

# *St. Patrick, Kankakee ~ A Viatorian Parish*

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



## *Counting the Cost ...*

How do we do what is right, Jesus, when it costs us so much to follow you?

How ... when the good and the true and the beautiful cannot be purchased in a 'buy-now-pay-later' scheme as a quick-fix solution to our longing for life?

How do we do what is right when it takes so much time,  
and when the life it brings comes according to the timetable of eternity,  
not the stopwatch of our up-to-the-minute world?

How do our leaders do what is right, Jesus,  
for the weak and marginalized, for people beyond our borders,  
when the cost could be to forfeit their opportunity to lead?

How do our corporations do what is right, Jesus, for our suffering planet,  
for the rights and needs of the poor, when the cost could be to lose investors,  
and sacrifice the lives of their own workers?

How do our protectors do what is right, Jesus,  
for the broken and desperate, for our allies and enemies,  
when the cost could be to face the attacks of those they seek to defend?

We need to learn how to do what is right, Jesus, our world needs us to learn it.  
We need to count the cost of your call and measure it against the abundant life you promise.

Help us, in our own small way, to be those who do the right thing,  
and in so doing, demonstrate the goodness that following you brings to all.

Amen.

*John van de Laar*

O Lord our God,  
you know how much we are afraid  
of taking risks and committing ourselves  
to the new and the unknown.  
But you beckon us through your Son  
and you let him and his cross be our strength.

And so, we pray you:  
Keep calling us out of our enclosures  
and give us the courage to go all the way  
to you and to one another  
without fear or compromise.  
Let the Gospel of Jesus  
become our Good News of happiness  
and joy to fill our lives, for ever and ever. Amen.



*Liturgy Alive*

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Please remember the  
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*Please pray for our Military Personnel.  
Be with them, Lord, and keep them safe!*



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## Reflection REFLECTION

♦ What part does love play in any change for the better? ♦ Has love worked any changes in your life? ♦ Is following Jesus a one-time choice or do you have to make it daily? ♦ Can you name some people who lived/live in Christ and have possessed nothing? ♦ What does this freedom allow them to do? ♦ What cost is God asking you to pay? ♦ In what ways is the Gospel being reflected in your life?

Jesus invites us to live boldly, love deeply, and follow him freely. This is not a call to misery, but a path to joy that lasts forever.

### *Stewardship Report* **Sunday, August 31, 2025**

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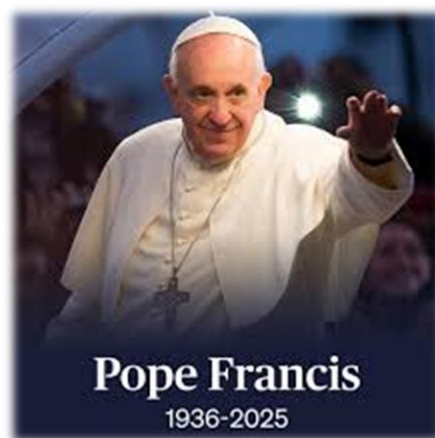
What is the joy that the Christian  
is called to live and bear witness to?  
It is the joy that comes from the closeness of God,  
from God's presence in our lives.

Jesus has come to bring joy to all people for all time.

It is not just a hopeful joy  
or a joy postponed until paradise,  
as if here on earth we are sad  
but in paradise we will be filled with joy.

No! It is not that, but a joy already real and tangible now,  
because Jesus himself is our joy, and with Jesus joy finds its home.

And our joy is just this: to be his followers ... his disciples ... his friends.



*Pope Francis* The Joy of Discipleship, Chapter 5

**Pray every day for VOCATIONS  
to the priesthood and consecrated life!**

*¡Bienvenidos a nuestros nuevos feligreses!  
Welcome to our new Parishioners!*

**Make time  
for  
silence,  
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and prayer.  
  
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a Viatorian.**



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### *Jubilee Year of Hope Parish Pilgrimage ~*

Join us as we go on a one-day pilgrimage on October 13th to celebrate this Holy Year of Hope! We will visit St. Raymond Nonnatus (Diocese of Joliet Cathedral), which is a designated jubilee site. Our visit will include Mass, opportunity for confession, time for personal prayer, a tour of the Cathedral, and lunch together.

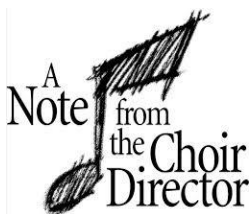
***Año Jubilar de la Esperanza*** ¡Únase a nosotros mientras hacemos una peregrinación de un día el 13 de octubre para celebrar este Año Santo de la Esperanza! Visitaremos San Raymundo Nonnatus (Catedral de la Diócesis de Joliet), que es un sitio de jubileo designado. Nuestra visita incluirá Misa, la oportunidad de confesión, tiempo para oración personal, un recorrido del Catedral, y almuerzo juntos.



**A PILGRIM** is someone who travels to a sacred place to draw closer to God. Being a Pilgrim of Hope is believing that good things will come, even if times are difficult. As Pilgrims of Hope, we are called to bring light to others, share kindness, and keep our eyes on God. Pilgrimage is traveling with others, sharing tales, and praying together to reinforce our faith and to bring us closer as the Body of Christ.

**UN PEREGRINO** es alguien que viaja a un lugar sagrado para acercarse a Dios. Ser un Peregrino de la Esperanza es creer que las cosas buenas vendrán, incluso en tiempos difíciles. Como Peregrinos de la Esperanza, estamos llamados a llevar luz a los demás, compartir bondad y mantener la mirada puesta en Dios. Peregrinar es viajar con otros, compartir historias y orar juntos para fortalecer nuestra fe y acercarnos como Cuerpo de Cristo.

### *A Note from our Director of Music:*



As we return to our fall schedules, we invite you to join one of our choirs. Our Parish Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Our Funeral Choir rehearses 45 minutes prior to a funeral. ***All parishioners, junior high and older, are invited to join our Parish Choir!*** Envelope Number 720. Whether you are an experienced singer or just love to lift your voice in praise, we welcome all who wish to share their musical talents.

Our first rehearsal is **THIS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE CHOIR LOFT.** Please come share your voice and help lead our liturgies in song. No prior choir experience is required – just a love for singing and praising God!

Looking forward to meeting you there, ***Amy Schneider, Director of Music***

***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.





## **Pilgrimage Registration is Here! La Inscripción a la Peregrinación está Aquí!**

Join your fellow parishioners on October 13th for a one-day pilgrimage to celebrate this Holy Year of Hope! **Registration is open until Tuesday, September 30th**. Registration forms are available in the back of the Church and in the parish office. Don't miss out!!

*¡Únase a sus compañeros feligreses el 13 de octubre para una peregrinación de un día para celebrar este Año Santo de la Esperanza! **La inscripción está abierta hasta el martes 30 de septiembre**. Los formularios de inscripción están disponibles en la parte trasera del iglesia y en la oficina parroquial. ¡No se lo pierde!*

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***The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary*** invite you to renew your Spirit through their upcoming programs. Please feel free to call with questions or to register over the phone. Contact Susan Amann at (708) 790-8141, or email her at ([samann@sscm-usa.org](mailto:samann@sscm-usa.org)). Or visit <https://www.sscm-usa.org/Workshops-Retreats.html>

Joy erupts within us when we allow an experience to touch the very depths of our souls. That cannot be rushed. It is time to slow down to the speed of joy. from **Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy**

La alegría brota en nosotros cuando permitimos que una experiencia nos llegue a lo más profundo del alma. No podemos apresurarnos. Es hora de bajar al ritmo de la alegría.

**De la desaceleración a la velocidad de la alegría**



### ***Congratulations and Welcome to our Newly Baptized***

Please join in welcoming  
***Zeke Caly Provost***  
and his twin sister,  
***Ayla Suzanne Provost.***

May God continue to bless them!  
And may God bless  
their parents and godparents  
as they guide their growth  
in faith and in love.

They are pictured here with godparents, Carli Provost and Shannon Provost, Bishop Christopher Glancy, CSV, and their parents, Caly and Naoko Provost.



***Sign up for the Viatorians' Friday e-newsletter! Get connected!***

Visit **Viatorians.com**. There, you can subscribe via the box on the left column of the desktop-view homepage. When viewed on mobile, this box appears just below the header photos of the top stories. It is easy ... and informative. Check it out.

And while you are there, look at **VIATORIAN VOICES: CONVERSATIONS ALONG THE WAY**. One of the most recent editions is a conversation with Bishop Christopher Glancy, CSV, our Pastor, about the Viatorian Community's newest area of ministry. Scroll through and find many other interesting conversations with people you know or should get to know!



## **Religious Education Program (REP) News and Important Dates**

♦ **Wednesday September 10: REP Catechists and REP staff members** will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria to go over plans for the year.

**Wednesday September 17: Parent Meeting** at 6:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria We will discuss Registration, REP rules for attendance, the Par-

ent / Student Handbook and any other questions or concerns parents may have.

**Wednesday, September 24 REP sessions for children** will begin at 6 p.m. Parents can bring their children to the school parking lot door only- not the door on Indiana Avenue.

**Please contact Eileen Kregor, Director of Religious Education,  
at (815) 932-6716, or email her at [stpatsrepek@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsrepek@gmail.com)**

## **Programa de Educación Religiosa (REP) Noticias y Fechas Importantes**

♦ ***Miércoles 10 de septiembre:*** Los catequistas y el personal del REP se reunirán a las 18:00 h en la cafetería de la escuela para repasar los planes del año.

♦ ***Miércoles 17 de septiembre:*** Reunión de padres a las 18:00 h en la cafetería de la escuela. Se hablará sobre la inscripción, las normas de asistencia del REP, el Manual para Padres/Estudiantes y cualquier otra pregunta o inquietud que puedan tener los padres.

♦ ***Miércoles 24 de septiembre:*** Las sesiones del REP para niños comenzarán a las 18:00 h. Los padres pueden traer a sus hijos solo a la puerta del estacionamiento de la escuela, no a la de la Avenida Indiana.

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*Liturgical Ministers Schedule. Please arrange for a substitute if needed.*

SEPT. 13 / 14	4:00 P.M.	7:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	4:00 (Spanish)
CANTOR	E. Kregor		D. Worth / Choir	Coro
LECTOR	S. Pommier	L. Born	M. O'Brien	M. Chavez/C. Alvarez
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	L. Berns J. Menard	C. Olofsson	J. Todnem J. Yohnka	E. Lopez
WEEKDAY LECTOR		L. Born		
SACRISTANS for September 12		M. Jones	A. Steinke	

*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, September 8

***Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

7:15 Mabel Saffer (Birth. Ann.)

*(by John and Judy Surprenant)*

Tuesday, September 9 ***St. Peter Claver***

7:15 Parishioners and Benefactors

Wednesday, September 10

7:15 Kay Serafini *(by Serafini Family)*

Thursday, September 11

7:15 Ashur Toma *(by Toma Family)*

Friday, September 12

7:15 Elaine Ziemer *(by Ziemer Family)*

Saturday, September 13 ***St. John Chrysostom***

4:00 Andina Dal Santo *(by Marlene Huot) /*

Jerry Huot *(by Marlene Huot) /*

Kay Lindner *(by Lindner Family)*

Sunday, September 14

***Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross***

7:00 Joann Keller (Birth. Ann.)

*(by Karen Berg)*

10:00 Marilyn Worth (Ann.)

*(by Worth Family) /*

Jacquelyn Lower *(by Judy Bourland) /*

Patty Lower West *(by Judy Bourland) /*

Elvira Zullo *(by Judy Bourland) /*

4:00 (Spanish) Hispanic Community

as they celebrate

Mexican Independence Day

*(by Parish Family)*



#### MEMORIAL CANDLES

*The Blessed Sacrament Candle*  
burns in prayer for a special friend  
(by Parish Staff).

*The Holy Family Candle*  
burns in memory of Len Mulcahy  
(by Marilyn Mulcahy).

Everywhere, wherever you may find yourself,  
you can set up an altar to God in your mind by  
means of prayer.

Prayer should be how I, at all times, receive all  
that I need, and, for this reason, be my daily ref-  
uge, my daily consolation, my daily joy, my  
source of rich and inexhaustible joy in life.

*St. John Chrysostom*

**Confessions in the church  
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Spanish Mass ..... Sunday 4:00 p.m.  
Reconciliation ..... Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m. and by appt.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

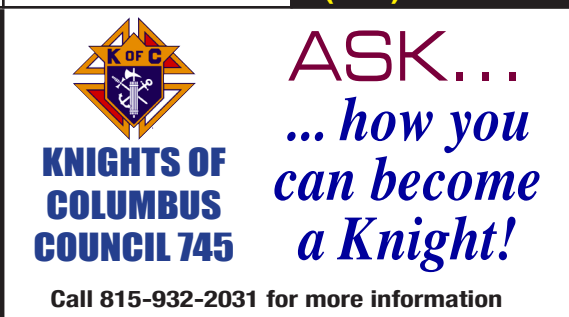
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