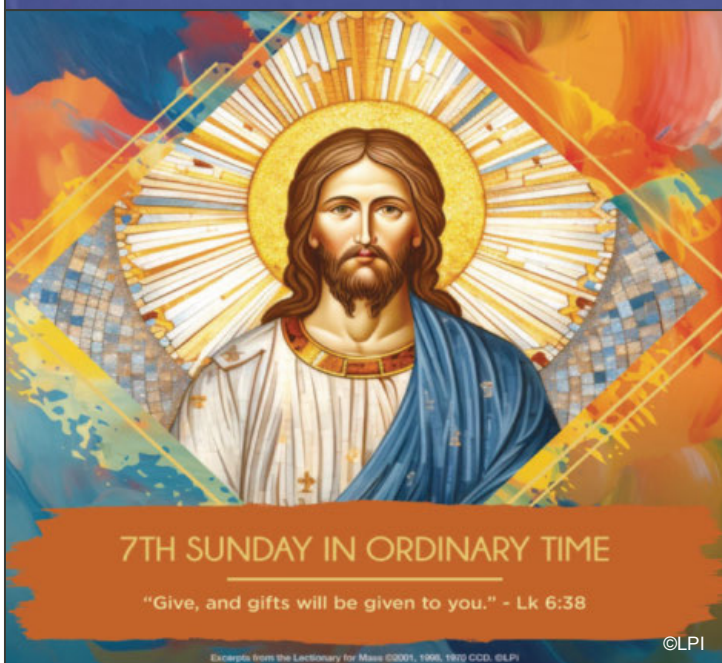




HOLY ARCHANGELS PARISH



MASS, CONFESSION & ADORATION SCHEDULE

St. Hubert Church

Saturday Mass: 4:30 PM

Sunday Mass: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12 noon

Daily Mass: Mon-Fri: 8:30 AM

Confessions: Friday: 4:00 PM - 5:45 PM

Adoration: Friday: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

St. Matthew Church

Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Daily Mass: Mon- Fri: 7:30 AM, Saturday: 9:00 AM

Confessions: Wednesday 4:00-5:45 PM

Adoration: Wednesday: 4:00-6:00 PM

Readings for the week of February 23, 2025

Sunday:

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/
1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Monday:

Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday:

Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/
Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday:

Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174,
175/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday:

Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50

Friday:

Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/
Mk 10:1-12

Saturday:

Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/
Mk 10:13-16

Next Sunday:

Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/
1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

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847-891-1220

St. Hubert Church

729 Grand Canyon, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
847-885-7700

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February 23, 2025



After just 8 months of ministry, Fr. Matt Alexander is being reassigned leaving a bittersweet void in our community. His departure, not anticipated due to the nature of parish assignments, has left us reflecting on the meaningful contributions he made during his brief time with us.

Fr. Matt arrived with a fresh perspective and a warm, approachable spirit. His homilies, often focused on fostering deeper spiritual connections and living out our faith with authenticity, resonated with many parishioners. His involvement in the life of the Parish, brought a new energy. Although Fr. Matt's time with us was short, his impact was significant. He tried to connect with parishioners, with individuals and families, offering counsel, and sharing moments of prayer. His dedication to building a welcoming environment left an impression on all who encountered him.

As we say goodbye, there are adjustments we must make as a parish. Transitions like this can be challenging. We may experience changes in the availability of Mass times, counseling hours, and ministry programs. However, we trust that this period of change will also open opportunities for growth, collaboration, and renewal in our shared mission. While we will miss Fr. Matt, we offer our prayers and support as he embarks on this new chapter of his ministry. May we, as a parish, continue to unite in faith, remaining steadfast in our commitment to each other and to the service of God.

Faith Formation during Lent at Holy Archangels Parish:

As we enter the season of Lent, Holy Archangels Parish is grateful to lay leaders who step into leadership roles to guide and support our spiritual growth. Their dedication ensures that we have meaningful opportunities to deepen our faith and grow closer to Christ during this season of reflection, prayer, and renewal.

This Lent, a variety of faith formation events have been thoughtfully organized for all to participate in. The **Bible Study on Tuesdays** offers a weekly gathering where parishioners lead discussions on Scripture, fostering a deeper understanding of God's Word. This space for reflection and dialogue allows participants to strengthen their relationship with Christ through His teachings.

Our **Lenten Renewal Program** is another powerful initiative led by parishioners, offering opportunities for spiritual growth through prayer, discussion and hospitality. This program is designed to help all who participate focus on the transformative power of Lent, encouraging personal reflection and a renewed commitment to faith. The **Theological Seminars** on Mondays provide a chance to explore Catholic teachings in greater depth, on relevant theological topics. These seminars help participants better understand the richness of the Church's doctrine.

The **Men4Jesus** group, organized by the Knights of Columbus, invites men of the parish to join together in prayer and fellowship. Led by fellow parishioners, this group focuses on growing in holiness and supporting one another in their faith journeys.

The **Lenten pilgrimage** Holy Hill, Wisconsin, offers our parish a powerful opportunity to come together in prayer and reflection as one unified community. As we journey to this sacred site, we are invited to walk the path of spiritual renewal and penance, deepening our connection to God and each other. The serene beauty of Holy Hill, provides the perfect setting for contemplation and worship. This pilgrimage is not just a physical journey, but a spiritual one, uniting us as one parish family in prayer, reflection, and solidarity during the holy season of Lent. Finally, the **Chosen Series** offers an engaging opportunity to explore the life of Christ through a video series. This series encourages reflection on the life of Jesus and invites participants to draw closer to Him.

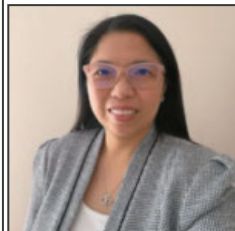
I encourage all parishioners to take time to participate in these enriching events. Whether through study, reflection, prayer, or fellowship, this season is a special time for growth and renewal. May we all grow in our spiritual lives and strengthen our parish community.

In Christ,

Father Tomy Abraham

"Among you I am a man of faith, with you I am a Christian and for you I am a priest."

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBER Mary JoAn Capati



Hello, I'm Mary JoAn Capati. I've been a loving wife to Averick for 24 years and a proud mother of three amazing children, who also contribute to our parish. After spending 16 years as a full-time mom and wife, I've had the opportunity to work at a local insurance agency for the past 8 years.

I am forever grateful to my Polish boss, who has supported my passion for volunteering in Religious Education/ Catholic Faith Formation, where I've been working with kindergartners for the past 8 years. I also serve as one of the Mass coordinators, a Eucharistic Minister, and an active member of the SHBA/Holy Archangel Filipino Association. Cooking for others and making people smile brings me true joy.

I am always grateful for God's grace and constantly count my blessings.

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 24

7:30 AM Holy Archangels Parishioners

8:30 AM †Julian Lobigas

Tuesday, February 25

7:30 AM Holy Archangels Parishioners

8:30 AM †Jean Staffa; †Michael Power

Wednesday, February 26

7:30 AM Holy Archangels Parishioners

8:30 AM Holy Archangels Parishioners

Thursday, February 27

7:30 AM Holy Archangels Parishioners

8:30 AM Holy Archangels Parishioners

Friday, February 28

7:30 AM †Richard Taccini

8:30 AM †Guiseppe Aiello; †Angela & Cono Abbate

Saturday, March 1

9:00 AM †Joseph Vasile, Jr.; Patrick Zyung (int.);
†Francisco Romero, Jr.

4:30 PM †Maryann Potenzo-Andersen

Sunday, March 2

8:00 AM †Samantha Bysse

9:00 AM Holy Archangels Parishioners

10:00 AM †Jim Rance, Jr.; †Robert Estesito;
†Mary Cassara; †Don Slattery

11:00 AM †Salomea Vuk; †Rosaleo Mariano

12:00 PM Holy Archangels Parishioners

*The presider schedule for the entire month
is posted on our website, www.holyarchangelsparish.org*

Recently Deceased

Patricia Primdahl, Ted Schueneman, Donna Cervi,
Paul Dupont

Pray for... Maggie Depa, Lauren Mangino,
Gerald Huber, Bill & Colleen Coughlin, Dennis Prowicz,
Sharon Currie, Evie Kilcoin, Diane Pericolosi,
John Safranski, Marcin Zelazny, Jo-Ann Menet,
Angela D'Alessandro, Mary Heiress, Maureen Knipp,
Jeanette Buff, Maureen Culleney, Kate Eugene,
Violet Radman, Marianne Bowen, Joann Hall,
Carolyn Orthner, Eddy Hollinger, Mary Boyer,
Rocky D'Alessandro, Noelle Nelson, Tony Nelson,
Lizzie Cole, Joyce Cairns, Kevin Carney, Patricia Castel,
Gerald Miller & Family, Edward Walsh, Patti Hojnacki,
Melanie Ann Lohr Miller, John Sieja, Vincent Banzon,
Jackie & John Hipelius, Amelia Johnson, Dave Ligon
Daranee Teapthong, Mario Morrone, Annie Point,
Barb Reineking, Albert Goy, Diane Dubois, Kathy Krebs,
Doris Chimack, Eva Macak, Ken Ciosek, Ryan Anderson,
Dolores Malinski, James Adamczyk, Josephine Mockbee,
Valentine Judy Andrade, Neha Andrade, David Hyde,
Modesto Gutierrez



2025 LENTEN SCHEDULE

ASH WEDNESDAY

MASS TIMES: 7:30 AM St. Matthew | 8:30 AM St. Hubert
10:30 AM Brookdale
4:30 PM St. Hubert | 7:00 PM St. Matthew

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays beginning March 7 at St. Hubert Church at 6:00 PM
alternating each week between St. Hubert & St. Matthew Church

PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Sunday & Monday April 6 & 7 at 7:00 PM St. Hubert Church
Tuesday April 8 at 7:00 PM at St. Matthew Church

ADORATION

Wednesdays: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM at St. Matthew Church
Fridays: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM at St. Hubert Church

CONFESSION

Wednesdays: 4:00 PM - 5:45 PM at St. Matthew Church
Fridays: 4:00 PM - 5:45 PM at St. Hubert Church



Farewell, Thank You & Good Luck

Fr. Matt Alexander

Fr. Matt will be available at the back of the
church after each Mass on February 22 & 23.

We invite you to bid him farewell as he
embarks on his new position as Director of
Chicago Seminarians and
Director of the Propaedeutic Year for the
Archdiocese.

Prayer Intention Request

*To have a particular intention for those who are sick,
recently deceased, or otherwise in need of prayers
considered for inclusion in the Prayer of the Faithful
during our Sunday liturgy, please go to the website,
www.holyarchangelsparish.org and click on the Prayer
Request button or call the parish office at 847-885-7700,
ext. 102. Those being prayed for will be listed for 4 weeks
in the bulletin and added to our book of prayer intentions
in the church. If you would like your loved one to continue
to be listed beyond this time, please call the office.*



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MASS

Sunday, February 23
11:00 am, St. Matthew Church

Hosted by: **1st and 6th Graders and Families**



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Open to all children in Grades 1-8 (Kindergarten with approval).
To join, please contact Michel Domingue, Parish Music Director
mdomingue@archchicago.org / 847-885-7700 ext. 108



CHILDREN AND PARENTS SERVING

To volunteer, see sign-up genius link sent to the hosting Grade Levels.

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darknesses.

But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, "**Be merciful just as your Father is merciful**" (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect that perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of God's life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural upbringings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance.

— Father John Muir



Jubilee 2025 Year of Hope

St. Hubert and St. Matthew Churches have been designated as Jubilee pilgrimage sites. To learn how to receive a plenary indulgence by visiting St. Hubert or St. Matthew Church go to our website: www.holyarchangelsparish.org

WE PRAY

FOR THOSE PROTECTING OUR COUNTRY

Anthony Chrobak, Brian Freeman, Jared Koch,
Jaden Lambrechts, James Lamberty, Joel Nogle,
Riley Santoyo, Bradley Vicchiolla, Oliver Lavenson,
Michael & Matthew Kukula, Vincent E. Paris

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All Powerful God,
Watch over all our dear ones who serve this day in the military. Hold them safely in the palm of your hand.
Walk with them in your strength.
Bring them comfort and hope when they are weary.
Remind them of our love.

Merciful Lord, Bring a lasting peace into our midst.
Heal our hearts and help all nations find ways to live in harmony so that blood is shed no more.
We ask this in the name of Christ Jesus, Prince of Peace.
Amen

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Should you wish to add a loved one serving our country,
please contact the parish office at 847-885-7700 or
office@sainthubert.org



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We Need Volunteers

Join us for Stations of the Cross on the following Fridays in Lent. The Stations will be held at 6:00 PM at either St. Matthew Church or St. Hubert Church.

This year we will be unified in following one book, *Stations of the Cross*, adapted from the Stations of the Cross composed by Saint Alphonsus Liguori.

March 7: 6 PM at St. Hubert
March 14: 6 PM at St. Matthew—Deacon Allen
March 21: 6 PM at St. Hubert
March 28: 6 PM at St. Matthew
April 4: 6 PM at St. Hubert
April 11: 6 PM at St. Matthew—Deacon Allen

If your ministry would like to volunteer in leading The Stations, please contact Kristen Cullen at kcullen.stmatthew@gmail.com or 847-885-7700 ex.124.

Holy Archangels Parish; 5-year Pastoral plan

July 2024-June 2029

At Holy Archangels Parish, we are committed to fostering a vibrant and faith-filled community. Our Parish Pastoral Plan is designed to guide us in our shared mission to grow as disciples of Christ and to bring His love to the world. This plan is rooted in the core principles of *Unity, Prayer, Study, Stewardship, and Evangelization* – the pillars that will shape our parish life and future.

The main themes of our plan draw inspiration from *Rediscover Catholicism* by Matthew Kelly, a work that challenges us to deepen our faith and live the Gospel with renewed purpose. These ideas have been prayerfully considered and developed in consultation with the Parish Pastoral Council and our dedicated parish staff. Together, we seek to create a parish environment where every member is called to active participation.

Through this plan, we aim to build a stronger sense of unity among parishioners, encourage a life of prayer, foster ongoing spiritual and intellectual growth, promote a culture of stewardship, and empower each member to share the Good News. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we embark on this journey to grow in holiness and to fulfill our mission as a parish family.

We invite every parishioner to engage with this plan, to embrace its vision, and to work together to make Holy Archangels Parish a place where faith thrives, and the love of Christ is shared with all.

With gratitude,
Father Tomy Abraham, Pastor
Holy Archangels Parish
Hoffman Estates, IL, 60169

Introduction:

Holy Archangels Parish was formed through the merging of St. Matthew and St. Hubert parishes, bringing together two communities with distinct histories, traditions, and identities. The goal of this Pastoral Plan is to guide the parish through a process of integration and spiritual growth, fostering a deep sense of unity, prayer, study, stewardship, and evangelization over the next five years.

The plan is designed to be implemented in five key phases, each focusing on an essential aspect of parish life. These phases will build upon each other, creating a strong foundation for the parish community and equipping parishioners to live out their faith more fully and effectively. Out of the 5 themes 4 are borrowed from *‘Rediscover Catholicism’*.

Year 1: Building Unity Among Parishioners

Theme: “One Body in Christ”

Goal: To create a unified parish community, integrating the members of St. Matthew and St. Hubert Churches and fostering a shared identity as Holy Archangels Parish.

Objectives:

1. **Host Monthly Fellowship Events:** Begin the year with a series of social events that bring together parishioners from both former parishes. Examples include potluck dinners, coffee socials, and parish family picnics. These events will create opportunities for parishioners to meet and get to know each other in a relaxed setting.
2. **Form Welcome Committees:** Organize teams of welcoming parishioners from both former parishes who can greet new members, provide information, and help newcomers integrate into the community.
3. **Create a Parish Directory:** Develop a comprehensive parish directory to help parishioners connect with each other. This will include both contact information and brief biographies of parishioners to celebrate the diversity and unique gifts within the community.
4. **Joint Liturgies and Celebrations:** Coordinate joint liturgies (such as Feast Days, Advent, Lent) that incorporate traditions from both parishes. This will help foster a sense of shared history and belonging.
5. **Integration of Ministries:** Begin the process of merging and revitalizing parish ministries (e.g., altar servers, choir, mass coordinators, ministers of the word and Eucharist, hospitality etc.). Provide training for existing leaders to work together and make the transition as smooth as possible.

Year 2: Strengthening Prayer Life

Theme: “Deepening Our Relationship with God”

Goal: To deepen the spiritual lives of parishioners through regular prayer and liturgical participation.

Objectives:

1. **Daily Prayer Focus:** Introduce a parish-wide commitment to daily prayer. This could include a weekly prayer intention shared through the parish bulletin, social media, or email.
2. **Prayer Groups:** Establish small prayer groups within the parish that meet regularly to pray for one another and for the needs of the parish. These could be based on different themes such as family life, the sick, or the needs of the community.

3. **Adoration and Devotions:** Expand Eucharistic Adoration hours and encourage participation in daily or weekly adoration. Organize seasonal devotions, such as the Rosary for the month of October or special Marian devotions during May.
4. **Liturgical Renewal:** Offer opportunities for liturgical formation, focusing on how parishioners can more fully engage in the Mass. This might include brief formation talks, educational materials, or retreats.
5. **Prayer and Worship at Home:** Provide resources for parishioners to develop a habit of prayer at home, including guidelines for family prayer, scriptural reflections, and prayer books.

Year 3: Fostering a Culture of Study

Theme: "Growing in Knowledge and Wisdom"

Goal: To encourage and equip parishioners to grow in their understanding of the faith through study of Scripture, Catholic teachings, and spiritual works.

Objectives:

1. **Bible Study Groups:** Establish parish-wide Bible study groups, including options for different age groups and learning levels. Offer a parish-wide Bible study in the fall and spring seasons with clear goals for understanding the Scriptures.
2. **Catechism and Adult Education:** Provide adult education programs, including catechetical classes on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. These could be offered as evening classes or weekend retreats. Invite guest speakers or faculty members to present on key topics related to the faith.
3. **Library and Resources:** Build a parish library or resource center with books, DVDs, and online resources on Catholic doctrine, history, spirituality, and prayer. Provide suggested reading lists for parishioners of all ages.
4. **Theology Nights:** Organize quarterly "Theology Nights," where parishioners can gather for discussions on important theological and ethical issues in the Church today, led by knowledgeable speakers or priests.
5. **Faith Formation for Families:** Launch family-focused faith formation initiatives that teach parents how to be the primary educators of their children in the faith. This could include parent workshops, family retreats, or intergenerational programs.

Year 4: Building a Spirit of Stewardship

Theme: "Serving God with Our Gifts"

Goal: To foster a culture of stewardship in which parishioners recognize and generously offer their time, talent, and treasure for the good of the parish and the wider community.

Objectives:

1. **Stewardship Education:** Offer workshops and talks on the theology of stewardship, helping parishioners understand that stewardship is not just about money, but about offering all aspects of one's life in service to God.
2. **Volunteer Opportunities:** Identify key areas where parishioners can serve in the parish, such as religious education, hospitality, liturgical ministries, and outreach to the needy. Create a "ministry fair" to showcase all volunteer opportunities and encourage active participation.

3. **Financial Stewardship:** Launch a campaign for increased tithing and financial support of the parish, helping parishioners to understand the importance of supporting the parish with their financial resources, and the impact this has on parish life and mission.
4. **Gratitude and Recognition:** Develop a system for regularly thanking and recognizing those who serve in various ministries. This could include volunteer appreciation events, featured stories in the bulletin, or personal thank-you notes from the pastor.
5. **Outreach and Social Justice:** Encourage parishioners to live out their stewardship by engaging in acts of charity and justice within the community. Organize parish-wide service projects, such as food drives, community clean-ups, or visits to nursing homes.

Year 5: Evangelizing and Reaching Out

Theme: "Go and Make Disciples"

Goal: To form a parish of evangelizers who are actively reaching out to those outside the parish and bringing the Gospel to the world.

Objectives:

1. **Evangelization Training:** Offer evangelization training for parishioners, helping them learn practical ways to share their faith in everyday conversations, at work, with family members, and in the wider community.
2. **Alpha or Evangelization Programs:** Launch an Alpha program or other evangelization initiative to introduce non-Catholics or lapsed Catholics to the basics of the faith in a welcoming and non-judgmental environment.
3. **Online Presence and Media Outreach:** Strengthen the parish's online presence through social media, and digital outreach. Encourage parishioners to share Catholic content with their networks and invite others to join parish events.
4. **Invite a Friend:** Implement an "Invite a Friend" campaign, encouraging parishioners to personally invite friends, family, and co-workers to Mass, parish events, or service projects.
5. **Mission Trips and Service Projects:** Organize parish mission trips to serve in other parts of the country or abroad. Additionally, increase local outreach efforts to serve marginalized communities, both as a witness to the Gospel and as an expression of God's love.

Conclusion: By following this five-year plan, Holy Archangels Parish will undergo a transformation, rooted in prayer, study, stewardship, and evangelization. Each year will build upon the last, creating a dynamic and thriving parish that is united in Christ, grounded in the faith, and committed to bringing the Gospel to all corners of the community and beyond. As we move forward, we will continually seek to be instruments of peace, joy, and hope in a world that desperately needs the message of the Gospel.

Parish Lenten Trip to Holy Hill Basilica & National Shrine Saturday, March 15



1. **Check in:** Check in at 7:15 AM
2. **Depart:** 7:30 AM depart from St. Hubert parking lot.
3. **Lunch:** Boxed lunches will be pre-ordered from onsite cafe.
4. **Arrival:** 4:15 PM: arrive back at St. Hubert parking lot.

COST

Cost is \$50 per person. This includes transportation and lunch.

REGISTRATION

To register contact Theresa Sulentic.
Call or text: **847-909-5063**
Email: mtsbj@comcast.net

SPACE IS LIMITED

45-attendees is the max capacity. Registration will be closed once bus is filled. Registration is required.

Holy Hill Basilica is located in Hubertus, WI | www.holyhill.com



Lenten Renewal Adult Faith Formation Life in the Spirit Seminar



Thursdays, March 6 – April 10 from 6:30 – 8:30 PM

St. Matthew Ministry Center

951 E. Schaumburg Road
Schaumburg, IL 60194

- Recognize God's everlasting love
- Renew your faith in Christ
- Receive new life through the Holy Spirit
- Talks – Prayer – Discussion - Hospitality

Preregistration helpful but not required.

For questions and registrations, please contact:
Judi Stein at njpg@att.net or 847-609-5785

We hope to see you there!

MARCH 2025 THEOLOGICAL SEMINARS

March 3: Church and Papacy | 6:30 PM | St. Hubert Club Room

March 10: Study on Catholic Eucharist and Protestant communion | 6:30 PM | St. Matthew Ministry center

March 31: Exploring the Early Church and Its Relevance to Church Today | 6:30 PM | St. Hubert Club Room

Collecting Palms

Please return last year's palms to the baskets in the narthex by March 2 for use in Ash Wednesday.

Morning Bible Study

Come join the journey as we study the Letters of St. Paul to the Galatians and Romans.

**Tuesday Mornings from
March 4 thru May 20, 2025
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM**

**St. Matthew Ministry Center
Study Material Cost of \$18.00
Preregistration requested to order study materials.**

**Inquiries and registration:
Judi Stein @ 847-609-5785**

Holy Archangels Parish presents *The Chosen* Series...



Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

beginning March 12

St. Hubert Church, Lower Level

Imagine you could see the life of Jesus through the eyes of the people who walked with him on Earth—his disciples, Mary his mother, the Pharisees, the children, those he healed. What might that look like? *The Chosen* opens our imagination to experience that.

Join us to view *The Chosen*, a powerful, multi-season series that brings the life of Jesus and his followers to the screen in a fresh, impactful way. Whether you've already seen this series or this would be the first time, come. There's something special about experiencing it with our parish family. And it would be a wonderful way to enhance your journey through Lent.

(Light refreshments will be served.)

***Register with this QR code
or email Deacon Dick & Sandy Lawson
hilawson@comcast.net**



Inspirational
MOVIE NIGHT

Enjoy a God oriented movie, learn, and get together with others who are faith filled.
Come join us!

Movie: Saints and Slaves
The Story of St. Anthony Mary Claret
A movie about an Archbishop, zealous missionary, writer, publisher, social reformer, and confessor to the Queen of Spain who suffered severe opposition.

Monday, **FEBRUARY 24**  |  Beginning at **6:30 PM**

St. Matthew Ministry Ctr Chapel Meeting Room
(Behind and west of the Rectory)
951 E. Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg, IL

For questions, please contact Janeen Feldman at findyourmission@sbcglobal.net, call 630-894-1053, or text 630-550-9375.
We hope to see you there.

Holy Archangels Parish
Job & Networking Ministry
Monday, February 24

6 PM –7 PM
"Professional Critique"
(in person only):

Receive a personalized evaluation of your professional goals, and develop a customized strategy to expedite your transition into your next professional opportunity.

St. Hubert Campus
Parish Ministry Center
729 Grand Canyon Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169

7PM -9 PM CST
"First 10 Days of Your New Job"
(in person and via Zoom)

What active steps should you take to make the right first impression with your new employer?
How do you establish a reputation and build a strong and lasting connection to the company?
Denis Curtin, a member of the St. Hubert Job & Networking Ministry, will present this presentation, written by Bob Podgorski, which will provide strategies to implement during the first 10 days of your new job to maximize your success at a company.

For More Information:

Send an email to sainthubertjobministry@gmail.com, call (708) 232-6535 or scan the QR code.



Sunday March 2 Paczki Days at St. Matthew 9 AM & 11 AM Masses

The Sunday of March 2 will be Paczki Days for the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. masses at St. Matthew!

Once again the time has arrived for us to celebrate our own Fat Tuesday! We have really enjoyed providing paczki and coffee to our parish family. Please join us for some authentic paczki, hospitality, and a chance to mingle with some of your fellow parishioners in rooms 4 and 5 across from the kitchen.

Any and all free will donations made on this weekend will be added to the Ash Wednesday collection and then added to our parish "Needy Family Fund" to assist families and individuals in need and "Kolbe House". First paczek is free, if you wish to take some paczki home that weekend, they may be purchased for \$1.50 each or 4 for \$5.00.

Please Join Us For A Listening Session

Tuesday, March 4th
7:00 PM
St. Matthew Church



St. Patrick's Day Party

Sponsored by the Hoffman-Schaumburg Knights of Columbus #6964

When: Saturday, March 8, 2025

Where: St. Hubert Church Ministry Center (GYM)

729 Grand Canyon Str., Hoffman Estates

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Traditional Corned Beef buffet dinner

Hot dogs available for children

Beer, Wine, Pop and Specialty drinks for purchase

Raffles and Prizes

Entertainment

Trinity Irish Dancers, Bag Pipers
DJ with music throughout the evening

Cost: Adults - \$35.00

Children under 12 - \$10.00

Pre-sale only – For tickets contact:

Larry Arquilla – 847-373-6075 arkwood@ameritech.net

Mike Sulentic – 847-404-2246 msulentic01@gmail.com

Bill Clark – 847-489-9114 weclark@astound.net

<http://www.HoffmanSchaumburgKnights.com>





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And so, instead, I write to say, "Until next time!" It has been a profound blessing to walk alongside you in faith, to celebrate the sacraments together, and to witness the love of Christ alive in this parish. I am deeply grateful for the countless ways you have welcomed, supported, and inspired me, and for the time we have shared together. Thank you for your kindness, your faith, and your witness to Christ's love.

As I prepare for this transition, I carry with me the many memories, friendships, and experiences that have shaped me in this community. While change is always bittersweet, I trust in God's providence and look forward to the future with hope and gratitude for all that I have experienced here.

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RISKING GOD'S MERCY

Shortly after ordination, doing replacement work in a parish, I found myself in a rectory with a saintly old priest. He was over eighty, nearly blind, but widely sought out and respected, especially as a confessor. One night, alone with him, I asked him this question: "If you had your priesthood to live over again, would you do anything differently?" From a man so full of integrity, I had fully expected that there would be no regrets. So his answer surprised me. Yes, he did have a regret, a major one, he said: "If I had my priesthood to do over again, I would be easier on people the next time. I wouldn't be so stingy with God's mercy, with the sacraments, with forgiveness. You see what was drilled into me was the phrase: 'The truth will set you free,' and I believed that it was my responsibility to challenge people so as to protect something inside of them. That's good. But I fear that I've been too hard on people. They have pain enough without me and the church laying further burdens on them. I should have risked God's mercy more!"

I was struck by this because, less than a year before, as I took my final exams in the seminary, one of the priests who examined me, gave me this warning: "Be careful," he said, "never let your feelings get in the way. Don't be soft, that's wrong. Remember, hard as it is, only the truth sets people free!" Sound advice, it would seem, for a young priest.

However, as the years of my ministry move towards middle-age, I feel more inclined to the old priest's advice: We need to risk God's mercy more. The place of justice and truth should never be ignored, but we must risk letting the infinite, unbounded, unconditional, undeserved mercy of God flow free. The mercy of God is as accessible as the nearest water tap, and so we, like Isaiah, must proclaim a mercy that has no price tag: "Come, come without money and without virtue, come everyone, drink freely of God's mercy!"

What holds us back? Why are we so hesitant in proclaiming God's inexhaustible, prodigal, indiscriminate mercy?

Partly our motives are good, noble even. Concern for truth, justice, orthodoxy, morality, proper public form, proper sacramental preparation, fear of scandal, and concern for the ecclesial community that needs to absorb and carry the effect of sin, these are not unimportant things. Love needs always to be tempered by truth, even as truth must ever be moderated by love. But sometimes our motives are less noble and the hesitancy arises out of timidity, fear, jealousy, and legalism – the self-righteousness of the pharisees or the bitter jealousy of the older brother of the prodigal son. No cheap grace is to be dispensed on our watch!

In doing this we are misguided, less than good shepherds, out of tune with the God that Jesus proclaimed. God's mercy, as Jesus revealed it, embraces indiscriminately, the bad with the good, the undeserving with the deserving, the uninitiated with the initiated. One of the truly startling insights that Jesus gave us is that the mercy of God cannot not go out to everyone. It is always free, undeserved, unconditional, universal in embrace, reaching beyond all religion, custom, rubric, political correctness, mandatory program, ideology, and even beyond sin itself.

For our part then, especially those of us who are parents, ministers, teachers, catechists, and elders, we must risk proclaiming the prodigal character of God's mercy. We must not spend God's mercy, as if it were ours to spend; dole out God's forgiveness, as if it were a limited commodity; put conditions on God's love, as if God were a petty tyrant or a political ideology; or cut off cut access to God, as if we were the keeper of the heavenly gates. We aren't. If we tie God's mercy to our own timidity and fear we limit it to the size of our own minds. A bad game.

It is interesting to note in the gospels how the apostles, well-meaning of course, often tried to keep certain people away from Jesus as if they weren't worthy, as if they were an affront to his holiness or would somehow stain his purity. So they tried to shoe away children, prostitutes, tax-collectors, known sinners, and the uninitiated of all kinds. Always Jesus over-ruled their attempts with words to this effect: "Let them come! I want them to come."

Things haven't changed. Always in the church, we, well-intentioned persons, for the same reasons as the apostles, keep trying to keep certain individuals and groups away from God's mercy as this is expressed in word, sacrament, and community. Jesus handled things then; I suspect that he can handle them now. God doesn't want our protection. What God does want is for everyone, regardless of morality, orthodoxy, lack of preparation, age, or culture, to come to the unlimited waters of divine mercy.

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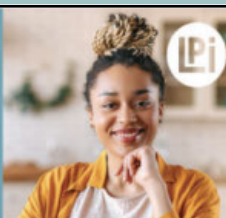
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