



SAINT MARY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

JUNE 28, 2026

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 5:00pm Vigil Mass
 Sunday | 8:00am, 9:30am,
 11:00am, 6:00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday | 8:00am
 Tuesday | 8:00am
 Wednesday | 8:00am
 Thursday | 8:00am
 Friday | 8:00am
 Saturday | 8:00am

Confession

Monday through Friday
 7:00am-7:45am
 Saturday | 3:30pm-4:30pm
 First Saturdays | 8:30am-9:30am

Devotions

Daily Rosary

Monday through Friday
 7:30am
 Monday evenings | 6:30pm

Daily Divine Mercy Chaplet

Monday through Friday
 8:30am

Lauds

Sunday mornings | 7:15am

GET IN TOUCH

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OUR VISION

The beauty and sacredness of the liturgy, sacramental life and parish experience at St. Mary Parish leads our parishioners and community to a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ.

THE PARISH DIRECTORY

Parish Office Hours
Monday through Friday
8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
–Door # 3–

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OCIA - 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 contact the parish office.

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 THE PASTOR'S DESK



MY DEAREST PARISHIONERS,

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

As I shared in my bulletin messages over the past two Sundays, our parish is preparing to celebrate our Parish Patronal Feast Day on August 15th, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In preparation for this joyful occasion, we will gather as one parish family for nine days of Novena Masses from August 6th through August 14th, asking God to bless our parish, our families, and our community through the loving intercession of Our Blessed Mother. Today, I would like to extend a special invitation to our parish families to participate in these Novena celebrations in a meaningful way. We are seeking three sponsoring families for each Novena Mass. These families will be remembered in a special way during the celebration, and the Mass on that day will be offered for them and for their personal intentions. Whether you wish to thank God for blessings received, pray for the health and well-being of your family, remember loved ones, or entrust a special intention to the Lord, this can be a beautiful opportunity to unite your prayers with the entire parish community.

The sponsorship will also help provide the stipend for the priest who will celebrate the Novena Mass that evening. As many of you know, these Masses will be celebrated by priests who have served our parish over the years as pastors, parochial vicars, or seminarians. Your generosity will help us warmly welcome them back to our parish and make these special days of prayer possible. I offer this invitation with sincere gratitude and respect. There is absolutely no obligation. Every parishioner supports our parish in different ways: through prayer, service, generosity, and faithful participation in the life of the Church. This is simply an opportunity for those who are willing and able to take part in a special way in this important celebration of our parish family.

As we prepare for these nine days of prayer, I encourage all of you to join us each evening and ask Our Blessed Mother to watch over our homes, strengthen our faith, and draw us closer to Jesus. If your family would like to sponsor one of the Novena Masses, please contact the parish office for more information. Thank you for your kindness, support, and continued love for our parish community. May Our Lady of the Assumption intercede for you and your loved ones, and may God fill your hearts with His peace and abundant blessings.

Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!

With love in Christ,

Fr. Joe Gasta, RCJ
Pastor

St. Mary Parish will be celebrating
Novena Masses
as part of our Feast Day Celebration.

**All Masses are at 6:00 PM, except for Saturday, August 8th.
 Mass on Saturday, August 8th will remain at 5:00 PM.**

Thursday, August 6th

Fr. Sam Conforti

Friday, August 7th

Fr. Dindo Billote

Saturday, August 8th

Fr. Peter Infanger

Sunday, August 9th

Fr. Steven Borello

Monday, August 10th

Fr. Alex Lorang

Tuesday, August 11th

Fr. Greg Alberts

Wednesday, August 12th

Fr. Brian Geary

Thursday, August 13th

Fr. Matt Nemchausky

Friday, August 14th

Fr. John Abulag

Would you like to support these priests, and to have your special intentions listed at these Masses? We are in need of sponsors!

Call the Parish Office for more information.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Mary Parish's First *Feast Day Celebration*

honoring St. Mary, our patron saint.

Saturday, August 15th

Vigil Mass at 4:00 PM

Celebration to follow at 5:00 PM

**JOIN US FOR FUN
AND FELLOWSHIP!**



Novenas are a powerful form of prayer!

A Novena is a series of prayers – a devotion – typically said over the course of nine consecutive days. Novenas are often prayed for a particular intention, or in thanksgiving for a blessing. The term originates from the Latin word for nine: “novem”.

By consistently praying for the intention over the course of nine days, a person shows dedication to their intent – whether it be to ask for something, or to thank God for something.



It is a great way to be consistent about prayer! By praying a Novena, we are reminded to pray every day, and to continually bring our intentions & gratitude before God.

Novenas can be said to God Himself, Blessed Mother, or to any other saint in heaven. Typically, a person will pray a novena to the patron saint of their intent, to ask for that saint's intercession in heaven.

St. Mary Parish will be hosting Novena Masses in August leading up to the Solemnity of the Assumption! Consider joining us for these Masses to ask for Blessed Mother's intercession!



Saint Mary
MEN'S MINISTRY

All men are invited to join us for our next meeting

SATURDAY, JULY 18

CURSILLO:

*"Be a friend, Make a friend,
Bring a friend to Christ."*

with Mike Dilger

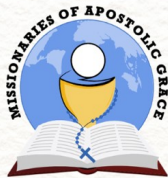


Come find out more about
Cursillo! This weekend helps
develop a deeper, more
personal relationship with
Jesus Christ and experience a
loving and caring community.

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

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

MISSIONARIES OF APOSTOLIC GRACE



BIBLE READINGS ON ZOOM
MON - SAT
6AM - 7AM

Meeting ID: 850 968 4686
Passcode: KZgGK4

Missionaries of Apostolic Grace (MOAG) is a
worldwide lay Catholic community united in
prayer and reading of Sacred Scripture. They
hold a morning Bible reading zoom call Monday
to Saturday and gather at St. Mary's every
Saturday after 8am Holy Mass to 10:30am

For more information,
please contact Leonor Ramirez at (708)860-2568
Website: moagcommunity.com / E-mail:
Missionaries2021@gmail.com



FIT SHEPHERDS AIMS TO
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**



Giving

Summer of
GENEROSITY

**Love, serve and
give generously
this summer.**

The Offertory for June 14th

Online Giving	\$12,919.25
Envelopes	\$20,004.54
	\$32,923.79

The Offertory for June 21st

Online Giving	\$15,146.00
Envelopes	\$19,281.23
	\$34,427.23

Budget \$34,000

**Thank you so much for your
generosity!**

Online Giving

Give your
gift today.
Scan the QR
Code



Mass Intentions

Monday, June 29

8:00am: Nancy Sullivan, Ed Dorans

Tuesday, June 30

8:00am: Barbara Kurczewski, Jim and Barb McGill,
Mira Kabat, Terry Costello, Ed Jones

Wednesday, July 1

8:00am: Miguel Castro, Robert Prosek

Thursday, July 2

8:00am: Donna Baffoe McDonald

Friday, July 3

8:00am: Chuck Halper, Daniel Jones
12:00pm: John Valente

Saturday, July 4

8:00am: Lucille Sheridan
5:00pm: Dolores Danforth, Butkus, Sinal and
Ksiazek families, Fr. Jim Parker

Sunday, July 5

8:00 am: Donna Marie Kenny
9:30:am: Helene Lattyak
11:00 am: Jenine Reiling
6:00 pm: Eloisa Corez Salgado

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Dan Albrecht, Brett Anderson, Joe, Austin, Tammy Balamut, Lisa Barber, Lisa Bernhard, Florence and Gino Bondi, Greg Brazinsky, 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, Jerry Grabowski, Sandy Halper, Kelly Hampton, Catherine Hansen, Natalie Haran, Jeremiah Hartmann, Mary Ingala, Daniel Izzo, Richard Junge, Les Kazmierczak, Sherley Keene, Joseph Kerke, Hattie Kerke, Claude Klimas, Diane Klootwyk, Beverly Klosowski, Richard Kolovitz, Jan Kosmatine, Betty Krizewicz, John Kurator, Joseph Kurczewski, Fr. Roger Kutzner, Jennifer Naril, Dan Lahy, 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, Patty Melei, 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'Gradney, Irene Okoniewski, Callie Olson, Bruce Omastiak, Matthew Orr, Bob and Jackie Pasqualoni, Dorothy Peterson, Ed Polzin, Janelle Portman, Rosemary Purcell, Dave Racine, Eileen Redican, Eduardo Reyes, Richard Reyling, Sean Rio, George Rohrer, Judy Roque, Barbra 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, Judy Turas, Kathy Vrablic, Marion Walles, Kathy Wereldsma Leo Wilczek, Tim Weber, Jodie Weber, Jonathan Weber, Yvonne White, Dan Wolf, Jerry Wolff, Diana Woods, Karen Yaeger

God Bless Our New Parishioners

The Bryan family,
The Mendoza family,
Mr. Matthew Moustis



Please Pray for our Faithfully Departed Brothers and Sisters

James Palermo,
Therese Smetana



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



**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	MAJ Steven Pieczynski, USAF
PFC Jenson Andras, USMC	SSG August Pintarro, USA
SP4 Arhan Atreya, USA	PFC Joshua Poplin, USA
Capt Lukasz Bokun, ARNG	E-3 Sydney Quatrochi, USAF
Lt Col Joseph A. Budzyn, USAF	Cpl Ryan J. Schwartz, USMC
AET2 Lauren Bulow, USCG	2LT Brooke Scanlon, USA
TSgt Loretta Caplinger, USAF	MA3 Greg Siegmund, USN
SSgt Colton DeLanoit, USAF	CPT David Skrzypiec, USAR
SrA Joshua Fishel, USAF	LT Kevin Skrzypiec, USN
E3 Colette Gagen, USN	ME2 Gage Stearns, USCG
ET2 Nicholas Gambino, USCG	Sgt Luke Swiatek, USMC
PFC Noah Genz, USA	LCDR Nicholas Swiatkowski, USNR
CPT Andrew Jacobs, USA	MAJ Jennifer Tenumah, USAF
MIDN Isabella Judeh, USMMA	MAJ Vincent R. Teodoro, USA
CPT Kevin Kelly, USA	A1C Benjamin Underwood, USAF
PFC Tyler Kilmartin-Radtke, USA	PE2 Joshua James Underwood, USA
SP4 Devin Klinger, USA	Cpl Blanton Vego, USMC
PFC Mary Rose Krizewicz, ARNG	PO3 John David Villaseñor, USN
Sgt Cody Nicks, USAF	MAJ Bryan Welch, USA
PO3 John O'Brien Nolan, USN	MMN3 Peter Weygandt, USN
PFC Matthew Pakosz, USMC	CPT Christopher Zolner, USA

IF YOU WOULD LIKE THE NAME OF SOMEONE CURRENTLY SERVING
IN THE MILITARY PUBLISHED HERE, PLEASE EMAIL THEIR
NAME, RANK, AND BRANCH OF SERVICE TO BOB CORNEJO,
BCORNEJO@STMARYMOKENA.ORG.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, June 29

7:00 a.m. Confessions
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
6:30 p.m. Rosary (Church)

Tuesday, June 30

7:00 a.m. Confessions
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
6:30 p.m. Healing the Whole Person (Church & Church Hall)

Wednesday, July 1

5:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
7:00 a.m. Confessions
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
9:00 a.m. Healing the Whole Person (Church & Church Hall)
6:30 p.m. The Rosary Men (Guadalupe)

Thursday, July 2

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

Friday, July 3

Office Closed

7:00 a.m. Confessions
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
8:30 a.m. Adoration (Church)
8:45 a.m. First Friday Devotion (Chapel)
12:00p.m. Mass First Friday (Church)
1:00 p.m. Homeschool Meetup (Guadalupe)
7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry Revelation by the Fire (Marian Garden)

Saturday, July 4

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

Sunday, July 5

7:15 a.m. Lauds (Church)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
9:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
11:00a.m. Mass (Church)
12:30p.m. Baptisms (Church)
6:00 p.m. Mass (Church)
7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry (Guadalupe)

FAITH FORMATION AND FELLOWSHIP FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES



What is SPRED?



- Lifelong Faith Community rooted in work, prayer, and a sense of the sacred
- Intended for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities ages 17-21+



- Every other Monday evening September through April
- Groups across Chicago Diocese available for various age groups



SPRED SUMMER EVENTS



Meet us at Festa Italiana!
Saturday, July 25th

Want to Join?

Megan Murray
mmurray@stmarymokena.org
708-326-9313

MAKING SUMMER TRAVEL PLANS?

CONSIDER VISITING THESE PILGRIMAGE SITES, TOO!

- Shrine of Therese of Lisieux, Darien, IL
- Shrine of St. Gianna Beretta Molla, Yorkville, IL
- Shrine of St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, Chicago, IL
- National Shrine of St. Maximilian Kolbe, Libertyville, IL
- Shrine of Mount Carmel, Munster, IN
- Shrine of Christ's Passion, St. John, IN
- Holy Hill, Hubertus, WI
- Shrine of Our Lady of Champion, Champion, WI



St. Mary Parish is celebrating

First Friday Masses

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

**Next Mass: Friday, July 3rd
12:00 PM**

The First Friday Devotion consists of:

- Receiving Communion on the First Friday of each month for nine Fridays in a row (*You must be in a state of grace to receive.*)
- Offering Communion in honor of Christ's Sacred Heart and in reparation for the sins committed against His Sacred Heart

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

**STARTING JULY 5TH, ALL
PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS
AND ALTAR CALLS WILL BE
MADE PRIOR TO THE START
OF MASS.**



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
NEWLY BAPTIZED

VERONICA ALEXIS FERRER,
OLIVIA JANE BOERS,
LILIAN ROSE RITTER,
DAVID EMMANUEL TEPsic

MAY GOD BLESS THE LITTLE ONES

*“Let the children come to me,
and do not prevent them;
for the kingdom of heaven
belongs to such as these.” -Jesus*

To St. Mary Parishioners:

We are so grateful for how welcoming
you are to our families with young children.

Please don't underestimate
the power of a simple affirmation, smile,
or word of encouragement
to those around you after mass.

To the Parents of our Young Parishioners:

Thank you for bringing your growing family to
celebrate with us! Know that you are welcome to
sit toward the front where it's easier to see and
hear and we encourage you to quietly explain
the parts of the Holy Mass to your child. If you
feel you must go to the narthex with your child,
please come back!





July 4 - July 5: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 9:30 AM	Sunday, 11:00 AM	Sunday, 6:00 PM
Lector	Pamela DeGregorio Sue Mahns	Guy Cesario Mary Frances Consola	Richard Hamilton Stan Nowak	John Brett Sean Gleason	Ed Pluchar
Eucharistic Minister	Peter Baker Mary Ann Braasch Lora Oldham Andrea Taylor	Joan Aust Robert Rafferty Stefanie Walthier Christine Weeks	Frank Grobmeier Gretchen Nenn Joshua Sifuentes Kathleen Sifuentes	Michael Crowley Remo Lucci Bob Meyers NOT FILLED	James Nowak Judy Siegmund NOT FILLED
Altar Server	Seamus McGarry Avery McNamara Mary McNamara NOT FILLED	Charlotte Johnston Hannah Johnston Liam Sullivan NOT FILLED	Felicity Kuboushek Silas Kuboushek Theo Kuboushek NOT FILLED	Natalie Galka Caleb Marietta Christopher Pienkos Cody Pienkos	Charlie Pluchar Stella Pluchar Therese Pluchar NOT FILLED
Usher	Mary Ann Braasch Jim Grady Maurice Helm Mark Miron James Palermo Tom Siemieniec Joe Toman	Chris Cichowicz Ed Dorey Rich Gavillet Roy Mueller Gregory Santry	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	NOT FILLED	Denise Mueller	Ed Dorey	Carolyn Farhat	Ed Dorey
Live Stream			Cyndi Grobmeier		

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.

Youth Ministry Upcoming Events

SMPYM Outdoor Movie Night

July 5th, 7pm

Marian Garden

**Incoming 9th through graduating 12th
Graders welcome!**



Support SMPYM

Our Youth Ministry program has grown fast this year. We're asking for extra support from the parish community as we continue to grow our program and minister to our youth.

Please consider donating the following:

Firewood for our bible studies and various youth ministry events.

Soda/Juices/Teen friendly drinks.

A Sunday Night meal for our meetings, we try to feed our students both spiritually and physically.

Financial Support: We try to keep everything as low in cost as we can, any extra money will go to improving our program.

Most importantly, please pray for our Students, Staff, Volunteers, and Teens that have not attended yet.

Contact Youth Minister, Matt Jung, with any questions.

mjung@stmarymokena.org



Youth Ministry

OCIA REUNION

ALL PAST, PRESENT, & FUTURE
OCIA CANDIDATES ARE INVITED!

SATURDAY, JULY 11TH
6PM
CHURCH HALL

If you have converted to the Catholic faith or hope to in the future, you are warmly welcome to this reunion that celebrates faith & shared experiences

FOOD,
FELLOWSHIP,
SHARED FAITH
EXPERIENCES



Use the QR code above or visit
www.stmarymokena.org/OCIA to RSVP.

Contact Megan Murray
for details or questions:
mmurray@stmarymokena.org

708-326-9313



curious about
**BECOMING
CATHOLIC?**

**LET'S
connect**



Tell us who you are and a St. Mary
staff member will reach out
with more information!

Join other men ages 18-30 this summer
for a Catholic Bible Study

THE CRUX
a series from FOCUS
Wednesdays at 7pm



Meet at Trolley Barn entrance, Frankfort
Led by Ben Kingsbury, (815) 412-4550

**Park
meetups**

are back this summer!

Casual meetups begin at 10:00 am.
All are welcome, invite friends!

**Tuesday, June 30 at Lincolnway
Special Rec, New Lenox**
1900 Heatherglen Dr, New Lenox, IL 60451

**Friday, July 10th at Heritage Park,
Mokena**
11945 197th St, Mokena, IL 60448

**Tuesday, July 14th at Lighthouse
Point Park, Frankfort**
20620 Holland Harbor Dr, Frankfort, IL 60423

Questions? Email
dkuboushek@stmarymokena.org



St. Mary's Religious Education Registration

Register
NOW



**TIER 1 PRICING
ENDS JUNE 30**

See our website for information on our programs,
<https://www.stmarymokena.org/religious-education>
or contact the RE office at 708-326-9350
re@stmarymokena.org.



ST. MARY'S SUMMER CAMP FOR GRADES 1 - 6

Registration Link



**SIGN UP
TODAY!
SPOTS ARE
LIMITED!**

**Adult Volunteers
we need you!**



**VOLUNTEER
SIGN UP
HERE**



**JULY 27 - JULY 30
9:00AM-12:00 PM**

ST. MARY'S PARISH SUMMER CAMP
REGISTRATION IS OPEN TO THE
COMMUNITY!

CALL THE RE OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION
708-326-9350,

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN

Cooking for Daybreak?

Volunteers are needed the fourth Wednesday of each month (except December). The new schedule begins in September.

- All Cooking is done in the Parish Hall Kitchen at 2:00p.m
- Servers are needed at Daybreak Shepherd's Table in Joliet at 6:00 p.m.

**SERVERS
NEEDED**



**Head
Cooks needed
to shop for food,
plan the dinner
menu and lead the
servers!**



Head Cooks earn a food service certificate with a 2 hour online course.

Contact Donna Hungerford
708-326-9312 or
dhungerford@stmarymokena.org

Current volunteers will receive new sign up sheets in the mail.

NEW!

Job Seekers Workshop



Are you looking for guidance in finding employment?
Have you applied for jobs and never heard back?

The Hope and Action Workshop is designed to support individuals who are experiencing job loss, career transition, re-entry into the workforce, or uncertainty in today's job market.

Learn today's job search reality

- applications are online and are reviewed by tracking systems
- AI in recruiting
- resume expectations
- interview practices and strategies
- gain a clear understanding of how the hiring process works

Contact Theresa Kelly if you are interested in attending this workshop here at St. Mary and for additional information takelly_99@yahoo.com or Donna Hungerford 708-326-9312





Consider joining the St. Mary Pro-Life Committee



Thank you to everyone who
came out to pray during
the Coalition for Life
Day of Prayer!
Our Next meeting is
Tuesday, July 14th
9:00 a.m. in the
Church Hall, Fatima Room



Help us raise awareness about
the sanctity of life from the
moment of conception until
natural death through prayer,
education, fundraisers and
events.

Questions?
Contact Donna Hungerford
708-326-9312 or
dhungeford@stmarymokena.org





The Council of Catholic Women
Save the Date for
Festa Italiana
 Saturday, July 25th at
 Yunker Park, Mokena
More details to come!



The Knights of Columbus
 Installation Dinner
 Saturday, June 27 at 6:00 p.m.
 Church Hall, Guadalupe
 The next Council Meeting will be
 Tuesday, July 14 at 7:00 pm. in the
 Church Hall, Guadalupe Room.

HELPING HANDS

The Knights of Columbus have formed a sub-committee called Helping Hands which is offering our services to any parishioner who is in need of repairs around their home and is unable to perform these tasks due to financial hardships or not having able bodied family members available. The resident may be responsible for any material costs, but the Knights would provide the labor.

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



THE YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

**Our summer gatherings will be
 at a location to be
 determined.**

**There are no meetings in the
 Church Hall in July & August
 Gatherings will be offsite.**

**Contact Marla Garbarczyk
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The Annual K of C Turtle Raffle



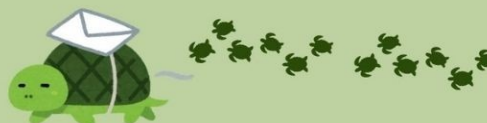
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That's right, we've increased our prize money this year for the St. Mary's Knights of Columbus annual raffle. For a \$5 donation, you have the chance to win our grand prize of \$1,000 or \$500 second place and \$250 third place prizes to help support the many projects the Knights are involved in. The Knights will be selling tickets in the narthex the weekend of July 11th and 12th with the final drawing to be held at this year's Festa Italiana on July 25th.

This is a great opportunity to pick up some additional cash and at the same time support our local Knights of Columbus. A raffle box and tickets will also be available during the month of July on the counter in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you!

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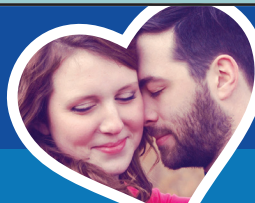
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