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OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
12:30 - 3:00 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

Monday - Friday
9:15 a.m. *in English*
7:00 p.m. *in Spanish*
Saturday Vigil Mass
4:00 p.m. *in English*
Sunday Masses
10:30 a.m. *in English*
12:00 p.m. *in Spanish*

HOLY DAY MASSES

Dates and times vary

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. *or by appointment; seasonal services*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (KINDERGARDEN - 8TH GRADE)

Sunday Classes 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Sunday Classes 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM / EL SACRAMENTO DE BAUTISMO

Please call the Parish Office for more information. English baptisms normally are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month at noon, Spanish Baptisms on the 3rd Saturday of the month at noon. / Por favor llame a la Parroquia para mas información. Normalmente, los bautismos están celebrando los tercer Sabado cada mes al mediodía.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY (MARRIAGE) / EL SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Please call the office before setting a date for your wedding. The diocese requires a six month preparation prior to the wedding. / Las parejas pueden llamar a la oficina antes de poner una fecha para su boda o de hacer otros compromisos. La Diócesis de requiera un tiempo de preparación de un mínimo de seis meses entre la boda.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK / (UNCIÓN) DE LOS ENFERMOS

Call the Office if you know of someone in need of the Sacrament. / Contacte la Parroquia si alguien en su familia necesita el Sacramento.

FUNERALS / FUNERALES

Contact the Parish Office before placing any obituary notices.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP / ASOCIACIÓN DE PARROQUIA

Registration Forms are located in the Parish Office or in Church. / Las formas de inscripción pueden ser encontrado en la oficina.

July 26-27, 2025: The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 2-3, 2025

Readings from this week's Mass can be found in #981 of the Journey songs Book

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Monday (St John Vianney) August 4

9:15 A.M. Communion Service

Tuesday (The Basilica of St Mary) August 5

9:15 A.M. Communion Service

Wednesday (The Transfiguration) August 6

9:15 A.M. Mike Cronk

Thursday (St. Sixtus II) August 7

9:15 A.M. † John Krone

Friday (St. Dominic) August 8

9:15 A.M. † Pat Bennett

7:00 P.M. † Rev. Thomas Kane

† Maria de la Luz Castillo

Saturday (St Teresa Benedicta) August 9

4:00 P.M. † Earl & Edna Clark

(Kevin & Jeannine Blanchette)

† Mary Ann Krish

Sunday (19th Sunday in Ordinary Time) August 10

10:30 A.M. † Rose Hudson

12:00 P.M. † Giuseppe & Carmela Cosenza

† Servera Carreño (Gaby Carreño)

FR. PETE STILL OFFERS ONLINE MASSES AT

www.stpatrickmotence.org!!!

COLLECTION COUNTERS:

August 10 Leslie & Jim Meyer

August 17 Bonnie Kovacs & Susan Ekhoft

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SUNDAY COLLECTION:

July 19-20, 2025 \$2,204.00P

2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

GOAL FOR ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH \$19,300

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CHURCH IN YOUR WILL OR ESTATE PLANNING!!!



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER If you know of someone who is sick and in need of the sacraments or wishes a visit at a care facility, please contact the parish office at ☎ (815) 685-1359.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: P. Anderson, N. Atkinson, R. Bailey, D. Barth, Beedle Family, J. Betourney D. Brown, M. Cárdenas, P. Caro, B & E. Coffman, S. Conner, M & D Cousin, M. Cronk, M. Cruz, A. Delaney, D. Demack, M. Dionne, J. Dobbins, E. Duke, D. Dunlap, G. Field, C. Fritz, A. Fuhrmann, R. Gall, Tony & Adrianne Gallinaro, J. Grill, R. Harper, K. Hensa, J. Hibbs, D. Hiller, C. Jones, L. Kane, R. Kazee, A. Kijewski, Joe Kraus, L. Lee, L. Leranthe, E. Lopez, B. Love, J. Marcotte, W. Marten, J. McCracken, L. McNulty, L. Mercado, R & V Morse, C. Ortman, M. Peterson, C. Piec, J. Prather, C. Provost, E. Provost, R. Rehmer, P. Reising, D. Roberts, B. Ryan, M. Saldaña, A. Schaff, J. Schopf, A. Schmid, D. Schmied, K. Simpson, B. Siwicki, B. Spagnola, M. Tolbert, M. Tolmer, H. Tousignant, S. Trubach M. Velazquez, C. Vickery, M. Williams, Gary Witherell, M. Witherspoon, S. Young, J. L. Zagal, A. Zimmerman, M. & L. Zink and G. Zokal.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



Saturday August 9 (Fr. Pete) 4:00 P.M.

Eucharistic Minister: M. Porter

Lector: D. Surprenant

Ushers: K. Bukowski, R. Hess

S. Pansa, D. Rademacher

Sunday August 10 (Fr. Pete) 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: J. Meyer

Lector: L. Meyer

Ushers: M. Dionne, J. Riemenschneider

Altar Servers: Y. Aalia, P & B. Bickel, J. & B. Miller

Sunday August 10 (Fr. Pete) 12:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: R. Andrade, E. Zagal

Lector: R. Dueñas, N. Viveros

Ushers: C. Dueñas, G. Carreño

P. Gonzalez, L. Flores

Altar Servers: I. Falcon, N. Meléndez, N. Padilla

T. Carmona, J. Silva



ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER LINE: Please call Marcy Siwicki at ☎ (815) 472-4688

SANCTUARY CANDLE: This month, the Sanctuary Candle is being lit in memory of Marleen, Terry & Jerry.





NEWS & NOTES

FROM FR. PETE JANKOWSKI

Join Fr. Pete's mailing list at
pjankowski@yahoo.com.

YOUR FEEL-GOOD STORY TODAY...

On the first day I arrived at St. Patrick's Church in Momence (August 1, 2019), the diocesan brass sent in their personnel to "inspect" the windows of the parish. I was told that the diocese was inspecting windows at every parish around the diocese, but, in reality, they were only doing it with us. This is because I had a reputation for getting things done without breaking the budget and most often getting outside funds to take care of these projects; the diocese still does not understand how we are able to get these things

done. I try to teach people that the three words that serve as the best fundraiser that you could ever have are, "do unto others." At my last parish, we were able to use this mentality to pave the entire parking lot of our church at no cost to the parish and to renovate entire buildings on the cheap. In fact, two city council members purchased a plot of land behind the parking lot at the parish and I paid \$1,000 out of pocket for the "gully" that connected the land to our parking lot.

When I arrived in Hopkins Park, St. Anne and Momence in 2019, I had four houses that looked like "Sanford and Son" on acid that needed to be renovated. Thanks to a whole bunch of wonderful people, we have been able to renovate roofs, build bathrooms, and renovate complete houses under our care for the fraction of the cost that it would normally take.

Earlier this year, Wally Martin (my "house flipper" who does most of my work) told us that it was probably a good time to replace the windows in the St. Patrick Rectory before the tariff prices go up. He gave us a ridiculously cheap cost of \$11,000 to

replace over TWENTY windows in the rectory of St. Patrick's. Thanks to a couple nice donors, we got the money and in July, Wally started changing the windows with his group of workers.

Between this and eradicating St. Patrick's \$330,000 debt over the last four years (pictured is me signing the final check, surrounded by some of the major players at St. Patrick's Church), we have given St. Pat's a fighting chance to persevere for years to come (not to mention a growing Hispanic community that started at ZERO in 2019 is often

larger than our other services at the parishes combined!). God bless the good souls at St. Patrick's, St. Anne's and all our benefactors, as well as all of you for all the good work you have done for us in God's name!

We are changing the "Reduce the Debt" Sun-

day envelopes to "Capital Improvement" so that we continue maintaining what we have. In addition to putting a couple of dollars away for a "rainy day," we still have to tuckpoint our buildings, repair the wall of church behind the Divine Mercy image and install generators in our church and rectory buildings to guarantee a comfortable environment to pray and work at St. Patrick's Church. Thanks for all you do!!!



Birthday Baseball with Fr. Pete

At the Joliet Slammers - August 12, 2025 - Game at 6:35 p.m. (Meet at St. Pat's Parking Lot at 4:30 p.m.)

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[Jesus] said to the crowd,
"Take care to guard against
all greed, for though one may
be rich, one's life does not
consist of possessions."

LUKE 12:15

Remember This

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Remember this: Jesus said, "one's life does not consist of possessions." But, if not that, what then?

Think back upon your memories: the first warm day of spring, when the fireworks of new life exploded upon you; laughing so hard that your sides hurt, and you and your friends could not stop laughing even to breathe; walking barefoot in the dewy grass; your best friend telling you you're best friends; learning to finally ride a bike no-handed and thinking that you moved up a rung on the ladder of awesomeness; the first time you dared to risk reaching for the hand of someone you discovered you liked more than anyone else; the unbelievable wonder at the birth of your child; making googly faces at a burbling baby, and the baby googling back; your child snuggling into

bed with you at two in the morning because she's frightened by the thunderstorm; talking with friends on and on into the night and wishing it could go on for forever; a cold beer, the reward for cutting the grass on a dizzying summer afternoon; being young with an abundance of dreams of what might be; growing old and thinking life was worth it all.

Remember this: there is so much more to life than one's possessions. We all know this, and yet we forget. Perhaps in forgetting, we might be surprised again and again by the beauty of what cannot be purchased and so recognize the loving touch of our God. ●

Reflect

***What is more important to me than possessions?
Does my life reflect this?***

Dear Padre,

Sometimes after Mass, I go to the late service at a “Bible church” with the rest of my family. Once a month, this church serves communion, but they make it clear that it is only as a memory of Jesus and the Last Supper, and that Jesus is not present at communion. Is it OK to receive this communion?



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The Catholic understanding of Holy Communion includes not only the understanding of Communion as the Body and Blood of Christ, but it includes something more. Communion is a statement of belief and a statement of belonging. When Catholics participate in the sacrament, they are identifying with divinity as well as with the community of believers who are joined together in “one mind and in one spirit.” It is an act of unity, a real “communion.” Even though the Bible church clearly teaches a different theology of communion, it would seem to me that, for a Catholic, the fullest meaning and understanding of Communion is important and worth witnessing to. For this reason, I would refrain from participating in communion at the Bible church. Do so quietly and respectfully, because what is being celebrated is important; it just does not have the full meaning that you understand is necessary. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August 4	August 5	August 6	August 7	August 8	August 9	August 10
St. John Vianney, Priest	Weekday	Transfiguration of the Lord	Weekday	St. Dominic, Priest	Weekday	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Nm 11:4b-15	Nm 12:1-13	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14	Nm 20:1-13	Dt 4:32-40	Dt 6:4-13	Wis 18:6-9
Mt 14:13-21	Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14	2 Pt 1:16-19 Lk 9:28b-36	Mt 16:13-23	Mt 16:24-28	Mt 17:14-20	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12 Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40



DANIEL IBÁÑEZ / CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Covetousness of goods, the desire to have goods, does not satisfy the heart, but rather causes more hunger!... Be careful! Love...is the source of true happiness, whereas the exaggerated search for material goods and wealth is often a source of anxiety, adversity, abuse of power, war. Many wars begin from covetousness.

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 4, 2019



July 24, 2025

ST PATRICK PARISH
118 N MARKET ST
MOMENCE, IL 60954

RE: LOAN # LPL02028A

The consolidation loan you had with the Diocese of Joliet, has been paid in full as of 7/15/25.

If you have any questions you can email me at jbartosz@dioceseofjoliet.org or call me on my direct line at (815) 221-6204.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeannette Bartosz". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jeannette Bartosz CPA
Director of Diocesan Finance

As directed by the Diocesan Finance Office, we are pleased to announce that we NO LONGER will include a "Reduce the Debt" envelope in your packets with the next mailing. Instead, we ask you to direct your extra funding towards Capital Improvement. We still need to tuckpoint buildings, repair walls in the church building, etc. We also need to look forward towards creating a parking lot at the gym, creating new classroom space for our growing Religious Education Program, etc. Whatever you can do to help us secure a good future at the parish would be appreciated.

- Fr. Pete Jankowski



Thank you Wally Martin, Bill Powers & ANG Granite for helping us complete the final renovation projects at St. Patrick's Rectory (the installation of windows and kitchen countertops. After installing a couple closet doors that disappeared from the master bedroom, this five year project at the parish will now be complete!





Thank you Wally Martin, Bill Powers, their workers and our benefactors for helping us upgrade the windows at St Patrick's Rectory for the ridiculously low price of \$11,000! God bless everyone who understands what we are trying to do, always in God's name! St. Pat's go Brach!



2-3 Agosto 2025: XVIII Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En las Sagradas Escrituras hay varias parejas como Abraham y Sara, Elcano y Ana, y Zacarías e Isabel, que por alguna razón u otra no pueden engendrar hijos o hijas. Hay que saber que en muchas culturas la falta de descendencia es considerada un castigo divino. Dios, en su divina misericordia, ampara a estas parejas dándoles una prole. Según la literatura apócrifa cristiana, (el Evangelio de la Natividad de María, el Evangelio apócrifo de Mateo y el Protoevangelium de Santiago) a estas famosas parejas se pueden añadir los padres de la Virgen María, Joaquín y Ana. Esta pareja de la línea del rey David tampoco podía engendrar familia. En una fiesta judía, Joaquín (el hombre a quien Dios lleva) fue rechazado en el templo por no tener hijo o hija. Desdichado se retiró al desierto para implorar la bendición de Dios. Su esposa Ana (gracia, amor, plegaria) también imploró al Señor hasta que un ángel le anunció que Dios la había escuchado. El mismo ángel envió a Joaquín a su casa. A los nueve meses Ana dio a luz una niña a quien llamaron Miriam (María). - Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

EL PRECEPTO MÁS IMPORTANTE

De vez en cuando, los periódicos y las revistas publican, a modo de "relleno", diversas leyes que siguen en los libros pero que parecen ridículas en nuestra época. En una ciudad de California, es ilegal tener dos bañeras dentro de una casa. Cuando se pasó la ley era un lujo tener acceso al agua corriente, pero ahora que no lo es la ley parece ridi-

LAS MISAS EN ESPAÑOL

7:00 p.m. por los Viernes



12:00 p.m. los Domingos



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cula. Sin embargo, el valor humano de proteger y preservar los recursos más valiosos sigue teniendo vigencia, esto se manifiesta en muchas leyes, que nos parecen muy acertadas, cuyo fin es proteger el medio ambiente. Sucede lo mismo con los preceptos religiosos. Lo que Jesús desdén hoy es la actitud de los demás respecto a los preceptos rituales, una actitud que se vuelve casi idolatra cuando se obedecen los preceptos por el mero hecho de obedecerlos. Lo que Jesús enseña es que el cumplimiento de los preceptos rituales externos solo tiene valor cuando simboliza nuestra predisposición interior a cumplir la voluntad de Dios. Nuestras vidas deben obedecer el precepto supremo de Dios: amar a Dios por encima de todo y al prójimo igual que nos amamos a nosotros. La religión católica es rica en costumbres, tradiciones e incluso preceptos. Al seguir escuchando la voz de Cristo, siempre debemos examinar nuestro corazón y nuestras prácticas rituales para asegurarnos de que el amor a Dios y al prójimo se halle por encima de todo lo demás.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera Lectura - No pases la vida luchando por las ventajas materiales (Eclesiastés 1:2; 2:21-23).

Salmo - Ojalá escuchen la voz del Señor: "No endurezcan el corazón" (Salmo 90 [89]).

Segunda Lectura - Cristo te ha resucitado a una nueva vida (Colosenses 3:1-5, 9-11).

Evangelio - Esté alerta en contra de toda ambición, porque tu vida no consiste en las posesiones materiales, sino en las riquezas del Reino de Dios (Lucas 12:13-21).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Nm 11: 4b-15; Sal 81; Mt 14: 13-21

Martes: Nm 12: 1-13; Sal 51; Mt 14: 22-36

Miércoles: Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14; Sal 97; 2 Pd 1: 16-19; Mc 9: 3-10

Jueves: Nm 20: 1-13; Sal 95; Mt 16: 13-23

Viernes: Dt 4: 32-40; Sal 77; Mt 16: 24-28

Sábado: Dt 6: 4-13; Sal 18 (17): 2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17: 14-20

Domingo: Sab 18:6-9; Sal 33 (32):1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lc 12:32-48 [35-40]

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