

CHURCH OF THE HOLY GHOST

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH

AUGUST 16, 2026

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Parish Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 8am - 3pm
Closed Friday - Sunday
630-860-2975

Faith Formation Office Hours:

Tues - Thurs 9am - 2pm
630-766-4509

*(Located on the north side of the church
in the Farrell Faith Formation Center)*

Did you know that Holy Ghost Church has it's own Facebook page?

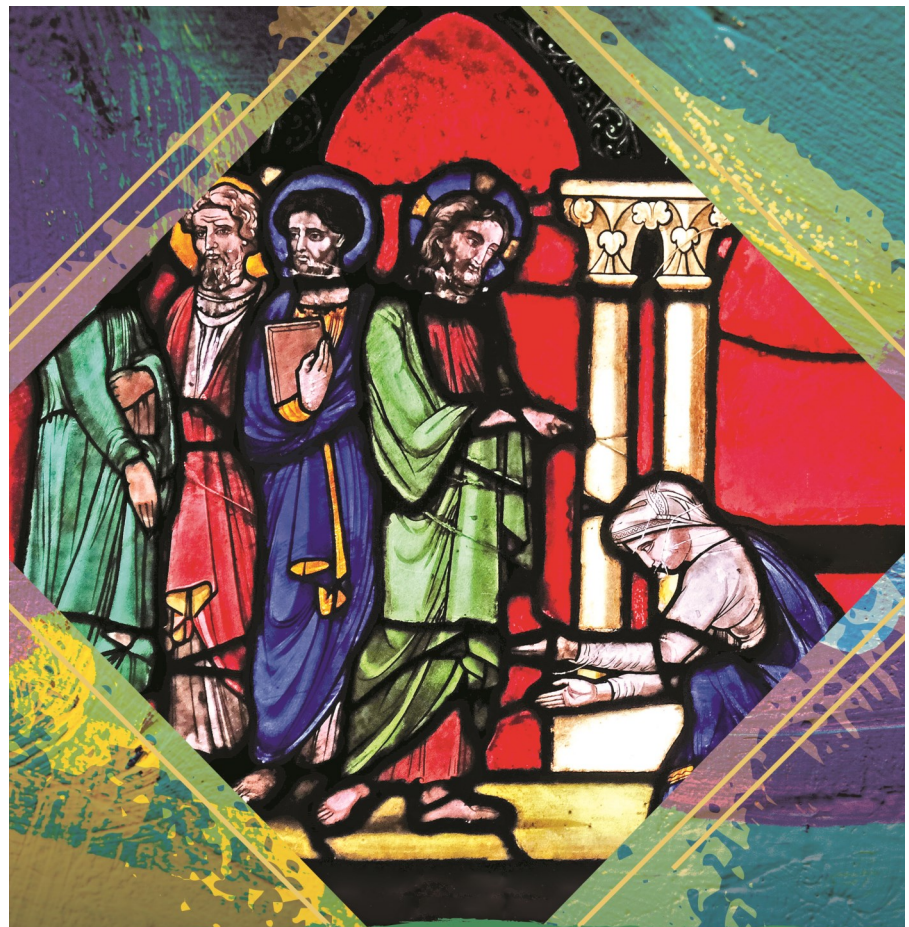


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Knights of Columbus Council #10325

Website: kofc10325.org
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20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The woman came and did Jesus homage, saying,
"Lord, help me." - Mt 15:25

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

4 pm Saturday
8 am Sunday
10:30 am Sunday

DAILY MASS

8:30 am Mon-Thurs

FIRST FRIDAY

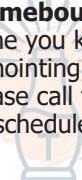
8:30 am

Please join us for **Adoration**
from 7AM to 8AM
before the 8:30AM
weekday morning Mass.



Homebound:

If you or someone you know is in need of sacraments of Anointing, Reconciliation or Communion please call the office at 630-860-2975 to schedule a priest visit.



Confessions will be
heard on Saturdays
from 3 to 3:45PM.



Pray the **Rosary** with us
Monday through Thursday
at 9 AM

and on Thursday evenings at 7PM

WELCOME

AUGUST 16, 2026

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 15

4PM Mass

+Josue Roman C Bobila

For the Parishioners of Holy Ghost Parish Living & Deceased

Sunday, August 16

8AM Mass

+Joseph & Mary Schmitt

10:30AM Mass

+Joseph DiCiolla



Weekday 8:30AM Mass

Monday, August 17

+Blazej Kuziora

Tuesday, August 18

+Edward Krawczyk

Wednesday, August 19

+Celia Sifuentes

Thursday, August 20

+John Gniech

Parish Membership:

Holy Ghost church welcomes you and your family. Please register by calling, stopping by the office during the week, or download the form from our website and return to the office.

Baptismal prep classes:

Our baptismal preparation classes are held on the first Tuesday evening at 7:00pm. Please call us to register. 630-766-4509

Baptisms:

Parents or guardians are required to attend a baptismal preparation class prior to the Baptism. Baptisms are held on the first and third Saturdays. Please call us to register. 630-766-4509

Marriages:

It is necessary that all couples desiring to be married at Holy Ghost Church call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the wedding coordinator, Fran Hargadon, at least six months prior to the date of their wedding and BEFORE they set a date with a banquet facility. Please call us to register. 630-860-2975

Annulments:

If you have questions about an annulment or are interested in starting the process with the Matrimonial Tribunal of the Diocese of Joliet, please contact Susan Tutaj 630-536-7427 or stutaj@holychurchparish.org

Funerals:

To schedule a funeral or memorial service for a loved one, please contact Fran Hargadon at 630-860-2975. Our parish community is here to support and comfort you during this difficult time.

Religious Education:

Our Religious Education Program builds and supports informed, practicing, and faith filled families. The program is held on select Sundays from September through April between 9:00-10:15 AM. Families are then encouraged to attend mass together either at 8 AM or at 10:30 AM. Please call us to register. 630-766-4509

Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation

Instruction for children on these sacraments is currently being offered within the religion curriculum in the Faith Formation programs. It is diocesan policy that a person be in the Faith Formation program for two full years before receiving sacraments. For more information and to register please contact the (RE) Faith Formation Office at 630-766-4509.

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THANK YOU

for your generosity

July 29 - August 4, 2026

Sunday Collection \$11,058.16

26-27 Budgeted Weekly Collection
\$11,150.00

YTD budget thru July 2026
-7,973.38



Catholic Ministries
Annual Appeal
Diocese of Joliet

	2026
Parish Goal	\$54,200
Amount Pledged	\$64,604
Amount Paid	\$55,548
Balance Due	\$9,056
Donors	218
2026 Rebate	\$943

Updated 8/9/2026

UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS

September 19/20 - CORE



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by Ministry Brands™



Apple Pay, Google Pay, Venmo, PayPal

Simply **scan the QR code** or visit our website **to give securely** from your smartphone. Thank you for supporting our ministries and mission!

Bulletin Articles:

All articles for the Sunday bulletin must be submitted **at least 10 days before the published Sunday**. This allows time for editing, formatting, and printing. Make sure to plan ahead to meet the deadline and ensure your content is included in the upcoming bulletin! Please email bulletin content for consideration to hgbulletin@holychurchparish.org

Mass Intention Information \$10 stipend per Mass Intention.

Mass Intention requests, in compliance with the Decree on Mass Stipends, began on January 1, 2016: There will be one intention for a Mass. Mass will be offered for all Parishioners in the Parish on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Holy Thursday, Easter Vigil, Easter Sunday, & Holy Days of Obligation.



Pray for the Sick

PRAYER & WORSHIP
AUGUST 16, 2026
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray for Our Military

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

AIR FORCE:

LT COL Anthony Calabrese
LT COL Patty Calabrese
MAJ Mary Dones
CAPT Joseph Piscopo
MAJ Jeremy Shimanek
1st LT Joshua Jalowiec
SSGT Robert W. Dones
SSGT Timothy Latvis
SRA Randall Petrbock
A1C Ryan Leider
SRA Nicholas Pfeifer
A3C James Kochanski III

ARMY:

LTC Robert Bowen
LTC Grace Gallagher
CAPT Elizabeth Gonzales
SFC Zack Cieslak
SPC Marco Garcia
SPC David Patcher
CW4 Anderson Mann
CW2 Carlos Contreras
PVT Steven Badgley
PVT Ian Schauchuk

MARINE CORPS:

CAPT Edward W. Miller
SGT Nicholas Reid
SGT Jack Rowley
LCPL Michele Giuseppe Bottalico
LCPL Vincent Anthony Eltman
PVT Cameron Andresen
PVT Gabriel Leon
PVT Billy Termine
SGT Jeremy Ames

NAVY:

LCDR Nicholas Lucania
Ryan James Ruizol
CTT2 Kurtis Ames

Military and Prayer List

Please email: hgbulletin@holyghostparish.org
or call the parish office at 630-860-2975
to add or remove a name from the list.

Thank you!



Cathy Alcozer	Georgia Schroeder
Bianca Marie Borowski	Cindi Shea
Michael Brann	Frank Staggs
Micah Casey	Holly Staggs
Ron Catalano	Nancy Townsend
Ady DeLargarza	Larry Venere
Aldegunda Diego	Feliciano Vero
Thomas Franzen	Gloria Villanueva
Izcoatl Garcia Gonzales	Salvatore Vivo
Mike Kaiser	Matt Vocino
Sarah Kasab	Bernadette Watson
Jerad Klint	James Wilk
Therese Kotecki	Phil Yanez
Michael Malek	Joseph Yello
Jose Joaquin Negrete	Cyndi Zwadlo
Paz	Colin

And for those listed in our parish book of prayers.

Please pray this prayer daily!

Prayer for Discipleship

Ever loving God, maker of all good things, you made us in your image and called us through baptism. Give us now the grace to be made into your disciples, and grant that in being so made, we will do as you have commanded—to go and make other disciples as we teach, evangelize, and put our faith into action. Through the intercession of the patron saint of our diocese, St. Francis Xavier, St. Joseph, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, we humbly pray. Amen.

August is Make-a-Will Month

August is Make a Will Month and the Diocese of Joliet is excited to announce its new FREE estate planning partner, Catholic Legacy, a ministry of Relevant Radio. Catholic Legacy helps parishioners create Wills, Funeral Plans, and Healthcare Direc-

tives in alignment with the teachings of the Church. There is no better time to create or update your will.



Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Food for the Banquet

A beautiful way to honor your loved ones, living or deceased, is through providing Food for the Banquet. You may mail your request with your \$50 contribution to Holy Ghost Church, 254 N Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale IL 60191.



Please include your choice of date from the list below.

***The following dates are open for donations:**

August 22/23, 29/30

September 5/6, 19/20, 26/27

(*Availability subject to possible change once the bulletin has gone to the printer.)

Our Sanctuary Lamp

Our sanctuary lamp is a 7-day candle that is always lit above the tabernacle. If you would like to contribute \$20 to the cost of the weekly candle, we will include an acknowledgement in the bulletin. You are also welcome to make the donation in memory or honor of a loved one.

You may mail your request with your contribution to:
Holy Ghost Church
at 254 N Wood Dale Road,
Wood Dale IL 60191



In Memory of Maureen Oakley

From Marlene Crowley

Names will be printed in the bulletin in the order in which they are received.



WHAT THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY IS NOT:

The Sacrament of Matrimony in Catholicism is a profound and sacred union, but understanding what it is not can help clarify its true meaning and purpose.

Here are key points that explain what the Sacrament of Matrimony is not:

1. MATRIMONY IS NOT MERELY A CONTRACT

Matrimony is not just a legal contract or a mutual agreement

between two parties.

While it has legal implications, the sacrament transcends these, being a covenant—a sacred bond that mirrors the relationship between Christ and His Church (Ephesians 5:25-32).

It involves a deeper spiritual commitment and a lifelong bond that is not subject to dissolution through human will alone.

2. MATRIMONY IS NOT TEMPORARY

Catholic Matrimony is not a temporary arrangement.

The vow of "till death do us part" reflects the Church's teaching that marriage is a permanent union.

This indissolubility means that once validly entered, the marriage bond cannot be broken by any human power.

Divorce, therefore, cannot end the sacramental bond, as marriage is meant to be a lifelong vocation.

3. MATRIMONY IS NOT CENTERED ON PERSONAL HAPPINESS ALONE

While the happiness of the spouses is a beautiful fruit of marriage, Matrimony is not focused solely on individual happiness or personal fulfillment.

The sacrament calls the couple to self-giving love, sacrifice, and service to each other and their children. The ultimate goal is to help one another grow in holiness and prepare for eternal life with God.

4. MATRIMONY IS NOT A PRIVATE AFFAIR

Marriage in the Catholic Church is not a private affair between two individuals.

It is a public vocation within the Church and society, carrying responsibilities to the broader community.

The couple is called to witness God's love through their relationship, serving as a living example of Christ's love for His Church.

5. MATRIMONY IS NOT MERELY ABOUT ROMANTIC LOVE

Matrimony is not based purely on romantic or emotional love, which can be fleeting.

Instead, it is grounded in agape love—a selfless, unconditional love that seeks the good of the other.

This love is expressed in the couple's commitment to be faithful, fruitful, and open to life, reflecting God's creative and redemptive love.

6. MATRIMONY IS NOT ABOUT CONTROL OR DOMINATION

The Sacrament of Matrimony is not a relationship where one partner dominates or controls the other.

It is a partnership of equals, where both spouses are called to mutual respect, love, and support.

The sacrament emphasizes mutual submission out of reverence for Christ (Ephesians 5:21), with both husband and wife seeking to serve each other in love.

7. MATRIMONY IS NOT OPTIONAL FOR SEXUAL EXPRESSION

In Catholic teaching, Matrimony is the only appropriate context for sexual expression.

It is not simply a lifestyle choice among others; rather, it is the proper and sacred context for sexual intimacy, which is both unitive and procreative.

Sex outside of marriage, therefore, is contrary to the sacrament's purpose and the Church's understanding of human dignity.

8. MATRIMONY IS NOT A SACRAMENT FOR THE PERFECT

The Sacrament of Matrimony is not reserved for those who are without flaws or sin.

Rather, it is for ordinary people who, despite their imperfections, are committed to striving toward holiness together.

The sacrament provides grace to help spouses grow in virtue, overcome weaknesses, and support each other in their journey towards God.

The Church recognizes that marriage is a path of sanctification where both husband and wife can grow in holiness, not because they are perfect, but because they are open to God's transforming grace.

9. MATRIMONY IS NOT AN END IN ITSELF

Matrimony is not the ultimate goal or purpose of life.

While it is a significant and sacred vocation, it is meant to lead both spouses toward a higher purpose: eternal union with God. The sacrament points beyond itself to the divine love it represents.

As a reflection of Christ's love for His Church, marriage is a means by which both spouses help each other grow closer to God, reminding them that their final destiny is not merely in the marital bond but in eternal life with the Trinity.

10. MATRIMONY IS NOT A SOLUTION TO LONELINESS OR PERSONAL PROBLEMS

The Sacrament of Matrimony is not a cure-all for personal loneliness, insecurity, or other emotional or psychological issues.

While marriage can provide companionship and support, it is not a solution to deeper personal problems.



Entering marriage with the expectation that it will fix these issues can lead to disappointment and strain on the relationship.

The Church encourages individuals to seek personal healing and growth before and during marriage, understanding that the sacrament is meant to enhance one's life, not solve all personal difficulties.

11. MATRIMONY IS NOT MERELY A SOCIAL CONTRACT

The Sacrament of Matrimony is not just a legal or social agreement between two people.

While marriage has legal and societal dimensions, its essence as a sacrament is far deeper.

It is a sacred covenant, established by God, in which the couple is joined together in a bond that reflects the union of Christ and His Church.

This covenantal nature elevates marriage beyond mere legalities, making it a spiritual commitment that requires the mutual exchange of love, fidelity, and openness to life.

12. MATRIMONY IS NOT A TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT

Catholic teaching affirms that marriage is a lifelong commitment and is not intended to be dissolved. It is not something that can be entered into or exited from lightly or temporarily.

The vow "until death do us part" underscores the permanence of the marital bond, reflecting God's unbreakable covenant with humanity.

This indissolubility emphasizes the seriousness of the commitment and the importance of perseverance, even through challenges.

13. MATRIMONY IS NOT ABOUT SELF-FULFILLMENT

The Sacrament of Matrimony is not primarily about personal happiness or self-fulfillment.

While marriage can bring joy and satisfaction, its purpose is not centered on individual desires. Instead, it calls for self-giving love, sacrifice, and the putting of the other's needs before one's own.

The sacrament is a school of love where spouses learn to die to themselves, grow in virtue, and seek the good of the other, reflecting Christ's self-sacrificial love.

14. MATRIMONY IS NOT EXEMPT FROM SUFFERING

Marriage is not a guarantee of a life free from suffering or hardship. Like any vocation, it involves trials and crosses that must be borne together.

The sacrament provides grace to help spouses endure and grow through these difficulties, seeing them as opportunities for deeper love and sanctification. In fact, the shared bearing of life's burdens is a key aspect of the marital relationship, reflecting the redemptive suffering of Christ.

15. MATRIMONY IS NOT AN EXCLUSION OF GOD'S CALL

Finally, the Sacrament of Matrimony is not a rejection or avoidance of God's call to holiness.

Instead, it is a pathway to it. By living out the sacrament faithfully, spouses fulfill their vocation in a way that sanctifies them and their family.

The Church teaches that marriage is a divine call to witness God's love to the world, making the home a "domestic church" where faith is lived and shared. Thus, marriage is an active participation in God's plan, not a distraction from it.

CONCLUSION:

Matrimony as a Sacred Vocation

Understanding what the Sacrament of Matrimony is not helps clarify what it truly is: a sacred, indissoluble covenant that mirrors the love of Christ for His Church.

It is a lifelong vocation centered on mutual love, service, and openness to life, with the ultimate goal of leading both spouses closer to God.

By avoiding misconceptions, Catholics can more fully embrace the beauty and responsibilities of this sacrament.



PREVIEW THE BIBLE SCHOOL IN OUR DIOCESE!

The acclaimed **Biblical Institute in the Diocese of Joliet** is registering students for Years 1 and 2 this Fall: Attend in person classes at **The Blanchette Center** in Crest Hill for Year 1 on Tuesdays 7-9 p.m. OR at **St. Michael Catholic Church** in Wheaton for Year 2 on Thursdays 7-9 p.m. If you want to learn the Bible from a Catholic perspective, come and see if this program is for you.

In Person Preview Events in August:

- **The Blanchette Center** (Crest Hill)
Aug 18 (Tues) 7-8:30 p.m.
- **St. Michael Catholic Church** (Wheaton)
Aug 20 (Thurs) 7-8:30 p.m.
- **St. Andrew Parish** (Romeoville)
Aug 15 & 16 at Masses
- **St. Carlo Acutis Parish** (Crest Hill)
Aug 25 (Tues) 7-8:30 p.m.
- **St. John The Baptist Parish** (Winfield)
Aug 27 (Thurs) 7-8:30 p.m.

In Person Preview Events in September:

- **The Blanchette Center** (Crest Hill)
Sept 1 (Tues) 7-8:30 p.m.
- **St. Michael Catholic Church** (Wheaton)
Sept 3 (Thurs) 7-8:30 p.m.

Meet an instructor, talk to current students, see the books, get a feel for a typical class!

Mayslake Ministries

Website: mayslakeministries.org

Please join Pope Leo in praying his August 2026 intention:

For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Spend an Hour with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration



"Could you not keep watch with Me for one hour?" (Matthew 26:40)

Everyone is warmly invited to **Eucharistic Adoration Monday through Thursday, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.**, concluding with **Benediction**.

Eucharistic Adoration is a sacred time of prayer spent in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. It is an opportunity to step away from the busyness of daily life, to sit quietly with Our Lord, to pray, listen, give

thanks, seek guidance, and place your intentions before Him. The fruits of Adoration are countless. Time spent with Jesus deepens our relationship with Him, strengthens our faith, brings peace to anxious hearts, renews hope, and provides grace for the challenges of everyday life. Many experience greater clarity in discerning God's will, healing of mind and spirit, and a growing desire to live as faithful disciples.

Whether you come for the entire hour or just a few moments, Jesus is waiting for you with love. Make Eucharistic Adoration a regular part of your spiritual life and discover the peace and strength that come from simply being in His presence.

**Eucharistic Adoration
Monday – Thursday
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
Benediction at 8:00 a.m.**

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION



Holy Ghost Family Faith Formation

Holy Ghost Family Faith Formation Program for children ages 4 through Parish 8 **will begin on September 13, 2026.** Forms can be found on the Holy Ghost web site at www.HolyGhostparish.org or in the vestibules.

Do you know any older teens or adults that want to learn more about the Catholic faith, or may want to receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation? If you know anyone needing Baptism, Communion and/or Confirmation have them contact Nancy Siemers at 630-766-4509.

MAKE CONVERSION: ENCOUNTERING THE SACRED RITA AND TOM VERCROYSE (PART 1)



Our day was about to change from activities other than our ordinary work and play routines, to something extraordinary and life changing. This day was to become a chaotic challenge and test of mortal human beings, guided by the hand of God. We could have chosen a beach day, or a fruit picking outing. We soon realized there were no footprints in the sand to assure or direct us. There was only concrete and asphalt ahead of us. Or so we thought!

Rita and I were on the highway on our way back to Elmhurst where we lived with her Mom. We planned for a light dinner at our home in south Elmhurst, then taking Mom back home when afternoon rush-hour had ceased. As we came from I-290 onto Route 83 southbound to head for Elmhurst, I got into the usual left lane to turn toward home. Conversation had been lively but hit a lull as we turned. A block onto North Avenue, I glanced to my right in the passenger seat where my mother-in-law was sitting, and she was slumped over and her skin was gray. I intuitively knew that we were in trouble.

I shouted to Rita in the back seat, "We've got trouble.... your mom.... somethings wrong!" I looked at my mother-in-law again and realized that she was not breathing and had experienced something traumatic. Rita checked for a pulse from the back seat and found nothing. Rita's nursing training immediately kicked in as she reached around the to do whatever chest compression she could to continue blood flow in her Mom's lifeless body. She had done this so many times in the hospital setting with patients, but this time we were in a rolling vehicle, and conditions were much less than optimal for CPR, which is what we both knew she desperately needed. A call to 911, telling them the situation that I was going to try to make it to Elmhurst Hospital about a mile away. But it seemed like forever watching each street go by as if in slow motion. By the time we were three streets from York Road, the life blood of Elmhurst commerce and social activity. I realized that there was no time to make it to the hospital. She needed for CPR and she needed it now. Another call to 911 telling them we had to stop to administer more optimal CPR compressions and breaths.

Knowing that stopping on North Avenue was not an option, I turned right onto York Road. Down the block on the left was a parking lot between two restaurants than provided a good location to further minister to Lillian, and to rendezvous with emergency services. As I pulled into the drive, I already had 911 on the phone again telling them to meet us as quickly as possible while we continued CPR.

I whipped into the driveway, and we were out in seconds. I ran to the passenger side, scooped my mother-in-law from the front seat of our older Camry, and carefully laid her on the pavement as Rita cradled her head. Once positioned more optimally on the ground, we were able to properly do CPR. With a coat to cradle her head and lift her airway into good position, Rita was already doing chest compressions as I lowered myself to try and breathe life back into lungs that had not seen air for at least two minutes. Two minutes is like a lifetime when you're in a situation like this, but you cannot even begin to process the passing of time until after you've had a chance to think about and recall an event like this.

Rita excitedly told me after I had finished four breaths, "She's turning pink. Her color is coming back." Continued next week.

Children's Bulletins Weekly Children's Bulletins, containing pictures, puzzles and information about the Sunday Scriptures are available in the vestibules. Children are welcome to take them home each week and Grandparents are invited to pick them up for their grandchildren.

NEWS & EVENTS

AUGUST 16, 2026

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Knights of Columbus Vocations Support Program

Founded by a parish priest, the Knights of Columbus has always worked hard to encourage young men and women to consider God's call to service in the priesthood or religious life. Support money is needed by seminarians for tuition and books, car insurance and maintenance, emergency expenditures, and other living expenses.

You can help to support our Religious of Tomorrow with raffle tickets

\$20,000 IN CASH AWARDS

**1st PRIZE \$10,000
2nd PRIZE \$2,500**

**4 PRIZES OF \$1000
4 PRIZES OF \$500
5 PRIZES OF \$200
5 PRIZES OF \$100**

**RAFFLE TICKETS are \$20.00 a Book for 5 chances
Each Raffle Ticket is \$5.00**

**Raffle tickets are available at the Church doors
August 1-2, 8-9 & 15-16.**

**Make Checks Payable to:
Knights of Columbus Council 10325
Deadline Sunday 11/8/26.**

Drawing will be December 4, 2026

**Our Council will help support Joliet Diocese
Seminarians with the raffle proceeds.**

ANNUAL HOLY GHOST PARISH PICNIC



Sun, Aug 23

11:30am-1:00pm

**Celebrate the end
of summer and
The beginning
of the school year
with your
Holy Ghost
Parish Community!**



**Join us for some
"spirited" fun!**



**Games
Music
Family Activities
Food for Purchase
Ice Cream**



He walked out the door not knowing where he'd sleep

Kortlan never thought he'd be homeless. He was working, he had an apartment – and then he lost both. He walked out the door that day not knowing where he'd sleep that night. He'd never been to a shelter before. Five months later, he's still moved by how it turned out.

"I'm a living witness – if you work hard on your end, you'll have a happy ending." – Kortlan



**Watch the video and see
the good your donation to the CMAA
brings to our community**