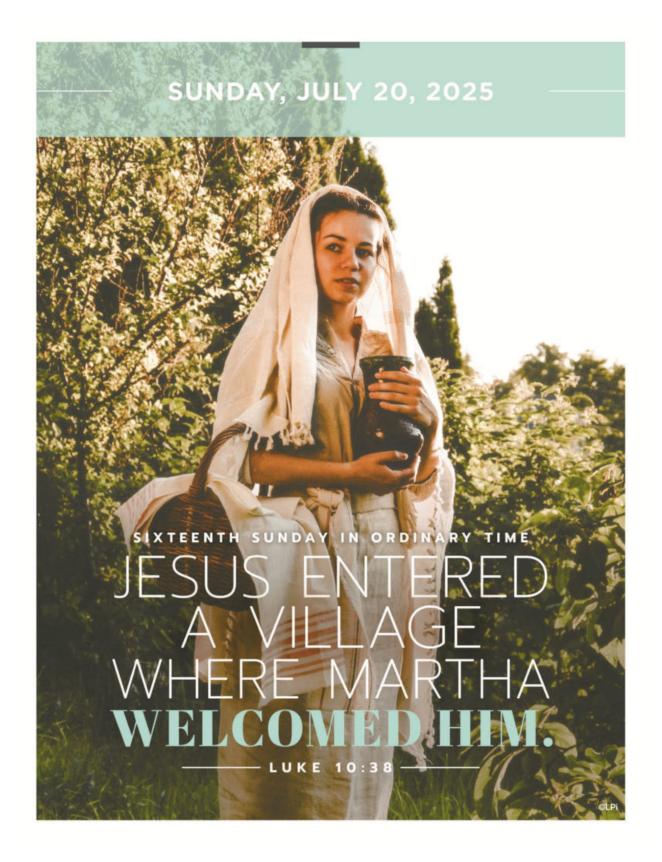
### SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



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

### **PARISH DIRECTORY**

**Deacon Peter Manning** 

Pastor: Fr. Joe Gasta

Interim Parochial Vicar: Fr. Joel Ricafranca

### Deacons:

Deacon John Rex
Deacon Kevin Plankinton
Deacon Dave Stanton
Parish Office:
Parish Secretary, Karen Dilger
Business Manager, Stephen J. Warunek

Maintenance Supervisor, Gerardo "Gerry" Iniguez
Morning Maintenance. Thomas Pritchard
Director of Faith Formation, Megan Murray
Assistant Director of Faith Formation, Danielle Kuboushek
Administrative Assistant of Faith Formation, Elizabeth Kozak
Assistant Director to the Clergy/Program Coord., Erica Sestak
Director of Religious Education, Tami Brongiel
Assistant Director of Religious Education, Suzy Olsen
RE Office Assistant, Kathy Brzeszkiewicz

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### School Office:

School Secretary, Charlotte Catchings School Principal, Michele Alday-Engelman School Assistant Principal, Michelle Huizinga

### **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:**

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.

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**RCIA** - Interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact the Director of Faith Formation at 708-326-9313.

BAPTISMS - Baptisms are usually scheduled the first and third Sunday of the month at 12:15 p.m. following 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements for the baptismal preparation class.

MARRIAGES - Weddings need to be scheduled at least 6 months in advance upon approval of a priest. Remember to secure the church date before the reception hall. Please stop in the parish office to begin this process.

**REGISTRATION** - New to St. Mary? Please stop in the parish office to complete our registration form or visit our website at www.stmarymokena.org.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** - Please contact the parish office at 708-326-9300.

### Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Monday, July 21

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

12:00p.m. K of C Blood Drive Set Up(Fatima)

1:00 p.m. K of C Blood Drive (Fatima)

6:30 p.m. Rosary (Church)

### Tuesday, July 22

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

7:00 p.m. K of C Officer Meeting (Lourdes)

### Wednesday, July 23

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

2:00 p.m. Daybreak Cooking (Kitchen) 7:00 p.m. Roses of Mary (Lourdes)

### Thursday, July 24

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

### Friday, July 25

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

### Saturday, July 26

7:00 a.m. Fit Shepherds (Church Grounds)

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)

5:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

### Sunday, July 27

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church)

9:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

11:00a.m. Mass (Church)

6:00 p.m. Mass (Church)

"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!





THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS DURING THE SUMMER JUNE 6TH-AUGUST 29TH

The 24 hour call center service will still be available for any emergencies 708-326-9300

### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, July 21 8:00am: Mary Filippi

Tuesday, July 22

8:00am: Terry McGuinness

Wednesday, July 23 8:00am: Diana Nash

Thurday, July 24

8:00am: Mary Ann Cullen

Friday, July 25 8:00am: Jay Bogg

Saturday, July 26 8:00am: Robert Foster

5:00pm: Kurt Grunert, Joseph Rubino, Gerald White,

Fran Marzo, Patty Alberts, Stephen Sestak

Sunday, July 27

8:00am: Ercole and Innocenza Sturino 9:30am: Mary Amerlia McGuinness 11:00am: Agnes and Martin Piecki

6:00pm: Henry and Pat Januchowski Wedding

Anniversary



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE NEWLY BAPTIZED SOPHIA AGUIRRE,

ALEXANDER AGUIRRE, ADRIAN IUGO, AIDEN IUGO

MAY GOD BLESS THE LITTLE ONES

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Dan Albrecht, Brett Anderson, Joe, Austin, Tammy Balamut, 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, 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 Klootwyk, Richard Kolovitz, Jan Kosmatine, John Kurator, 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, Janice Melisi, Ginny Meyer, Nancy Miarecki, 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, Ed Polzin, Janelle Portman, Rosemary Purcell, Dave Racine, Eileen Redican, Eduardo Reyes, Sean Rio, George Rohrer, Judy Roque, Barbra Rusin, Joseph Santiago, Midge Saunders, William Schlieman, Dan and Brenda Schmiedel, Diane Schoneich, Marie Shaw, 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

May God grant them healing!

### God Bless Our New Parishioners

Mr. Bart Zamora, The Sheehan family, The Powell family



# Please Pray for our Faithfully Departed Brothers and Sisters

### Marie Genovese



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 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 Midshipman 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 Capt 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

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.
THANK YOU.

# JOIN US IN CELEBRATING FATHER JOE GASTA'S INSTALLATION AS PASTOR OF ST. MARY PARISH!

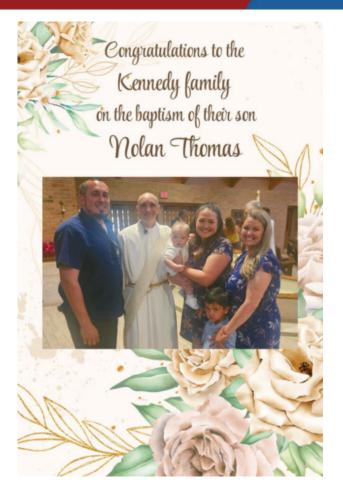
FRIDAY, AUGUST 15TH

6:00 PM MASS, CELEBRATED BY BISHOP RONALD HICKS

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW IN THE CHURCH HALL.

\*AUGUST 15TH IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.





### Meet Fr. Joel

Hello! My name is Fr. Joel Ricafranca, RCJ, a Rogationist Priest from the Philippines. I was born on March 8, 1982, entered the seminary in May 2003, and made my Perpetual Profession on June 1, 2013. I was ordained deacon in the following year and finished my theological studies at Don Bosco Center of Studies (Affiliate of Salesian Pontifical University), in the same year. I was ordained a priest on October 24, 2015, and was assigned as Assistant Novice Master in Silang, Cavite, Philippines. In the year 2017, I was sent to Indonesia for missionary work as a Vocation Promoter and Prefect of Discipline. From 2019-2023, I was assigned as the Associate Pastor at Saint Jerome Parish in Chicago, Illinois, while taking a master's degree in counseling in Ministry. Since July 2023, I have been appointed as the Rector and Superior of the Rogationist Seminary Manila, Philippines. I'm here to assist Fr. Joe Gasta until his Parochial Vicar comes here to St. Mary Parish. It is my honor to extend my priestly ministry here, and I am sincerely grateful for your support and prayers. Thanks and God bless,

Fr. Joel



July 26 - July 27: Seventeenth 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	Ted Kopczynski	Joan Aust Mary Frances Consola	Bob Cornejo Stan Nowak	Jim Contorno Bob Cornejo	James Nowak
Eucharistic Minister	Mary Ann Braasch Ted Kopczynski John Mitoraj Sue Murphy	Joan Aust Robert Rafferty Nancy Santry Stefanie Walthier	Roger Brown Michael Dilger Kathy Judge Gretchen Nenn	Michael Crowley Remo Lucci Bob Meyers NOT FILLED	Karen Haugh Robert Koch James Nowak
Altar Server	Seamus McGarry Charleigh Widelski Scarlett Widelski NOT FILLED	Jillian Ferin David Heitman NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Dennis Dilger Hazel Dilger Frankie Fulton June Fulton	Caleb Marietta Christopher Pienkos Cody Pienkos NOT FILLED	McKenna Griffin Daniela Lacny Finn McInerney
Usher	Mary Ann Braasch Jim Grady Mark Miron James Palermo	Chris Cichowicz Ed Dorey Rich Gavillet Roy Mueller	John Delladio Ed Dorey Joanette Kulesa Jim Kulesa Diane Mucia	Ed Dorey William Farhat David Larson Sandra Tome Gladys Weber	Gabriella Carens Linda Drake NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
Greeter	NOT FILLED	Ed Dorey	Ed Dorey	Ed Dorey	NOT FILLED
Live Stream			Eugene Satrun		

Serving God as an Altar Server is a wonderful way for a child to grow in faith as well as in responsibility, friendship, and other virtues. At St. Mary, we are blessed with an amazing team of Altar Servers. We thank you for giving up your time to serve the Lord and St. Mary. "We also thank our wonderful team of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Greeters, and Live Streamers for their dedication and outstanding service."



August 17, 2025 2:00 p.m. Cathedral of St. Raymond 604 N Raynor Ave., Joliet, IL **Registration Required** 

Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years, and more than 50 years, are welcome to attend. Bishop Ronald A. Hicks will celebrate the Mass and will lead all couples in a special renewal of wedding commitment.

Pre-registration is required by August 8, 2025. Scan the QR code or website link: https://forms.office.com/r/ qu9fbEpfkr



Office of Lifelong Lay Formation Questions? Contact Jim Elias (815) 221-6134

jelias@dioceseofjoliet.org

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# **Giving**

Summer of GENEROSITY

Love, serve and give generously this summer.

### The Offertory for July 13th

Online Giving \$11,653.40 Envelopes \$17,945.43

\$29,598.83

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

### Online Giving

Scan the QR

Code



# Adoration Under the Stars

St. Marv. Mokena Adoration Chapel Renovation Campaign

### BE PART OF OUR ADORATION CHAPEL FOREVER

This renovation brings

beauty and reverence to the sacred space of Old St. Mary's Adoration Chapel.

The ceiling is painted with stars in the same formation as the sky when Jesus was born.

Each person who donates will receive a specific star and a vile of 23k gold from their star.

> Large Star \$1,000

Medium Star \$500

Small Star | \$250 (sold out)

Visit www.stmarymokena.org/chapel to support the beautiful renovations at Old St. Mary.







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### Worship & Meditation

# Readings for the week of July 20, 2025

### Sunday:

Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

### Monday:

Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mt 12:38-42

### Tuesday:

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

### Wednesday:

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

### Thursday:

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17

### Friday:

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

### Saturday:

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/ Mt 13:24-30

### **Next Sunday:**

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/ Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13



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## Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One of my close friends is a hermit priest who lives on a desert mountain. Recently I found myself in a group conversation about him. One vehemently objected, "What does he do up there all day? Nothing! Priests are down here working, running parishes, making a difference, and he... he is doing nothing! What a waste." The words dripped with indignation and resentment. Most of the group quietly nodded in silent agreement. Were they correct?

No! To see why, consider a similar scenario in this week's Gospel. Jesus visits his friends Martha and Mary. A hardworking and exasperated Martha complains to Jesus that her sister is attending to him rather than to urgent household tasks. Our Lord, rather than praising hospitality, explicitly celebrates the less-productive sister for doing the "one necessary thing." He praises her for she "has chosen the better part" (Luke 10:42). Mary is busy doing what matters.

Before we freak out like Martha, consider that all work — domestic, manual, professional, ministerial, contemplative — is done to help us (sooner or later) to experience the love that makes us happy. We should be thankful for those who focus on the "better part" of radical, ceaseless prayer. They invite us to remember the purpose of all work is the enjoyment of love. Contemplatives, hermits, anyone fervently committed to prayer-they invite us to cast aside our forgetful, resentful, and self-aggrandizing attitudes in exchange for hearts ready to do what is finally necessary.

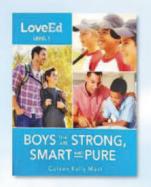
- Father John Muir

# ~~~ THIS SUMMER ~~~

HELP YOUR KIDS GET LOVE RIGHT

# LoveEd

~~ As In Love-Education ~~





# Dynamic Videos & Workbooks

Parent-Guided | Gender Specific | Catholic-Centered Age-Appropriate | Presumes Child Innocence



Don't Let Summer Pass Without Beginning The Conversation

### L'Alto Young Adult Network and St. Jude Augustinian Young Adult Ministry

invite adults ages 18-40 to



### **JOIN US AT 7PM ON THURSDAYS:**

**JULY 24: LOUISE MILLER** 

COME, HOLY SPIRIT & SET OUR HEARTS ON FIRE WITH YOUR LOVE





JULY 31: FR. JOE GASTA
CALLED TO MORE:
THE ADVENTURE OF DISCIPLESHIP

### **AUG 7: NICK LABANCA**

THE GREAT COMMISSION: WHY WE LIVE AND SHARE OUR CATHOLIC FAITH



CONTACT DKUBOUSHEK@STMARYMOKENA.ORG WITH ANY QUESTIONS.



Young women ages 18 to 39 are invited to join a four-week video series from "Word on Fire"

# The Eucharist

Join us for our second session! Wednesday, July 23rd 7:00PM | Church Hall

Contact Erica at <a href="mailto:esestak@stmarymokena.org">esestak@stmarymokena.org</a>
if you are interested in joining!

# Park Meetups

Join other families from
St. Mary Parish
at the park this summer.
Casual meetups begin at 10:00 am,
feel free to come when you can and
leave when you must.

Tuesday, July 22nd Main Park, Frankfort

400 W Nebraska St, Frankfort, IL 60423

Thursday, July 31

Grasmere Park, Mokena

10135 Lindsay Ln, Mokena, IL 60448

Tuesday, August 5th

Prairie Ridge Park, Mokena

21431 Coneflower Dr, Mokena, IL 60448

The more the merrier! Invite friends to join us.

Email Danielle with any questions: dkuboushek@stmarymokena.org



# ST. MARY'S SUMMER CAMP JULY 28 - AUG 1 2025

MARVELOUS MYSTERIES OF OUR FAITH

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TO REGISTER

GRADES 1 - 6





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TO BE A TEEN
OR ADULT
VOLUNTEER

OR REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE: www.stmarymokena.org/religiouseducation



# CALLING **FORTH**



All Families and Volunteers

2025-2026 ONLINE REGISTRATION IS **OPEN ON THE WEBSITE** 

https://www.stmarymokena.org/

CLASSES BEGIN: September 9th

**JOIN US** 

CALLED TO SERVE?

FAITH-FILLED CATECHIST

**CATECHIST ASSISTANT** 

SUBSTITUTE CATECHIST

OFFICE ASSISTANT/ HALL MONITOR/TRAFFIC HELPER











### Stewardship

In today's Gospel reading from St. Luke, we receive a reminder about the proper use of the gift of time, a fundamental aspect of a stewardship way of life. Our passage highlights one of the most famous dinner parties ever thrown, recalling the day that Martha and Mary hosted our Lord in their home. We are told that Martha, as a good steward, welcomes Christ in but then becomes "burdened with much serving" while her sister and fellow hostess chooses to simply sit with Jesus, listening to Him speak.



Martha becomes indignant at Mary's behavior and complains to Jesus, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." But Jesus, in His infinite wisdom, refuses to get pulled into this sisterly spat. Instead, He offers Martha a fresh way to look at the situation. "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing."

What is that one thing? It is to put Jesus first in our lives and above all other things; to "sit at his feet" and listen as Mary did, giving Him the priority of our time no matter how busy we think we are. When we truly commit to putting Christ first in our daily lives through a regular time of prayer and frequent participation in the sacraments, we will find that all our other concerns become less pressing, less overwhelming.

Why is this so? Because the time we invest in our relationship with God saturates all aspects of our lives with His grace. And because God cannot be outdone in generosity, He will abundantly reward any sacrifice we make to spend time with Him.

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Interested in the
St. Mary Pro-Life Committee?
We meet the second Thursday of each
month in the Church Hall at 9:00 a.m. in the
Lourdes Room.

Visit the St. Mary website for more information.

Pray the Holy Rosary in Church on Mondays at 6:30 p. m. (unless it is a holiday)

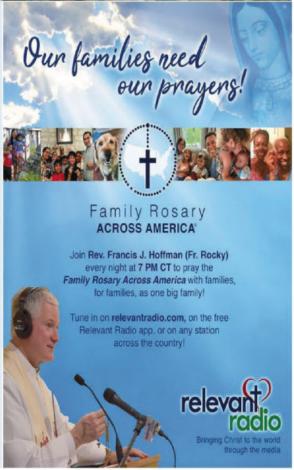
The first Monday of the month our Rosary is dedicated to the life of the unborn!



Please pick up a copy to have on hand in the event these resources are needed for a Mom in Crisis. The booklet, put together by the Prolife Committee, contains information on Pregnancy Resource Centers, Housing, Post-Abortive Help, Adoption Agencies, and more! It is also available on the St. Mary website.







### ST. MARY MISSION APPEAL

### Fr. Bormate from the Philippines is coming July 19-20 to all Masses!

### Fr. Bormate is coming to St. Mary's Parish!

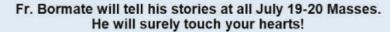
He is a priest in the Diocese of Borongan, Eastern Samar, Philippines. This Diocese is located on the far eastern coast of the Philippines where typhoons frequently visit causing massive destruction to homes and terrible loss of lives. The main livelihood of the locals are coconut and rice farming or fishing. Often their livelihoods are wiped out after typhoons leaving families without a way to put food on their tables or send their children to school.



In 2013, Supertyphoon Haiyan hit this area. Many lives were lost and total areas devastated! With the grace of God and the generosity of others, they are gradually recovering, even 12 years later.

Fr. Bormate will be speaking about an effort of the Borongan Diocese to help children from poor families be educated. Though high school and college costs are high, some elementary schools are free to attend. But these poor families don't even have the means to provide school supplies, uniforms or transportation for the children to go to these free schools.

Education truly can break the terrible cycle of poverty, it can be the hope of the future for children everywhere, especially children from desperately poor families.







### The Council of Catholic Women

The next **Board Meetings** will be Wednesday, August 6 & August 13 9:00 a.m. in the Church Hall, Fatima Room

# SAVE THE DATE FOR FESTA ITALIANA!!

Yunker Park on Saturday, July 26



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next **Officer Meeting** will be Tuesday, July 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Hall, Lourdes Room

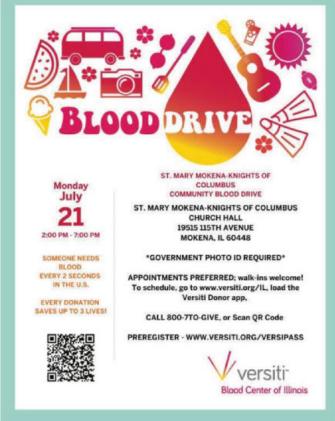
The next Council Meeting will be Tuesday, August 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Hall, Guadalupe Room

# The St. Mary Widow & Widower's Club

This group meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at a designated restaurant or other locations.

Contact Marcia Frank for details 708-227-8290.





# Would you like to be a Homebound Helper? Do you have some spare time?

Volunteers are needed to assist our senior parishioners and those in need in the following ways:

- Visit and wellness checks
- · Run errands to pick up medicine or do some grocery shopping
- Rides to doctor appointments, banks,
- haircut appointment or other errands

Contact Donna Hungerford if you are available (708) 326-9312 or dhungeford@stmarymokena.org





Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel



### **Yunker Park**

10824 W. LaPorte Rd. - Mokena, IL 60448

Saturday, July 26, 2025 | 11 am until 9 pm

Admission Price \$5.00 (12 and under FREE with a paid adult)

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School of Rock 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM Frank Rossi Trio 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM Ray Loffredi 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Enrico's Spaghetti Eating Contest 5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Bottomz Up Band 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

\*Times subject to change

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ENTERTAINMENT

Splash Pad - 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM Free splash pad use for kids with a paid adult.

Face Painting and Balloon Twisting B & C Ent. 12:00 AM to 3:00 PM

> Ken Mate Magic Show 3.00 PM to 5:00 PM

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