AND HEALING SERVICE

PATRON OF THOSE WHO SUFFER WITH
CANCER OR ANY INCURABLE DISEASE
OR CONDITION

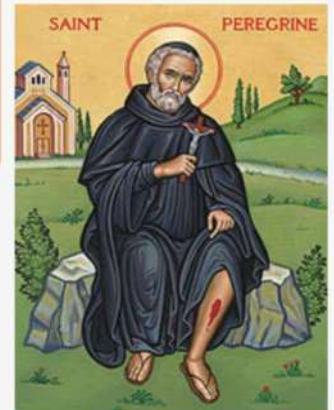
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OCTOBER**

6:30PM

ST. MARY'S CHURCH
SIDE CHAPEL

JOIN US EVERY LAST
THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
FOR ST. PEREGRINE
DEVOTIONAL PRAYERS, AND
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT

ST. PEREGRINE,
PRAY FOR US!



Spend time in Jesus' presence at

Behold

Thursday, October 30
7:00 pm in the Church

A Night of Prayer, Music,
Confession and Adoration



"Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you."

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Women's Welcome Weekend

formerly Christ Renews His Parish

NOVEMBER 8 & 9

everything beautiful

This incredible one and a half day renewal weekend will help restore balance, rediscover the peace of Christ, connect you with other women, and renew your relationship with God.

This weekend is for women of all ages!

Get ready for a weekend of good food:
we provide Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner
and Sunday breakfast and lunch.

Free registration at www.stmarymokena.org/welcome
Limited space available.



Saturday night everyone heads home to sleep
and we gather again Sunday morning.

Email Danielle with any questions,
dkuboushek@stmarymokena.org
or call the parish office, (708) 326-9300.



National Junior Honor Society



We introduced our newest members of the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS). These students were recognized for their commitment to the five pillars of NJHS: scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship — qualities that are reflected in their actions in and out of the classroom daily.

Student Council



We proudly introduced our new Student Council members to the entire SMS community! We look forward to a great year of leadership, service, and school spirit from our Student Council!

WANTED: ADULT ASSISTANTS

**Wednesday, Thursdays, Sundays:
Traffic and Hall Monitors**



**Remember, volunteering gives
you a tuition discount!**

EMAIL THE RE OFFICE:
RE@stmarymokena.org

ADOPT A CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE

**NAMES AVAILABLE ON
NOVEMBER 1ST
ON THE KIOSK IN THE NARTHEX**

*Pray for them
as they prepare
to become
fully initiated
into the
Catholic Church*



*Sponsored by
the Religious
Education
Office*

HERE'S HOW:

- Pull a name from the jar in the narthex; it will have the date of their Confirmation
- Pray with their name as often as possible with any prayer you prefer (rosary, novena, etc)
- Write them a personal note to be given to them on the day of their Confirmation

(Note cards are available in the R.E. office if you'd prefer.)

The new
St. Mary Blessing Pantry is located
just South of the front door of the
parish, next to the parking lot.

If you would like to donate
non-perishable food items, please
drop them off at the Parish Office.
Be sure to check that they have not
expired.

Thank you for helping those
in need!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, October 26
after all morning Masses
in the Church Hall.

COST:

Free will offering
All donations will benefit the
K of C and the charities
it supports.



Join the St. Mary Knights of
Columbus for all you can eat
pancakes, eggs, sausage and special
fruit toppings.

Start your day with a great
breakfast and the great company of
your fellow parishioners.



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Pro-Life Testimony

Some abortion-bound moms encounter a 40 Days for Life Vigil, choose life, and go along their way. Others need considerable ongoing support.

Atlanta 40 Days for Life leader **Cathy recently empowered a pregnant mother to choose life**, but a checkered past involving drug use, a prostitution charge, and a felony conviction left the woman ineligible for some of the support services she needed to turn her life around and follow through on her life decision. Cathy wouldn't let her slip through the cracks. She put the woman up in a hotel--and then got to work to find longer-term answers.

"I called this maternity home and explained how much this mom wants a 'do over,'" Cathy recounted. "They were willing to talk to her in spite of her past." After a phone interview, Cathy drove the expectant mother hours away to an in-person interview. The conversation went well, and the maternity home agreed to take the mom in. "We got her things from the ghetto apartment she was staying in previously," Cathy shared. "While we were there, **we saw her pimp and literally had to run away from him.**"

While the mother--suffering from extreme nausea--prepared to move into the maternity home, Cathy set up a doctor's appointment, picked up a prescription, and acquired food and supplies for her. When Cathy brought the mom to the maternity home, the two women parted with hugs and tears.

"She's so happy," Cathy said. **"I know she will be so loved on. Praise God this woman is in a stable, loving environment--what a beautiful start for a new life for this mom!"**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE, Day 27, October 21, 2024



**Father Joe will join
us on
October 28th!**

Sign up for a different day or
get more information by visiting
40daysforlife.com/flossmoor

Help save lives in your local community!

Join the St. Mary Pro-Life Committee
as we pray at the following locations:

Saturday, October 18 - 9:30 a.m.

Access Clinic

1700 75th St.
Downers Grove

Tuesday, October 28 - 9:30 a.m.

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The next **Board Meeting** will be
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The next **General Meeting** will be Thursday,
November 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church Hall,
Guadalupe Room



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

The next **Council Meeting** will be
Tuesday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m.
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**All are welcome to the
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There is a screening process to make sure it is something our members can handle and the work qualifies. Anyone wishing to apply should contact Donna Hungerford, Christian Service Director (708) 326-9312 to schedule a visit from one of our members. If you are interested in joining this committee, email Rich Neubauer rich.neubauer3@gmail.com

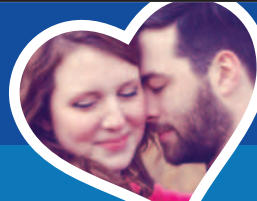



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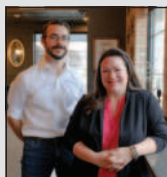


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