

St. Liborius Catholic Parish

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St. Boniface Catholic Church

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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

St. Boniface Catholic Church

Office Hours

Tuesday 8:30 AM—3:30 PM

Mass Schedule—see page 2

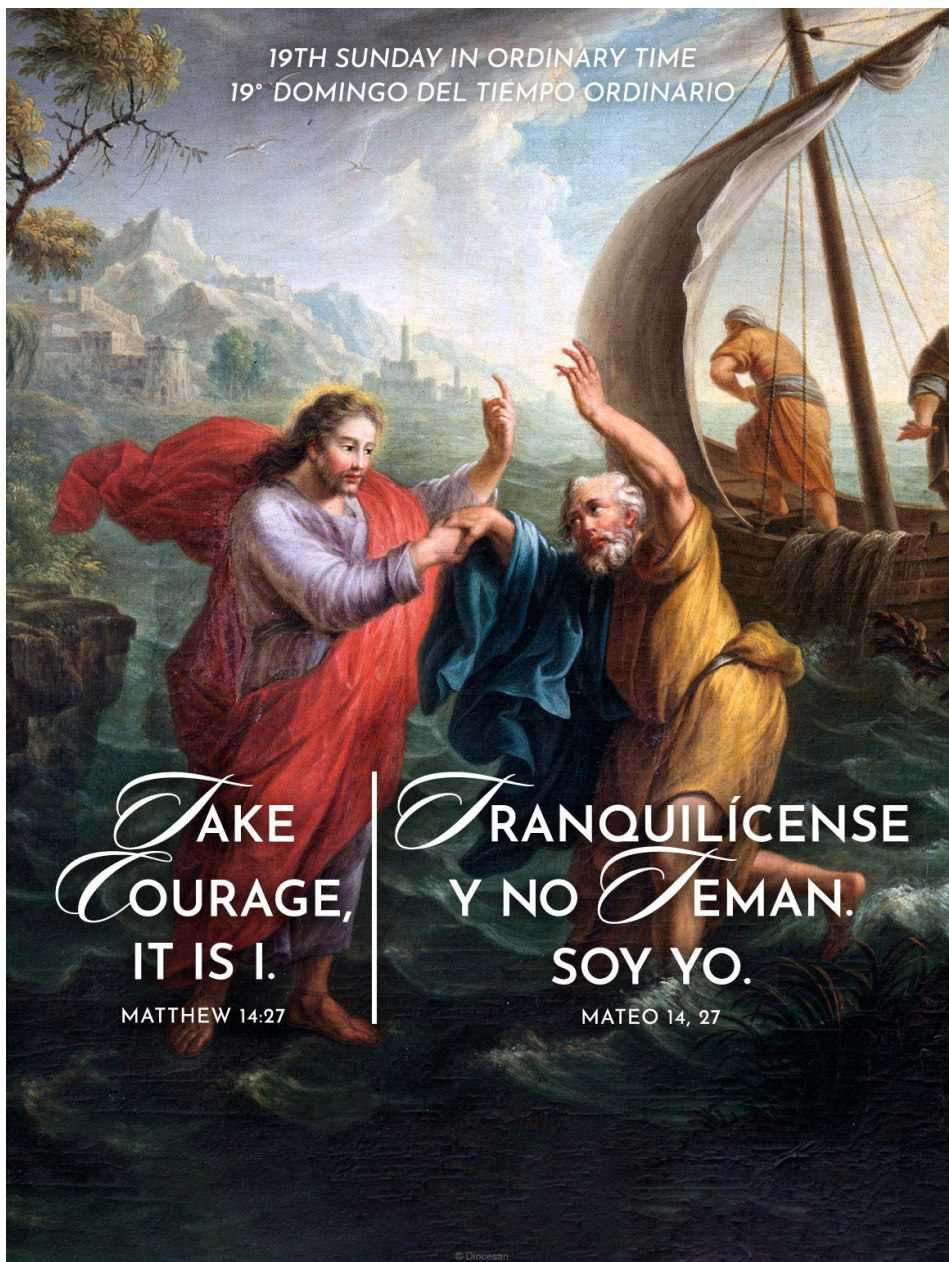
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 9:00 AM

Sunday 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 9:00 AM—10:00 AM



Give to St. Liborius Parish

Saint Liborius parish and Saint Boniface church have electronic giving. Scan the QR code with your camera and you will be taken to our electronic giving page.



Give to St. Boniface Church

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 8

4:30 PM • **St. Liborius**—Cathy & Bob Ruhnke

Sunday, August 9—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM • **St. Boniface**

Village of Monee *Req by Mayor Bogs* & the People of the Parish

10:30 AM • **St. Liborius**

Tom Demkowicz (D) & the People of the Parish

12:30 PM • **St. Boniface (Spanish)**

Birthday intentions of Jesus Melgoza

5:00 PM • **St. Liborius**

Judy Ciaccio (D) *Req by Bob And Ann Marie Gavenda*

Monday, August 10—St. Lawrence

8:00 AM • **St. Liborius**—Larry D. Stilts *Req by family*

8:30 AM • **St. Boniface**—Communion service

Tuesday, August 11—St. Clare

8:30 AM • **St. Boniface**—Ken Zohfeld (D) *Req by Maureen Zohfeld & family*

7:00 PM • **St. Liborius**—Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, August 12—St. Jane Frances de Chantal

8:00 AM • **St. Liborius**—Glenn W. Proud Jr. (D) *Req by Ruth Proud*

Thursday, August 13—Ss. Pontian & Hippolytus

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

8:30 AM • **St. Boniface**—Communion service

Friday, August 14—St. Maximilian Kolbe

8:00 AM • **St. Liborius**—Health intentions of Nicky Bowden *Req by the Tracy family*

8:30 AM • **St. Boniface**—Communion service

Saturday, August 15—Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

4:30 PM • **St. Liborius**—The People of the Parish

Sunday, August 16—20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM • **St. Boniface**

Birthday intentions of Nora & Camden Eckstrom *Req by Bogs-Haser family*

10:30 AM • **St. Liborius**

Joe Smith *Req by Jackie Smith*

12:30 PM • **St. Boniface (Spanish)**

The People of the Parish

5:00 PM • **St. Liborius**

Audrey Paris (D) *Req by Chuck Paris*

Scripture Readings

Sunday, August 9—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kngs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14;
Rm 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Sunday, August 16—20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32;
Mt 15:21-28

Liturgical Ministers

St. Boniface • August 16

Lector

Danita Gerrity

Eucharistic Minister

Kathy Short

Ministers of the Cup

Deacon Mark Otten, John Blazeovich, Phyllis Huske

Altar Servers

Anita Otten, Sherwin Jaculbe

St. Liborius • August 15/16

Lector

4:30pm—Elaine Rach

10:30am—Jen Melbert

5:00pm—Craig Quick

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4:30pm—Bob Baumgartner, Maureen Burns,
Chuck Gromala, Dave Rudofski

10:30am—Bertha Mpesa, Dennis Smith, Sue Metzner,
Jamie Jones

5:00pm—Craig Quick, Patty Heiss

Altar Servers

4:30pm—Experienced volunteers needed

10:30am—Danilo Perez, Josh Boyd

5:00pm—Slaney Chavez

Our Stewardship

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Liborius weekend of July 26, 2026:

Sunday Offertory.....\$6348.00

St. Liborius weekend of August 2, 2026:

Sunday Offertory.....\$6666.00

St. Boniface weekend of July 19, 2026:

Sunday Offertory.....\$1519.00

Spanish Mass.....\$436.00

St. Boniface weekend of July 26, 2026

Sunday Offertory.....\$2939.00

Spanish Mass.....\$430.00



From Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners of Saint Liborius parish and Saint Boniface church,

As you know, the severe storms last week have caused untold damage to homes and businesses throughout the area.

Although we did not experience any physical damage to the parish physical plant and our power outage lasted only one day, **our internet and phone system has been out.** We have contacted Comcast who has told us that they will not restore our phone system before August 10th.

Hence, we have temporarily moved the parish office to Saint Boniface office.

This will allow us to field Saint Liborius and Saint Boniface phone calls and do our work as Saint Boniface has functioning internet and phones.

We are able to receive emails as we are able to receive them on our cell phones.

For religious education registration, you may email faithformation@stliborius.org.

For the parish priests, you may email:

Fr. Milota - fathermilota@outlook.com

Fr. Frank - fatherfrank@stliborius.org

You can now call the regular parish phone number and it will be received at Saint Boniface; however, if you need to stop at the office, you will need to do so at the Saint Boniface parish office in Monee until Comcast fixes our system. They reassured us that it should be fixed before the Second Coming of Jesus Christ on the clouds of heaven.

Thank you for your patience.

Prayers.

In Christ,

Fr. Thomas Milota

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 15, falls on a Saturday this year and so the holy day obligation has been abrogated. All are still *encouraged* to attend Mass at 8:00am to celebrate this important feast day honoring our Blessed Mother, but it is not obligatory.

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.

Our Parish School:

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

Mrs. Felice Hybert, Principal

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.

Upcoming School Masses: August 20 & 27

Please Pray For...

Jennifer Bartels, Jerry Bernar, Jr., Harold Blazeovich, Nicky Bowden, Kathy Call, Barry Christianson, Joan Cleghorn, Czajka Family, Ris Dancer, Earl & Jeanette Dargert, Mildred Dickover, Don & Kathy Dornhecker, Tammy Downen, Guy Gasparetti, Lorie Golich, Ken Grakauskas, Liz Greene, Barbara Gromala, Colleen Herzic, Betty Hoeffner, Hoyda family, Rosie Janota, James Jones, Kimberly King, Peter Klakow, Terri Koepke, Nancy Koepke, Patti Koopman, Louise Kopaczewski, Dennis and Brenda Lileikis, Pauline Luthi, Kate Luxon, Joane Males, Amber Mangan, Anthony Mangan, Bethany Mangan, Corrie Mangan, Ivy Mangan, Jeremy Mangan, Maykala Mangan, Nasya Mangan, Gavin Mann, Jimmy Martin, Brenda McCann, Michael McDonnell, Fr. John McGeean, Angela Mills, Bill Moran, Elyse M., Carmin M., John Novak, Fred Nunez, Victoria Nunez-Stuckart, Timmy Phillips, Lloyd Pierce, Nancy Pilotto, Robert Prete, William P., Sisilia Rakesa, Michael Rozwalka, Denise Rozwalka, Eligha Sain, Luis Santiago, Ray Smith, Patti Staniec, George Stelma, James Szelinski, Jr., Arnie Szudarski, Julie Szudarski, Mary Truss, Robert Wagner, Kenyada Wilson, Bill Wogan, RW, 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

Rest in Peace

Shelly McLaughlin



Small but Mighty Prayer Group

The Prayer Group will meet, as usual, on the 2nd Tuesday of the month ... August 11th at 9:00am in St Liborius Church. All are welcome who want to give a little more time and thought to our God.



A Note from the Music Director

Dear Parish Family,

Over the next few weeks, you will notice a change in the way we sing the *Gloria* during Mass.

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* describes the *Gloria* as “a most ancient and venerable hymn by which the Church, gathered together in the Holy Spirit, glorifies and entreats God the Father and the Lamb.” From the earliest centuries of the Church, and throughout the rich historical and musical tradition of the Roman Rite, this hymn has been sung as one continuous song of praise.

In keeping with this venerable liturgical heritage, our parish will begin singing the *Gloria* in its traditional through-composed form. Rather than using a repeated refrain, the entire hymn will be sung from beginning to end, allowing the sacred text to unfold as one unified prayer of praise and thanksgiving. This form reflects the ancient structure of the hymn and enables us to proclaim the full text as the Church has handed it down through the centuries.

While this may be different from what many of us have become accustomed to in recent years, it is not something new. Instead, it is a return to a longstanding tradition of the Roman Rite that has enriched the Church's worship for generations. As with any new musical setting, it may take a little time to become familiar, but I am confident that our parish will soon grow to appreciate both its beauty and the way it helps us enter more deeply into the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy.

Thank you for your openness and willingness to embrace this renewal of our sung prayer. Your voices are an essential part of our worship, and I look forward to singing this beautiful hymn together as we continue to give glory to God.

May God bless you,

Chris Prete

Director of Music



**Classes Start September 3rd
in St. Liborius PREP Building**

<http://bit.ly/stlocia>

Sign Up Here!

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BECOMING CATHOLIC

- Classes every week Thursday at 7pm led by our priests
- Fellowship gatherings once a month Sunday morning at 9:15am followed by 10:30am Mass

For those who are looking to become Catholic or those who are already Catholic and looking to complete their sacraments





PACK THE PEWS
IN ANTICIPATION OF
OUR NEW YEAR!



BACKPACK BLESSING
REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR
BACKPACK TO MASS



ALL STUDENTS, ALL AGES, ARE WELCOME!

ST. LIBORIUS CHURCH
71 W 35TH STREET STEGER, IL 60475

POPSICLES

With the

PRIEST & PRINCIPAL

AUGUST 16TH, 2026- 10:30 MASS

JOIN US AT 10:30 A.M. MASS ON AUGUST
16TH AND STAY AFTER FOR A **COOL TREAT**
WITH **FATHER MILOTA** AND **MRS. HYBERT**.
THERE WILL BE A BACKPACK BLESSING AT
MASS. **LETS PACK THE PEWS!**



MOTHER TERESA
CATHOLIC ACADEMY

www.mtcacademy.org

5TH ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE FOR MTCA

Sponsored by Community Outreach

The start of the new school year at Mother Teresa Catholic Academy is August 19th this year. You have been fantastic for the last four Annual Supply Drives, but this year we need your help to try something different. The teachers have given us the list below of the supplies they need for their students. Our idea is to prepare a bag for each student containing all the supplies their teacher wants and needs them to have ... a more personal touch. To do that, ALL the bags for that grade should be the same, hence brand and sizes have been added to the listings.

There will be a collection bin at St. Boniface, and in the narthex at St Liborius starting on August 1st and until August 16th, giving time to prepare and deliver them to the school on the 18th.

Anyone wishing to participate, but cannot get out to shop, you can be included by placing a check or currency in an envelope marked Supplies Drive and putting it in the collection basket during Mass. (If by check, write to: Community Outreach - Supplies Drive). Those offerings will be used to purchase any missing items. God bless and thanks to all.

Needed Supplies

For student bags: For classrooms:

- Crayola washable watercolor paints ... 8 colors
- Clorox wipes
- Crayola washable markers ... 10 count
- Baby wipes
- Crayola crayons ... 24 pack
- size Paper towels
- Ticonderoga Pencils ... 10 count
- Facial tissue
- Play-Doh ... classic 4 pack
- Expo Dry Erase Markers ... 4 color packs
- Elmers school glue, 4 oz
- Elmers glue sticks
- Spiral Notebooks ... single subject, wide rule
- Folders, 2 pocket
- Ball-point pens: red- blue - black
- Golf sized pencils
- Scissors

Place in the collection bins the weekends of ...

August 1/2, 8/9, 15/16

Spiritual Adoption:

Praying for an Unborn Child



One of the most beautiful ways to defend the dignity of human life is through prayer.

The **Spiritual Adoption Program** invites each of us to spiritually adopt an unborn child whose life is in danger of abortion. Although we will never know the child's identity, God knows who this precious little one is. Through our daily prayers and sacrifices, we ask God to protect both the child and the parents, that they may choose life.



Please pray the following prayer every day for nine months, the length of a baby's development in the womb:

*Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much.
I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child
that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger
of abortion. Amen.*

Nine Months of Growth



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Month 1: At conception, a unique human life begins. The baby's heart starts beating around the third week.
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Month 2: Tiny fingers, toes, eyes, ears, and major organs are forming. The baby begins to move, though the mother cannot yet feel these movements.
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Month 3: The baby has all major body systems in place. Fingernails and fingerprints are developing, and the baby can make facial expressions.
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Month 4: The baby is growing rapidly. Muscles strengthen, and the heartbeat can often be heard with medical instruments.
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Month 5: The mother may begin to feel the baby's movements. The baby responds to sounds and continues to develop rapidly.
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Month 6: The baby's lungs and nervous system continue to mature. The baby can open and close its eyes and responds to light and sound.
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Month 7: The baby continues gaining weight and developing the brain and lungs. The baby has a strong chance of survival with specialized medical care if born prematurely.
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Month 8: Most organs are fully developed, and the baby continues to gain weight and prepare for birth.
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Month 9: The baby is fully developed and ready to enter the world. We rejoice in the gift of new life and continue praying for the safety of every mother and child.

*Thank you for committing to this nine-month journey of prayer.
Your faithful prayers are a powerful witness to the Gospel of Life
and a reminder that every human life is a precious gift from God.*



Please note: if you have been trying to register for this event, there have been issues with the QR Code and link not working.

Registrations are being accepted VIA E-MAIL ONLY, and must be received by no later than August 21st.

Please e-mail Susan DiDomizio at the Diocese of Joliet
sdidomizio@dioceseofjoliet.org

RESPECT LIFE

FALL SUMMIT

AUG. 29, 2026



FEATURING DR. JOE ZALOT

All interested or involved in Respect Life Ministry are invited to a seminar by Dr. Joe Zalot. Dr. Zalot is the Director of Education at The National Catholic Bioethics Center. In addition to overseeing the NCBC Certification Program, Chaplain Program, and "Introduction to Catholic Health Care Ethics" course for Catholic high schools and homeschooling networks, he produces and hosts the NCBC's Bioethics on Air podcast and has authored multiple statements, guides, and book chapters for NCBC publications. He also lectures for the NCBC, is interviewed by local and national media on health care issues, and has responded to more than 2400 ethics consultations.



NOON – 1PM: LUNCH AND FELLOWSHIP

1–4PM: PRESENTATION

**Taking place at the Blanchette Catholic Center:
16555 Weber Rd., Crest Hill, IL 60403**

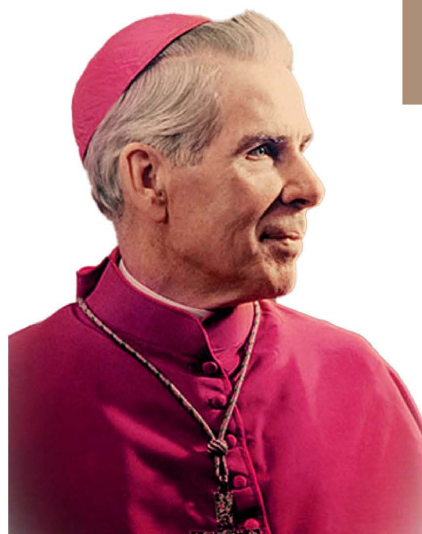
REGISTER HERE:

AT THIS LINK

OR VIA THE QR CODE



Be Part of History



**Volunteer for the Beatification
of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen**

Beatification Mass & Expo **Thursday Sept. 24**

The Dome at America's Center, St. Louis, MO

Sheen Awards Gala **Friday Sept. 25**

Peoria Civic Center, Peoria, IL

Whether you can serve
for a few hours or
several days, your
generosity will help
make this historic
celebration a joyful
and prayerful
experience.

Interested in learning more?

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celebratesheen.com/volunteer

Parish Bulletin deadlines:

Please send items for publication in the parish bulletin or weekly Flocknote to:

connections@stliborius.org

Items must be submitted to the bulletin editor by no later than Thursday (**ten days prior to the publication date**). We reserve the right to edit or re-format content as space allows.

Acceptable formats for text are MS Word or Publisher. Images or graphics must be in jpg or png files.