

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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St. Alexis is a community blessed by God with a diversity of cultures and languages. Celebrating that richness, we reach out to all, inviting them to gather at the table of the Lord as One People. In openness to the Gospel, we form ourselves as stewards of the Lord's gifts to create a community of faith that is unifying, supporting and nurturing.

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Saturday & Sunday / Sab y Dom: CLOSED
Monday - Thursday / Lun - Jue: 9 am - 3 pm
Friday/Vie: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS
Saturday 4:00 pm | Sábado 6:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am | Domingo 8:00 am y 11:00 am

DAILY MASSES / MISAS DIARIAS:
7:30 am (English/ Tuesday & Thursday)
9:00 am (Español/ Miercoles y Viernes)

CONFESSIONS/CONFESIONES:
Thursday/ Jueves: 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
or by appointment (call the office)
o por cita (llame a la oficina)

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT /
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CHURCH/IGLESIA: Thursday / Jueves
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

CHAPEL/CAPILLA: Monday & Friday / Lunes y Viernes
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm



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Sunday Offertory from October 12, 2025



Envelopes (202).....\$ 2,582.00
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Total\$ 5,057.00

Thank you for your continued support!
Gracias por su apoyo continuo!

CMAA PLEDGE REPORT FOR ST.ALEXIS PARISH

Monthly pledge payments for CMAA pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs.

PARISH GOAL: \$29,300

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$24,214

AMOUNT PAID: \$22,117

REMAINING BALANCE: \$2,097 DONOR COUNT:209

• SACRAMENT PROCEDURES •

BAPTISMS / BAUTIZOS:

Primer Sabado 10:00 am (Español)
Last Saturday 10:00 am (English)

WEDDINGS / BODAS-Griselda

Arrangements for weddings should be made 6 months in advance.

Los preparativos para bodas deben ser agendados con 6 meses de anticipación.

PASTORAL SERVICES / SERVICIOS PASTORALES

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COMMUNION PARA LOS ENFERMOS-Carmen

FUNERALS / FUNERALES -Sonia
XV-Griselda

Call the Rectory to Schedule!
Llame a la Oficina!

• READINGS FOR THE WEEK •

Scripture Readings

For the Week of October 19, 2025

Sunday	Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8
Monday	Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday	Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday	Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday	Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday	Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday	Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 35:12-14; 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Anyone with reason to believe that a child has been abused or is being abused should report their suspicions to civil authorities.

Contact: Illinois Department of Children and Family Services: 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) or the local police.

The Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help victims /survivors of child sexual abuse by a cleric, employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church.

The Victim Assistance Coordinator will report to Bishop Hicks and coordinate efforts of pastoral support and outreach to assist in the healing process.

The Victim Assistance Coordinator can also assist in making a report to civil authorities.

Contact the Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator at 815-263-6467.

REPORTANDO ABUSO SEXUAL

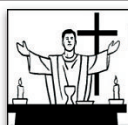
Cualquier persona que tenga razones para creer que un niño o niña ha sido abusado o está siendo abusado debe reportar sus sospechas inmediatamente a las autoridades civiles. Contactarse con el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias de Illinois: 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) o la policía local.

La Oficina del Coordinador de Asistencia Para Víctimas de la Diócesis de Joliet está disponible para ayudar a víctimas /sobrevivientes que han sufrido abuso sexual por parte de miembros del clero, empleados o voluntarios de la iglesia católica.

La Oficina del Coordinador de Asistencia Para Víctimas informará al obispo Hicks de lo sucedido y coordinará esfuerzos de apoyo pastoral y de divulgación para ayudar a las víctimas en el proceso de sanación.

El Coordinador de Asistencia Para Víctimas también puede ayudarle a hacer un reporte a las autoridades civiles.

Para más información póngase en contacto con La Oficina del Coordinador de Asistencia Para Víctimas de la Diócesis de Joliet al número 815-263-6467.



**Intenciones para
las Misas de
la semana**



**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Parish Calendar

Look for monthly calendar events at:
www.stalexiparish.org/calendar

Monday, October 20

7:30 am People of the Parish

Tuesday, October 21

7:30 am †Bernard Menke by Mary Kambach
†Marv Halladay

Wednesday, October 22

9:00 am Los Feligreses de La Parroquia

Thursday, October 23

7:30 am †Jerry Santori by Bernice Kosiek

Friday, October 24

9:00 am Los Feligreses de La Parroquia

Saturday, October 25

4:00 pm †Maria A Reyes by Norma Reyes
6:00 pm Los Feligreses de La Parroquia

Sunday, October 26

8:00 am †Julian Lopez de Familia Lopez
†Florentino Diaz de Familia Nava
†Francisco Abarca de la Cruz de su Familia
9:30 am People of the Parish
11:00 am Los Feligreses de la Parroquia

Monday

7:30 am Communion Service
6:30 pm Grupo de Oración

Tuesday

7:30am English Mass

Wednesday

9:00 am Misa En Español
7:00 pm Grupo de Mamas, Grupo de Jóvenes,
Coro Español y Ingles, RCIA,
Grupo Familia Fe y Esperanza

Thursday

7:30 am English Mass
7:00 pm Adoration/Adoracion/ Confessions

Friday

9:00 am Misa en Español

Saturday

4:00 pm English Mass
6:00 pm Misa en Español

Sunday

8:00 am Misa en Español
9am-11am Grupo Alpha
9:30 am English Mass
11:00 am Misa en Español

PRAY FOR THE SICK / OREMOS POR LOS ENFERMOS



We welcome the children recently baptized:

Les damos la bienvenida a los recién bautizados:

Elaine G Matias Cano,
Danae J Cano Rodriguez,
Jayden A Ramos Alvarado,
Aliyana M Cadengo Montalvo,
Leonardo Salazar



In Loving Memory of: Descansa En Paz:



Oscar Ledesma

We pray for this couple as they look forward to their wedding day:

Oramos por esta pareja mientras esperan con ansias el día de su boda:



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Perseverance

Vigésimo Noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario La perseverancia

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives a clever example of why we are to persevere in praying, even if we think the prayer is not being heard. The crooked judge just wanted to get that widow off his back. She was lucky her adversary didn't pester the judge, too; he might have gone the other way. So we can pray to God with even more confidence, because we know that God loves us and will answer our prayers.

St. Paul carries that theme of perseverance even further. He is not just talking about prayer here; he encourages Timothy to persevere in proclaiming God's word as well. That command we may find more challenging than prayer. He tells Timothy (and us!) to "convince, reprimand and encourage through all patience and teaching" (2 Timothy 4:2). How can we do that?

"Convince" reminds me that our faith should be reasonable. Not that we can prove all that we believe in a scientific way, but our faith should be realistic; after all, God made the world, so God should know how it works. Jesus' command to love one another, for instance, can be taught much more convincingly by giving examples of love. A mother who hugs her child when he is hurt, forgives him when he is sorry, and encourages him when he feels lost is teaching that command in a way that will be remembered much longer than just telling him to love people. So we can convince others of our faith by showing them examples of love, forgiveness, and encouragement.

Paul also talks about reprimanding each other. That may be what he was thinking when he says that proclaiming the word can sometimes be inconvenient. Most people find it difficult to reprimand someone they are in charge of, much less one who is equal in status. That's where patience comes in. A reprimand can be made patiently and gently, as a sign of concern rather than authority.

Paul lastly mentions teaching. He probably was referring to teaching the Hebrew scriptures and how they were fulfilled in Christ. Parents can do their part by teaching the stories from the Bible, helping children to see God in creation, teaching them to pray, and being good examples of God's love for them. If you send your children to religion classes or the parish school, do what you can to support the teachers so that what the children learn at school is practiced at home. What the children see (or don't see) at home has a much greater effect than a few hours a week in a classroom.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús da un ejemplo ingenioso de por qué debemos perseverar en la oración, incluso si creemos que no se escucha nuestra oración. El juez corrupto solo quería quitarse de encima a la viuda. Tuvo la suerte de que su adversario no molestara también al juez; podría haber optado por lo contrario. Así que podemos orar a Dios con aún más confianza, porque sabemos que Dios nos ama y responderá a nuestras oraciones.

San Pablo lleva el tema de la perseverancia aún más lejos. No solo se refiere a la oración; anima también a Timoteo a perseverar en la proclamación de la palabra de Dios. Este mandato puede resultarnos más difícil que la oración. Le dice a Timoteo (¡y a nosotros!): "convence, reprende y exhorta con toda paciencia y sabiduría" (2 Timoteo 4,2). ¿Cómo podemos lograrlo?

"Convencer" me recuerda que nuestra fe debe ser razonable. No es que podamos demostrar científicamente todo lo que creemos, pero nuestra fe debe ser realista; después de todo, Dios creó el mundo, así que Dios debería saber cómo funciona. El mandato de Jesús de amarnos los unos a los otros, por ejemplo, se puede enseñar de forma mucho más convincente dando ejemplos de amor. Una madre que abraza a su hijo cuando está herido, lo perdona cuando se arrepiente y lo anima cuando se siente perdido, está enseñando ese mandato de una manera que se recordará mucho más tiempo que simplemente diciéndole que ame a la gente. Así que podemos convencer a otros de nuestra fe mostrándoles ejemplos de amor, perdón y ánimo.

Pablo también habla de reprendernos unos a otros. Quizás eso era lo que pensaba cuando dice que proclamar la palabra a veces puede ser incómodo. A la mayoría de las personas les resulta difícil reprender a alguien a quien tienen a su cargo, y mucho menos a alguien de igual estatus. Ahí es donde entra la paciencia. Una reprimenda puede hacerse con paciencia y amabilidad, como muestra de preocupación más que de autoridad.

Por último, Pablo menciona la enseñanza. Probablemente se refería a enseñar las escrituras hebreas y cómo se cumplieron en Cristo. Los padres pueden contribuir enseñando las historias de la Biblia, ayudando a los niños a ver a Dios en la creación, enseñándoles a orar y siendo buenos ejemplos del amor de Dios por ellos. Si envían a sus hijos a clases de religión o a la escuela parroquial, hagan lo posible por apoyar a los maestros para que lo que aprenden en la escuela se practique en la casa. Lo que los niños ven (o no ven) en el hogar tiene un efecto mucho mayor que unas horas a la semana en un salón de clases.



A MESSAGE FROM...

Rev. Jesus Oliveros

Your Father, who sees in secret, will pay you

The other day I reflected on the gospel of Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 in which it talked about praying in secret and practicing almsgiving, prayer and fasting.

In that gospel, Jesus teaches the people and in his mind is always the Kingdom of the Father. So, through his words, he leads them to enter into the wisdom of this Kingdom, to understand life from a new perspective with new values.

Likewise, He also teaches us three practices in the Jewish world that we have incorporated into our Christian life: almsgiving, prayer and fasting.

To welcome the Kingdom means to welcome the friendship and mercy of God as the founding and saving experience of our lives; it means, therefore, to enter into God's plan, allowing ourselves to be transformed from within by his Love in order to live as his sons and daughters.

All life then becomes a personal response to this love of God, and we must understand that almsgiving, prayer and fasting need to be connected to live in compassion and justice.

In our relation to the others, Jesus also puts us on guard against some kinds of desires: the desire to be seen and to be praised by others.

Therefore, Jesus invites us to "close the door" and to "enter into the secret", to "not let the left hand know what the right is doing," and to "perfume our heads" when we go to fast.

Brothers and sisters, hopefully, we can discover in what we do every day that the "reward" is not in the admiration received, but in the joy that is in the "secret." This should lead our lives always.

Tu Padre, que ve en lo secreto, te pagará

El otro día reflexioné sobre el evangelio de Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 en el que hablaba de orar en secreto y practicar la limosna, la oración y el ayuno.

En ese evangelio, Jesús enseña a la gente y en su mente siempre está el Reino del Padre. Así, a través de sus palabras, los lleva a entrar en la sabiduría de este Reino, a comprender la vida desde una nueva perspectiva con nuevos valores.

Asimismo, también nos enseña tres prácticas en el mundo judío que hemos incorporado a nuestra vida cristiana: la limosna, la oración y el ayuno.

Acoger el Reino significa acoger la amistad y la misericordia de Dios como experiencia fundacional y salvífica de nuestra vida; significa, por tanto, entrar en el plan de Dios, dejándonos transformar desde dentro por su Amor para vivir como hijos e hijas suyos.

Toda la vida se convierte entonces en una respuesta personal a este amor de Dios, y debemos entender que la limosna, la oración y el ayuno deben estar conectados para vivir en compasión y justicia.

En nuestra relación con los demás, Jesús también nos pone en guardia contra algunos tipos de deseos: el deseo de ser vistos y alabados por los demás.

Por eso, Jesús nos invita a "cerrar la puerta" y a "entrar en el secreto", a "no dejar que la mano izquierda sepa lo que hace la derecha" y a "perfumarnos la cabeza" cuando ayunemos.

Hermanos y hermanas, ojalá podamos descubrir en lo que hacemos cada día que la "recompensa" no está en la admiración recibida, sino en la alegría que hay en el "secreto". Esto debe guiar nuestras vidas siempre.

Rev. Jesus Oliveros

UN MENSAJE DE...

UNDY SUNDAY 2025

October 19, 2025 (Schools: week of October 13 – 17, 2025)

Most people take things like underwear for granted. At Catholic Charities, we have found that low-income families and seniors living on poverty-level incomes do not spend money on underwear and desperately need it.

Last year, 50 parishes, schools, and organizations participated in the program. The collection makes a huge difference in the lives of our clients, and we pray that we can provide these much-needed items again this year.

For more information on Undy Sunday or how you can help with a donation, please email Stephanie Hook at shook@cc-doj.org.

To register to host a collection drive for Undy Sunday, [click here!](#)

Thank you so much for your help and generosity!



JUBILEE YEAR 2025 CELEBRATIONS



On October 27 to November 1, our Holy Father will be remembering in prayer and celebrating with ministers in the World of Education. This would be an opportune time to reflect on the many teachers and catechists whose teaching has formed us in our religious and academic lives. A note of thanks to them and a prayerful acknowledgement at Mass would be most appropriate on these days.

With gratitude and prayer, Deacon Tony Clishem



Join us for the
Diocese of Joliet
**JUBILEE MASS FOR
CATECHISTS**

Pilgrims of Hope

**Sunday, October 19, 2025
2:00 PM**

**Cathedral of St. Raymond
604 N Raynor Ave, Joliet, IL**

RSVP by QR code
or link below

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Questions? Call Deacon Tony Clishem 815-221-6134



MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

October 2025

OCTOBER 3: OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

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

OCTOBER 17: ST. JOSEPH

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

OCTOBER 20: ST. LAWRENCE

**165 RICE RD, SOUTH WILMINGTON
4:00PM - 5:30PM**

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● COME EARLY TO MAKE SURE YOU GET FOOD.

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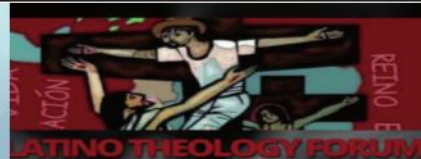
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Our faith committee, the DuPage Immigrant Ministry, hopes to unite and transform our Latino community by cooperation and love in action through a new alliance of the

LATINO CHURCH.

Let's make our Latino church shine the light of Christ among the marginalized, live our values in action while advocating for the rights of all immigrants.

COMMUNION+ FAITH + ACTION

DHC is a secular organization, dedicated to improving health equity for all.



FORO DE TEOLOGÍA LATINA

Nuestro comité de fe, el Ministerio de Inmigrantes DuPage, espera unir y transformar nuestra comunidad latina mediante la cooperación y el amor en acción a través de una nueva alianza de la

IGLESIA LATINA.

Hagamos que en nuestra iglesia Latina brille la luz de Cristo entre los marginados, vivamos nuestros valores en acción mientras abogamos por los derechos de todos los inmigrantes.

COMUNIÓN + FE + ACCIÓN

DHC es una organización secular, dedicada a mejorar la equidad en la salud para todos.

Thursday, November 13th
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