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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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OFFICE HOURS / HORAS DE OFICINA
www.stalexisparish.org

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

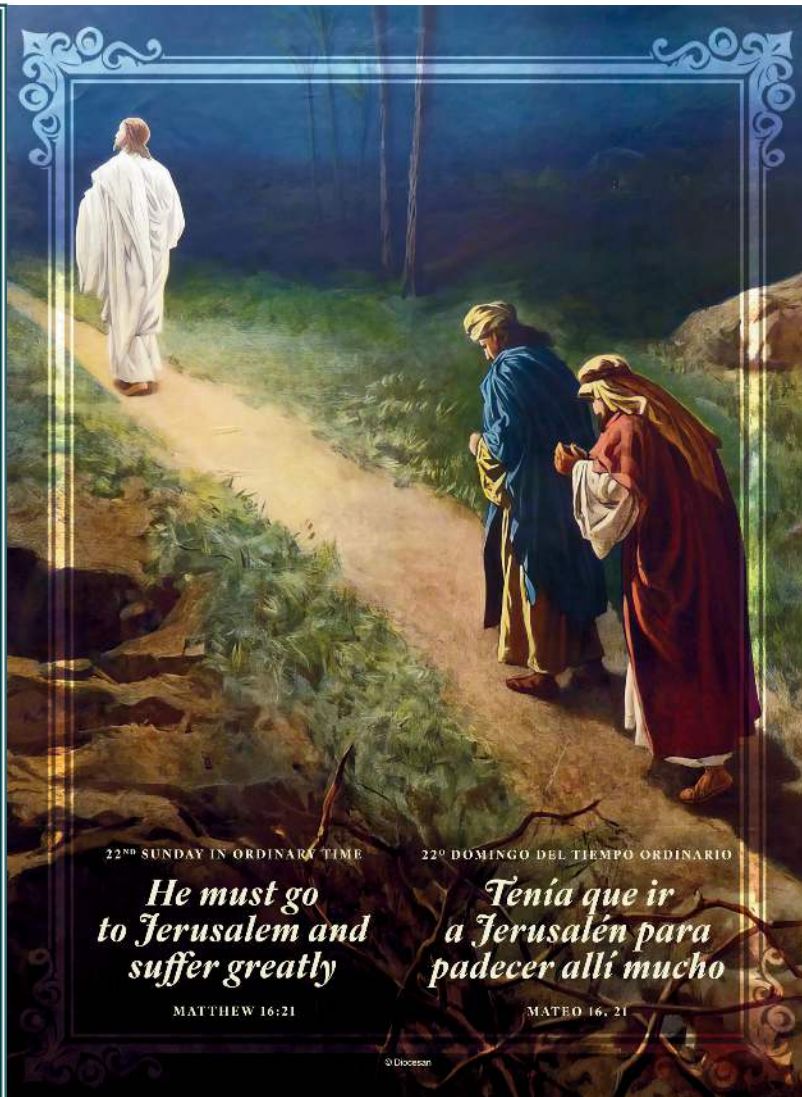
DAILY MASSES / MISAS DIARIAS:
7:30 am (English/ Tuesday & Thursday)
9:00 am (Español/ Miercoles y Viernes)

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 /
ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO:**

CHURCH/IGLESIA: Thursday / Jueves
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*He must go
to Jerusalem and
suffer greatly*

MATTHEW 16:21

22^º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

*Tenía que ir
a Jerusalén para
padecer allí mucho*

MATEO 16, 21

Religious Education Office
Oficina De Educación Religiosa

Director: Dc. Sergio González

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**Sunday Offertory from
August 23, 2026**



Envelopes (130).....\$ 2,564.00
Loose\$ 2,768.00
Total\$ 5,332.00

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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. (2026)

PARISH GOAL: \$27,900

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$23,638

AMOUNT PAID: \$21,303

• SACRAMENTPROCEDURES•

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
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FOR THE SICK /
MINISTERIO DE COMMUNION PARA LOS**

**ENFERMOS-Carmen
FUNERALS / FUNERALES -Sonia
XV-Griselda**

Call the Rectory to Schedule!
Llame a la Oficina!

**Scripture Readings
For the Week of August 30, 2026**

Sunday	Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
Monday	1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14; Lk 4:31- 37
Wednesday	1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday	Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday	1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

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, August 31

7:30 am People of the Parish

Tuesday, September 1

7:30 am People of The Parish

Wednesday, September 2

9:00 am Los Feligreses de La Parroquia

Thursday, September 3

7:30 am People of the Parish

Friday, September 4

9:00 am Cumpleaños Graciela Lopez de Familia Talavera

Saturday, September 5

4:00 pm † Ramiro Garcia Jr. by Garcia Family

6:00 pm Los Feligreses de La Parroquia

Sunday, September 6

8:00 am Los Feligreses de La Parroquia

9:30 am † Frank Bruno by Picicco Family

† Peter Simoncelli by the Family

11:00 am Los Feligreses de La Parroquia

Monday

7:30 am Communion Service

6:30 pm Grupo de Oración

Tuesday

7:30 am English Mass

Wednesday

9:00 am Misa en Español

7:00 pm Grupo de Mamas, Grupo de Jóvenes,

Coro en Español y Ingles, RCIA,

Grupo Familia y Fe y Esperanza

Thursday

7:30 am English Mass

7:00 pm Adoration/Adoración /Confessions

Friday

9:00 am Misa Español

Saturday

4:00 pm English Mass

6:00 pm Misa en Español

Sunday

Festival/ Kermes 8am- 7pm

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



Pedro Abundiz Ortiz

In Loving Memory of Descansa En Paz:



Amelia y Arnoldo Villaseñor,
Serafin, Ignacio, Linda, Dolores, y
Jose Vasquez

We welcome the children recently baptized:

Le damos la bienvenida a los recién
bautizados:

Lea A Valeriano Perez, Nicholas Gomez,
Maxwell R. Davenport,
Madison R. Davenport,
Elizabeth Gonzalez, Andres Sanchez II,
, Sebastian Hernandez



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:





Reflection from... Rev. Jesus Oliveros

In one of the recent Masses, we reflected on the Gospel of Matthew 6:19–23, where Jesus reminds us that **“where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”** This Gospel invites us to look more deeply at what truly shapes our lives and where we place our deepest trust and attachment.

Jesus is not simply speaking about money or material possessions when He says, “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth.” He goes deeper: He is touching the place where the heart becomes attached, where desire takes root and eventually defines a person’s life.

The real problem is not having things, but allowing things to have the heart. A treasure is not only what we possess, but what ends up possessing us from within. For this reason, Jesus contrasts two kinds of treasures: one that decays and can be stolen, and another that lasts and can never be taken away.

In this line the Gospel is not a moral code of deprivation, but an invitation to **interior freedom**. The human heart is made for something great, and when it clings to what is small, it becomes darkened. The problem with “treasures on earth” is that they shrink the horizon of the soul.

Then Jesus speaks of the eye as the lamp of the body. In the spiritual tradition often recalled by Cantalamessa, following the Fathers of the Church, the “healthy eye” is the purified interior gaze, the simple and undivided heart. When the eye is clear, the whole life is illuminated: reality is seen with truth, without distortion or self-centeredness.

But when the eye is unhealthy—when it is dominated by greed, envy, or the search for security in material things—then everything becomes dark. It is not only that the person “does bad things,” but that he or she loses the ability to see life, God, and others correctly.

At the deepest level, Jesus is describing a spiritual struggle: between a divided heart and a unified heart. Between a gaze scattered among many things and a gaze focused on the one thing necessary.

And the conclusion is very clear: “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” This is not a threat, but a spiritual diagnosis. The heart always moves toward what it recognizes as its true treasure.

Therefore, the real question is not simply “what do I have?”, but: what is it that truly governs my inner life? What gives me meaning, direction, and peace?



Una Reflexión De... *Rev. Jesus Oliveros*

En una de las misas recientes, reflexionamos sobre el Evangelio de Mateo 6:19–23, donde Jesús nos recuerda que **"donde esté tu tesoro, allí estará también tu corazón."** Este Evangelio nos invita a mirar más profundamente en lo que realmente moldea nuestras vidas y dónde depositamos nuestra mayor confianza y apego.

Jesús no se refiere simplemente al dinero o a las posesiones materiales cuando dice: «No os asemejeis tesoros en la tierra». Va más allá: está tocando el lugar donde el corazón se apega, donde el deseo echa raíces y finalmente define la vida de una persona.

El verdadero problema es no tener cosas, sino permitir que las cosas tengan el corazón. Un tesoro no es solo lo que poseemos, sino lo que acaba poseyéndonos desde dentro. Por esta razón, Jesús contrasta dos tipos de tesoros: uno que se descompone y puede ser robado, y otro que perdura y nunca puede ser arrebatado.

En esta línea, el Evangelio no es un código moral de privación, sino una invitación a **la libertad interior**. El corazón humano está hecho para algo grande, y cuando se aferra a lo pequeño, se oscurece. El problema con los "tesoros en la tierra" es que reducen el horizonte del alma.

Entonces Jesús habla del ojo como la lámpara del cuerpo. En la tradición espiritual que a menudo recuerda Cantalamesa, siguiendo a los Padres de la Iglesia, el "ojo sano" es la mirada interior purificada, el corazón simple e indivisible. Cuando el ojo está claro, toda la vida se ilumina: la realidad se ve con verdad, sin distorsión ni egocentrismo.

Pero cuando el ojo es insalubre —cuando está dominado por la codicia, la envidia o la búsqueda de seguridad en las cosas materiales— entonces todo se vuelve oscuro. No es solo que la persona "haga cosas malas", sino que pierde la capacidad de ver la vida, a Dios y a los demás correctamente.

En el nivel más profundo, Jesús describe una lucha espiritual: entre un corazón dividido y un corazón unificado. Entre una mirada dispersa entre muchas cosas y una mirada centrada en lo único necesario.

Y la conclusión es muy clara: "Donde está tu tesoro, allí estará también tu corazón." Esto no es una amenaza, sino un diagnóstico espiritual. El corazón siempre se dirige hacia lo que reconoce como su verdadero tesoro.

Por lo tanto, la verdadera pregunta no es simplemente "¿qué tengo?", sino: ¿qué es lo que realmente gobierna mi vida interior? ¿Qué me da sentido, dirección y paz?



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| ✓ IC Catholic Prep, Elmhurst | ✓ St. Laurence High School, Burbank |
| ✓ Joliet Catholic Academy, Joliet | ✓ St. Lawrence Seminary High School, Mt. Calvary, Wisconsin |
| ✓ Marist High School, Chicago | ✓ Trinity High School, River Forest |
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Feria de Admisión a las Escuelas Secundarias

Miércoles 23 de septiembre de 6 a 8 p.m.

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Para estudiantes de 4^{to} a 8^{vo} grado y sus familias para explorar escuelas, hablar con representantes de escuelas y aprender sobre el proceso de admisión y ayuda financiera.

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Diocese of Joliet are invited to gather for a historic public
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