

St. Liborius Catholic Parish

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708-754-1363 • www.stliborius.org

St. Boniface Catholic Church

5304 W. Main Street • Monee, IL 60449
708-534-9682 • www.stbonifacemonee.org

Pastor
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fathermilota@outlook.com

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fatherfrank@stliborius.org

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Mark Otten
David Prete

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708-754-3460

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Maintenance
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Ministry of Care—St. Boniface
Erwin Bogs (ebogs@comcast.net)

St. Liborius Catholic Parish

Office Hours:
Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday 8:30 AM—3:30 PM

Mass Schedule—see page 2

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 8:30 AM and 3:30 PM
Friday 7:00 AM

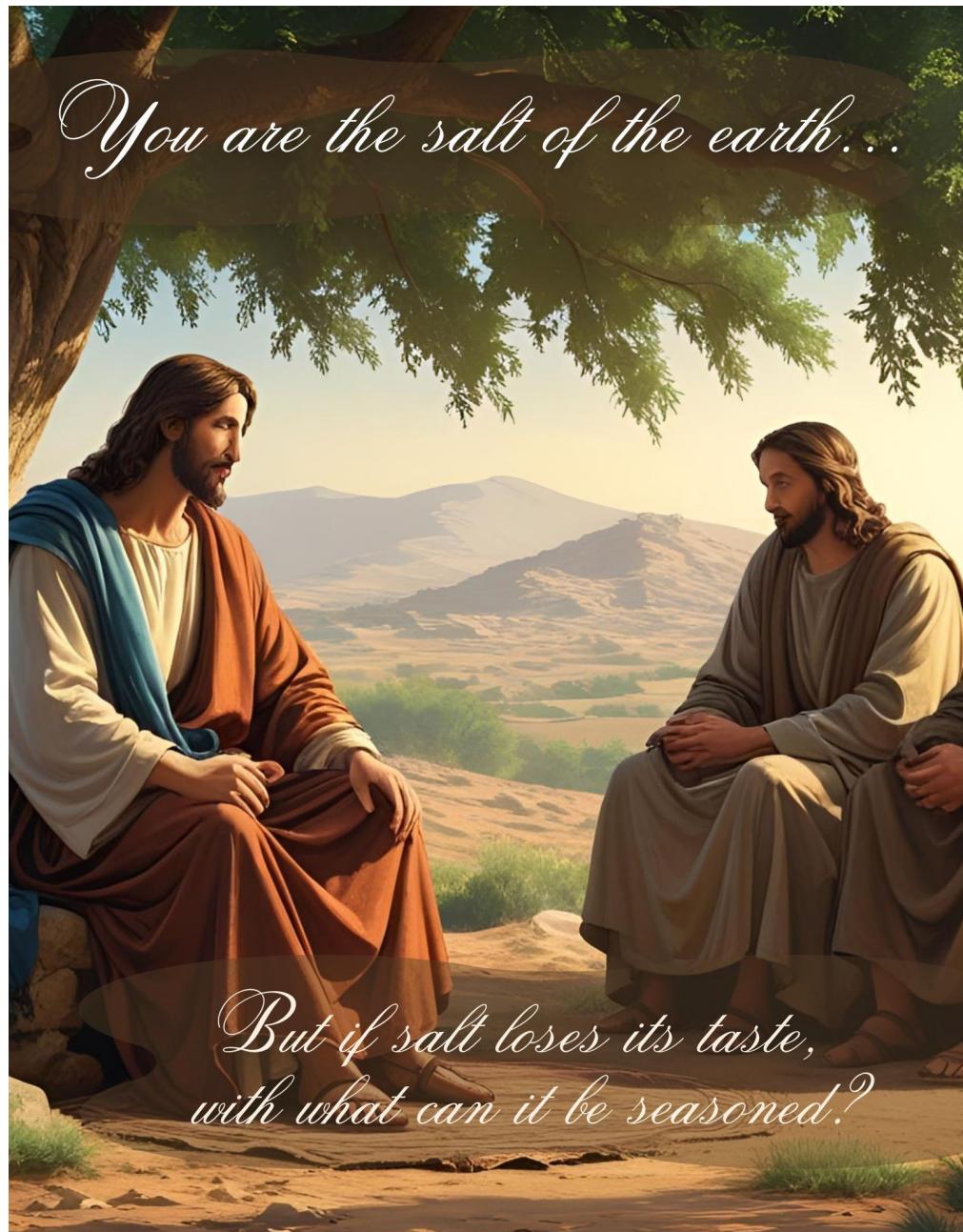
Eucharistic Adoration
Friday 8:30 AM—9:30 AM

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Tuesday 8:30 AM—3:30 PM

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Sacrament of Reconciliation
Tuesday 9:00 AM
Sunday 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday 9:00 AM—10:00 AM



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 8, 2026

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 7

4:30 PM • St. Liborius—Kevin Jordan & the People of the Parish

Sunday, February 8—5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM • St. Boniface

Paul Przybyla & the People of the Parish

10:30 AM • St. Liborius

In Thanksgiving for Outreach Volunteers & Donors

12:30 PM • St. Boniface (Spanish)

For Vocations to the Priesthood

Monday, February 9

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—For the Souls in Purgatory

8:30 AM • St. Boniface—Communion service

Tuesday, February 10—St. Scholastica

8:30 AM • St. Boniface—Lawrence Buchmeier (D)

7:00 PM • St. Liborius—For Vocations to the Priesthood

Wednesday, February 11—Our Lady of Lourdes

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—For the People of the Parish

Thursday, February 12

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—For the Souls in Purgatory

8:30 AM • St. Boniface—Communion service

Friday, February 13

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—William Kane (D)

8:30 AM • St. Boniface—Communion Service

Saturday, February 14—Ss. Cyril & Methodius

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—For Vocations to the Priesthood

4:30 PM • St. Liborius—Cas & Doris Wison

Sunday, February 15—6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM • St. Boniface

Dave Kwasigroch (D) & The People of the Parish

10:30 AM • St. Liborius

Sandra Prete (D) & The People of the Parish

12:30 PM • St. Boniface (Spanish)

For the Souls in Purgatory

Scripture Readings

Sunday, February 8—5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5;
Mt 5:13-16

Sunday, February 15—6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34;
1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

Liturgical Ministers

St. Boniface • Sunday, February 15

Lector

James Lehnerer

Eucharistic Minister

John Porpora

Ministers of the Cup

Deacon Mark Otten, David Schmidt, Kathy Short

Altar Servers

Marco Gattuso, Mike Hudspeth

St. Liborius • February 14/15

Lector

4:30pm—Jamie Smart

10:30am—Pat Schanaberger

Eucharistic Ministers

4:30pm—Jim Betourney, Chuck Gromala,
Jeanette Dargert, Dave Rudofski

10:30am—Kathy Krebs, Patty Heiss, Art LeMere,
Jamie Jones

Altar Servers

4:30pm—Volunteers needed

10:30am—Lia Rivera & Isabella Bova





From Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners of Saint Liborius parish and Saint Boniface church,

Mother Teresa Catholic Academy Scholarship Deadline – March 1st

The Diocese of Joliet Catholic Education Fund has made considerable scholarships available to those registering at Mother Teresa for next year. There is one catch: **YOU MUST APPLY NO LATER THAN MARCH 1ST, 2026.** To register and apply for scholarships, log onto our nifty new webpage and click on the “ADMISSIONS” button at the top of the page or the “SCHOLARSHIPS” button in the middle of the page. Mother Teresa provides a nurturing Catholic environment with a new exceptional staff and increasing test scores. Please give your children or grandchildren a step up in the world by sending them to Mother Teresa Catholic Academy.

mtcacademy.org

Lent – Spread the News – 5 pm Sunday Mass beginning February 22nd

We will begin a new 5 pm Mass on the First Sunday of Lent. If you are out late on Saturday night doing your holy hour, you don't have to worry. You can sleep in and come to the 5 pm Mass Sunday evenings.

Thank you!

You should have all received your stewardship letters for the 2025 calendar year. Thank you to all those who contribute to the welfare of our parish and those who have increased their donation for the coming year. As you know, the prices on everything goes up each year and so do the costs of keeping our parish going.

Diaz Family Support

The Diaz family, members of our parish, have formed a go fund me page to assist them with food and their mortgage. The parish has helped them, but they still need more support. If you would like to support them, you may do so here: <https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fgofund.me%2Faf9a93673&data=05%7C02%7C%7Cef54f7f203844b19684008de62644acc%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C639056380054774014%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlyOilwLjAuMDAwMCIsIaIoiJXaW4zMilsIkFOljoiTWFpbCIsIldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=IMXYZSzKpL%2Bj%2BZ%2FTY1R%2FCRoxnRgyy5E%2Fjpy%2F8SSU6M4%3D&reserved=0>

May Almighty God bless you and keep you.

Prayers.

Fr. Thomas Milota

Fecha Límite para Becas de Mother Teresa Catholic Academy – 1 de Marzo

El Fondo para la Educación Católica de la Diócesis de Joliet ha puesto a disposición unas becas considerables a los que se inscriban en Mother Teresa para el próximo año. **HAY QUE SOLICITAR UNA BECA A MÁS TARDAR EL 1 DE MARZO, 2026.** Para inscribirse y solicitar las becas, se puede visitar nuestro sitio web nuevo y seleccionar el botón de “ADMISSIONS” en la parte de arriba de la página o el botón de “SCHOLARSHIPS” en el centro de la página. Mother Teresa provee un ambiente Católico cariñoso con un personal nuevo excepcional y resultados de las pruebas crecientes. Por favor, da a tus hijos o nietos un paso adelante en el mundo por enviarlos a Mother Teresa Catholic Academy.

mtcacademy.org

Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism

All parents asking for their children to be baptized must attend a Baptismal Prep class. Classes are held on the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. @ St. Liborius in the Church, with a reminder notice in the parish bulletin. If a child has already been baptized here no need to attend class again.

Please register for the class by calling the St. Liborius Parish Office at 708-754-1363. Godparents are also encouraged to attend the class. Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays immediately following the 10:30am Mass. Families and attendees of the Baptism are encouraged to attend Mass as the Baptisms will commence immediately after Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage preparation must begin a minimum of six months prior to the actual wedding date. Contact the parish office—St. Liborius (708-754-1363) or St. Boniface (708-534-9682) to begin the process.

Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the Sick is the sacrament that is received by those who are ill or suffering. By the sacred anointing and the prayer of the priest, the whole Church commends those who are sick to Christ.

Due to the Privacy Act, hospitals can no longer inform us when a parishioner is admitted to the hospital. A close relative needs to call either Parish Office—St. Liborius (708-754-1363) or St. Boniface (708-534-9682) to request an anointing.

Please Pray For...

Kathy Boswell, Bill Brennan, Kathy Call, Joan Cleghorn, Marie Compton, Ris Dancer, Rachel Dombroski, Don & Kathy Dornhecker, Tammy Downen, Julie Einhorn, Ken Grakauskas, Liz Greene, Barbara Gromala, Julie Hoyda, Kate Kendrick, Peter Klakow, Terri Koepke, Nancy Koepke, Patti Koopman, Louise Kopaczewski, Dennis and Brenda Lileikis, Amber Mangan, Anthony Mangan, Bethany Mangan, Corrie Mangan, Ivy Mangan, Jeremy Mangan, Maykala Mangan, Nasya Mangan, Gavin Mann, Jimmy Martin, Brenda McCann, Fr. John McGeean, Angela Mills, Bill Moran, Elyse M., Carmin M., John Novak, Fred Nunez, Victoria Nunez-Stuckart, Lloyd Pierce, Nancy Pilotto, Chad Pinnegar, Robert Prete, William P., Michael Rozwarka, Denise Rozwarka, Eligha Sain, Luis Santiago, Ray Smith, Bob Staniec, George Stelma, Arnie Szudarski, Julie Szudarski, Mary Truss, Kenyada Wilson, Bill Wogan, RW, Fred Zagone, SJ, Colleen Zwolinski, Debbie Zwolinski, Raymond A. Zwolinski,

- Crete Police, Detectives, Fire and Paramedic Departments
- Monee Police, Detectives, Fire and Paramedics, and Emergency Management Agency
- Steger Estates Fire and Paramedic Departments
- Steger Police, Detectives, Fire and Paramedic Departments

Our Parish School:

Mother Teresa Catholic Academy
24201 S. Kings Rd., Crete.
Phone: 708-672-3093
www.mtcacademy.org

Dr. Kevin Burns, PhD, President
Mrs. Annie Murray, Principal
amurray@mtcacademy.org

All parishioners of St. Liborius / St. Boniface are invited to attend the weekly school Masses at Mother Teresa Catholic Academy on Thursdays at 9:45am when school is in session.

February School Masses: 12, 18 (Ash Weds), 25

Rest in Peace

Deacon Michael Crowell
Audrey Paris

Our Stewardship **Thank you for your generosity!**

St. Liborius—Week ending 2/1/26

Sunday Offering.....	\$6,771.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$1.05

St. Boniface—Week ending 1/25/26

Sunday Offering.....	\$1,660.00
Spanish Mass.....	\$521.05

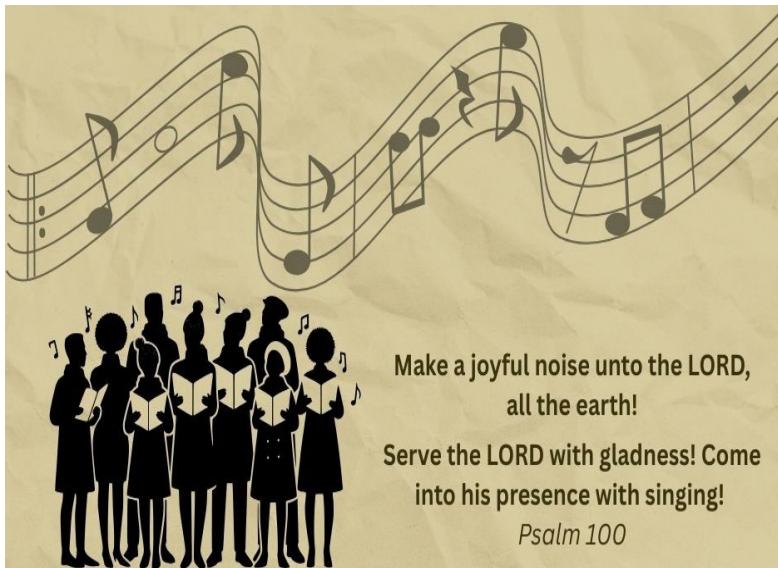
EL VIA CRUCIS

Estaciones en español todos los viernes de cuaresma

Comienza Viernes 2-20-26

7:00pm Español - El Via Crucis

St.Boniface
5304 W. Main St.
Monee, IL 60449



The St. Liborius choir sings at Sunday Masses and rehearsals take place every Thursday unless otherwise notified. All voice types are needed as well as cantors! Please come and sing with us! If you are interested or would like to find out more, please contact the Coordinator of Music, Chris Prete, at 708-420-8369 or mcp.stliborius@gmail.com.

The 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!

The Diocese of Joliet invites all parishioners to support the 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Together, we can make a profound difference.

This year's theme is *Beyond all Expectations: Faith that Elevates!* Through the CMAA, we ensure Christ's mission and ministries reach everyone. We provide shelter for the homeless, feed the hungry, support vocations, and educate the next generation of Catholics. Our parish cannot accomplish this alone. As a diocese, we can do so much more.

Our parish goals are:

St. Liborius \$44,600.00

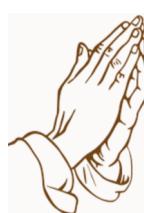
St. Boniface \$12,600.00

We receive 70% of any amount raised over goal to use within our parish. Please review your mailing from the Diocese of Joliet and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

Correction: The parish offices of St. Liborius and St. Boniface will both be closed the week of February 9th and will resume normal hours beginning Monday, February 16.

Small but Mighty Prayer Group



The Prayer Group will meet, as usual, on the 2nd Tuesday of the month ... February 10th at 9:00am in St. Liborius Church. All are welcome who look for new ways to refresh their prayer life.

LENT 2026



Everyone 14 years of age or older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday



Everyone 18 or older, and under 59 years of age, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.



On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday in Lent:

8:30am - St. Liborius
3:00pm - St. Boniface
6:00pm - St. Liborius
7:00pm - St. Boniface (Spanish)

Confessions

Tuesday - 9am (St. Boniface)
Friday - 7am (St. Liborius)
Saturday - 8:30am & 3:30pm (St. Liborius)
Sunday - 8am (St. Boniface)

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES:

(Blessed ashes will be distributed within all Masses)

6:30am - St. Liborius
8:00am - St. Liborius
8:30am - St. Boniface
12:00 noon - St. Liborius
6:30pm - St. Boniface (service)
7:00pm St. Liborius
7:30pm - St. Boniface (Spanish)

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SAVE THE DATE

Mother Teresa Catholic Academy Presents

HOLLYWOOD GLAMOUR

*You are invited to join us for our
Annual Spring Event*

MAR
SATURDAY | 21 | AT 6PM
2026

*21 & Over Event
Dinner* Dancing* Games*
Auctions* Raffles* Fun**

Questions? Call 708-672-3093



MOTHER TERESA
CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Dear Supporters & Business Owners,

Mother Teresa Catholic Academy is hosting our annual Spring Event fund-raiser on **Saturday March 21st, 2026**, at our Crete, IL campus. This event is one of our largest fundraisers of the year; all profits are returned to the school for educational programming and continued school improvement. To help with the success of this event, we are asking you to join our efforts and donate to help keep our costs low and reach our goal of \$20,000!

Mother Teresa Catholic Academy is a PreK-8 school whose population is comprised of students from the far south suburbs of Chicago. MTCA is committed to teaching as Jesus did; providing excellence in education and dedicated to creating an environment where students grow spiritually, academically, and physically within the framework of gospel values and church traditions. Our administration, faculty, and staff welcome families of all faiths and are committed to the continued success of Mother Teresa Catholic Academy.

This year's event will include dinner, dancing, silent auctions, games & the MTCA Annual Raffle Drawing. We are looking to offer **Auction items** to our 100+ guests and volunteers. These items would include but are not limited to gift certificates (dining, movies & events), sporting equipment or memorabilia, wines, spirits, hotel getaways, electronics and more.

We are also offering a monetary **Sponsorship opportunity**. If you choose to be one of our sponsors your contribution will be used toward purchasing the items needed to make this evening a success. Program advertising is a business card size ad for company or personal advertising. The cost is \$75 per ad. Please attach a business card size ad for each advertisement you would like included. Ads will be printed in color in the programs given to each attendee.

Ad Sponsor Name _____ **total \$** _____

*Donations & Sponsorships may be mailed directly to the school address below or can be picked up by one of our volunteers. We kindly request that all donations & sponsorships be received by March 2, 2026. Please contact Stephanie to arrange pickup. 708-672-3093
soviyach@mtcacademy.org or mail to*

Mother Teresa Catholic Academy
ATTN: Spring Event
24201 S. Kings Road
Crete, IL 60417

Thank you in advance for considering our request; we look forward to continued success with your help! Our tax ID is provided below for your records; donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. If you have any questions, need further information, or would like to join us for the event please reach out to us. We will continue to pray for our benefactors and their families at our weekly mass!

God's blessings to you and yours,
The MTCA Fundraising Committee

EIN 27-4065702

WHEN YOU PRAY

A CLEAR PATH TO A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

You know prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or maybe you feel discouraged by your weaknesses and your inability to overcome them.

If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace.

What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people like us. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.



DATE TIMES LOCATION

This 7-Week Book Study
Meets Every Monday at 7pm
Beginning February 23rd in
St. Liborius Parish Hall

SIGN UP AND QUESTIONS

Call the Parish Office at
708-754-1363 or email
fatherfrank@stliborius.org

Visit ascensionpress.com/whenyoupray for more details.

TRIUMPH *of the* HEART

THE PASSION OF ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE



RESERVE
YOUR
TICKETS
TODAY!

Diocese of Joliet Young Adult Movie Night

Thursday, March 12, 2026

Goodwin Auditorium - Benedictine University

Doors Open: 6:00 PM

Film Begins: 6:30 PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE

Alex Buldak, abuldak@dioceseofjoliet.org /

1 (815) 221-6256 or via the QR Code



Sherwood
Fellows



ST. JOSEPH PARISH/MANHATTAN LENTEN MISSION 2026



FORMER RADIO PERSONALITY
KEVIN MATTHEWS
SHARES HIS STORY OF HOPE & HEALING

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 11
@ 7:00PM
IN CHURCH

235 NORTH ST.
MANHATTAN,
IL 60442
815-478-3341
WWW.SJP
MANHATTAN.ORG



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& DVDS
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KEVIN'S
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CASH/CREDIT
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EWTN Radio, National Catholic Register,
Sirius XM-The Catholic Channel *and more!*

FILM TRAILER:

[https://www.youtube.com/
watch?v=TQP3GkEIYTE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TQP3GkEIYTE)