

St. Patrick, Kankakee ~ A Viatorian Parish

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 4, 2026



This following you is hard, Jesus ...

I thought it would be easier somehow.

I did not count on all the direction and obedience.

I did not think that your vineyard would be where the work would be done

I did not understand that the benefits would be for your kingdom.

But I am learning and I am seeing the need more than ever:
the poor who need someone to bring them good news, along with food and shelter ...
the broken who need a healer to comfort them and guide them to wholeness ...
the oppressed who need justice and freedom from the bonds that hold them ...
the powerful who need prophets and teachers to call them to account ...
the Earth that needs stewards to nurture and protect it.

I need courage, Jesus, and humility, to stay faithful to your purpose;
to give my best, not for my own sake, but for yours – and that of those you love ...
to labor in *your* vineyard as though it were mine,
while refusing to keep the fruits only for myself.

Help me, Jesus.

Amen.

John van de Laar

Teach Us, O Lord!

Lord God, our Father, you ask of us today:
My people, answer me:
What more could I have done for you?

Teach and help us to respond with our whole being
to your daily forgiveness and patience ...
to the riches of life brought us by Jesus ...
and to the prompting of the Holy Spirit,
that we may be a people that bears lasting fruits.

May we bring to all a justice animated by love.
May we learn to share as you do with us.
Show us your mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Liturgy Alive

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Be with them, Lord, and keep them safe!

Charlie Benoit Katie Benoit Will Benoit
Dustin Foltz Scott Riegel
Hannah Chaney Erik Schultz

Reflection

Adults: How have you used your talents
and abilities well for the Reign of God?

Children: What can you do in your week to
help the love of God grow in the world?

Adultos: ¿Cómo le has dado buen uso a tus
talentos y habilidades para el Reino de
Dios? Envelope No. 348

Niños: ¿Qué puedes hacer en tu semana
para ayudar a que el amor de Dios crezca en
el mundo?

Sunday Stewardship October 4, 2026

Envelopes – 71	\$ 5,650.00
Loose cash and checks	\$ 1,063.00
Online Giving – 14 families	\$ 458.00
Total collections	\$ 7,171.00

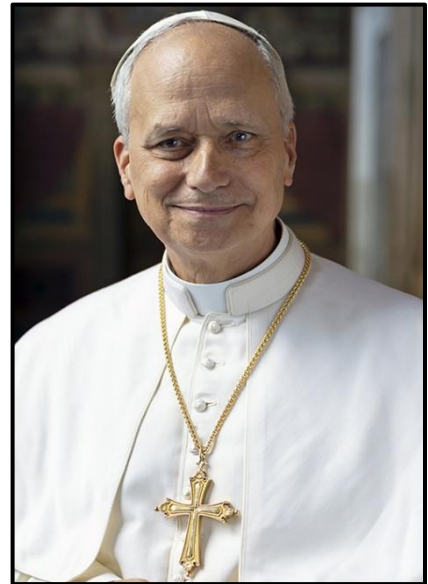
*Amount needed each week
to have a balanced budget:* **\$8,135.00**

***Thank You for your continued
and generous support of our Parish!***

Let us cultivate relationships!
In an era that favors speed and fragmentation,
the human person still yearns to receive care
and recognition from attentive minds,
kind words and hands capable of tenderness.

The digital culture multiplies connections
and offers new opportunities for interaction;
yet, the human heart retains an irrevocable need
for genuine closeness.

I invite everyone to cherish places and times
where physical presence remains crucial,
such as shared meals, Christian community gatherings,
time spent with the lonely and serving the poor.
These are signs of a humanity that continues to believe
that every person's body is a dwelling place of God and a temple of the Holy Spirit.



Pope Leo XIV, Magnifica Humanitas #239

Pope Leo's global prayer intention for October 2026: For mental health ministry

Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church,
helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

***Intención de oración universal del Papa León para Septiembre 2026:
Para el ministerio de salud mental***

Oremos para que se establezca el ministerio de salud mental en toda la Iglesia,
ayudando a superar el estigma y la discriminación hacia las personas con enfermedades mentales.

At some point, many men consider becoming a brother or priest. If the thought has
crossed your mind, you're not alone. Our approach is rooted in our mission to
accompany young people as they learn to listen for God's voice
in their lives and respond to God's invitations through prayer,
service, and commitment.



***God invites each of us to live and work with Him in some special way.
What is God asking of you?***

If you would like more information about discerning with us, text or call (847)
894-8537, or email vocations@viatorians.com. Our Vocation Ministry team will
respond to start a conversation. Know that it would be my privilege to
accompany you on your journey with God. Adored and loved be Jesus!

Fr. John Eustice, C.S.V.

Fr. John Eustice, CSV
Director of Vocation Ministry



Are you interested in the Catholic Church?
SESSION TO BE HELD THIS TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 6, 2026.
Call us at (815) 932-6716.

OCIA – Order of Christian Initiation for Adults –
is a structured process designed for adults
who are considering joining the Catholic Church
or who wish to deepen their understanding of the faith.

It is open to:
Non-baptized individuals
who are interested in becoming Catholic ...
Adults baptized in another Christian tradition
who wish to join the Catholic Church ...
and **Catholic adults** who have not yet received
Eucharist and Confirmation.

Find Your Envelope Number ... Win a Prize! Read the Bulletin carefully each week. If you find your envelope number, call the Rectory Office at (815) 932-6716 – during regular Office hours (9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.) – and you will win a prize.

Religious Education Classes ... Need Information? Please Contact:

Eileen Kregor, Director of Religious Education
Call or text her at (815) 791-7769.



Clases de educación religiosa ¿Necesita información? Por favor, comuníquese con:

Eileen Kregor, directora de educación religiosa
Llámelas o envíele un mensaje de texto al (815) 791-7769.

2026 Public Square Rosary Rally

Where: St. Margaret Mary Church, Main Street, Herscher, Illinois.

When: Rosary will begin at 12:00 noon, October 10.

Please join us in praying for our nation!

Please bring a lawn chair.

For more information, please contact:

Cindy Gagnon - (815) 933-4077; Rhonda Berns - (815) 426-5015;

Kathy Meli - (815) 928-8988





To All the Women of St. Patrick Parish

We will hold our Fall Meeting in two sessions:

**THIS WEDNESDAY, October 7, at 11:30 a.m. with soup in the Shamrock Room ...
and again on October 7, at 6:30 p.m. with snacks and beverages at the Knights of
Columbus. Please feel free to reach out to Peggy Mayer
at pjpmayer@gmail.com or (312) 501-0609.**



Consejo de Mujeres Católicas

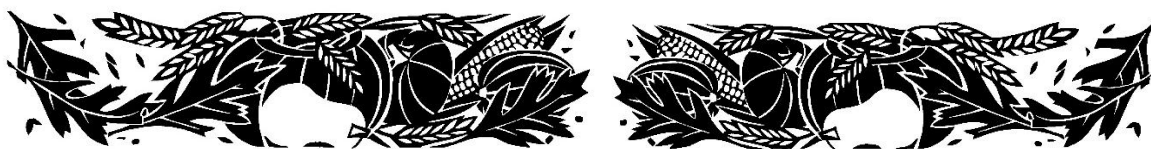


Para todas las mujeres de la Parroquia San Patricio

Tendremos nuestra reunión de otoño en dos sesiones:

**ESTE MIÉRCOLES, 7 de octubre, a las 11:30 a.m. con sopa en el Salón Shamrock ...
y nuevamente el 7 de octubre, a las 6:30 p.m. con bocadillos y bebidas
en los Caballeros de Colón.**

**No dudes en contactar a Peggy Mayer
en pjpmayer@gmail.com o al 312-501-0609.**



Some of our parishioners have banded together and work quietly and selflessly to provide floral arrangements for our weekend liturgies. *Thank you so much for the beautiful work you do!*

To assist these efforts, **we are forming an Art and Environment Committee** that works to set a mood that invites participation in the liturgy. Using sculpture, candles, flowers, plants, fabric, and more, the church's environment enhances these experiences and fulfills this purpose, and considers the liturgical seasons, the readings, feast days, and special Parish celebrations.

**Interested volunteers should contact the Parish Office
at (815) 932-6716.**

Share your gifts and talents!



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

What identifies a steward?
Safeguarding material and human resources
and using them responsibly is one answer;
so is ***generous giving of time, talent, and treasure.***

But being a Christian steward means more.
As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully,
cultivate them responsibly,
share them lovingly in justice with others,
and return them with increase to the Lord.

United States Council of Catholic Bishops

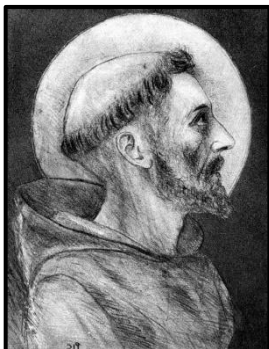
**Speaking of Service ...
women – and men – of the Parish
are asked to consider serving as SACRISTANS.
They offer time on Friday mornings at 9 a.m.
Training is provided.
Call the Rectory Office at (815) 932-6716.**

Sunday Offertory Report

September 2026.....	\$ 26,217.00
July 1, 2026 – Sept. 30, 2026.....	\$ 94,652.17
YTD Budget.....	\$105,750.00

Stewardship

All things are possible with God



Today is the Feast of St. Francis. This prayer is associated with him
because its themes match his life of humility, reconciliation, and service ...
characteristics greatly needed in our world today!

And so, we pray:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow **love**; where there is injury, **pardon**;
where there is doubt, **faith**; where there is despair, **hope**;
where there is darkness, **light**; and where there is sadness, **joy**.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as **to console**,
to be understood as **to understand**, to be loved as **to love**.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

ST. PATRICK CHURCH, 428 SOUTH INDIANA AVENUE, KANKAKEE, IL. (815) 932-6716.
Liturgical Ministers Schedule. Please arrange for a substitute if needed.

OCTOBER 10 / 11	4:00 P.M.	7:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M. (Spanish)
CANTORS	A. Schneider / Choir		M. Finks	Coro
SERVERS	A. Arrocha O. Mayer		L. Flageole Z. Niba	
LECTORS	J. Arrington	D. Berg	M. Born	O. Mora / E. Mora
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	K. Arrington A. Arrocha J. Wesoloski	J. Boyd C. Olofsson	M. O'Brien D. Vaubel J. Yohnka	E. Lopez T. Serna Ma Del Carmen Rico
WEEKDAY LECTOR	J. Boyd			
SACRISTANS	M. Jones		M. Lorenzo	

*Please pray for the sick and the dying, and for all those who mourn the loss of a loved one.
Also, let us remember in prayer the homebound, those in nursing homes or hospitals,
and those who have asked for our prayers.*

Prayer Line ... please call (815) 932-9423

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 5 ***St. Faustina Kowalska***

7:15 Vivian Danca (*Danca Family*)

Tuesday, October 6 ***St. Bruno***

7:15 Charles A. Schultz (Ann.)
(by Harriet Schultz)

Wednesday October 7 ***Our Lady of the Rosary***

7:15 Timothy Rodeghero (*Rodeghero Family*)

Thursday, October 8 ***St. John Henry Newman***

7:15 Intentions of Paula Galvan and Family
(Sr. Theresa Galvan, CND)

Friday, October 9 ***St. Denis, St. John Leonardi***

7:15 Sharon Stanley (Ann.) (*Stanley Family*)

Saturday, October 10

4:00 Iven and Lois Johnson (Wed. Ann.)
(Sharon Draude) /

Mark Johnson (Birth. Ann.)

(Johnson and Vollmer Families) /

Anita Drassler (Ann.) (*Madelyn O'Brien*) /

Bridget Kingsnorth

(John and Kathy Mroz)

Sunday, October 11

Pope St. John XXIII

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 Rev. Eugene Sullivan, CSV (Ann.)
(Born Family)

10:00 Mose Arseneau (*Dolores Arseneau*) /
Alice Perez (Birth. Ann.)

(Peter and Linda Nicolais) /

Wayne Dressler (Ann.) (*Dressler Family*)

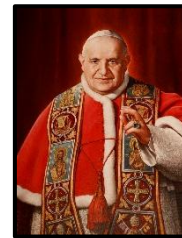
4:00 (Sp.) Parishioners and Benefactors



MEMORIAL CANDLES

The Blessed Sacrament Candle
burns for Carl and Jan Coleman
as they celebrate their
65th Wedding Anniversary
(by Carl and Jan Coleman).

The Holy Family Candle
burns in honor of Fr. Don Wehnert
as he celebrates his 94th birthday (by Parish).



Consult not your fears
but your hopes and your dreams.
Think not about your frustrations,
but about your unfulfilled potential.
Concern yourself not
with what you tried and failed in,
but with what it is still possible for you to do.
Pope John XXIII



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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily..... 7:15 a.m.
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Spanish Mass Sunday 4:00 p.m.
Reconciliation Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m. and by appt.

Appointments..... Please call to schedule appointments
Reconciliation Please call for an appointment
Baptism..... Parent Session required
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