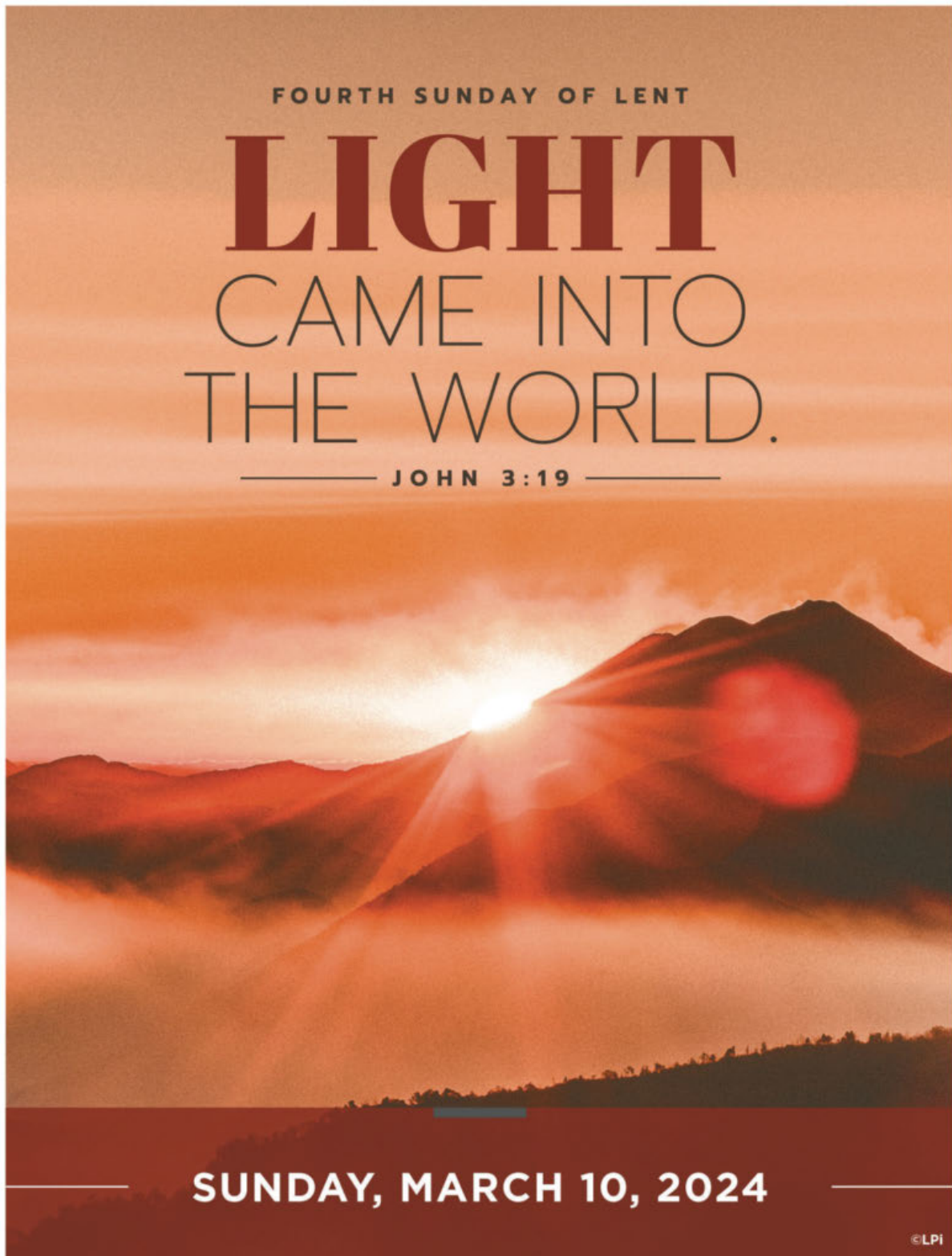


SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



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*

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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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



Question: What's the difference between priests and brothers, friars, etc.?



Answer: The distinctions titles and categories used for priests and the male members of religious communities can be confusing, especially since the categories can sometimes be intertwined as a man can be both a priest and a monk, or a brother and a friar. So, to help to piece the puzzle together, it's important to begin by noting some basic distinctions: The distinction between priests (who are ordained for sacramental ministry) and brothers (who are non-ordained members of religious communities and who are committed to lives of prayer and service).

Priests: A priest is a man who has been ordained for sacramental ministry and these fall into two categories: A) Diocesan (or Secular) Priests can either be attached to a diocese and who serve under a bishop. Their ministry is usually oriented toward pastoral service. B) Religious Priests are members of religious communities (like the Franciscans, Jesuits, Salvatorians, or Carmelites) and their lives are guided by the special mission and charism of their community. While both kinds of priest practice sacramental ministry, their spirituality and how they live out their priesthood can be very different.

Brothers: Brothers are non-ordained members of religious communities (such as those mentioned above) who live lives committed to prayer and service. Religious priests and brothers serve together in their communities and their ministries include much more than the care of parishes.

Monks, Friars, and Canons: These are broad categories that include religious priests and brothers, and each of these is connected to specific ways of life and spiritualities. ©LPi

Peace and all good things,

Father Dindo

March 16 - March 17: Fifth Sunday of Lent

	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 9:30 AM	Sunday, 11:00 AM	Sunday, 6:00 PM
Lector	Bridget Barron	Susan Rizzo Alice Wierzbinski	Karen Dilger Chris McGeever	Bob Cornejo	Daniel Alberts
Eucharistic Minister	Bob Gombas Karen Gordon Sue Murphy Andrea Taylor	Bob Cornejo Sandy Halper Stefanie Walthier Christine Weeks	Michael Dilger Joanette Kulesa Kathleen Melei Joshua Sifuentes	Joanne Eckel Bob Meyers Louise Szura NOT FILLED	Robert Koch Judy Siegmund Patrick Wajda
Altar Server	Molly Cotton Rosie Cotton Andrew Jansky NOT FILLED	Alexis Ferin Jillian Ferin Hannah Johnston Liam Sullivan	Jack McCarthy Aiden Raimondi Logan Raimondi Erin Ventura	Max Giannakas Emmy Skotnicki Nathan Skotnicki NOT FILLED	Graeme Lopez NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
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Greeter	NOT FILLED	Sandy Halper	NOT FILLED	Carolyn Farhat	NOT FILLED
Live Stream			Frank 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 and Greeters for their dedication and outstanding service.

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Monday, March 11

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
6:30 p.m. Rosary (Church Hall)

Tuesday, March 12

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church Hall)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Hall)
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church Hall)
3:30 p.m. Children's Choir Practice (Church)
4:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr K-6 (Classrooms)
4:45 p.m. RE Lenten Confessions Gr. 2-6 (Church Hall)
6:00 p.m. School Board Meeting (Franciscan Room)
6:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. 7-8 (Classrooms)
6:30 p.m. Bereavement Support (Chapel)
6:45 p.m. RE Lenten Confessions Gr. 7-8 (Church Hall)
7:00 p.m. Roses of Mary Meeting (Bishop's Room)
7:00 p.m. Scripture Study (Lourdes and Fatima)
7:00 p.m. K of C Council Meeting (Guadalupe)
7:00 p.m. Women's Welcome Meeting

Wednesday, March 13

5:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Hall)
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church Hall)
9:00 a.m. Pro Life Committee Meeting (Lourdes)
9:00 a.m. Scripture Study (Guadalupe)
9:00 a.m. CCW Board Meeting (Fatima)
4:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. 1-6 (Classrooms)
4:45 p.m. RE Lenten Confessions Gr. 2-6 (Church Hall)
5:30 p.m. RCIA Meeting (Fatima)
6:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. 7-8 (Classrooms)
6:45 p.m. RE Lenten Confessions Gr. 7-8 (Church Hall)

Thursday, March 14

7:30 a.m. Rosary (Church Hall)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Hall)
8:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church Hall)
9:00 a.m. Elements of the Mass (Guadalupe)
9:30 a.m. Mom's Podcast Club (Fatima)
4:30 p.m. RE Classes Gr. 1-8 (Classrooms)
4:45 p.m. RE Lenten Confessions Gr. 2-8 (Church Hall)

Friday, March 15

7:00 a.m. Rosary (Church)
7:30 a.m. Mass Church)
8:15 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
8:30 a.m. School Mass (Church)
9:30 a.m. School Stations of the Cross (Church)
9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Coffee/Fellowship (Fatima)
6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Church)
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church)

Saturday, March 16

K of C Membership Drive (Narthex)

7:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)
8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
8:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ (Guadalupe)
9:00 a.m. RCIA Retreat (Fatima)
1:15 p.m. Chapel Reserved for Wedding
2:00 p.m. Wedding (Church)
3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)
5:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

Sunday, March 17

K of C Membership Drive (Narthex)

St. Patrick's Day

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
9:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
9:30 a.m. RE Classes Gr. K-6 (Classrooms)
11:00 a.m. Mass (Church)
12:30 p.m. Baptisms (Church)
3:30 p.m. Missionaries of Apostolic Grace (Fatima)
5:30 p.m. The Search for Teens Set Up
6:00 p.m. Mass (Church)
7:00 p.m. The Search for Teens (Church Hall)

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)



Jesus I Trust in You

Fridays during Lent
7pm



Stations of the Cross



St. Mary Mokena

Jesus, remember me, when You come into Your Kingdom!

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 11

8:00am: Nancy Sinde

Tuesday, March 12

8:00am: Marianne Lulinski, Michael Ernst, Simone Ramanos, Peter Prancus, Ray and Marie Spansail, Alex Schneider

Wednesday, March 13

7:30am: Baby Judah Winkler

8:30am: Stefania Barlog

Thursday, March 14

8:00am: Jerome Litrenta

Friday, March 15

8:00am: Sarah Wolf

Saturday, March 16

8:00am: Dan Murray

5:00pm: Barbara Klichowski, Rita M. Patterson, Ercole and Innocenza Sturino, Sinal, Butkus and Ksiazek Families, Robert Podlasek, Geno Caffarini

Sunday, March 17

8:00am: Karen Cummings

9:30am: Scott Reiter

11:00am: Charles Keenan

6:00pm: Nancy Heisner

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, Ashley Karr, Les Kazmierczak, Sherley Keene, Bernadine Kelso, Diane Klootwyk, Richard Kolovitz, Fr. Roger Kutzner, Carlotta Lawton, Jennifer Naril, Dan Lahy, Chet Lockwood, Vernadine Lumpkin, Walter Lumpkin Jr., Jay Lutzky, Shirley Lyons, Robert Margalus, Donna Matteson, Jeanne Matug, Bill Maynard, John McGeehan, Joelee McMaster, Heidi Meekma, Janice Melisi, Ginny Meyer, Marge Migler, Rich Milkeris, Angel Munoz, Pat Murphy, Lisa Hunt Nichols, Barb Noone, Geraldine Nykaza, Kenneth O'Gradney, Edward Olenick, Bruce Omastak, Matthew Orr, Babe Podlasek, Ed Polzin, Janelle Portman, Rosemary Purcell, Dave Racine, Eileen Redican, Eduardo Reyes, Sean Rio, George Rohrer, Judy Roque, Barbra Rusin, Midge Saunders, William Schlieman, Dan and Brenda Schmiedel, Diane Schoneich, Karen Singer, 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*

MARCH 23, 2024

**DEATH &
RESURRECTION
OF JESUS CHRIST**



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

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

**March 29th, at 7:00 pm
Choral Reflections on the
Stations of the Cross**

On Good Friday, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm as usual. Throughout the stations, the schola will sing a variety of sacred music so that we can better reflect on the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ.



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, March 3rd was

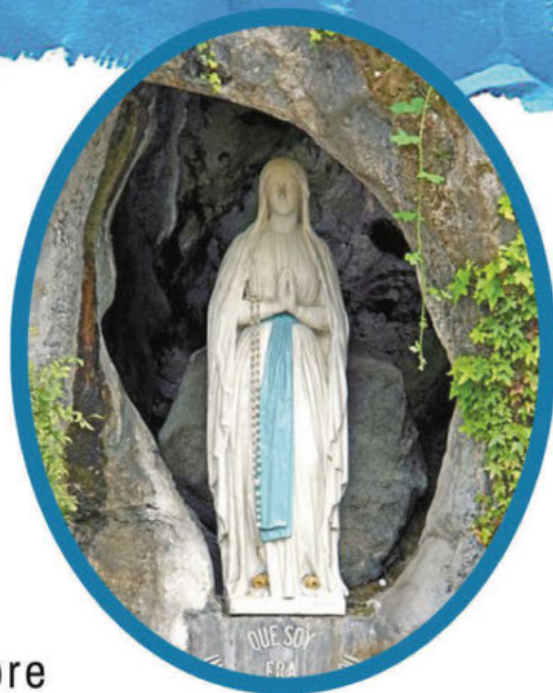
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For more information contact Fr. Dindo at
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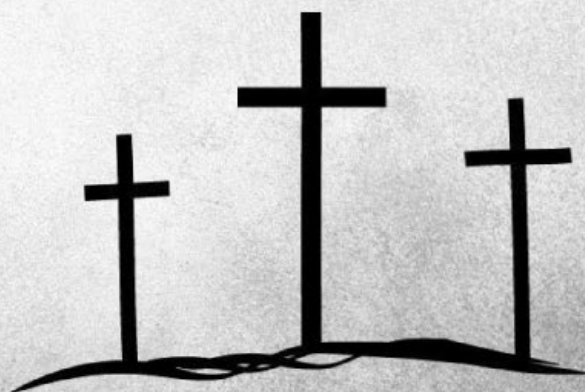
LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, March 20th

6:00 - 8:00 PM | St. Mary, Mokena

**Prepare your hearts for Christ
this Easter by receiving
the Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

**Confessions will be heard by both
St. Mary's and visiting priests.**



Easter is Sunday, March 31st.

Celebrate MARCH 19TH St. Joseph's Day!

With a Novena to St. Joseph

St. Joseph is a powerful patron. He is, as John Paul II called him, the Guardian of the Redeemer. He humbly accepted his role as guardian, husband and father in the Holy Family.

St. Joseph's intercession has been eagerly sought for centuries.

St. Joseph was clearly very close to our Lord and so we come to him with this novena with a sense of humility because of his great humility.

DAY I: March 11th

sign up now & Novena prayers
will be sent to your inbox!



www.praymorenovenas.com/st-joseph-novena

MOMS Podcast Club



Join other Catholic moms of school-age children and younger this Lent for conversation on the podcast **"Mamas in Spirit"**

Thursday, March 14:

9:30am in the Church Hall

S5 E4: The Miracle of Going Home with Elaine Drabik

Thursday, March 28:

9:30am in the Church Hall

S5 E5: Feeling Disconnected in Your Marriage? with Mike and Alicia Hernon

Listen to podcast prior to gathering 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

DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS

ETERNAL FATHER, SINCE IT HAS PLEASED OUR DIVINE SAVIOR TO REVEAL THE POWER RESIDING IN HIS HOLY FACE, WE THANK YOU FOR THIS GREAT TREASURE AS A REMEDY FOR ALL OUR NEEDS.

SINCE OUR DIVINE SAVIOR PROMISED THAT BY OFFERING YOU, HIS HOLY FACE DISFIGURED IN HIS PASSION, WE CAN OBTAIN ALL THE NEEDS OF OUR FAMILY. NOTHING WILL BE REFUSED US, AS WE COME BEFORE YOUR THRONE. WE OFFER TO YOU, DEAREST FATHER, THIS ADORABLE COUNTEenance, DISFIGURED WITH PAINFUL BRUISES AND COVERED WITH SHAME AND CONFUSION. WE BEG YOU THROUGH THE MERITS OF THE HOLY FACE TO OBTAIN OUR MOST PRESSING NEEDS.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE THIS LENT HERE: WWW.STMARYMOKENA.ORG/LENT



WOMEN'S MINISTRY
FAITH • FELLOWSHIP • FAMILY

We invite all women to join us on **Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 8:45am** in the Church Hall as we discuss how to **Live and Pray More Intentionally during Holy Week**

Let's finish this Lent focusing on the most important week of the year for Catholics. There will be a warm breakfast and discussion time.



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

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SUNDAY, 3/10!

6PM MASS

7PM CHURCH HALL

FOLLOWED BY PIZZA & FELLOWSHIP

SESSION 4 -

"WHAT'S OUR STORY"

SESSIONS 5 & 6 - SUNDAY, 3/17 5PM

"WHO IS JESUS?" "AM I SAVED?"

DINNER WILL BE SERVED

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We delivered 43 diaper bags filled with newborn essentials in 2023. Our goal this year is 50! Be a diaper bag sponsor for \$50! Contact Tom Blue @ tblue@stmarymokena.org

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Diocese of Joliet Youth Day @
Lewis University June 1
Current school year 7th graders
through HS Seniors

Steubenville Conference @
Franciscan University June 28-30
Current school year 8th graders
through HS Seniors

Contact Tom Blue @
tblue@stmarymokena.org

From the Sacred Music Office:

I hope that everyone is having a blessed Lent. Today is the Fourth Sunday of Lent, also known as Laetare Sunday! The Latin word "laetare" which means "rejoice" is taken from the opening text of the Entrance Antiphon used this weekend, "Laetare Jerusalem" or "Rejoice Jerusalem". This Sunday signifies that we are half-way through the Lenten Season. As a sign of joy you will see our clergy in their rose vestments.

Since we are rejoicing this weekend, it is fitting to announce that our new organ is scheduled to be installed this week! This marvelous instrument has a wide variety of organ stops that allow an organist to play different styles of literature: American Eclectic, English Cathedral, French Romantic, and German Baroque. All of these variations can be used alone, or combined with the other organ styles. In total, this organ has 323 impressive sounds! I hope that you are excited for the beautiful music that will come from this new instrument in the very near future!

While we celebrate the arrival of the new organ, I would like to remind you that our fundraising efforts continue for new Church bells (the ones on the outside of the building) as well as additional music equipment for the choir area. Your continued support is crucial in helping us reach our goal and complete this important project. Thank you for your generous contributions and support of this fundraiser. Every contribution, no matter the size, makes a difference and brings us closer to making our dream a reality.

With the Triduum liturgies approaching, there will be something different included in the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. Just like in past years, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7pm. However, on Good Friday, our schola will be singing choral reflections throughout some of the stations. This solemn and reflective service will provide us with an opportunity to walk alongside Jesus on his journey to the cross, meditating on his ultimate sacrifice for our salvation.

I pray that you continue to have a blessed Lent as we journey towards the celebration of Easter. Thank you for your ongoing support of our Sacred Music Ministry here at St. Mary Parish. May God abundantly bless your kindness and support.

Sincerely,

Joseph Berardi

Director of Sacred Music

SMS MEN'S CLUB
MARCH
MADNESS

Where: 19th Hole - Mokena



<https://birdease.com/26838>

ST. MARY SCHOOL MEN'S CLUB IS HOSTING OUR ANNUAL MARCH MADNESS EVENT. WE WILL STILL BE OFFERING THE SAME GAMING OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE IN THE PAST, BUT NOW WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO ADD THE ELEMENT OF GOLF. PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF BASKETBALL, GOLF, FOOD, FUNDRAISING & FELLOWSHIP TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR ST. MARY SCHOOL.

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For more information: Please contact Chris Barron
(crogb@hotmail.com / 708-408-6166)



Religious
Education

Hosted by the RE Board

St. Mary Parish Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 30

11:00 a.m.

Willowview Park Pavillion

(next to St. Mary, Mokena Church)

**EASTER CANDY
AND PLASTIC
EGGS NEEDED**

TO MAKE OUR EGG HUNT
PERFECT, WE COULD USE
YOUR HELP!

PLEASE BRING DONATIONS
TO THE ST. MARY
RELIGIOUS ED OFFICE BY
MARCH 21ST .

Spiritual Adoption Update — Month 7 & 8

You're in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. The baby is completely formed, and has been since 8 weeks. All he is doing now is gaining weight – and making mother uncomfortable with his size, but she's not worried now. In a short time, her baby will be born. She has planned to bring him home or place him for adoption.



Either way, she knows she can receive the assistance she needs from people like you and from the Crisis Pregnancy Centers. Your baby's mother appreciates the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It hasn't been easy, but your prayers have given her grace to seek the help she needs.

Please continue to pray for me!

Attention Ministers of Care!

Easter Lilies will be available in the Parish Office for those you visit beginning

Tuesday, March 12th

If you are unable to make a delivery, please contact Donna Hungerford 708-326-9312 or dhungerford@stmarymokena.org and someone will take it for you.



3-1: KUZMA CARE COTTAGE

635 S. MAIN ST., WILMINGTON, 10:00AM - 11:30AM

3-4: OUR LADY OF MERCY

701 S. EOLA RD, AURORA, 4:30PM - 6:00PM

3-8: OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

205 E. JACKSON ST., JOLIET, 10:00AM - 11:30AM

3-15: ST. JOSEPH

211 N. CENTER AVE., BRADLEY, 10:00AM - 11:30AM

3-26: ST. JOAN OF ARC

820 DIVISION ST., LISLE, 5:00PM - 6:30PM

THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES, DIOCESE OF JOLIET MOBILE FOOD PANTRY DELIVERS HEALTHY FOOD TO PEOPLE IN NEED. ALL MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES ARE CONTACT-FREE DRIVE-THRU'S. PLEASE CLEAR SPACE IN YOUR TRUNK OR BACK SEAT SO VOLUNTEERS CAN LOAD BOXES OF FOOD DIRECTLY INTO YOUR VEHICLE. RAIN, SNOW, OR SHINE!

DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK [FACEBOOK.COM/CCJOLIET](https://www.facebook.com/ccjoliet) FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION AND SCHEDULES.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES IS A FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATION PROVIDING SERVICE TO PEOPLE IN NEED AND CALLING OTHERS OF GOOD WILL TO DO THE SAME.



ILLINOIS MARCH FOR LIFE

SPRINGFIELD, IL | APRIL 17, 2024

SAVE THE DATE!

*Watch our bulletin for
more details about
attending the
March for Life!*




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(1-877-467-3463)
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The Council of Catholic Women

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

There will be a General Meeting
Thursday, March 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Guadalupe
Room, Church Hall.

St. Patrick/St. Joseph Day Family Celebration



Sunday, March 10th

Following 11:00 a.m. Mass
12:00 Noon - 4:00 p.m. Church Hall

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next **Council Meeting** will be
Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the
Guadalupe Room, Church Hall.

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The next Officer Meeting will be Tuesday, March 26
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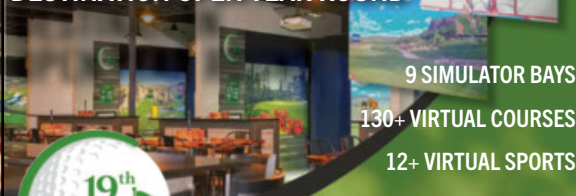
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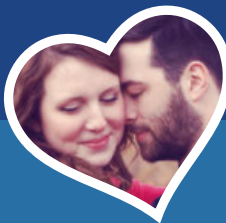
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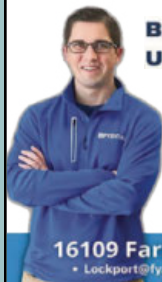
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