

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
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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

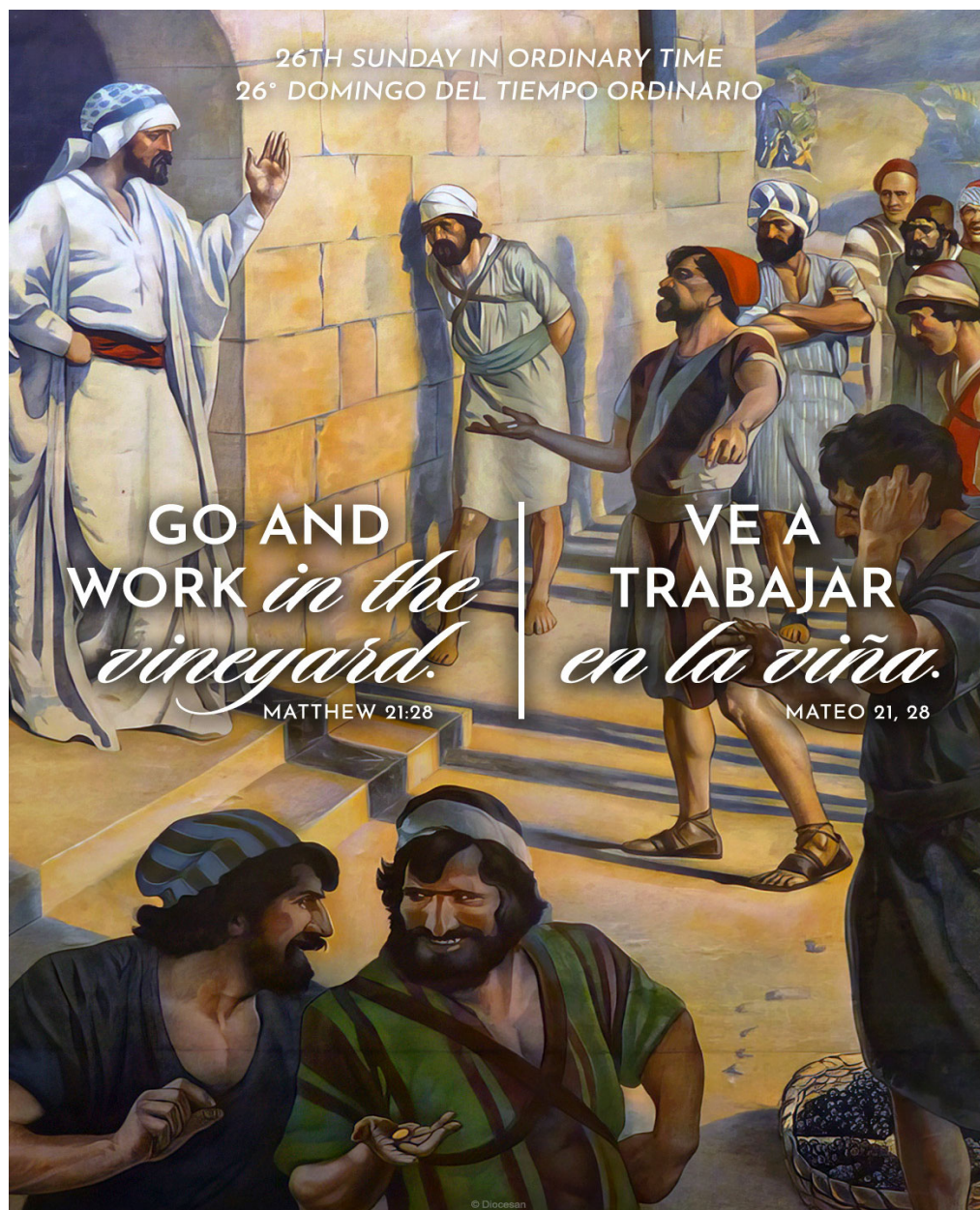
Mass Schedule—see page 2

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, September 26, 2026

4:30 PM • St. Liborius—Frank & Helen Casmer & family *Req by Char Reimer*

Sunday, September 27—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM • St. Boniface

Leonard & Eleanor Ebert (D) *Req by Lenore Bocinsky & the People of the Parish*

10:30 AM • St. Liborius

Audrey Paris (D) *Req by Diane Brzycki & the People of the Parish*

12:30 PM • St. Boniface (Spanish)

Las almas del Purgatorio *Req by Lourdes Capetillo*

5:00 PM • St. Liborius

Margaret Rivera (D) *Req by Bridgette, Barry, Nancy B., & Alberto Rivera*

Monday, September 28—St. Wenceslaus

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—Roy Vestal (D) *Req by Jack & Kathy Short*

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

Tuesday, September 29—Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

8:30 AM • St. Boniface—Barb Marusin (D) *Req by Bob Marusin*

7:00 PM • St. Liborius—Lisa Vasquez (D) *Req by Janie Roberts*

Wednesday, September 30—St. Jerome

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—Elizabeth Green (D) *Req by Muriel Kowalski*

Thursday, October 1—St. Therese of the Child Jesus

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—Michael McDonnell (D) *Req by Jackie Smith*

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

Friday, October 2—Guardian Angels / First Friday

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—Intentions of Katherine Lustyk & Joseph Yamin *Req by Donna Thompson*

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

Saturday, October 3—First Saturday

8:00 AM • St. Liborius—Deceased members of the Alviani, Imperio & Musial families

4:30 PM • St. Liborius—Marie Leech (D) & the People of the Parish

Sunday, October 4—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM • St. Boniface

Ken Zohfeld (D) *Req by Maureen Zohfeld & the People of the Parish*

10:30 AM • St. Liborius

Fr. Fred Zagone (D) *Req by Carol Warnke*

12:30 PM • St. Boniface (Spanish)

Maria del Rosario Castaneda *Req by Lourdes Capetillo*

5:00 PM • St. Liborius

Audrey Paris (D) *Req by Chuck Paris*

Scripture Readings

September 27—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11; OR Phil 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

October 4—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Liturgical Ministers

St. Boniface • October 4

Lector

Darlene Clark

Eucharistic Minister

John Blazeovich

Ministers of the Cup

Deacon Mark Otten, Anita Otten, Kathy Short

Altar Servers

Sherwin Jaculbe, Tracy Sheehan

St. Liborius • October 3 & 4

Lector

4:30pm—Jeanette Dargert

10:30am—Christina Boyd

5:00pm—Viri & Yazlin Perez

Eucharistic Minister

4:30pm—Jeanette Dargert, Bob Baumgartner, Jim Betourney, Dave Rudofski

10:30am—Susan DeLuca, Barb Herzic, Christian Jimenez, Patty Heiss

5:00pm—Maureen Faletti

Altar Servers

4:30pm—*Experienced volunteers needed*

10:30am—Josh Boyd & Lia Rivera

5:00pm—Danilo Perez & Kenia Hernandez

Our Stewardship

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Liborius weekend of September 20, 2026:

Sunday Offertory.....\$7,124.17

Children's envelopes.....\$0

St. Boniface weekend of September 13, 2026

Sunday Offertory.....\$1,719.50

Spanish Mass.....\$430.00



From Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners of Saint Liborius parish and Saint Boniface church,

Blessing of the Critters

We will be blessing animals of all sorts in the parking lot of **Saint Boniface on Sunday, October 4th at 2:00 pm.** The reason that critters are blessed in October is that October 4th is the Feast Day of Saint Francis of Assisi. Although it is true that Saint Francis loved all creatures and spoke with the animals, the most poignant story is that of the wolf of Gubbio.

The Wolf of Gubbio

There was a wolf terrorizing the people of the town of Gubbio which was near Assisi. Saint Francis visited Gubbio in order to help the people of the town. When the wolf saw Saint Francis walking toward him, he charged at Saint Francis, ready to attack. Saint Francis, being a deacon, made the Sign of the Cross over the wolf and told him: "Brother Wolf, come here. I command you on behalf of Christ that you do no harm to me or to anyone." The wolf, upon hearing the words of Saint Francis, became as meek as a lamb and came to lay at Saint Francis' feet.

St. Francis scolded the wolf for terrorizing the people of the village and doing them harm. "The whole town is complaining about you," Francis told the wolf. "But I want to make peace between you and the people. And so I promise that I will have food given to you regularly, Brother Wolf, by the people of this town so that you will no longer suffer hunger. And I want you, Brother Wolf, to promise that you will never harm any human person or animal."

St. Francis asked the people of the town if they would promise to provide food for the wolf and they agreed. St. Francis, then, asked the wolf to give a guarantee in front of all of the people that he would no longer inflict harm upon the people of Gubbio or its animals. The wolf, lifting his right paw, placed it in the hand of St. Francis.

The wolf lived in Gubbio for two years, tamely entering the houses and going from door to door without doing harm to anyone and without any harm being done to him. The wolf was kindly fed by the people and after two years the wolf died of old age and the citizens of Gubbio grieved his death.

May Almighty God bless you and yours.

Prayers.

In Christ,
Fr. Thomas Milota

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:

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

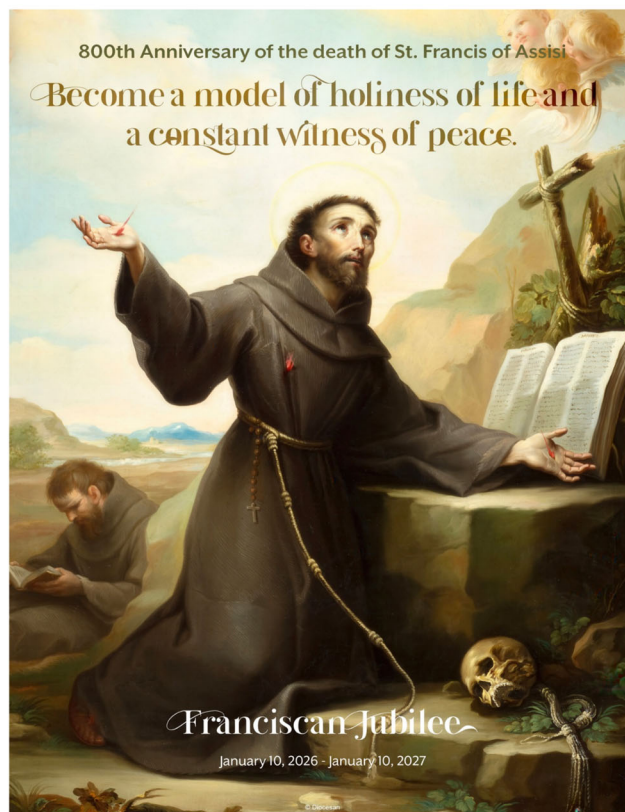
Please Pray For...

John Alessia Sr., Jerry Bernar, Jr., Kathy Call, Bob Carreras, Barbara Gromala, Lisa Imperio Mancari, Kate Kendrick, Louise Kopaczewski, Patti Koopman, Patti Staniec, Sharon Vestal, RW,

CONGRATULATIONS!

to the following child baptized on September 20th:

Scarlett Sky Oliver
Daughter of Charles and Tyler Oliver



Pet Blessing

**Sunday, October 4 - 2:00 pm
at St. Boniface church**

*Please make sure all pets are
caged or leashed*



Carta del Vicario Parroquial

Queridos Parroquianos de la Comunidad Hispana,

El Concilio Vaticano II enseñó que la Eucaristía es “fuente y culmen de toda la vida cristiana” (*Lumen Gentium* 11). Por eso, la manera en que recibimos la Santa Eucaristía es de gran importancia. Además de la preparación espiritual que hacemos antes de la Misa como la Confesión sacramental y la oración, me gustaría hablar de algunas cosas prácticas acerca de la recepción reverente de la Santa Eucaristía.

Según la *Institución General del Misal Romano*, “Al recibir la Sagrada Comunión, el comulgante inclina la cabeza ante el Sacramento como gesto de reverencia y recibe el Cuerpo de Cristo de manos del ministro” (160). La manera normal de recibir la Santa Hostia es en la lengua, pero está permitido recibirla en la mano. Después de inclinar la cabeza, el ministro dice, “El Cuerpo de Cristo.” Debemos responder, “Amén.” Si vamos a recibir la Hostia en la lengua, debemos abrir la boca y extender la lengua un poco. Si vamos a recibir la Hostia en la mano, debemos hacer un trono con nuestras manos. Debemos poner nuestra mano dominante al fondo de nuestro “trono.” El ministro pone la Hostia en la otra mano que está encima de nuestra mano dominante. Entonces, usamos nuestra mano dominante para tomar la Hostia y ponerla reverentemente en nuestra boca.

Si vamos a recibir la Sangre de Cristo, hacemos la misma reverencia al cáliz. El ministro dice, “La Sangre de Cristo,” y respondemos, “Amén.” Recibimos el cáliz del ministro cuidadosamente con ambas manos y bebemos una cantidad pequeña de la Sangre. Entonces, devolvemos el cáliz al ministro.

Además de estas instrucciones básicas, me gustaría ofrecer algunas cosas para ayudar nuestra recepción reverente de la Santa Eucaristía. Primero, es muy importante consumir la Hostia en frente del ministro. Nunca debemos alejarnos del ministro con la Hostia todavía en nuestras manos. Si vamos a recibir la Hostia en nuestras manos, necesitamos hacerlo de la manera descrita arriba. No debemos usar una mano para sacar la Hostia como un cangrejo; debemos recibirla. También es importante estar preparado para recibir la Comunión. Debemos acercarnos al altar con las manos dobladas. Cuando estamos enfrente del Ministro de la Hostia, debemos o tener nuestras manos formado como un trono o tener nuestra boca abierta. No debemos estar sorprendidos y el ministro no debe tener que adivinar lo que va a hacer. Finalmente, es muy importante decir, “Amén.” Amén significa “Si, creo” que realmente es el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo. Que siempre crezcamos en nuestro amor y reverencia por Nuestro Señor presente en la Santa Eucaristía.

En Jesus y María,

Padre Frank Pusateri

On September 17, 2026, Pope Leo XIV appointed Bishop Brendan John Cahill as the seventh Bishop in the Diocese of Joliet.



Bishop Cahill was born in Coral Gables, Fla., on Nov. 28, 1963. He is the son of Joe and Joan Cahill and the fourth of five children. His family moved to Houston in 1971. Most of his family, including his brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephew live in Houston today. Bishop Cahill attended St. Cecilia Catholic School and in 1981 he graduated from St. Thomas High School.

After a year at Rice University he entered St. Mary Seminary in Houston in 1982. He also received a bachelor's degree in psychology and a Master of Divinity degree from the University of St. Thomas in Houston. Ordained a priest for the Diocese of Galveston-Houston on May 19, 1990, he served as parochial vicar of St. Frances Cabrini Church in Houston from 1990 to 1992, and at Christ the Good Shepherd Church in Spring from 1992 to 1994. In 1994, he earned a Master of Theology degree with a specialization in African-American Catholic Studies from Xavier University, New Orleans.

Later that year, he moved to the Casa Santa Maria (North American College) in Rome to pursue further academic studies. These studies developed his knowledge and appreciation of the richness of culture in the expression of faith, and the depth of thought of the theologians and bishops involved in the Second Vatican Council. He earned a Licentiate degree in Dogmatic Theology in 1996 and a Doctorate in Fundamental Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University in 1999. He speaks English, Spanish, and Italian, with a working knowledge of the Latin, French, and German languages. Upon his return from Rome, he moved to St. Mary Seminary in Houston where he served as formation director from 1998 to 2001, and as rector from 2001 to 2010.

During this time, he taught at the University of St. Thomas School of Theology and ministered at the Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart. He was the Director of the Secretariat for Clergy Formation and Chaplaincy Services and Vicar for Clergy of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston from 2010-2015. From September 2014 to June 2015 he was the administrator of St. Joseph Church in Houston. Throughout his years of service in Houston he was involved with several boards and organizations, which included the National Federation of Priests' Councils; University of St. Thomas; William J. Flynn Center for Irish Studies; Paradisus Dei; Anti-Defamation League Coalition of Mutual Respect; Adore Ministries; and Gratia Plena Counseling. He is a Magisterial Chaplain of the Order of Malta and a member of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre.

He was the spiritual director of the Houston Senatus of the Legion of Mary, chaplain to the Houston Serra Club and chaplain for the Knights of Columbus Galveston-Houston Chapter. In addition, he was a monthly co-host on "A Show of Faith" radio show with a Baptist minister and a rabbi on KNTH 1070 in Houston, a weekly celebrant of Mass for the Missionaries of Charity and a monthly celebrant for Casa Juan Diego during his ministry in Galveston-Houston.

On June 29, 2015, Daniel Cardinal DiNardo ordained Bishop Brendan as the third Bishop of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas. Bishop David Fellhauer and Archbishop Joseph Fiorenza were co-consecrators. Since becoming the Bishop of Victoria, he joined the Communities of Faith in Victoria with other Christian, Jewish and Muslim leaders and has been an active supporter of the Gulf Bend Center Coalition for Mental Health.

Bishop Brendan has served as a member of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) subcommittee on African-American Affairs. Since July 1, 2017, he has served as the Bishop Promoter for the Apostleship of the Sea in the United States. He currently is the chairman of the USCCB subcommittee for the Pastoral Care of Migrants, Refugees and Travelers. He is the chair-elect for the USCCB Committee for Migration. He serves on the boards of the National Catholic Partnership on Disability, St. Mary's Seminary in Houston, and the University of St. Thomas in Houston.

PLEASE NOTE

**Effective September 17th,
the Faith Formation Office
has been re-located to the
Parish Office.**

**faithformation@stliborius.org
708-754-3460**

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE HOURS:

- Sunday: 8:20am - 12:20pm
- Monday: 8:30am - 5:30pm
- Wednesday: 8:30am - 5:30pm
- Thursday: 8:30am - 5:30pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

- Monday: 8:30am - 3:30pm
- Tuesday (St. Boniface): 8:30am - 3:30pm
- Wednesday: 8:30am - 3:30pm
- Thursday: 8:30am - 3:30pm

**Faith Formation Classes will continue to
take place in the school building as usual.**

Convivio con Café

Después de
misa...
quédate a
compartir un
cafecito y un
momento
agradable.



Domingo, 4 de octubre
después de la Misa
Todos son bienvenidos

LECTIO DIVINA ESTUDIO BIBLICO



Cada Lunes,
empezando el
28 de
septiembre



7:00 PM



San Bonifacio
Salón Parroquial

Únete a nosotros
para aprender
Lectio Divina, la
antigua tradición
de rezar con las
Escrituras.

¿Preguntas? Puede
contactar a Padre Frank en
fatherfrank@stliborius.org





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY Dinner

St. Liborius Catholic Church
Steger, IL

**FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 2,
2026
5-7PM**

All you can eat dinner INCLUDES:

- Fried fish
- coleslaw
- mac & cheese
- french fries
- green beans
- bread & butter
- and coffee

**3440
Halsted St.
Steger, IL**
cash only please

The Daughters of St. Liborius offer desserts & home baked treats at each fish fry to fund various charitable projects.

Fish dinner (all you can eat).....\$12
Fish dinner to go.....\$11
Extra fish to go.....\$3
Kid's fish dinner.....\$5
(Ages 10 and under)
Mac & Cheese.....\$1
French Fries.....\$1
Hot Dog.....\$1
Pop/Water.....\$1
cash only please



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DISCOVER YOUR PLACE
IN THE
STORY OF SALVATION

- ✠ See the liturgy in Scripture and the Scriptures in the liturgy
- ✠ Experience the Mass as heaven on earth
- ✠ Learn the deeper meaning of "Parousia"

WHAT
A 10-Week Bible Study

WHEN
Mondays at 7pm beginning
September 28

WHERE
St. Liborius Parish Hall

SIGN-UP AND QUESTIONS
Call the Parish Office at
708-754-1363 or email Fr. Frank at
fatherfrank@stliborius.org

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The St. Patrick Respect Life Ministry and
St. Gianna Shrine Committee invite you to the

Memorial Hope and Healing Mass for the Loss of a Child

Saturday, October 3, 2026 | 6:00 PM
St. Patrick Church | 406 Walnut St. Yorkville, IL

 View Live Stream at stpatrickyorkville.org/livestream

Mothers, fathers, family members, and all who grieve the loss of a child, recent or long ago, due to miscarriage, early birth, stillbirth, abortion, illness, or accident are welcome.

A candlelight procession to the St. Gianna Molla Shrine will follow after Mass

For more information about the St. Gianna Shrine,
please go to StGiannaShrine.org.


SUNDAYKIDZ

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

M	R	O	U	C	S	A	W	M	Z
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I	F	E	L	D	E	R	S	F	Y
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Chief Elders Sons Work Vineyard
Order Saw Change Minds Believe

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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.

St. Paul (Peotone) & St. Boniface (Monee) Knights of Columbus Raffle Winners for the month of September

\$150 #100 Ron LeClaire
\$100 #706 Greg Kunes
\$50 #726 Don Muller
\$50 #121 Kevin Ott
\$25 #114 Isabella Christian
\$25 #172 Renee Burge

*Thank You for your support!!
Good Luck next month.*



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Nuestra Señora
de las Alturas**

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Columbus®**

Rosa de Plata

Visita de la peregrinación

Un servicio con el Santo Rosario

Domingo
4 de octubre de 2026

4:30 p. m.

Sitio St. Kieran
724 W. 195th St.
Chicago Heights, IL 60411

¿Qué es la Rosa de Plata?

La Rosa de Plata es una peregrinación devocional de los Caballeros de Colón que honra a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe y promueve el respeto por la vida, la oración y la renovación espiritual.





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the Heights
Parish**

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Silver Rose

Pilgrimage Visit

A Rosary Prayer Service

Sunday
October 4, 2026

4:30 PM

St. Kieran Site
724 W. 195th St.
Chicago Heights, IL 60411

What is the Silver Rose?

The Silver Rose is a Knights of Columbus devotional pilgrimage honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe and promoting respect for life, prayer, and spiritual renewal.



Video Series by



Dr. Bob Schuchts



Sr. Miriam James



Healing the *Whole* Person

Encounter Christ's love through the transformative teachings of Dr. Bob Schuchts.

Journey through **5 videos** and discover the healing God deeply desires for you.

THURSDAYS
OCT 22, 29; NOV 5, 12, 19
6:30-8:00PM

5-Week commitment

BEGIN HEALING HERE

This teaching is for anyone desiring wholeness, freedom, and an encounter with a loving Creator.

If you're looking for a deeper understanding of God's love and the healing of your own story, you'll fit right in.

More information at
www.saintmaryplano.com/healing
or email Joanne Janota at joannejanota@gmail.com