



SAINT MARY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

JULY 26, 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

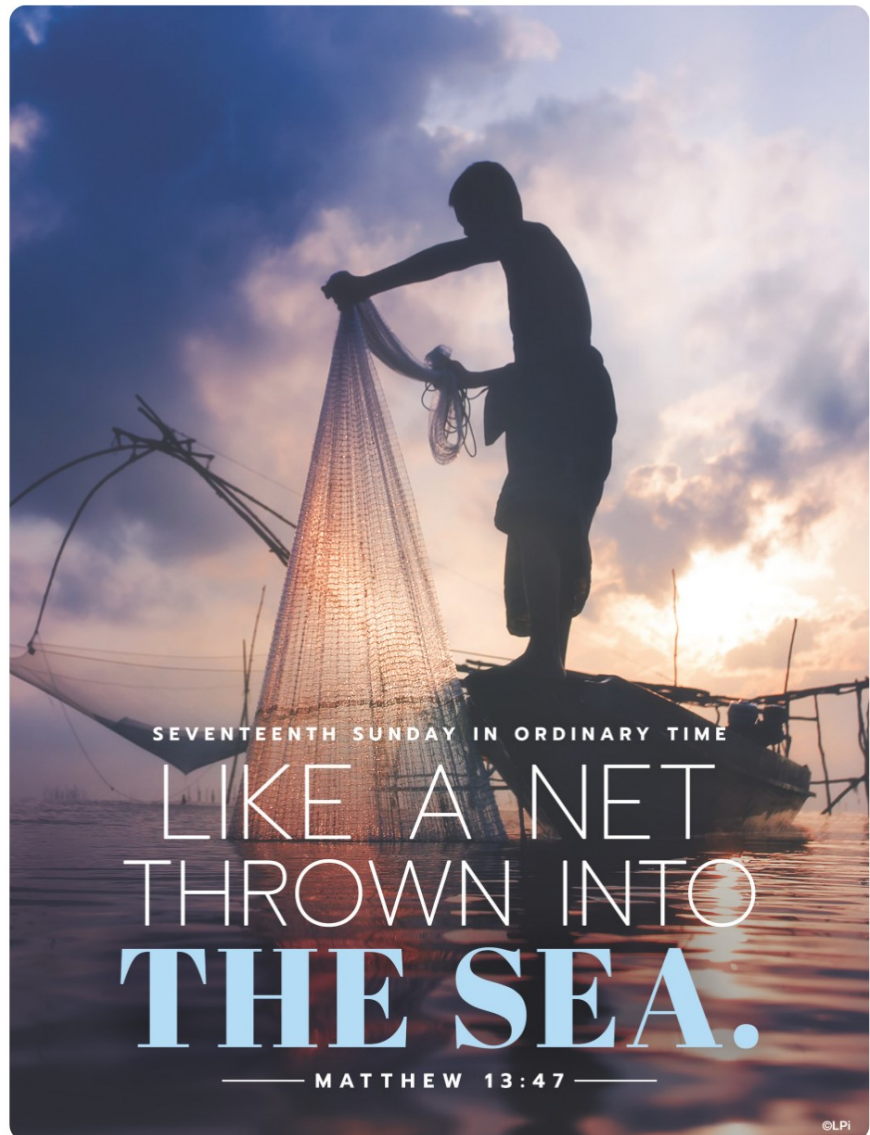
Monday through Friday
 8:30am

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!

The Holy Mass is the greatest gift the Lord has given us. It is the highest form of prayer and the most sacred celebration of our faith. Every time we gather for Mass, we come to encounter Jesus, who speaks to us through His Word and gives Himself to us in the Holy Eucharist. As I welcome people before Mass, I am sometimes reminded how easily we can forget that we are about to stand before the Lord Himself. All of us, including me, need this gentle reminder from time to time. As your pastor, I share these thoughts with love because I want all of us to grow in our reverence for the Holy Mass.

God always looks first at the heart, and our church will always welcome everyone with open arms. At the same time, the way we prepare ourselves for Mass can be a beautiful expression of our love for Him. When circumstances allow, let us choose clothing that reflects the dignity of this sacred celebration, mindful that our attire can help foster a prayerful atmosphere for everyone. We also show reverence by arriving a little early, keeping our voices low, silencing our cell phones, joining wholeheartedly in the prayers and singing, listening attentively to God's Word, and remaining prayerful before and after Mass.

Please know that this reminder is never meant to judge or embarrass anyone. No one should ever hesitate to come to Mass because of what they are wearing. Many come directly from work, school events, family responsibilities, or unexpected circumstances, and we are grateful that they are here. Rather, this is simply an invitation for all of us to prepare ourselves as best we can for the Holy Mass. When we come before someone we deeply love and honor, we naturally desire to offer our very best. May we always strive to do the same for Jesus, who lovingly waits for us at every Holy Mass.

Thank you for your love for our parish and for your desire to honor the Lord with all your heart. May God bless you and your families always.

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!**

**FOOD TRUCKS,
MUSIC,
AND MORE!**

THERE WILL NOT BE A 5:00 PM MASS ON AUGUST 15TH.

	Saturday 5:00 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM	Sunday 9:30 AM	Sunday 11:00 AM	Sunday 6:00 PM
Lector					
Eucharistic Minister					
Altar Server					
Usher					
Greeter					
Live Stream					

NOTICE SOMETHING MISSING? THE ANSWER IS YOU!

Imagine walking into a church early on a Sunday morning. The pews are still empty, the candles are unlit, and the altar is bare. Slowly, familiar faces begin to arrive — and nothing is prepared.

Dear St. Mary parishioners, we need your help. Are you being called to proclaim the Word, distribute the Eucharist, guide the faithful to their seats, you are helping to open the door for others to encounter Christ.

- **You can be hands of welcome** for the weary soul who steps into church seeking peace.
- **You can be the voice of Scripture** that may speak directly to someone's heart.
- **You can be the reverent presence** that helps others see the holiness of the Mass.

Every gesture, every smile, every moment of preparation is a quiet act of evangelization.

The Eternal Impact of Your Service

You may never know the full impact of your ministry. The person you greet may be returning to church after years away. The reading you proclaim may be the exact word someone needed to hear. The Eucharist you offer may be the strength that carries someone through a difficult week.

Call to Continue with Joy

We encourage you to Step up and join one of more of these ministries. Please pray about it — you will be fully trained for the ministries you choose. If you feel unsure of your worthiness, remember that Christ Himself is your strength.

If interested in one or more of these ministries, please email the Directors of Liturgy: Deacon Pete Manning at deaconpete@aol.com & John Brett at jbrett@stmarymokena.org. Call us, because God is calling you. Will you answer His call?

JULY IS DEDICATED TO THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST.

The Catholic Church sometimes associates certain months with certain devotions. For example, we sometimes devote the month of May to our Blessed Mother, and June to Christ's Sacred Heart. Similarly, **we sometimes devote the month of July to Christ's Precious Blood.**

There is a connection between June's devotion and July's devotion: just as **Christ's Precious Blood flowed from His Sacred Heart at the Crucifixion**, the devotion to the Precious Blood follows the devotion to His Sacred Heart. (See the angels collecting Christ's Precious Blood in the image to the right.)



We see the beauty of a devotion to the Most Precious Blood of Christ throughout the ages. Below are excerpts from prayers, revealing the depth of this devotion:

PRAYER OF ST. AMBROSE BEFORE MASS:

Praise to the Noble and Precious Blood, flowing from the wounds of my crucified Jesus Christ and washing away the sins of the whole world. Remember, Lord, Your creature, whom You have redeemed with Your Blood.

(St. Ambrose was a Doctor of the Church, who lived in the 4th Century.)

ADORO TE DEVOTE:

O Jesus, Lord! Unclean I am, but cleanse me in Thy Blood; of which a single drop, for sinners spilt, is ransom [redemption] for a world's entire guilt.

(Written by St. Thomas Aquinas, a Doctor of the Church, who lived in the 13th Century.)

PRAYER TO THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS:

O Blood of Jesus Christ, balm of our souls, fount of mercy, grant that my tongue ... may bless You now and always.

(Written by St. Gaspar del Bufalo, known for his devotion to the Precious Blood in the 19th century.)

From these prayers alone, we see that **it is honorable to praise the Precious Blood of Christ, for it is by this means that He saved us.**

Blood of Christ, stream of mercy, help of those in peril, solace in sorrow, and most worthy of all glory and honor, Save us!

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1) DUE TO THE NOVENA MASS SCHEDULE, DAILY MASS (8 AM) WILL BE CANCELLED ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 6TH - SATURDAY, AUGUST 8TH;
MONDAY, AUGUST 10TH - FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH.**

2) MORNING CONFESSIONS WILL BE CANCELLED ON:

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 6TH & FRIDAY, AUGUST 7TH,
MONDAY, AUGUST 10TH - FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH.**

3) SATURDAY CONFESSIONS WILL BE CANCELLED ON SATURDAY 8/15.

4) THE VIGIL MASS ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH WAS MOVED TO 4:00 PM.
THERE WILL NOT BE A 5:00 PM MASS
ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH.

A Space for Spiritual Growth

SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE, CONSULTATION, AND SUPPORT
FOR ALL YOUNG ADULT & ADULT WOMEN



Megan Murray is St. Mary's Director of Adult Faith Formation and walks with young women as a spiritual director and mentor with a background in Carmelite Spirituality and Ignatian Prayer & Discernment. If you are desiring and searching for ways to deepen your relationship with God, reach out to Megan and find a space for spiritual growth.

- Spiritual guidance
- Tools to help you grow in your faith
- Deepen your prayer life/ teach you ways to pray

FIND A SPACE FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH



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MEN'S BBQ



HOSTED BY MEN'S MINISTRY

HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS
BEVERAGES
BAGS AND FREE THROW CONTESTS

THURSDAY, JULY 30
LOWER LEVEL PARKING LOT

5:30 PM

Please RSVP to SMPmensministry@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



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
NEWLY BAPTIZED

RORY CULLEN REGAN,
PATRICK REGAN BICEK,
CALLEIGH RAE KENNY,
GINO BIANCHI GUNTHER

MAY GOD BLESS THE LITTLE ONES



GENEROSITY
Love, serve and
give generously.

Support our ministries
through faithful generosity.

**The Offertory for
July 19th**

Online Giving	\$13,715.75
Envelopes	\$21,200.70
	\$34,916.45

Budget \$34,000
Thank you so much
for your generosity!

Online Giving

Give your
gift today.

Scan the QR
Code



Mass Intentions

Monday, July 27

8:00am: Henry Januchowski

Tuesday, July 28

8:00am: Don O'Heir, Dominic Bertinelli

Wednesday, July 29

8:00am: Anna Leisen

Thursday, July 30

8:00am: Scott Reiter

Friday, July 31

8:00am: Theresa O'Connor, Alfred Dreifke

Saturday, August 1

8:00am: Dennis Panozzo

5:00pm: Gerald White, Virginia Cubalchini,
Michael Gleason, Robert Prosek, Rudolph
Cerny

Sunday, August 2

8:00 am: Al Meyers

9:30:am: Julia Jones, Michael Gleason

11:00 am: Carol Maloney

6:00 pm: Adolfo 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, Catherine O'Donnell, Kenneth O'Gradney, Irene Okoniewski, Callie Olson, Bruce Omastak, Matthew Orr, James Palermo, 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, Marion Walles, Kathy Wereldsma, Leo Wilczek, Tim Weber, Jodie Weber, Jonathan Weber, Yvonne White, Dan Wolf, Jerry Wolff, Diana Woods, Karen Yaeger



Wedding Banns

August 1st

Kyle Wedoff and
Magdalene Bandyk

**Please Pray for our Faithfully
Departed Brothers and Sisters**

**Matthew August,
Joan DePaulo**



*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
PFC Jenson Andras, USMC
SP4 Arhan Atreya, USA
Capt Lukasz Bokun, ARNG
Lt Col Joseph A. Budzyn, USAF
AET2 Lauren Bulow, USCG
TSgt Loretta Caplinger, USAF
SSgt Colton DeLanoit, USAF
SrA Joshua Fishel, 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
PFC Tyler Kilmartin-Radtke, USA
SP4 Devin Klinger, USA
PFC Mary Rose Krizewicz, ARNG
Sgt Cody Nicks, USAF
PO3 John O'Brien Nolan, USN
PFC Matthew Pakosz, USMC

MAJ Steven Pieczynski, USAF
SSG August Pintarro, USA
PFC Joshua Poplin, USA
E-3 Sydney Quatrochi, USAF
Cpl Ryan J. Schwartz, USMC
2LT Brooke Scanlon, USA
MA3 Greg Siegmund, USN
CPT David Skrzypiec, USAR
LT Kevin Skrzypiec, USN
ME2 Gage Stearns, USCG
Sgt Luke Swiatek, USMC
LCDR Nicholas Swiatkowski, USNR
MAJ Jennifer Tenuhah, USAF
MAJ Vincent R. Teodoro, USA
A1C Benjamin Underwood, USAF
PE2 Joshua James Underwood, USA
Cpl Blanton Vego, USMC
PO3 John David Villaseñor, USN
MAJ Bryan Welch, USA
MMN3 Peter Weygandt, USN
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.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, July 27

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

Tuesday, July 28

7:00 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. Summer Camp (Church Hall All)
 6:30 p.m. Healing the Whole Person
 (School Cafeteria)
 7:00 p.m. K of C Officer Meeting (Lourdes)

Wednesday, July 29

5:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
 7:00 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. Summer Camp (Church Hall All)
 10:00 a.m. Healing the Whole Person (Church)
 6:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth Ministry (Marian Garden)

Thursday, July 30

7:00 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. Summer Camp (Church Hall All)
 5:30 p.m. Men's Ministry BBQ (Lower Parking Lot)
 6:30 p.m. St. Peregrine Devotion (Chapel)
 7:00 p.m. Behold (Church)

Friday, July 31

Office Closed

7:00 a.m. Confessions
 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
 8:30 a.m. Adoration (Church)
 6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Church)
 7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry Revelation by the Fire
 (Marian Garden)

Saturday, August 1

CCW Wine and Song Ticket Sales (Narthex)

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 (Fatima)
 9:15 a.m. Militia Immaculata (Fatima)
 1:00 p.m. K of C Family Picnic (Offsite)
 2:00 p.m. Wedding (Church)
 3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)
 5:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

Sunday, August 2

CCW Wine and Song Ticket Sales (Narthex)

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 (Marian Garden)

St. Peregrine DEVOTION AND HEALING SERVICE

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

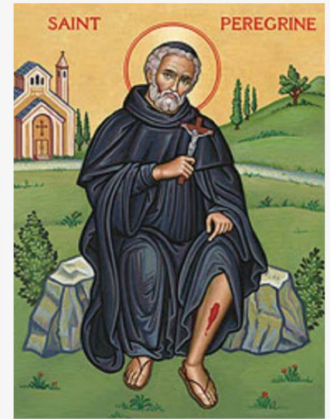
JULY
30

6:30PM

ST. MARY'S MAIN CHURCH

LAST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH!

- ST. PEREGRINE DEVOTIONAL & HEALING PRAYERS
- BLESSING WITH ST. PEREGRINE RELIC
- STAY FOR BEHOLD AT 7:00PM, HOUR OF ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION



Spend time in Jesus' presence at

Behold

Thursday, July 30th
7:00 pm in the Church

A Night of Prayer, Music,
Confession and Adoration



Youth Ministry Upcoming Events

Join us!

**Junior High Ministry (Rising 6th
through 8th graders)
High School Ministry (Rising 8th
through 12th graders)**



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.

This year we're looking to send 40+ students to Steubenville Joliet 2027 at as low of a cost as possible. Please prayerfully discern sponsoring a student for the weekend. Talk to Matt for more details.

Contact Youth Minister, Matt Jung, with any questions.

mjung@stmarymokena.org



Youth Ministry

WOMEN'S *Welcome* WEEKEND



"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

PAUSE *take time for yourself*

CONNECT *with other women*

REFRESH *your soul*

REFLECT *on God's deep love for you*

REDISCOVER *joy, peace, and Jesus!*

Save the Date!



November 07/08

at St. Mary, Mokena
Registration Coming Soon

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



Park *meetups*

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

**Tuesday, July 28 at Grasmere Park,
Mokena**

10135 Lindsay Ln, Mokena, IL 60448

**Friday, August 7th at Hanover
Estates Park, Manhattan**

24107 S William Dr, Manhattan, IL 60442

**Thursday, August 13th at Prairie
Ridge Park, Mokena**

21431 Coneflower Dr, Mokena, IL 60448

Questions? Email
dkuboushek@stmarymokena.org

Catholic = Universal

Be part of something great

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?
OCIA CLASSES are starting soon!

**Sundays,
September-May
9:00am-10:45am**

A faith
journey that
will equip you
and prepare
you to have a
full life with
God in the
Catholic
Church

Weekly sessions start
**Sunday,
September 13th**

Come as you are!

Contact Megan Murray,
Director of
Adult Faith Formation
mmurray@stmarymokena.org
708-326-9313



R.E.A.C.H

(Religious Education Apostolate for Christian Handicapped)

Assistant Catechist Needed

**Come be a part of this special
group!**

We are looking for a someone to be part of this adaptive RE program. Call the RE office for more information (708) 326-9350.



DIocese of JOLIET
disABILITY Ministry



St. Mary Blessing Pantries

Please help stock our food pantry with nonperishable food items. Look for them just south of the main church doors in the side parking lot. Remember to check the expiration date and thank you for helping those in need!



QUESTIONS? CONTACT DONNA HUNGERFORD
DHUNGERFORD@STMARYMOKENA.ORG
708-326-9312

**BLESSING PANTRY
SUGGESTED DONATIONS**

CANS OF CHICKEN OR TUNA
CANS OF BEEF STEW
CANS OF VEGETABLES
CANS OF CHILI
CANS OF FRUIT
CANS OF SOUP
MACARONI & CHEESE
PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY
SPAGHETTI O'S
BOXED POTATOES
CEREAL
OATMEAL
PANCAKE MIX
PANCAKE SYRUP
PASTA
PASTA SAUCE

**COOKING FOR
DAYBREAK**

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO
VOLUNTEERED TO HELP COOK OR
SERVE A MEAL AT DAYBREAK!

**PLEASE RETURN VOLUNTEER SHEETS TO
DONNA HUNGERFORD BY AUGUST 1ST.**

THE NEW SCHEDULE WILL BE MAILED IN
AUGUST AND WE WILL BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS
PLEASE CONTACT
DONNA HUNGERFORD
(708) 326-9312 OR
DHUNGERFORD@STMARYMOKENA.ORG



Mark your
calendar!!

CCW 5th Annual Wine & Song Fundraiser Event!

All adult men & women welcome!

Thursday, August 20th 2026
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
in the Church Hall

Entertainment
by Ray Loffredi

**Bring your
dancing shoes!**

For more information contact
Charmaine Willand 708-307-3196 or
charm.willand@gmail.com

Tickets available after weekend Masses
in the narthex and in the church office.

(This is an over 21 event.)



Bring a friend or two!

\$20 Per Person
(in advance)

\$25 Per Person
(at the door)

Includes wine (non-alcoholic
sparkling wine available)
appetizers, raffle baskets and
door prize drawing.

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**BEREAVEMENT
SUPPORT
FALL SESSION**

SEASONS OF HOPE

Beginning September 8th from
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sessions are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month
for six weeks in the St. Mary Chapel.

This Christ centered support group offers comfort,
support and understanding based on scripture, prayer,
reflection activities and faith sharing.

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



**SIGN UP IS NECESSARY AND
SPACE IS LIMITED.**



Consider joining the St. Mary Pro-Life Committee

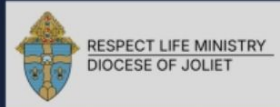


Our Next meeting is
Tuesday, August 11th at
9:00 a.m. in the Church Hall,
Fatima Room
Help us raise awareness about
the sanctity of life from the
moment of conception until
natural death through prayer,
education, fundraisers and
events.

RESPECT LIFE

FALL SUMMIT

AUG. 29, 2026



FEATURING DR. JOE ZALOT

All interested or involved in Respect Life Ministry are invited to a seminar by Dr. Joe Zalot. Dr. Zalot is the Director of Education at The National Catholic Bioethics Center. In addition to overseeing the NCBC Certification Program, Chaplain Program, and "Introduction to Catholic Health Care Ethics" course for Catholic high schools and homeschooling networks, he produces and hosts the NCBC's Bioethics on Air podcast and has authored multiple statements, guides, and book chapters for NCBC publications. He also lectures for the NCBC, is interviewed by local and national media on health care issues, and has responded to more than 2400 ethics consultations.



NOON - 1PM: LUNCH AND FELLOWSHIP
1-4PM: PRESENTATION

Taking place at the Blanchette Catholic Center:
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The Council of Catholic Women
Festa Italiana
Saturday, July 25th at
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Save the Date!
CCW Wine and Song Event
Thursday, August 20th in the
Church Hall



The Knights of Columbus

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

Mark your calendar!
The K of C Family Picnic
Saturday, August 1st
Detail to come!



Our Lady of Fatima statue visits the Eiden Family in July!

The family said it reminded them how
important it is to pray as a family.



Our Lady of Fatima Statue

The St. Mary Knights of Columbus would like to give parishioners an opportunity to have this statue of Our Lady of Fatima in their homes. This is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen your devotion to Mary, whose main goal is to lead us to her Son, Jesus. The tradition of the traveling statue is to remind us of the 1917 apparition of Mary to three peasant children in the city of Fatima, Portugal. The apparition told them to pray for world peace. While the statue is in your home, you are encouraged to pray the rosary or other Marian prayers for peace. If you would like to have her in your home for a week or two at a time, please email Donna Hungerford Dhungerford@stmarymokena.org or Bob Rafferty, Bob.rafo@yahoo.com. Delivery and pick up will be arranged and prayers will be provided for you. (The statue is approximately 19" in height).

The WIDOW & WIDOWER'S CLUB



WE MEET THE THIRD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT
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CONTACT MARCIA FRANK FOR INFORMATION
708-227-8290.

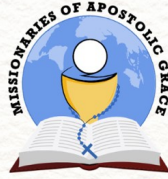
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For more information,
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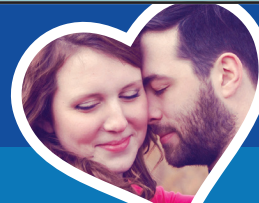


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