

APRIL 8, 2018 | SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (OR OF DIVINE MERCY)

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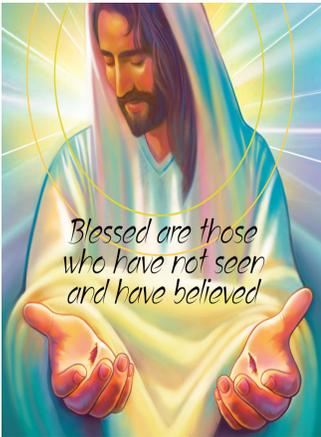
came and stood in their midst and said to them,  
“Peace be with you.”

~ John 20:19

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## Second Sunday of Easter



***The St. Francis of Assisi community is a welcoming Christian family.***

***We believe in Jesus Christ and are guided by the Holy Spirit and the example of St. Francis.***

***We gather to celebrate, to grow in the knowledge of our faith rooted in the Catholic tradition, and to recognize our responsibility to reach out to the world.***



## Associate Pastor's Reflections

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy Easter!

Our celebration of Christ's victory over sin and death continues – it is the longest celebration of the liturgical year – lasting 50 days.

I know that for many people this Sunday is known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Actually the Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday. Saint Maria Faustyna Kowalska of the Blessed Sacrament, OLM, popularly spelled Faustina was born as Helena Kowalska on August 25, 1905 in Głogowiec, Poland. She died on October 5, 1938 in Kraków, Poland. In April of 1926, she joined a convent in Warsaw, Poland, at the age of 20.

It was on the night of Sunday, February 22, 1931, while she was in her cell, that Jesus appeared to her as the "King of Divine Mercy"

There are three main themes to the Divine Mercy devotion: to ask for and obtain the mercy of God, to trust in Christ's abundant mercy, and finally to show mercy to others and act as a conduit for God's mercy towards them.

Again, we celebrate eight days in the octave of Easter; fifty days of the Easter Season. What is at the center? It is God's Mercy – not something new, but a continuation.

Every year on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter, we hear the story of Thomas. The story begins the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the week, that same day as the empty tomb story. Thomas is given a title for all eternity – "doubting."

Did he doubt because of the others? If you recall, they remained in that upper room. Did they believe Jesus was really alive? What kind of example did they give to him? What kind of example do WE give that we believe? Where is our conviction? Where is our boldness? Where is our mercy toward others?

Some very powerful questions – some very powerful thoughts for us to ponder this day!

~ Fr. Steve Dombrowski

## This week at St. Francis

### Monday, April 09

- ◆ LTP Film, 8:30 am (SFC)
- ◆ St. Peregrine Novena, 7:00 pm (CH)

### Tuesday, April 10

- ◆ Book of Matthew, Session 2, 8:30 am (SFC)
- ◆ Prayer Shawl Ministry, 12:30 pm (SFR)
- ◆ Religious Ed, Grades K-8, 4:30 pm (SFC)
- ◆ Parish Pastoral Council, 7:00 pm (SFR)
- ◆ Religious Ed, Grades 4-8, 4:30 pm (SFC)
- ◆ CJB School Advisory Council Meeting, 7:30 pm (GR)

### Wednesday, April 11

- ◆ Overeaters Anonymous, 9:30 am (GR)
- ◆ South Pacific at Drury Lane
- ◆ Religious Ed, Grades 1-8, 4:30 pm (SFC)
- ◆ Book of Matthew, Session 2, 4:30 pm (SFC)
- ◆ Knights of Columbus, 7:00 pm (GR)

### Friday, April 13

- ◆ A.A. Meeting, 7:30 pm (GR)

### Saturday, April 14

- ◆ Living in the Light, 9:00 am (SFC)
- ◆ Marian Movement, 10:15 am (NR)
- ◆ **Helping Hands Spring Food Drive (Parking Lot)**
- ◆ First Eucharist Families Mass, 5:15 pm (CH)

### Sunday, April 15

- ◆ **Helping Hands Spring Food Drive (Parking Lot)**
- ◆ First Eucharist Families Masses at 9:00 am & 10:30 am (UH)
- ◆ Children's Liturgy of the Word during 9:00 am & 10:30 am Masses (UH)
- ◆ Xtreme Youth Mission Trip Meeting, 11:30 am (SFR)



# Mark Your Calendar

## HUNGER RELIEF

### FOOD DRIVE NEXT WEEKEND



Many of our fellow humans are asking the following question:

*“Will I eat at all today and how am I going to feed my family?”*

1 in 8 Americans face the insecurity of not knowing when they will have their next meal.

Please consider donating non-perishable food at the Church Van in the parking lot, or making a Cash donation in the Narthex on **April 14 & 15.**

Donations benefit our parish's St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Phillip Neri, and the Orland Township Food Pantry.

# Human Concerns Commission

**Bereavement Ministry reaches out in prayer and support to all who have experienced the loss of a loved ones.**

**Our next meeting is Wednesday, April 18 at 8:30 AM in the Niehaus Room. Anyone interested in this ministry is encouraged to come.**

## LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

AN INSPIRATION IN CARE FOR THE ELDERLY



- Applying the "Culture of Life" to elder care
- Understanding the needs of all elderly – even in our own families
- Providing loving care to needy elderly in over 30 countries – and in Chicagoland for over 140 years.
- A Jewel and a Treasure for the world

**MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018 - 7:00 PM** |

**ST. BERNARD'S CHURCH 13030 W. 143 ST. HOMER GLEN IL**  
Fellowship Afterwards

SPONSORED BY THE MULTI-PARISH RESPECT LIFE MINISTRIES OF  
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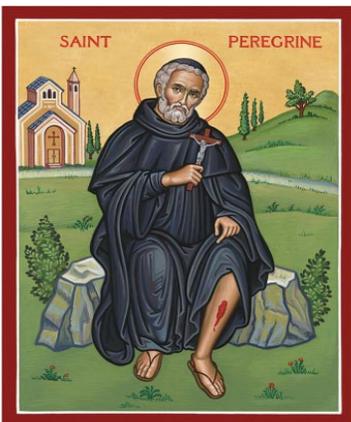
## Donate a New Stuffed Animal (April 7<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>):

My name is Alex Worachek and I'm a Boy Scout of Troop 318 currently working on my Eagle Service Project.



I will be supporting a non-profit organization called Comfort Fur Kids. Comfort Fur Kids provides new stuffed animals to children in the hospital that may be undergoing treatment or surgery. The organization was founded by Caley Trepac in 2013. She had gone through many surgeries and had found comfort holding onto a stuffed animal. Her mission is to make a child's stay in a hospital just a little bit less scary. I'm supporting her mission by having a drive to collect new stuffed animals from April 7th through April 30th.

The stuffed animals will be delivered to Stroger Hospital of Cook County. This project is important to me because I have personally seen the comfort these animals bring to children. My brother went through many surgeries as a baby and young boy and I saw how special these animals were to him. I want to provide that comfort to more children.



**Beginning Monday, April 9 at 7:00 pm in the church, St. Francis of Assisi will begin offering a novena to St. Peregrine. The novena will be held for 9 consecutive Mondays (except for Memorial Day). All parishioners are welcome to participate.**

*St. Peregrine is the patron saint for persons suffering from cancer, AIDS, or other illness.*

## Liturgy Commission



### INSTITUTE FOR DIACONAL STUDIES

Congratulations to **Timothy McCormick**! On April 08, Most Rev. Andrew P. Wypych, will preside at the Rite of Institution into the Ministry of Reader and welcome him into that ministry at the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, University of Saint Mary of the Lake in Mundelein. He is part of a cohort of 28 candidates who will become instituted Readers.

At the institution, Bishop Wypych will charge that Timothy be faithful in handing on the Word of God so that it may grow strong in the hearts of His people. Additionally, being an instituted Reader also means "taking on a special office within the Christian community." Besides proclaiming the word in the liturgical assembly, an instituted Reader is responsible for:

- instructing children and adults in the faith;
- preparing them to receive the sacraments worthily;
- bringing the message of salvation to those who have not yet received it.

This is an awesome responsibility. But it is part of the continuing discernment process as (insert name of candidate) moves forward on his journey in formation and listens to God's plan for him in future ministry.

During formation this year, Timothy is attending academic courses in Church History, Old Testament, New Testament, Ecclesiology & Mariology, Spiritual Theology, Christian Anthropology, and Worship and Liturgical Music. He also participated in a weekend retreat and will attend a candidates-only retreat prior to his institution as Reader. Additionally, elements of his formation include a Service to Charity field

education experience, completed last summer; and this year he is engaged in Service to the Word field education. He attends monthly spiritual direction and is present for numerous formation sessions as he continues his journey on the Candidate Path toward the Order of Deacon.

Presently, there are about 500 active deacons in the Archdiocese of Chicago, with 60 men currently in the Institute for Diaconal Studies.

Please keep in your prayers Timothy McCormick, all candidates who will be instituted as Readers, their wives and families, and all candidates in formation, that they might continue to answer God's call to serve His Church.

## Parish Life Commission

### St. Francis Book Club



All are welcome to join!  
We meet at 1:00 pm in the Niehaus Room

**Tuesday, April 17**

We will discuss:  
*"Love and Other Consolation Prizes,"*  
by Jamie Ford

**Tuesday, May 15**

We will discuss:  
*"The One in a Million Boy,"*  
by Monica Wood

**Tuesday, June 19**

We will discuss:  
*"The Story of Arthur Truluv,"*  
by Elizabeth Berg

**WANTED!**  
**Men & Women Golfers**  
**Experienced or Beginners**  
**St. Francis of Assisi Golf League**  
**to play at Rolling Hill (SLCC)**  
**Monday Mornings starting May 7**

**GREENS FEE:** \$14 Walking; \$25 Riding per week

**TO REGISTER:** Stop by the parish office with check or cash or credit card or register on line on the parish website using your credit card.

**LEAGUE FEE:** \$40 for the season – includes ending lunch, prizes and computer record for each week’s score (Pro Shop)

**REGISTRATION DUE NO LATER THAN APRIL 15TH.**



**Want a more peaceful, joyful, and fulfilled life?**

**Register Now: “Living in the Light” Workshop**

Join men and women to listen to Janene Ternes, Founder of Prayer in Motion, as she guides you towards a more intimate connection with God. Together we will explore the source of our hope, using movement, music, Scripture, guided meditation, Lectio Divina (praying with scripture) and journaling. Be inspired by Janene’s story of moving from darkness to light through God’s faithfulness. Leave refreshed and hopeful!

**“Living in the Light Workshop”**

St. Francis of Assisi Church - St. Francis Center

Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

Continental Breakfast 9:00 AM

Program 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

\$35 includes breakfast, lunch, activities

Register online at [www.sfaorland.org](http://www.sfaorland.org)

**WANTED!** All those people who say they cannot draw. Looking for something fun to do?

**Let’s play with paint!**

When: April 23rd and 24<sup>th</sup>

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Where: Upton Hall

(stress free, no drawing zone)

Just bring an adventurous spirit.

Call the office to register. Class limit, 10 people

Questions? Call Sue 708-969-4898



## We warmly welcome our new parishioners to St. Francis of Assisi:

*Nicholas & Ghadeer (Salameh) Laws and daughter, Vera*

*Bartlomiej & Christina (Cieczczak) Karpel and son, Hubert*

*Clifford & Jacquelyn (Brick) Guilbeau*

*Thomas Conroy*

*Christopher Bandes & Elizabeth O'Hara and son, Colin*

*Carla Bogran*

*Harriet (Stanislawski) Chesney*

*Richard & Meghan (Benish) Duchovitz and son, Tyler*

*Bryan Peterson & Alaina Battaglia and daughter, Madilynn*

*Ralph & Carolyn (Ottober) Tassone*

*Nicholas & Kathryn (Bartlett) Zywica and daughters, Kora & Kensie*

*Piotr & Magdalena (Wojcik) Lesnicki*

*Ken & Rebecca (Larson) Nilsson*



## Get Ready To Celebrate!

*Mark your calendars for  
Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>  
from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm!*

Celebrate with a 5K Walk/Fun Run  
(pets welcome), Bingo, Dunk Tank,  
Inflatables, Music, Games!  
More details to follow in the coming weeks!



St. Francis of Assisi  
Summerfest 2018

## THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK

During the Lenten season this year, the Social Committee hosted a fish fry and a pasta night. Those in attendance enjoyed delicious food catered by Salinas for the fish fry and RoccoVino's catered the pasta night. These were great nights to share a Lenten meal with fellow parishioners.

In order for these events to be as successful as they were requires many hands. So, we thank everyone on the Social Committee and their families: Lee Knapik, Grace McGuire, Jan Ota, Joe and Teri Sankey, Kathy and Ron Craven, Sharon Moe, James Arredondo, Jackie and Chuck Clifford, Jeff and Paula Belski, Tim and Linda McCormick and Sister Gael. We would also like to thank Maria and Chuck Steffans and Henrietta Mazich! Thank you for all your efforts to make these events successful!

We also would like to thank the office staff! They assisted in selling tickets, taking care of financial issues, setting up/taking down our floor plan.

Last, but not least, we would like to thank the teens that volunteered their time for Community Service. (I don't have your names because I handed in your list to Sandburg without making a copy. Sorry!) The teens were wonderful and really helped to make this a great success. So we sincerely thank each and every one of you!

If we mistakenly excluded someone, please know it was an oversight and we truly thank you for your efforts!

If you were not able to make it to this year's fish fry or pasta dinner, please try to come to next year's events. It was truly a great event and we missed you!

*Laurie Arredondo, Chair Social Committee*

# Adult Faith Formation

## **AROUND FOR AWHILE** *By, Fr. Ed Upton*

Centennial School, located in the Creekside subdivision, opened in the fall of 1991. This was the first public space located within our parish boundaries. It became an ideal location for our new Religious Education program.

The parish began celebrating Mass in the fall of 1990, before such space was available. This is why Mass began in the Pinewood Plaza.

In the spring of 1991, plans began for a religious education program. We held meetings for prospective parents, asking their feedback regarding our program. Because these discussions were held 27 years ago, I plead age related forgetfulness.

I do remember some issues parents were clear about. They wanted First Communion celebrated in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. They did not want religious education held on Saturday. We tried as much as possible to develop our program based on parent requests.

In those spring meetings, parents were informed that sessions would be held in Centennial - schedule to be determined. They also knew that First Communion

would be held in our Worship Center. I am sure that the store front location for First Communion found some walking away, but not many.

The beginnings of the RE program presented many challenges. The staff at Centennial was cooperative. Because this was not our space, limits were placed. Little storage space was allocated, consequently, our staff had to transport material from our RE office (rectory basement) to Centennial; and then back again at the conclusion. We were not given access to the offices or the office equipment. If copies needed to be made, those all had to be done in our office, then transported.

We were only allowed one day, afternoon and evening. We expanded quickly, so to accommodate all the children, we held sessions every week with the children only attending every other week.

The school, for safety reasons, did not want the children to enter a classroom without the catechist. As a result, the children gathered in the

cafeteria with their catechist before each session. Then, when all were present, they were dismissed to their assigned rooms.

I wanted to be present at each session to “meet and greet” the children and begin with prayer. So, before the children were dismissed, a prayer service was held in the cafeteria. This was awkward, with the children sitting on the bench, and on cold days, on a bench crowded with coats. As the year progressed, the children progressed in participation.

Obviously, no permanent religious images were allowed in the school. This bland space for prayer was a major annoyance for me. I wanted to be able to teach the children about some of the religious images that are part of our faith. I kept praying – some day!

Our staff and catechists did an outstanding job dealing with so many challenges. Our catechists, and our parents, or I did not always realize all that was involved in offering a program in foreign space.

## SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE *Copyright (c) J.S. Paluch Co., Inc.*

It is not often that the author of one of the books of the Bible comes right out and tells us directly why he is writing what he is writing. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, taken from the conclusion of John's Gospel, the author tells us that he has chosen to record

these events so "that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name" (20:31).

The letter of John echoes this idea by saying that "[e]veryone who

believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God" (5:1)--what we might refer to as being "born again." Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles for this Second Sunday of Easter shows us exactly what it looks like when believers are born again through faith.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2018 CANDIDATES AND CATECHUMENS!

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK)

My name is Kristy Jones-Labriola and I live in Homer Glen with my husband Dan, daughter Sophia, and pets Buddy, Charlie, and Zoey.

My husband and I welcomed our daughter into our lives on August 17, 2017 and are loving our new life with this amazing little girl! Along with being a new mom, I am a Realtor for Baird and Warner and Dan is an IT Administrator for Finkl Steel in Chicago. We are best friends and soul mates and he makes me laugh like no other.

I began looking into RCIA programs years ago when I lived near Oak Lawn, but never made the right connection. It wasn't until last year when I reached out to St. Francis and spoke to Deacon John that I decided to join the program and fulfill a long-term goal I've had of becoming catholic.

My parents are both Christian but never bap-



tized my sister and I. They wanted to leave it to us to decide which route to take in faith. At Christmas and Easter I would always attend mass at St. Symphorosa in Chicago, or St. Gerald in Oak Lawn. I always knew I would become Catholic, and while I was carrying my daughter my heart said it was time to begin this journey not just for myself but for my little family.

The whole RCIA experience has been a beautiful awakening in my life.

Between having my first child and this, I truly feel like a new person. The entire staff at St. Francis has been so warm and supportive to us and they will always hold a special place in my heart.

My husband, who is also Catholic, feels that this experience has been extremely positive and has strengthened his faith as he acts as my sponsor. My heart is full of gratitude and I thank God for guiding me here to share my baptism with all of you as I enter the catholic faith.



# Education & Formation Commission

## Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School Pre-K 3 & 4 Summer Camp

Children MUST be 3 years old *before* the start of your chosen camp week. Children must be potty trained.

June 18th - 21st

### *Under the Big Top*

We will spend the week at the circus! We will learn about circus animals, play games, and create life-sized clowns!

July 30th - August 2nd

### *The Best of Books*

Each day we will read a notable children's book. Following our read aloud, we will make a craft pertaining to the book as well as play related games.

Pre-K Summer Camp meets Monday thru Thursday from 9:30 - 11:30 AM.  
Campers will be welcomed into school by teachers at CJB's main entrance.

Camps are FUN! Each camp will include theme related stories, crafts, games, and hands-on learning activities. Spaces are subject to availability. We must have a minimum of ten campers to hold a session.

For more information call 708-403-6525 x151 or email [brachanski@cjbschool.org](mailto:brachanski@cjbschool.org)

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## Registration Information

Camper's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes! I'd like an email reminder that I've signed up the week before my camp begins!

No, thank you! I've already put camp on our family calendar!

*Current CJB Families* will be billed via FACTS. *New families*, please send a check, payable to Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School with this registration form. Registration may be sent by U.S. mail (Attn: Pre-K Camp) or dropped off in the Main Office. Registration forms are due May 29, 2018.

Please indicate your camp choice(s). Each camp is \$45.

June  August

**Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School**

9250 West 167th Street

Orland Hills, IL 60487



**RE Registration Packets for returning families** can still be picked up at the St. Francis Center any time. Completed packets are/were due back at your child's next RE session (April 10 & 11).

**New Family Registration begins June 4th.** New families can register in the parish and for Religious Ed classes at the St. Francis Center Mon-Thurs. from 9am-3pm. all for additional hours: 708-460-0042

# Respect Life

“While many Catholics want to help women and men heal from past abortions, most don't know how to begin.” Learn how you can become an instrument of mercy at [www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy](http://www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy).

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,  
“Bridges of Mercy for Post-Abortion Healing”

Two Part  
INITIAL TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST  
SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish  
608 Sobieski Street in Lemont, IL 60439  
630-257-2776  
Mondays, April 16 and 23, 2018  
from 7:30 to 9:45 pm both days  
This workshop will be facilitated by  
Dr. Mary Amore

**April 2018 Programs**  
Portiuncula Center for Prayer  
9263 W St. Francis Road, Frankfort, IL 60423

Register by calling 815.464.3880, emailing [info@portforprayer.org](mailto:info@portforprayer.org), or on our website at [www.portforprayer.org](http://www.portforprayer.org)

### SACRED SOUNDS GONG BATH WITH RICHARD RUDIS

**Date:** Friday, April 13 **Time:** 7 - 8 p.m. **Fee:** \$30

**Location:** Motherhouse Auditorium

A 'Gong Bath™' is a dynamic meditative concert which acoustically guides each participant into realms of spiritual well-being, emotional balance, cellular healing, and spiritual awareness. Healings at the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual level are common. Please bring items for your comfort: yoga mat, blankets, pillows. Zero gravity chairs are available. Let us know if you would like to use one. **Facilitator: Richard Rudis** has studied Eastern philosophy and Buddhism for thirty years. He has studied sacred instruments and their playing techniques across Asia. As a Tibetan Dharma pilgrim he was granted refuge in the Buddha from His Holiness Gyalwa Karmapa while in Tibet in 1996.

### SPIRITUAL INSIGHTS FROM NATURE

**Date:** Monday, April 16 **Time:** 9 a.m. – Noon **Fee:** \$25

Preparing...planting...waiting...watering...weeding...harvesting. Discover the holy in the ordinary. As we cultivate our garden, we can also cultivate our relationship with God. Looking at the soul-enriching wonders of tending the earth, we will explore themes of connection and remembrance. The presenter, with the garden as teacher, will share spiritual insights harvested through gardening; concluding the session with a photo meditation that inspires awe for the beauty of God's creation. **Facilitator: Nancy Hoel** has a Master's Degree in Pastoral Studies from Loyola University. She is a spiritual director, retreat facilitator, and speaker for church programs. Her ministry experience includes preaching, liturgy planning, and liturgical music.

## Sick Relatives & Friends

Please pray for all who are sick and in need of healing, especially:

Mary Budz	Bill Lorden
Joseph Carone	Madelon Lorden
Tom Cebula	Gary Lukas
Emily Cepkaskas	Sharon Malioris
Erin Childs	Mary McCarthy
James Deacy	Grace McGuire
Patricia DiGangi	Mark Oleszkiewicz
Jim & Catherine Dillon	Mike Panozzo
Jean Hornick	Bob Przybysz
Anne Kelly	Lottie Stojak
Dr. Jim Kline	Louis Tassone
Angie Latek	



## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

**Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

**Friday:** Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

**Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

**Sunday:** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, April 7**  
**5:15 PM** Mike McCormick, rq. by McCormick Family and Jim Scannell, rq. by McCormick Family and Ernie Horvath, rq. by Barbara Horvath

**Sunday, April 8**  
**7:30 AM** Marie-Jeanne Skorup, rq. by Emil Skorup and Edward Calgaro, rq. by Christine Calgaro and LaVerne Coppens, rq. by Family

**9:00 AM** Don Gray, rq. by John & Virginia Zbos and James & Alice Murphy, rq. by Murphy Family and Mary Biedron, rq. by Bill & Ann Carroll

**10:30AM** Marie Winiarski Duffy, rq. by Family and Rosalie Whalen and Whalen Family and Marcella Behrman, rq. by Dan & Patti Harris

**12:00 PM** People of St. Francis

**Monday, April 09**  
**7:45 AM** Stanley Lintner, rq. by Arlene, Tom & DeAnna DeHoff and Susan Cava, rq. by Joseph March and Alvin Dutenhoffer, rq. by Deloris Fischer

**Tuesday, April 10**  
**7:45 AM** Tom Murphy, rq. by Gina & John Gorski and William Dolehide, rq. by Gerry Gray

**Wednesday, April 11**  
**7:45 AM** Deceased members of the Cullen & Fitzgerald Families, rq. by Noreen Cullen

**Thursday, April 12**  
**7:45 AM** Robert. D. Gombas, rq. by Family and Gary & Diane Niehaus, rq. by Ray & Marian Peregoy and Mr. & Mrs. Peregoy, rq. by Ray & Marian Peregoy

**Friday, April 13**  
**7:45 AM** James Shomonta, rq. by McKane Family and Frantisek Halcin, rq. by Family

**Saturday, April 14**  
**5:15 PM** Celeste & Maria Rossi, rq. by Del McCarty and Pat & Ted Piekarz, rq. by Mary Piekarz and Thomas Bohan, rq. by Maureen & Dennis Niswonger

**Sunday, April 15**  
**7:30 AM** Marie-Jeanne Skorup, rq. by Emil Skorup and Alvin Dutenhoffer, rq. by Bill & Ann Carroll and Susan Morris, rq. by Hadley Middle School teachers

**9:00 AM** Schweiger & Norris Families, rq. by Family and Stanislaw Borek, rq. by Maria Borek & Family and James McCormick, rq. by Carmen Luna

**10:30AM** Margaret Kulovitz, rq. by Rudy & Theresa Unger and Martha Ives, rq. by Mike & Margaret Heidegger and Nick & Celia Piazza, rq. by Mike & Roxanne Zoladz

**12:00 PM** People of St. Francis



# Liturgical Ministers

Please visit the Saint Francis Liturgical Minister Web Terminal for the most up to date schedule or to volunteer.

	<b>April 7 5:15 PM</b>	<b>April 8 7:30 AM</b>	<b>April 8 9:00 AM</b>	<b>April 8 10:30 AM</b>	<b>April 8 12:00 PM</b>
Presider	Rev. Steven Dombrowski	Rev. Ed Upton	Rev. Ed Upton	Rev. Rich Young	Rev. Rich Young
Deacon	John Donahue	VOLUNTEER NOW	Mike Kiley	Daniel Carroll	Michael Pindelski
Sacristan	Valerie Piazza	Olga Bartell	Barbara Basila	Wendy Freer	Adrienne Wieczorek
Lector	James Walsh (1) Martin Terpstra (2)	Gerald Saletta (1) Alice Rzeszutko (2)	Casimir (Casey) Pytel (1) Jerri LaRoche (2)	Greg Moe (1) Lynn Pajon (2)	Carolyn Kimmey (1) James Massimilian (2)
Eucharistic Minister	Robert Adamowski Rev. Steven Dombrowski John Donahue Diania Kufta Mary McNaughton Janet Modelski Robert Nerius Maureen Niswonger Peter Piazza Valerie Piazza Alice Rzeszutko Richard Rzeszutko	Olga Bartell Paula Belski Daniel Faxel Gael Gensler Patricia Grasso Richard Klein Lorraine Martenson Sharon McCaffrey Rev. Ed Upton John Wator	Steve Alessi Barbara Basila Michael Basila Nancy Celeski Patricia Flynn Betty Kameron Mike Kiley Kim Reid Joseph Schweiger Judy Schweiger David Trzesniewski Rev. Ed Upton	Beth Bruozis Daniel Carroll Michael Curran Wendy Freer Karen Koehler Jacqueline Magafas Robert J. McGuire Sharon Moe Janice Ota Cynthia Patrick Sheila Ramsey Rev. Rich Young	Diane Budz Robert Long Mary Jo Noreikis Nancy Palacz Michael Pindelski Adrienne Wieczorek Thomas Wieczorek Rev. Rich Young VOLUNTEER NOW VOLUNTEER NOW
Altar Server	Anthony Picciolini Giovanna Picciolini Anna Walsh	Brendan Siemiawski Jack Strolia Mia Strolia	Ryan Reid Chris Vittori Gabi Vittori	Kaylie Grossi Kevin Moe Erica Winjum (sub requested)	Cecilia Kane Josh Kane Ryan Kane
Usher	Richard Roberts (HU) Joe Sankey Teri Sankey Nancy Sullivan Mike Zoladz Roxanne Zoladz	Dominic Zambuto (HU) John Coyle Martin Powers James Pedersen	Diane Mackowiak (HU) Mike Olk Peter Walsh Oriano Pagnucci Richard Bonetti VOLUNTEER NOW	Brian Whiteford (HU) Kelly Struck James Winters Janet Fifer Gregory Fifer Jay Modelski	Laura Tucco (HU) Rosalie Hodson Don (David) Hodson Jerry Ondrus Joan Ondrus VOLUNTEER NOW

## Parish Stewardship

	<b><u>03/25/17</u></b>	<b><u>Year to Date</u></b>
Budgeted	\$ 23,065.00	\$ 899,535.00
Collected	<u>\$ 29,313.00</u>	<u>\$ 948,563.00</u>
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$ 6,248.00</b>	<b>\$ 49,028.00</b>

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The parish offices are located in the lower level of the church. Entrance is via the walkway at the west side of the church building. The parish offices are open from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Evenings and weekends are by appointment. The Religious Ed offices are located in the St. Francis Center, 15010 Wolf Rd.— up the hill, west of the church. Religious Ed office hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Religious Ed offices are closed on Fridays. The Eucharistic Chapel is open for prayer twenty-four hours a day. The Chapel is located at the northeast corner of the Church.

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**PARISH LIBRARY**  
In the Great Room there is a "SELF-SERVE" parish library

## Religious Education

Religious Education meets on alternating Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays for Grades K-8, and on Saturdays for Grades 1-8, at the Religious Education Center. Grades K-4 meet from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. and grades 4-8 meet from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday sessions meet from 8:30—10:00 a.m. *Children's Liturgy of the Word* meets on Sundays during the 9 & 10:30 a.m. masses for children 4-years-old to 4th grade, September-April. Call 708-460-0155 for more information.

The Joseph Cardinal Bernardin School, located on the campus of St. Elizabeth Seton parish at 167th and 94th Ave., is the elementary Catholic regional school for parishioners of St. Francis. For registration information, contact the school at 708-403-6525.

## Become a Catholic

R.C.I.A. - The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact the parish office at 460-0042.

## Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated every Monday, immediately after the 7:45 a.m. Mass. Those of advanced age or suffering from a chronic or serious illness are invited to be anointed.

The priests are available to offer the Sacrament whether the ill person is at home or in the hospital. Please call 460-0042.

## Baptisms

Baptisms usually take place on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays of the month at 1:30. Prior to the Baptism, parents need to call the office to make arrangements. A baptismal conference will be set up with the parents.

## Marriages

Weddings need to be scheduled at least four to six months in advance upon approval of a priest. Couples are reminded to secure the church date before the reception hall. Please check our website for more details.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Communal celebration of the Sacrament will be held during Advent and Lent. Individual confessions are heard on Saturdays at 11:30-12:00.

## Registration

You may become a registered member of the parish by completing a registration form which is found in Church.

## Boundaries

North: 135th St. South: 183rd St.  
West: Will-Cook Road  
East: 108th Ave. - 135th St. - 153rd St.  
104th Ave. - 153rd St. - 183rd