

“Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that He is already there, waiting for us with open arms.”

POPE FRANCIS
1936 – 2025



Rev. Artur Sowa, Pastor

April 27 2025

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.

Happy Easter Season

On Easter Sunday we begin the Season of Easter, which lasts seven weeks, ending on the feast of Pentecost (June 8th). It is a season full of life. In the northern hemisphere it is springtime. Rivers and streams come alive. Trees sprout new leaves. Flowers blossom. Birds sing. The calendar is full - first Communion, Mother's Day, graduations, week trips. The Church says to us, "this is a perfect time to celebrate life - a life that lasts forever. Let us enjoy the next 50 days. Let the paschal candle, lit from the Easter fire, burn brightly throughout these days. Catch the spirit in the air and let it remind you of the Holy Spirit with you. Once again - Happy Easter Season!!!

Thank You

All the liturgies of the Holy Week and Easter Sunday were prayerful and beautiful. I hope you had the same experience. As I look back I realize that all of that couldn't be possible if it hadn't been for many people who volunteered their time and talents. I am so grateful for all the help and support. There is no way I could name everybody but today I want to say thank you to all. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!!!!!

Note on the gospel

A little doubt can do you good. If you ever are in a "Thomas state of mind"—doubting your faith, doubting God's love, doubting our hope for redemption—consider all the great Christians who have gone before you who have experienced similar doubts: Mother Teresa, Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, Saint Teresa of Avila, Saint John of the Cross, Saint Thomas Aquinas, to name but a few. Doubt isn't the opposite of faith. In one of its forms, doubt is a recurring stage of faith. As we grow, change, and experience setbacks, our certainty may be shaken. Doubt sets in and forces us to review, update, and strengthen our core beliefs. Don't be afraid to confront your doubts today.

Pope Francis

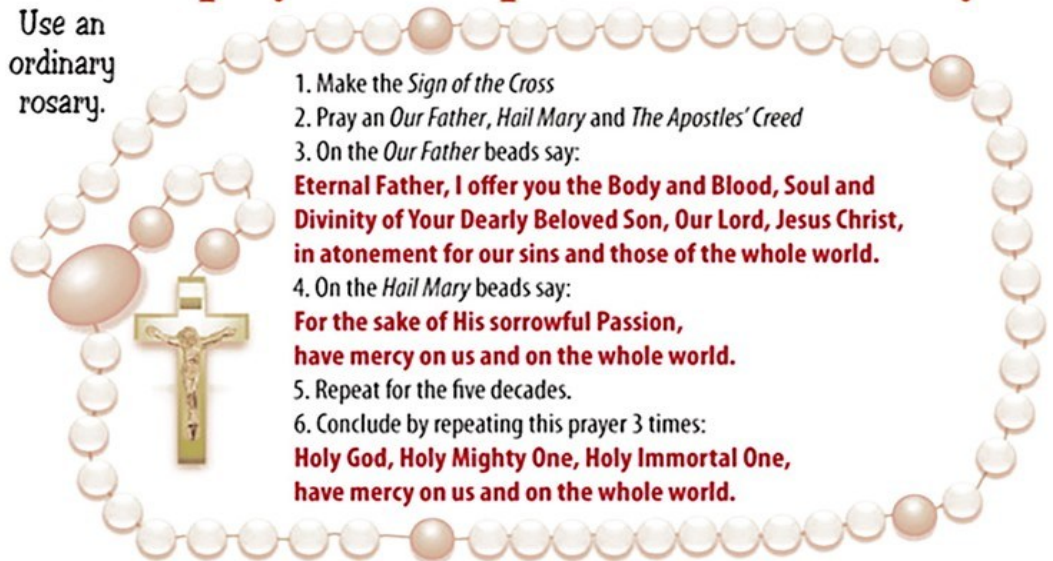
With great sadness the Church mourns the death of Pope Francis. From the very beginning of his pontificate, our Holy Father joyfully proclaimed the Gospel of God's merciful love, inviting us to receive that mercy and to become its witnesses. In his personal care for the poor, the vulnerable, and those marginalized, Francis embodied the Gospel's command to serve the least of our brothers and sisters. May God grant him eternal rest and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul rest in peace!

Divine Mercy Sunday

The second Sunday after Easter is called Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a relatively new addition to the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Celebrating the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ, as revealed by Christ Himself to [St. Maria Faustina Kowalska](#), this feast was extended to the entire Catholic Church by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, the day that he canonized Saint Faustina. This year as we celebrate the feast, my hope and prayer is that the message of God's love and mercy may spread even farther throughout the world.

How to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Use an ordinary rosary.



1. Make the *Sign of the Cross*
2. Pray an *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *The Apostles' Creed*
3. On the *Our Father* beads say:
Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
4. On the *Hail Mary* beads say:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
5. Repeat for the five decades.
6. Conclude by repeating this prayer 3 times:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

LITURGICAL COMMISSION

	Saturday, 5:00 PM May 3	Sunday, 8:00 AM May 4	Sunday, 10:00 AM May 4	Sunday, 12:00 PM May 4
Presider	Rev. Rich Young	Rev. Artur Sowa	Rev. Rich Young	Rev. Artur Sowa
Deacon	Brian Whiteford	Mike Kiley	Michael Pindelski	John Donahue
Sacristan	Valerie Piazza	Sharon McCaffrey	Marjorie Curran	Marilyn O'Sullivan
Lector	Kim Reid (1) Jerri LaRoche (2)	Sr. Gael Gensler (1) NOT FILLED (2)	Sheila Pacholski (1) John Pacholski (2)	Gabby Bach (1) John Ouradnik (2)
Eucharistic Minister	Victoria Carlo Valerie Piazza Richard Rzeszutko Alice Rzeszutko Martin Terpstra Brian Whiteford Rev. Rich Young Rosemary Zielinski	Nancy Biggio Patricia Flynn Mike Kiley Jan Lask Sharon McCaffrey Ray Narbone James Pedersen Rev. Artur Sowa	Michael Curran Mary Greenan Regina Knapp Sharon Moe Michael Pindelski Sheila Ramsey Frank Scellato Rev. Rich Young	Christina Banyon John Donahue Gerardo L. Garcia Robert Long Jocelyn Mangila Mary Jo Noreikis Marilyn O'Sullivan Rev. Artur Sowa
Altar Server	Raphael Angelo Santos Cayden Caldwell Maeve Chester	Lucas Dawczak Aaron Lubinski NOT FILLED	Grace Geghen Jayden Tan NOT FILLED	Francesca Carroll Brigid Haran NOT FILLED
Usher	George Kelley (HU) Richard Roberts NOT FILLED	Gregory Fifer (HU) Roger Malinowski NOT FILLED	Janice Ota (HU) John Higgins NOT FILLED	Susan Campagna (HU) Thomas Wieczorek Laura Tucco
Greeter	Cathy Arzbaecher Jim Arzbaecher	Nancy Biggio NOT FILLED	Char Oliver James Winters	Mary Jo Noreikis Margaret Sabadosa

This Week at St. Francis

Sunday April 27

Helping Hands Food Drive
Donut Sunday All Masses UH
St Padre Pio Fraternity 11:00 AM GR
Baptisms 1:30 PM
Youth Ministry Mtg 6:30 PM SFR
(Lower Level)

Tuesday April 29

Book Study 6:00 PM SFR (Lower Level)

Wednesday April 30

OA Mtg 9:30 AM GR
Wed [A] RE Grades 1-8 4:30 PM SFC-FR

Thursday May 1

Secular Franciscan Initial Formation
12:30 PM NR
Thurs RE Grades 1-8 4:30 PM SFC-FR
Helping Hands Mtg. 7:00 PM GR

Friday May 2

AA Mtg. 7:00 PM NR

Saturday May 3

1st Eucharist Masses as assigned
Rosary for Life time changed to 9:00 AM
(just for this weekend) at the Chapel at the
base of the bell tower. Going forward we
will go back to the usual 10am time.

We are grateful for the generosity of our parishioners. At the beginning of the pandemic, we made the decision to stop passing the collection basket and instead placing a basket at both entrances.

We have decided to continue that practice.

Parish Stewardship Month of March 2025

Electronic Givings	\$ 34,924.00
Envelopes & Loose	\$ 51,066.00
Total for March 2025	\$ 85,990.00



We would ask that you consider electronic giving. It is safe, flexible, convenient and consistent. Simply scan the qr code or complete the yellow sheet in your monthly envelope packet or call the parish office.

We thank you for your continued support.

Discover more about living
the Gospel Life...
“promoting friendship
among all people”

Mark your calendars
and join us

TUESDAYS

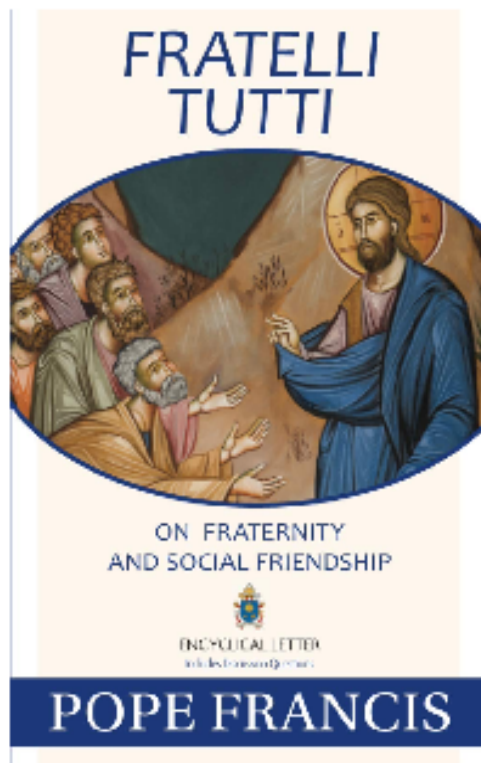
April 22 to June 10

6:00 P.M.

S.F.A. Parish

(No obligation to attend all sessions)

ALL ARE WELCOME



WE ARE ALL BROTHERS AND SISTERS

IN CHRIST

'Deepen your faith journey as Pope Francis calls us to live out our Christian duty to see the face of Jesus in our neighbors, recognizing everyone we meet as brother or sister. In his encyclical, Pope Francis reminds us that as a single human family, we share a common home called "earth." By fostering a genuine affection for all, we reaffirm the dignity of every human person created in the likeness of God.'

You are invited to read, reflect, and pray;
then join us each Tuesday evening
To participate in group discussion;
and then consider applications to your daily
life. Inspired by St. Francis of Assisi,
journey with other brothers and sisters of SFA
into a transformation...
toward feeling a brother or sister to all.

*** This book may be individually purchased
from Amazon or contact Rosalie

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**“Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?
Here I am, send me!” —Isaiah 6:8**

Have you ever considered the call to be a Deacon of the Catholic Church?

Join us at one of four
Inquiry Evenings:

**March 26, 7 p.m. at All Saints Parish, 8523
Georgiana Ave, Morton Grove**

**April 23, 7 p.m. at the Diaconate Office, 816
Marengo Ave., Forest Park**

**May 13, 7 p.m. at St. Alexander Parish,
7025 W. 126th St., Palos Heights**

June 11, 7 p.m. via Zoom

The Sessions will provide an overview of the Deacon Formation Program, the application process and information on the ministry of a deacon. Men, single or married, are invited to attend. Wives are strongly encouraged to accompany their husbands to the meetings.

For more information and to register for one of the sessions, contact the Office of the Diaconate at (708) 366-8900.



*May
Crowning*

Join us on
Tuesday, May 13th
after morning mass
for a May Crowning
Potluck Breakfast Feast!
All are Welcome!

Congratulations to Sr. Samantha, daughter of Keith & Linda Johnson. SFA has been Sr. Samantha's parish her entire life. Sr. Samantha's first profession of vows ceremony will be held in Miami on Tuesday May 13, 2025. Here is a lovely photo of the five novices who will be professing along with the new names they will take when they make their vows.



The Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary
invite you to our Sisters'

1st Profession of Vows

(Left to right)

Sr. Angelica Marie of the Mother of Mercy (Sr. Allison)
Sr. Lily Marie of the Luminous Power of Pure Love (Sr. Madison)
Sr. Hope Marie of the Trusting Heart of the Lamb (Sr. Samantha)
Sr. Catalina Veronica of the Piercing Fire of Christ's Redeeming Love (Sr. Julynei)
Sr. Chiara Gabrielle of the Face of the Mother of the Redeemer (Sr. Gabrielle)



Main Celebrant
His Excellency Most Reverend Thomas Wenski
Archbishop of Miami

May 13, 2025
Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

7:00pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish
11691 NW 25th St, Doral, FL 33172

 **SCTJM-TV or SCTJM English Livestream**

Priests who may desire to concelebrate please bring your alb.
For any questions, please call (305) 444-7437.



HERE I AM
LORD
SEND ME

VICARIATE V MINISTRY COMMISSION

Is offering

MINISTER OF CARE TRAINING

A Minister of Care visits the homebound in the parish to bring Eucharist to those who are unable to attend Mass. We offer to our homebound a way to remain connected to the parish and as Pope Francis said, "to be an instrument of God's mercy."

ST STEPHEN DEACON AND MARTYR PARISH

17500 84th Ave

TINLEY PARK

708/342-2400

Training will take place on three consecutive Evenings May 5, 6, and 7 from 6:30pm to 9:30pm.

Presenter is Jeanne Lassandrello

Participation in these three sessions meets the mandated requirements of Divine Worship of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Preparation as a Minister of such topics as spirituality of ministry, ministry to the aged and homebound, suffering, dying and death, pastoral listening skills, prayer and Eucharist, as theological and practical dimensions of ministry. Participants must be approved by a member of their Pastoral Team.



the Office for Care includes the experience of well as the

Please register: <https://ministrycommissionv5.com/event-registration>



"The Eucharist is the highway to Heaven" "When people sit in the sun they get tan. When they sit before the Eucharistic Jesus they become saints" -St. Carlo Acutis

St. Carlo Acutis is the newest saint in the Catholic Church! Carlo was born in London England to Italian parents on May 3rd, 1991. His family moved back to Milan Italy when he was a baby. Carlo had a love for the Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin Mary from a young age and would pray the Rosary every day and after his First Communion, he tried to attend mass as often as he could at the parish right across the street from his school, even though his parents were not devout in their own faith. Seeing Carlo's devotion to the Eucharist, his mother had her own reversion back to the Catholic faith. At the age of 7 he wrote "To be close to Jesus, that's my life plan" which are words he lived by until his death.

Growing up, Carlo had a heart of service. He volunteered at soup kitchens, helped his classmates with homework, and gave food to the homeless. Being a kid of the 90's he also played the saxophone, soccer, enjoyed video games on his Xbox, Playstation, and Gamecube (especially Halo and Mario), and watched Spider-man and Pokemon.

At the age of 11 Carlo saw just how much the internet was exploding and taught himself to code so he could create a website for people to learn about all the documented Eucharistic Miracles and Marian Apparitions. Carlo firmly believed that the scientific evidence connected to the Eucharistic Miracles would help people to believe that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist which would lead to more people going to mass. This site has reached people from all over the globe and is still online today!

At the age of 15 Carlo was diagnosed with Leukemia and died less than a week later on October 12, 2006. His last words were "I am happy to die because I have lived my life without wasting a minute on those things which do not please God."

Hundreds of thousands of people have flocked to his tomb in Assisi Italy to ask for his intercession! Since he died so recently his parents are alive and have attested to his character as well as his former doctors, and classmates. If Carlo were alive today he would be turning 34 in a few weeks. His feast day is October 12th. Carlo is the patron saint of young people, and the internet, and he is the first saint of the new millennium.

There is SO much more information about Carlo than what I can fit here. Google his name, go see the movie **Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality** at Marcus Theater Sunday April 27th at 4:00PM, or April 28th/29th at 7PM. Ask for his intercession in your life or the life of someone you know. The Church is not just for our grandparents, it's for everyone! It is alive and well and it is our mission to continue to spread the Good News of Jesus to all we encounter- no matter our age or social status. Look to Carlo as a guide, ask for his intercession so you may have the courage to stand up for your faith the same way he did!

St. Carlo Acutis- pray for us!

EDUCATION & FORMATION COMMISSION



The Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School community extends wishes for a Blessed Easter to our sponsoring parishes ... their staff ... and their parishioners ...

During this season of rebirth and renewal, may God's Blessings awaken you with hope, comfort you with peace, and refresh you with joy. He IS risen!

Christ
is
Risen!



Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School is a Christ-centered TWICE Recognized National Blue Ribbon School of Academic Excellence

WE ARE YOUR PARISH SCHOOL! Pre-K 3 through 8 th Grade

Why not give your child or grandchild the GIFT of CATHOLIC EDUCATION at Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School!

Committed to the highest standard of academic excellence, we are a regional Catholic school sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi, St. Julie Billiart, St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr, and St. Elizabeth Seton. (In addition to these four parishes, we also welcome children from other parishes or households whose parents are seeking a Christ-centered, excellent educational environment.) Within CJB, Jesus illumines all of life, including academics. We prepare our students by developing the knowledge, values, attitudes and skills essential for the unique challenges of the 21 st century ... and beyond.

"OPEN REGISTRATION" for new students is happening NOW! Our online application is available at www.cjbschool.org CJB School is located at 9250 W. 167 th Street in Orland Hills. We are adjacent to St. Elizabeth Seton Parish.

Questions may be directed to the Enrollment Director, Cynthia Devlin, at 708-403-6525 ext.

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VERSO L'ALTO!

YOUNG ADULT FRASSATI FELLOWSHIP

BIBLE STUDY

MAY 15TH 6:30-8PM
ST. STEPHEN ROOM 105
17500 84TH AVE, TINLEY PARK

Join us for Scripture, Fellowship, and Conversation!
Scan the QR Code for more info

ST. FRANCIS YOUTH MINISTRY

DONUT SUNDAY

DONUTS AND DRINKS AFTER ALL MASSES

\$1 PER DONUT, DRINKS ARE FREE

SUNDAY APRIL 27TH
UPTON HALL

St. Francis of Assisi Preschool Mass

First Sunday of each Month

9:30 a.m.

Celebrate Sunday Mass with your little ones.

Preschool children, babies and their families are welcome. Special age-appropriate Mass with the Eucharist—all in language they understand.



At our April Mass, Fr. Artur explained that when we make a mistake, we can ask God for forgiveness and He will help us try again. We learned that God is loving and patient with us all throughout our lives.

And we learned a new song:

He's Still Working On Me

He's still working on me, (pretend hammer into palm then point to self)

to make me what I ought to be. (stretch hands out front palms up)

It took Him just a week (hold up 1 finger)

to make the moon and stars, (make a circle, then twinkle your fingers like stars)

The sun and the earth, and Jupiter and Mars (point up, then down, then make a big circle)

How loving and patient He must be, (cross arms across chest)

He's still working on me. (pretend hammer into palm then point to self)

Credit: JOEL HEMPHILL

Next Masses: May 4, June 1

Come at 9 to learn a new song.

Downstairs in the St. Francis Room

Can you imagine how sand can help us connect with God?



Just like the sand takes shape and changes, we can trust that God is continually working to shape our hearts.

Let's prepare our hearts for Easter with something quiet and reflective. We'll meditate on the Psalms as we shape and soothe the sand. These ancient prayers lead us closer to Jesus as we reflect on his sacrifice and resurrection.

Watch Psalms and Sand Episode

spiritjuicekids.com/episodes/psalms-and-sand/

EDUCATION & FORMATION COMMISSION

A dark blue background with white and yellow fireworks and stars. The text "ST. FRANCIS Youth Ministry" is written in white, with "ST. FRANCIS" in a bold, sans-serif font and "Youth Ministry" in a cursive font. Below the title, it says "Invites you to check out our youth ministry events!". There are three main sections: "Weekly Meetings: Sundays 6:30-8:00 PM in St. Francis Room (downstairs) of Church", "Sports League: Volleyball every Thursday starting January 16", and "Mission Trip: July 6-12, Huntingburg IN". At the bottom, it says "If you have any questions or want more information reach out to Claire at sfyg@saorland.org".

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Attention Parents! Families that are currently enrolled should have received the RE Registration packet for the Fall 2025 classes.

Please return your completed packet promptly.

St Francis of Assisi will begin registering NEW CHILDREN for our FALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES in May.

We offer afternoon, evening and Saturday morning classes for Grades 1 through 8. Please contact the RE Office Mon-Thurs (708)460-0155, or submit the information on the "[CONTACT US](#)" page of the RE Website for details



**Mom (or Dad) & Tot Storytime at
Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School**
(for 2 & 3 year-old children NOT currently attending CJB)

9am until 9:45am

Friday, April 11th -- Spring Theme
Friday, May 16th -- Summer Theme

We welcome you & your child into one of our CJB classrooms where together we will read a story, sing a song, & complete a craft. This is a great way to immerse your child in the CJB community for the first time, meet CJB teachers, and make new friends!

*Storytime is FREE, but you must reserve your spot by emailing Mrs. Pinta at spinta@cjbschool.org
Reservations must be made by the Friday before your session date.*

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School

We are affiliated with St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Julie Billiart, St. Francis of Assisi and St. Stephen, Deacon & Martyr. We welcome families from these parishes as well as other families who are looking for a Christ-centered, twice-recognized blue ribbon academic learning environment.

**9250 W. 167th Street
Orland Hills, IL 60487
708-403-6525**



**FEED THE
HUNGRY**

St. Francis Spring Food Drive Before and After All Masses on April 26 & 27

Please drop off your non-perishable food items, toiletries and paper items in church parking lot. Monetary contributions also appreciated.

Donations given to St. Blase in Summit, St. Josephine Bakhita in Chicago, and the Orland Township Food Pantry

Cereal, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna and chicken, canned vegetables and soup, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, canned meals (such as SpaghettiOs's) and diapers size 4 – 6 especially needed.



SAVE THE DATE!

The 2025 Home Build

Will take place June 27-28.

**St. Elizabeth Seton
is the host this year!**

**Please watch the bulletin for more
details!**

THE WORK OF MANY HANDS!

THE WALLS OF 2 HOMES LAST JUST

HERE IS A PICTURE OF THE FINISHED
PROJECT - WELL DONE!

ALL AGES WELCOME!!!!





Monday, May 12th,
3:30-5pm

“Anxiety and Grief”

The experience of ‘anxiety’ after the loss of your loved one is shared by many who are grieving.

The uncertainty of life after a loss is painful, yet a natural reaction.

Join other grieving hearts to explore ways to work through this challenging “Stage of Grief.”

You are not alone.

Facilitated by Valerie Piazza LCPC



SACRED HEART MISSION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

SACRED HEART MISSION IS LOCATED IN HOPKINS PARK, ILLINOIS (APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR FROM OUR PARISH). OUR PARISH HAS BEEN SUPPORTING THIS MISSION FOR SEVERAL YEARS. HOPKINS PARK IS ONE OF THE TEN LOWEST INCOME COMMUNITIES IN THE UNITED STATES. OUR TEAM VISITS SACRED HEART ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH (EXCLUDING JANUARY AND FEBRUARY). THE MINISTRY INCLUDES DELIVERING MUCH NEEDED SUPPLIES TO THE MISSION AND SHARING IN LITURGY WITH THE PARISHIONERS. WE END EACH VISIT WITH A FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON. OUR SACRED HEART MISSION TEAM IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH THIS MINISTRY. CONSIDERING TRAVEL TIME, THE COMMITMENT AVERAGES 4 - 4 1/2 HOURS EACH VISIT. THIS IS A WONDERFUL MINISTRY THAT IS SO APPRECIATED BY THE MISSION PARISHIONERS. PLEASE CONSIDER PARTICIPATING.

PLEASE CONTACT TIM MCCORMICK
AT TIMOTHYJMCCORMICK@COMCAST.NET OR

SR GAEL FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.
GOD BLESS!!!

SICK RELATIVES & FRIENDS

IN LOVING MEMORY

Emily Wic

Names of sick relatives and friends normally appear in the bulletin for six weeks. After six weeks, the names are written into our parish book of prayers for continued remembrance. At the request of the family, Names will appear in the bulletin for a longer period.

Baby Evelyn	Doreen Miller
Leslie Bartosz	Gwen Norvilas
Al Becker	Mary Olson
Frances Bonaguro	Matt Paluch
Enzo Canete	Wlasyslaw Pawlikowski
Mae Canete	Nick Picciola
Laura Cassata	Stanley Radecki
Carol Colby	Jose Ramirez
Joe Condon	Donna Ritz
Felicitas Cortez	Martin Rojas
Leah Delcourt	Samantha Rojas
Leslie Drew	Bill & Mary Ruane
Kate Dunne	Anthony Sabtia
Louis Fialko	Susan & Dennis Schiller
Lucila Gonzalez	Baby Luke Siemion
Timothy Hanson	Lena Staab
Donald Hayes	Patricia Staab
Kathleen Higgins	Dorothy Stanis
Rene Jaquez	Dorothy Stoterau
Kim & Kamal Jasor	Baby Lenox Switalski
Joseph Katauskas	Myla Tadianan
Ann Koch	Kim Trochuck
Lucyna Lujarska	Bill Tuttle
Alex Mangriotis	Verne Tuttle
Emmett McEldowney	Michaelle Wisniewski
Claudia McLaren	Bob Zajac
Jean McNamara	

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Please keep those listed below in your daily prayers

Saturday, April 26 th

5:00PM John J. Carroll rq. by Bill & Ann Carroll, Gail Saternus rq. by family, Henry 'Hank' Kielbowicz rq. by Jan Ota, Josephine Lee rq. by Jim Ward, Jack DeHahn rq. by Bernie & Sue Flanagan

Sunday, April 27 th

8:00AM Joseph & Mary Schulok rq. by family, Hannah Lebert rq. by Pat Park & Sue Payton, John Polaski rq. by Meredith Doyle, Connie Seidelmann rq. by Jim Ward

10:00AM The People of St. Francis

12:00PM Cecelia Bohan rq. by Susan Campagna

Monday, April 28 th

8:30AM Joe Schweiger rq. by family, Clarence Bergstrom rq. by The Fixel Family, Joyce March rq. by Joe March, Franciszek & Helena Dzielski (healing), Hieu & Lucy Phan (healing)

Tuesday, April 29 th

8:30AM John Carroll rq. by Maria Weber, Hieu & Lucy Phan (healing)

Wednesday, April 30 th

8:30AM Connor's Family rq. by family

Thursday, May 1 st

8:30AM Gail Saternus rq. by family, Kathy Swanson rq. by Ed Swanson, Mary Jane Oleszkiewicz rq. by The Carlo Family, Victoria Stolarski rq. by The Carlo Family, Russell March rq. by Joe March

Friday, May 2 nd

8:30AM Josephine Lee rq. by Jerry & Kay Salatta, Virginia Zbos rq. by Bill & Ann Carroll, John Carroll rq. by John Zbos, Lucy & Hieu Phan (healing)

Saturday, May 3 rd

5:00PM Paul & David Sullivan rq. by Phyllis Sullivan, Henry 'Hank' Kielbowicz rq. by Jim Ward, William Raggio rq. by The Grela Family, Josephine Lee rq. by Mike Foley, Alexandra Wlosik (health) rq. by family

Sunday, May 4 th

8:00AM The People of St. Francis

10:00AM Stanley Komperda rq. by family, Raymond & Julie Branchaw rq. by Ramona Branchaw, Lido & Mary Slaviero rq. by sons, Joseph & Mary Shulok rq. by family, Donald Umporowicz rq. by family

12:00PM Mary Hellmann rq. by daughters, Anthony Catalano Sr. & Charles Vins Jr. rq. by Carlene Catalano & sons, Linda Neven rq. by Susan Campagna

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

15050 South Wolf Road, Orland Park, Illinois 60467-3028

Website: <http://www.sfaorland.org> Parish office e-mail: parishoffice@sfaorland.org Parish phone: 708-460-0042

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday - 5:00 PM; Sunday - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM
WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE: Monday-Friday at 8:30 AM

REV. ARTUR SOWA, **Pastor**
(asowa@sfaorland.org)

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REV. JAY SUERO, **Associate Pastor**
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REV. EDWARD F. UPTON, **Pastor Emeritus**
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REV. RICH YOUNG, OSA, **Weekend Presider**

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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. Hours 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday thru Friday. Evenings and weekends are by appointment. The Chapel is located at the north-east corner of the Church.

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Liturg Coordinator: Gina Vitucci (gvitucci@...)

Facilities Maintenance: Monika Czajczyk, Tony Candelaria

MUSIC MINISTRY

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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The Religious Ed Offices are located in the St. Francis Center, up the hill, west of the church. Religious Ed office hours are Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM. The Religious Ed offices are closed on Fridays.

CARDINAL JOSEPH BERNARDIN (CJB) SCHOOL

9250 W.167th St., Orland Hills, IL 60487

Phone: 708-403-6525

Principal: Jeanne Pagliaro

Web page: www.cjbschool.org

Our elementary Catholic Regional school is located on the campus of St. Elizabeth Seton parish at 167th & 94th Ave.

REGISTRATION Become a registered member of the parish by completing a registration form which is found in Church.

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 708-460-0042

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Baptisms can be arranged by appointment. A baptismal conference will be set up with the parents.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Communal celebration of the Sacrament will be held during Advent and Lent. Individual confessions are heard on Saturdays at 9:00 - 10:00 AM before Funerals and Weddings.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Weddings need to be scheduled at least 4-6 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 ANOINTING OF THE SICK Those of advanced age or suffering from a chronic or serious illness are invited to be anointed. A priest is available to offer the Sacrament whether the ill person is at home or in the hospital. Please call 708-460-0042. Anointing will also be offered on Mondays after Morning Mass.