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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

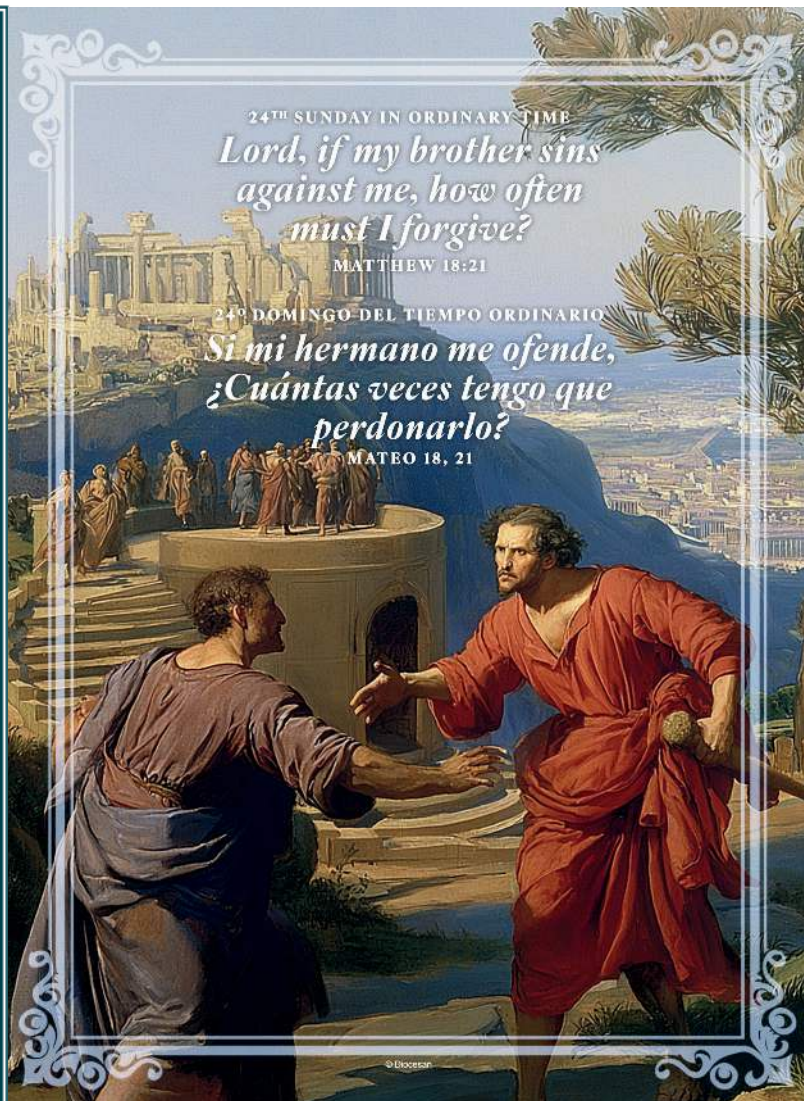
DAILY MASSES / MISAS DIARIAS:
7:30 am (English/ Tuesday & Thursday)
9:00 am (Español/ Miércoles y Viernes)

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



Religious Education Office
Oficina De Educación Religiosa

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Sunday Offertory from September 6, 2026



Envelopes (148).....\$ 2,119.00
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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: \$23,668

AMOUNT PAID: \$21,433

• 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 September 13, 2026

Sunday	Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30-28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35
Monday	Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross Num 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn3:13-17
Tuesday	Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 19:25-27
Wednesday	Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday	1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50
Friday	1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday	Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

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, September 14

7:30 am People of the Parish

Tuesday, September 15

7:30 am People of The Parish

Wednesday, September 16

9:00 am †Jesus Robles de Familia Duarte

Thursday, September 17

7:30 am People of the Parish

Friday, September 18

9:00 am Cumpleaños Mayeli Arias de su Familia

Saturday, September 19

4:00 pm People of the Parish

6:00 pm † Sabas Cano de Familia Cano-Rodriguez

† Alexander De Aquino de su Familia

† Guadalupe Rodriguez de su Familia

Sunday, September 20

8:00 am † Alexander DeAquino de su Familia

†Isaias Flores y Francisca Valenzuela de Familia Rivera

9:30 am Birthday Luz Andrea Picicco by Picicco Family

11:00 am †Dimas Sanchez de su Familia

†Miguel Albarran de su Familia

Intenciones de Francisco Ortiz y Familia de Nena

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

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



Chloe Zapata
Fidencio Cabral

In Loving Memory of Descansa En Paz:



Oscar y Nancy Ledesma

We welcome the children recently baptized:



Le damos la bienvenida a los recién bautizados:

Esteban Herrera, Sebastian G Velasquez,

Madelin T Velasquez,

Gael I Gomez- Ramos, Roman L. Nava,

Nolan S Nava, Erick Castillo,

Esmeralda F Monarrez

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-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Cross of Forgiveness

Why should we forgive those who hurt us? This Sunday's Gospel gives us three reasons: First, because Jesus commands it. Second, because forgiveness is part of loving one another. And third, because we want to be forgiven for our sins.

Obviously, Jesus expects us to forgive one another. In this passage, he commands us to forgive without ceasing, without limit. That might be a challenge for even the most patient people. So, does forgiveness exclude tough love? Does it mean we should let someone hurt us again and again? No. It is possible to forgive someone and also prevent them from hurting us, if we do so with love (the second reason). For example, we can forgive an alcoholic relative but still insist that they seek help. We can forgive a son or daughter who breaks the law but still let them face the consequences so they learn from their mistake. We can forgive a friend who borrows money without paying it back and also refer them to a credit counselor instead of lending them more money. Since forgiveness is part of love, it is also part of tough love.

That leads to the third reason: we forgive because we want to be forgiven. Or more accurately, we forgive because we have been forgiven. Jesus already died for our sins. His resurrection shows us that the Father accepted the sacrifice of his Son Jesus for our sins. If we truly believe that Jesus rose again and that we will rise with him to eternal life despite our sins, how can we refuse to forgive someone who hurts us? When we promise to take up the cross each day and follow him, we must remember why Jesus took the cross and realize that we must forgive as he forgives. That's why the cross is such a powerful symbol. It asks us to accept suffering for Jesus' sake. It reminds us that sometimes the cross is simply about forgiving someone rather than hurting or hating them. If Jesus gave his life to forgive us, are we willing to spread that forgiveness far and wide?

Vigésimo Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

La cruz del perdón

¿¿Por qué debemos perdonar a quienes nos lastiman? El evangelio de este domingo nos da tres razones: Primero, porque Jesús lo manda. Segundo, porque el perdón es parte de amarse unos a otros. Y tercero, porque queremos ser perdonados por nuestros pecados.

Obviamente, Jesús espera que nos perdonemos unos a otros. En este pasaje nos manda a perdonar sin cesar, sin límite. Eso podría ser un reto incluso para las personas más pacientes. Entonces, ¿el perdón excluye el amor duro? ¿Significa que debemos dejar que alguien nos lastime una y otra vez? No. Es posible perdonar a alguien y también evitar que nos haga daño, si lo hacemos con amor (la segunda razón). Por ejemplo, podemos perdonar a un familiar alcohólico, pero aun así insistimos en que busque ayuda. Podemos perdonar a un hijo o una hija que infringe la ley, pero todavía dejar que afronte las consecuencias para que aprenda de su error. Podemos perdonar a un amigo que pide dinero prestado sin devolverlo y también remitirlo a un asesor de crédito en lugar de prestarle más dinero. Dado que el perdón es parte del amor, también es parte del amor duro.

Eso lleva a la tercera razón: perdonamos porque queremos ser perdonados. O más exactamente, perdonamos porque hemos sido perdonados. Jesús ya murió por nuestros pecados. Su resurrección nos muestra que el Padre aceptó el sacrificio de su Hijo Jesús por nuestros pecados. Si verdaderamente creemos que Jesús resucitó y que resucitaremos con él a la vida eterna a pesar de nuestros pecados, ¿cómo podemos negarnos a perdonar a alguien que nos lastima? Cuando prometemos tomar la cruz cada día y seguirlo, debemos recordar por qué Jesús tomó la cruz y darnos cuenta de que tenemos que perdonar como él perdona. Por eso la cruz es un símbolo tan poderoso. Nos pide aceptar el sufrimiento por causa de Jesús. Nos recuerda que a veces la cruz es simplemente perdonar a alguien en lugar de lastimarlo u odiarlo. Si Jesús dio su vida para perdonarnos, ¿estamos dispuestos a difundir ese perdón por todas partes?





Reflection From Rev. Jesus Oliveros

He got up and followed Him

In one of the previous Masses, I reflected on the Gospel of Mt 9:9-13. It was a gospel that tells us about the vocation story of Matthew. It says that Jesus saw Matthew seated at his job and told him: **“Follow me.”** And, Matthew did!

Matthew was a tax collector, and we know that the tax collectors had a bad reputation. They were workers who stole money from people who came to pay their taxes. However, Jesus didn't pay attention to Matthew's occupation. Instead, Jesus looked deep inside this man who was considered a sinner, and He saw his heart ready to leave everything and follow Him.

This story encourages us to open our eyes to see beyond the superficial. We are invited not to focus only on appearance thereby forgetting the mystery of God that each person harbors.

Certainly, Matthew was called at the right time and immediately responded to Jesus' invitation to follow Him. Can you imagine if Jesus had seen only the external in Matthew, a person who was being defined—and judged—only on his job description of collecting taxes from the Jews and then, most likely, lying how much people owed and pocketing the difference. If this would be the case, then it was better not to call him to follow Him at all. As a result, we wouldn't have a great Apostle and Evangelist of Matthew.

Brothers and Sisters, let us follow the example of Saint Matthew and have the courage to respond to God's call without hesitation.

Following the example of Saint Matthew, let us propose religious vocations to the young people around us—many of whom, in search of happiness, are knocking on the wrong doors.

Let us lead them to the path of true joy, the one that only God can give and that Saint Matthew chose to follow.





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

Se levantó y lo siguió

En una de las misas anteriores, reflexioné sobre el Evangelio de Mt 9:9-13. Era un evangelio que nos habla sobre la historia de la vocación de Mateo. Dice que Jesús vio a Mateo sentado en su trabajo y le dijo: "Sígueme." ¡Y Mateo lo hizo!

Mateo era recaudador de impuestos, y sabemos que los recaudadores tenían mala reputación. Eran trabajadores que robaban dinero a quienes venían a pagar sus impuestos. Sin embargo, Jesús no prestó atención a la ocupación de Mateo. En cambio, Jesús miró profundamente dentro de este hombre que era considerado pecador, y vio su corazón listo para dejarlo todo y seguirlo.

Esta historia nos anima a abrir los ojos para ver más allá de lo superficial. Se nos invita a no enfocarnos solo en la apariencia, olvidando así el misterio de Dios que cada persona alberga.

Ciertamente, Mateo fue llamado en el momento adecuado y respondió de inmediato a la invitación de Jesús para seguirlo. ¿Te imaginas si Jesús hubiera visto solo lo externo en Mateo, una persona que estaba siendo definida—y juzgada—solo por su descripción de trabajo de recaudar impuestos a los judíos y luego, muy probablemente, mentir sobre cuánto debía la gente y quedarse con la diferencia? Si este fuera el caso, entonces era mejor no llamarlo a seguirlo en absoluto. Como resultado, no tendríamos un gran Apóstol y Evangelista de Mateo

Hermanos y hermanas, sigamos el ejemplo de San Mateo y tengamos el valor de responder al llamado de Dios sin dudar.

Siguiendo el ejemplo de San Mateo, propongamos vocaciones religiosas a los jóvenes que nos rodean—muchos de los cuales, en busca de la felicidad, están tocando las puertas equivocadas.

Guiémoslos por el camino de la verdadera alegría, aquel que solo Dios puede dar y que San Mateo eligió seguir.





Explore the Value of a Catholic Education

High School Admissions Fair

Wednesday, September 16 from 6-8 p.m.

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For 4th-8th grade students and families to explore schools, speak with school representatives and learn about the admissions process and financial aid.

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- ✓ Nazareth Academy, LaGrange Park
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- ✓ Rosary College Prep, Aurora
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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 4º a 8º 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
Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Join Bishop Spies,
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