



# St. Mary of Vernon Catholic Church

236 US Hwy 45  
Indian Creek, Illinois 60061

**Christmas Holiday Season**  
**December 23, 2018 to January 1, 2019**

## Welcome!

*We are pleased that you have come  
to worship with us.  
The doors and hearts of  
our parish family of faith are  
always open, and we invite you  
to contact us at any time:*

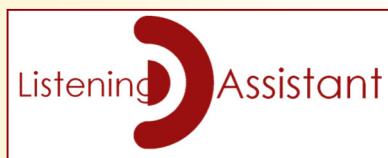
**Parish Office:**  
847-362-1005

**Fax:**  
847-362-6375

**Religious Education:**  
847-362-0653

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847-362-1021

**Parish Website:**  
[www.maryofvernon.org](http://www.maryofvernon.org)



Assistive Listening Devices are  
available at the Reception Desk in the  
Church Narthex. Please ask the  
receptionist for more information.

*The people walking in*  
**DARKNESS** have  
seen a  
*great light.*



Isaiah 9:2

### **Parish Office Hours:**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8:30 AM—7:00 PM**

**Thursday 8:30 AM—3:00 PM**

**Friday 8:30 AM—3:00 PM**

**Saturday 8:30 AM—Noon**

**Sunday 9:00 AM—12:30 PM**

**(In Narthex)**

## *Christmas Greetings From Cardinal Cupich . . .*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The birth of Jesus is framed by two important journeys.

*Joseph went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem . . . with Mary . . . (Luke 2:4-5)*

*Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt . . . (Matthew 2:14)*

There is the journey to Bethlehem and the birth of Jesus and the journey of the Holy Family to Egypt as refugees from the violence of King Herod.

These journeys mirror our world and our own lives. Especially in this season, we journey to contemplate the Word made flesh, Emmanuel, God with us at his birth. We are also aware of the perilous journeys of so many who flee violence or who must live surrounded by it. May this season of renewal help us to set our sights on the Lord's promise to bring us safely home as we make our way to him. May that promise renew our joy and our hope.

God bless you and all your loved ones in this holy season.

Cardinal Blase Cupich  
Archbishop of Chicago



### **HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

The St. Mary of Vernon parish office will be closed the week of December 24 through January 1. We will open again on Wednesday, January 2.

**PADS laundry volunteers, if you need the door code during this period, please call Rebecca.**

**Sharing Hands & PADS food donation people, please call Jim Wogan for the door code during this period at 847-732-9028, if you have not received it via email.**

## Advent-Christmas 2018 — New Year 2019

*A short note from your pastor - that turned into an encyclical —what can I say?!*

I guess since I am turning really old this December—and I mean, really, really old—I can't help but look back at a life amazing beyond belief, filled with wonderful family and friends, with milestones and memories.

I can't help but think of my mother who spoiled me from the start, which was quite fitting since I was the only boy with 4 sisters. She sang "You are my Sunshine" forever to put me to sleep; and my older sisters had to do it too. I do remember her telling me how she would shake me (gently, of course) when I was a skinny little kid, and tell me to "get some fat on these bones". And, of course, I know how obedient I became over the years always seeking her parental approval. (Boy, she is so happy!)

I can't help but remember being appreciated and affirmed as an altar server by the associate pastor at St. James in Maywood. I was inspired so much that I entered the seminary high school—to the bewilderment of my mother and intrigue of my family. Who would have thought that, ever a shy, retiring, "never say a word" seminarian, I would be ordained a priest - and never stop talking from then on!

I can't help but recall how supportive my family and extended family, near and far, have always been — holding me up throughout the years with prayer and encouragement.

I can't help but feel a deep gratitude as I consider how I have been blessed through my fellow priests over the years—priests who have encouraged me, put up with me and walked alongside of me in the adventure of priesthood.

I can hardly put into words how much I have been touched, formed and changed by the awesome, amazing people of God in each and every parish I came to call home—all becoming my sisters and brothers in Jesus.

I do not hesitate to acknowledge that always and everywhere it has been the people who surround me, all of you together, who have drawn the love for "pastoring" from within me.

You have taught me that, together with one another and the Lord, all things are possible. You have gifted me with your day-in and day-out witness to love and hope; to compassion and consolation; to endurance and the real joy that sharing the Good News of Jesus naturally brings.

I know that this year of transition, surrounded by the love and affection of the people and staff of St. Mary of Vernon for nearly 21 years now, will have its challenging moments for sure. But we'll be moving through the year together, so I am not afraid (well, only every few days or so, perhaps!).

When I join my fellow classmates in celebrating our 50th Anniversary next May, I will be humbled once again with the realization of the generous favor and mercy of God, who, on the Feast of Matthias 1969, called us to serve his people to the best of our ability. And what frolic, frenzy and fun it has truly been!

Trust me, this Christmas, I have a deep appreciation of a most profound reality: Our God, who came to us in Jesus so long ago in Bethlehem, wants to be "born again today". There are so many people who have not yet had the opportunity to meet Jesus, experience Jesus and get to know Jesus in their lives.

So, believe it or not, you and I have a joyful task to undertake anew. For through each one of us, Jesus can be born into people's lives. It's really up to us to get the word out through our words and actions. But, you know what? Truth be told, we can do this! We must do this. Together we can spread the News!

May you and yours have a most blessed Christmas. May the New Year 2019 be exciting, enriching, enthusiastic, energetic and always everjoyful in the Lord!

Your brother in the Lord,

*Fr. Joe Curtis*

Fr. Joe Curtis

## St. Mary of Vernon RCIA

### CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS FROM THE RCIA GROUP!

All of the members of this year's RCIA program want to wish the entire SMV community and all our guests and visitors a most blessed and Merry Christmas! And a Happy New Year!

We ask that you keep us all in your prayers this Christmas season as we continue our journeys of faith and our attempts to understand how God is calling us to himself. We appreciate your support and look forward to meeting you in the coming weeks.

Merry Christmas! May the Light of Christ find its way into your hearts as you celebrate this season with family and friends. With wishes for Christ's peace now and throughout the coming year,

*Candidates:* Lindley Caldwell, Tracy Crowe

*Sponsors:* Melisso Rizzo, Sandy Ekern

*Seekers:* Hannah Silverthorn-Whitehair, Emma Thai

*Catechists:* Fr. Joe Curtis, Maureen Evers, Bob Foley, Tom Gaubatz, Bruce Kwiecinski, Deacon Mark Zwolski

Individuals who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith can connect with someone on our RCIA team for basic information or to set up an appointment to discuss specific questions or goals; contact Maureen Evers (847-362-1005 or [mevers@maryofvernon.org](mailto:mevers@maryofvernon.org)) or Mark Zwolski (847-644-7073 or [mrzwolski@gmail.com](mailto:mrzwolski@gmail.com)).

### SMV THURSDAY DAY OF PRAYER

#### Fourth Thursday—December 27 Morning Prayer (Lauds)



9:30-10:00 am following the 9:00 Mass in the Church

"Lauds" is Latin for Praise. We begin the day by acknowledging that God is God, we are creation, and God is most worthy of our praise.

*For more information, contact Margie Chua Lee at [mqc12008@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mqc12008@sbcglobal.net)*



## CHRISTMAS MASSES

### CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES—MONDAY—DECEMBER 24, 2018

*2:45 PM Christmas Carols*  
**3:00 PM Mass**

*6:45 PM Christmas Carols*  
**7:00 PM Mass**

*4:30 PM Christmas Carols*  
**5:00 PM Mass**

*11:15 PM Christmas Carols*  
**Midnight Mass at 12:00 Midnight**

### CHRISTMAS MORNING TUESDAY—DECEMBER 25, 2018

*9:15 AM Christmas Carols*  
**9:30 AM Mass**

*11:00 AM Christmas Carols*  
**11:15 AM Mass**

### Regular Sunday Masses—Feast of the Holy Family:

Saturday, December 29, 2018 at 5:00 PM

Sunday, December 30, 2018 at 7:45, 9:30 & 11:15 AM

### SOLEMNITY OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

New Year's Eve: Monday, December 31, 2018—5:00 PM Mass

New Year's Day: Tuesday, January 1, 2019—9:30 AM & 11:15 AM Masses



### **HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS**

**Sunday, December 23rd after 11:15 Mass**

We need help setting up the trees, setting up the chairs in the Narthex, and decorating the sanctuary. We will begin around 12:30 p.m. Should you have any questions, please call Teri Feurer at 847-487-4723.

*(And please mark your calendars for taking down the trees after the 11:15 Mass on January 13, 2019)*



## SMV THURSDAY DAY OF PRAYER

**First Thursday—January 3, 2019  
Eucharistic Adoration**



Beginning at 9:30 am in the Day Chapel  
following the 9:00 am Mass,  
concluding at 7:30 pm with Benediction

*Drop in any time that day, or to become a Committed Adorer  
for one hour on the first Thursday of each month,  
contact Miriam Preussner at [miriam406@att.net](mailto:miriam406@att.net) or 224-628-1187.*



**SIGN YOUR NAME TO LEGALLY PROTECT THE UNBORN  
DECEMBER 29-30, 2018**

On the weekend of December 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> we have to opportunity to show our belief in the sanctity of life. After all Masses that weekend you can sign your name to be included in a full-page ad that will run in the Daily Herald on January 22, which will be the 46th anniversary of the legalization of abortion. In this ad we will be announcing to the public that we support and pray for the legal protection of the unborn. The ad will be placed by the Lake County Right to Life organization, and a \$5.00 donation is suggested to help cover the cost.

## CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

Are you an adult who has missed the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to receive it in 2019? Vicariate 1 of the Archdiocese of Chicago will offer preparation sessions for Confirmation at two different locations and dates, starting soon.

A candidate must

- be 18 years old AND out of high school
- have already received the sacraments of Baptism and First Communion

On the first night, please bring

- Registration form signed by a priest or staff member from your home parish
- A copy of your baptismal certificate

Here are the two locations for the sessions:

- St. Francis de Sales Parish School, 11 S Buesching Road, Lake Zurich, IL 60047. Sessions are Sundays, 6:30pm to 8:00pm on January 27, February 10 & 24, March 10 & 24, April 7 & 28, May 5
- St. Edna Church Doherty Center, 2525 N Arlington Heights Rd, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Sessions are Mondays, 7:00pm to 9:00pm on March 11, 18 & 25, April 1, 8, 15 & 29, May 6

**Rehearsal and Reconciliation will be Thursday, May 16, location to be announced.**

**Confirmation Mass will be Thursday, May 23, location to be announced.**

Please contact Maureen Evers, SMV Pastoral Associate, or our Pastor, Fr. Joe Curtis for more details and to obtain the registration form mentioned above. 847-362-1005; or [mevers@maryofvernon.org](mailto:mevers@maryofvernon.org) or [jcurtis@maryofvernon.org](mailto:jcurtis@maryofvernon.org).



### **Alpha Omega Youth Ministry** **2019 Summer Mission Trip** **June 22-29, 2019**

2019 Summer Mission Trip Packets are available online at  
[www.maryofvernon.org/youthministry](http://www.maryofvernon.org/youthministry), in the Alpha Omega Mailbox,  
in the Church & PREP Offices, and in the wooden kiosk in the Church Narthex.  
Spaces are limited. Please get your deposits in ASAP .

## WIDOWED AND FEELING STUCK?

Come and find ways to move toward inner peace and new hope in life.

**Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry Program** presents a **Retreat/workshop for men and women.**

**March 9 & 10, 2019**, (incl. overnight) at the Mt. Assisi Center, Lemont.

To register call 708-354-7211. e-mail us at [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com).

Website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org) (includes video).



## PREP & HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION FOR 2019 - 2020!

***begins WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019*** **8:00 AM - 8:00 PM**



It is hard to believe, but we are starting to prepare registration materials for the 2019-20 PREP year. Our first day of registration is on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 from 8am to 8pm in the Parish Center. The first day's registration forms will be processed using a lottery system. It does not matter if you register in the morning or in the evening on January 16<sup>th</sup>. However, on January 17<sup>th</sup>, all registration forms will be stamped with a date/time, and processed accordingly. Registration forms will not be mailed out, but will be available to download on the PREP page of the St. Mary of Vernon website beginning January 11<sup>th</sup> and on the first day of registration in the Parish Center. Forms cannot be turned in until January 16<sup>th</sup>. If you are new to the program, please stop by our office so we can welcome you and give you the necessary information needed to register.

There are several programs from which to choose. Please note the specific days and times and choose what works best for your family's schedule.

**To process your registration,**  
**you will need to select two choices**  
**as we cannot guarantee**  
**your first choice.**

In the past, the Sunday and Summer programs have been extremely popular and we try to accommodate as many as possible. Those who do not get their first choice will be put on a waiting list and notified prior to the session if accepted.

• **Summer \*** June 10-14 / June 17-21 Grades 1-6 only  
9am - 12:30pm

**Commitment to all 10 sessions is required!**

**Students must arrive on time; Early dismissal is not permitted!**

**\*Due to the popularity of the summer session and limited space in the building, summer registration will be limited to actively participating parishioners who have been registered with St. Mary of Vernon for at least one year.**

**School Year Sessions: September - April**

• **Sunday** 8:45am - 11:00am Grades K-6

• **Monday** 4:15pm - 6:30pm Grades 1-6

New Beginnings I and  
New Beginnings II

• **Sunday Evening** 6:00pm - 8:15pm Grades 7-8

**CHI RHO JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY WILL MEET TWICE A MONTH ON SUNDAY EVENINGS.**

• **Wednesday Evening** time tbd

High School Confirmation

The first day of registration, January 16<sup>th</sup>, is definitely our busiest. We ask for your patience and cooperation. To expedite the registration process, please have the following information ready:

1. **Both** sides of registration completed and signed.
2. Medical and insurance information for emergency form.
3. Cash, check or charge cards accepted.
4. For new students: a copy of baptismal record if your child was not baptized at SMV and record of previous religious education.
5. **All past due balances paid in full.**

If you have a child (3rd grade and up) with little or no religious education, please call the PREP office to discuss placement (New Beginnings I and II). Also, please call if your child has been baptized in a faith other than the Roman Catholic tradition.

Regular consecutive attendance at our Sunday liturgies and in the PREP classroom is expected for all students. Class sizes are limited. **NO REGISTRATION FORM WILL BE PROCESSED UNLESS PAST YEARS' TUITION AND FEES HAVE BEEN PAID IN FULL.** We will be sending out invoices for all unpaid balances. Also, no 7th grade student will be placed into an 8th grade class unless the first year of Confirmation assignments are completed.

The PREP Office is trying to "go green" so much of our communication is done via email or texting. We are requesting that all families register with "remind.com" to facilitate this communication. Please text "@4dbdg8" to 81010 or use this QR code.



It is essential that you register as soon as possible. Many programs get closed over the first few days of registration. **Notification of your child's enrollment into a particular program will be sent via email by the end of March and only after we have all of our catechists in place.** Due to the high volume of registrations, we cannot give out that information over the phone.



We are very blessed to have over 80 PREP volunteers this year. Over the next few months, we will be putting together our volunteer roster for 2019-2020. If you feel you would like to help out, or have any questions/or concerns, please contact the PREP office at [mwinegard@maryofvernon.org](mailto:mwinegard@maryofvernon.org) or 847-362-0653. We'd love to talk with you!



# Merry Christmas and New Year's Blessings from the PREP Ministry!

## 2018 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

These children proudly proclaimed the Christmas Story on December 16th!  
We want to thank them for expressing their love to God and to St. Mary of Vernon.  
We are truly blessed!

Belen Babb	Abby Dimodica	Daniel Mata	Ryan Mick	Dylan Rodriguez
Sofia Babb	Ashley Dove	Adelynn Mendoza	Seth Mick	Fabian Rozario
Chloe Baekim	Lexi Dove		Erica Montegrando	Meredith Rozario
Christopher Baekim	Joey Fricano		Daniel Nitz	Annabelle Schorsch
Benjamin Borbe	Caroline Giroux		Zachary Nitz	Elijah Tababa
Elizabeth Bowen	Nathan Giroux		Catalina O'Brien	Brooke Vasilenko
Annemarie Clark	Peter Giroux		Amelia Patel	Alyssa Vela
Nora Clark	Nicholas Gonzalez	Allison Mibb	Luciana Patel	Isaak Vela
Mariella Costanza	Amelia Kruswicki	Gavin Mick	Gianna Reyes	Jasmine Waschow
Isabel Daniels	Ashley Lamberti		Jakob Reyes	Jayla Waschow



Special thanks to our Staff Coordinator, Jen Daniels,  
and sincere thanks to our volunteers ...



Tim Andersen	John Cavalier	Cathy Giroux	Amy Mick	Angie Stefani
Gwen Babb	Diego Delavega	MaryAnn Hageman	Christine Nitz	Heather Vasilenko
Sarah Borbe	Gosia Delavega	Rosa Kim	Sarah Schorsch	Lucy Waschow
Grace Bowen		Jessica Kruswicki		Sue Wogan



**PREP NEWS...** There are no classes this week.

Next classes are January 6, 7, 8.

- All 8th grade Confirmation forms (Year I and Year II) forms are due into the PREP Office.
- Year I (7th grade) WWJD forms are now due into the PREP Office.

### January PREP Highlights:

- \* 5, 6, - Feast of the Three Kings (at all Masses)
- \* 6, 7, 8 - PREP Classes
- \* 6, 7, 8 - 8th Grade Confirmation Interviews (during class)
- \* 13, 14, 15 - PREP Classes
- \* 13, 14, 15 - 8th Grade Confirmation Interviews (during class)
- \* 16 - PREP Registration Begins (8am - 8pm)
- \* 26 - First Reconciliation Retreat (8:30-10:30am)

# FAITH AND SCIENCE



## WHY YOU CAN'T SPLIT THEM APART

### When:

Sunday, January 27, 2 to 3:30 p.m.

### Where:

St. Mary of Vernon Parish Center,  
236 U.S. Highway 45, Indian Creek

### Who Can Attend?

- Perfect for adults and youth in high school and middle school
- Hospitality included

Babysitting for ages 10 and younger provided!

### OUR GUEST PRESENTER

- Astrophysicist, Biblical Scholar and Disciple of Jesus Christ
- Rector of University of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary
- Much sought-after teacher and presenter



Fr. John Kartje

### Registration:

<https://stjoseph-libertyville.org/faith-and-science>



Sponsored by the Sts. Joseph and Mary Adult Faith Joint Council





## ALPHA OMEGA

ST. MARY OF VERNON HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

*Medical and Permission Forms, if required, can be found on the parish website: [www.maryofvernon.org](http://www.maryofvernon.org) or in the Kiosk (wooden tower) in the Narthex (gathering space of the Church).*

### No Event Sunday, December 23rd and 30th

Enjoy your Christmas and New Year's Extended Weekends



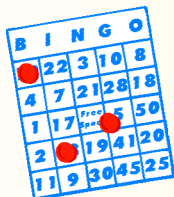
Bowling Night  
Sunday, January 6th  
6:30—9:00 PM

**PIN** this date on your calendar. There'll be fun to **SPARE!** \$10/person includes 2 hours of bowling, shoe rental, pop, and **PRIZES!** We will meet at St. Mary of Vernon, and then drive over as a group to Lakeside Lanes. **You will need to be picked up from Lakeside Lanes at 9pm.** Permission Slips are required.

Topic Night  
Sunday, January 13th  
6:30—9:00 PM



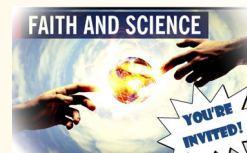
Join us for games, snacks, a short video and a **great** conversation. Remember, your friends are always welcome at Alpha Omega events. They do not need to belong to the church. Invite them along for the fun.



Service Night  
BINGO at Sunrise Assisted Living  
Sunday, January 20th  
6:30—9:00 PM

We will go to Sunrise Assisted Living to play BINGO and visit with the residents. Have a BLAST playing BINGO and sharing amusing stories. Don't miss this chance to lift the spirits of others. A permission slip is required.

Faith and Science  
Guest Speaker Event  
Sunday, January 27th  
2:00—3:30 PM



This presentation by Fr. John Kartje in the Parish Center is great for high school teens as well as adults. Come with or without your parents. See the facing page for details.



Junior High Event  
Messy Game Night!  
Sunday, January 27th  
6:00—8:00 PM



7th & 8th graders, get ready for an absolute mess! **We're not kidding...** Just wear your grubby clothes and be ready for a super sloppy time! Your friends won't want to miss this one!





**Sharing Hands Food Pantry  
Items For December:  
*Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Salsa***

Please bring your donations to Mass or to the Sharing Hands drop-off door on the side of the Parish Center (call for the daily code). We will see that the items get to needy families. **Please ensure that food items are not past their expiration date. We must dispose of them if they are.**

**Food Donation Items  
For January:  
*Pancake Mix & Syrup***



**DONATING FROM YOUR IRA IN 2018**

In recent years, Americans age 70-1/2 and older could transfer tax-free up to \$100,000 from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) to one or more charities, such as St. Mary of Vernon. This could be a benefit for individuals who are required to take minimum distributions from their IRAs, because distributions may otherwise be included in their gross income for tax purposes. Please contact your plan administrator to make the distribution. The distribution must be made directly to St. Mary of Vernon for it to be treated as a charitable gift.

Please call Susan Gray at the Parish Office for further information. 847-362-1005.

**You are Invited to be a Part of a New Ministry!**



**When:** Wednesdays, from January 16 through March 20, 7 to 9 p.m.

**Where:** St. Joseph Catholic Church, 121 E. Maple Ave., Libertyville

**What will I experience?** Led by trained facilitators Patricia Cartwright and Victoria Sushan, join other people who have either experienced divorce or who have already filed for a divorce and desire to re-encounter God on their journey as they seek to heal and renew their lives and families.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart ...

In all your ways be mindful of him, and he will make straight your paths.”

Proverbs 3:5-6

**How do I register? Email your name and contact information to:**

[pgcartwright@hotmail.com](mailto:pgcartwright@hotmail.com)



### REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Our parish welcomes the opportunity to include the loved ones of parishioners in prayer. We do respect people's privacy, however; and restrict the list in the bulletin to names that have been given to us by the ailing persons themselves, or by a spouse or immediate family member. The prayers included in the Sunday liturgy petitions are for parishioners facing imminent serious surgery or death (also requested by themselves, or immediate family).

**We also have a Prayer Ministry**, people dedicated to praying for specific intentions. To have your intention put on the prayer list, please fill out a form by the box under the Mother Theresa picture in the narthex. These intentions are sent out weekly to our "prayer warriors", and first-names only are included.

### PARTICIPATE IN LITURGY

**Bringing the Gifts to the Altar.** You are most welcome and encouraged to present the gifts at Sunday Mass. Sign up at the Welcome Desk in the Narthex. A minimum of 4 and maximum of 8 people are needed to present the gifts; but single persons as well as families can sign up to join in the procession. Just arrive 10 minutes early on that day, check your name off in the book, and let one of the ushers know you are present. They will guide you as to the procedure.

**Mass Intentions read during the Prayers of the Faithful.** Mass intentions can be reserved at the Narthex desk, or by visiting or calling the Parish Office. At weekday Masses and at the 5 pm and 7:45 am Masses, only one intention is allowed (although names of related family members can count as one intention). At the 9:30 am and 11:15 am Masses, we can reserve more than one intention. We request a \$10 stipend.

**Votive Candles** (on the east side of the sanctuary) **may be reserved at the Narthex desk or at the parish office during the week.** Candles last @ six days, and are changed on Saturday mornings. The donation is \$5.

### NOTHING FEELS BETTER THAN A NEW PAIR OF SOCKS



As most of you know, St. Mary of Vernon runs an overnight shelter for the homeless every Thursday night from October 1 through April 30. We are often able to give them new clothing like t-shirts and underwear to replace items that are worn out. What is most appreciated, though, is a pair of brand new socks to comfort their tired feet.

If you think of it when out shopping, please consider adding men's or women's athletic socks to your cart. You can drop them off at the parish office or in the donation baskets in the back of the narthex. The homeless people of Lake County will appreciate your kindness.



### D'VINE AFFAIR – JANUARY 27

Spend an afternoon tasting wines and supporting those in need at the 18th Annual d'Vine Affair at The Union League Club of **Chicago** on Sunday, January 27 from 2 to 6 p.m. This elegant event features 90 vintners from around the world pouring more than 250 of their premium wines. Popular features include wine and beer seminars from 1:30 to 2 p.m., a craft and imported beer tasting room, a live auction of a barrel of wine, and gourmet hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Proceeds benefit Catholic Charities Self-Sufficiency Programs in Cook and Lake Counties. For more information and to register, visit [www.catholiccharities.net/dvine](http://www.catholiccharities.net/dvine) or by contacting Dave Gardner, at [dgardner@catholiccharities.net](mailto:dgardner@catholiccharities.net) or (312) 655-7907.

### PATRICK J. RYAN MAIN EVENT – FEBRUARY 1

The 5th Annual Patrick J. Ryan Main Event is coming up on Friday, February 1, at 6 p.m. at Drury Lane in **Oak Brook Terrace**. This exciting night features eight to ten Golden Glove-style amateur boxing fights, a Casino Night, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a raffle, and ringside seating with dinner. Funds will benefit the Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) Program for Children and Youth. more information and to register, visit [www.catholiccharities.net/pjrmainevent](http://www.catholiccharities.net/pjrmainevent) or contact Rose Marie Lesniak-Mendez at [RMLesniakMendez@catholiccharities.net](mailto:RMLesniakMendez@catholiccharities.net) or (312) 655-7290.



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®



## **A BIG THANK YOU**

As we celebrate the birth of our Lord, your Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone in the Parish and the community for the support you have provided throughout the year: buying Tootsie Rolls, coming to Movie Nights, Breakfast with Santa, helping with the food drive, the blood drive, Feed My Starving Children and many other activities - the proceeds of which have gone to help those less fortunate, the intellectually disabled and the unborn. May the newborn Christ bless you and your families at Christmas and throughout the coming year and continue to bless the Knights through your generosity.

## **Join in a Novena for Life (from the comfort of your home)**

Starting January 14th, join the Knights in commemorating the Roe v Wade decision by going to <http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/january-roe-events/nine-days-of-prayer-penance-and-pilgrimage.cfm> to participate in the 9 Days for Life: a "digital pilgrimage" of prayer and action focused on cherishing the gift of every person's life. A multi-faceted novena will highlight a different prayer intention each day by providing reflections, bonus information, and suggested actions. You will be able to subscribe to receive the novena by email, text message, or mobile app. Also, St. Mary's Knights and the Respect Life Committee will again hold a Patriotic Rosary Service on Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Chapel to pray for an end to abortion and for the lives affected by this misguided practice.

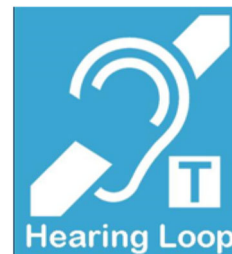


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## The Unemployment Line

The purpose of our Wellspring Employment Resource Community (WERC) ministry is to provide a safe and effective forum for sharing work search tools and techniques which can enable unemployed, underemployed, and job-searching parishioners in their efforts to find meaningful and rewarding work.

**All are welcome – from recent graduates looking for that first job to the individual looking to make a change in their career or current role to the seasoned job hunter.**

The WERC team wishes all our parishioners a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year; our wish for you is happiness and fulfilment in your work, and success in any job search you embark on!

### Upcoming "WERC" Events

#### **First meeting of 2019: Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM –WERC Support Group**

WERC members and guests will have the opportunity to meet to ask questions of our team and each other, network, share success stories and advice, and discuss some of the challenges of the job search. This meeting will take place in Rooms 110-112 of the Parish Center. All are welcome.

Our team of experienced job seekers and HR managers provides a range of services including job search strategy/ planning, resume reviews, practice interviews, and networking recommendations. Questions? Contact the WERC team at SMVWERC@gmail.com.

For the unemployed – a simple prayer:

*Lord, I trust in you as I look for new work.*

*Lead me to the right job.*

*I rest in your goodness and give you all I have.*

*Help me as I seek to find, apply and interview for each position.*

*You know the skills I have, and the things that I enjoy.*

*Lord, I ask for more than a wage.*

*Lead me to a position where I can really feel valued, respected and part of a team.*

*Please watch over me and my family in this waiting time.*

*Help me to be confident in knowing your will.*

*Open the right doors for me, please come and direct my path.*

*I put my trust in you completely. Amen.*

### **MASS PRESIDERS & HOMILISTS**

#### **December 24 & 25, 2018**

<b><u>3:00 PM</u></b>	Presider: J. Curtis Homilist: J. Curtis
<b><u>5:00 PM</u></b>	Presider: J. Curtis Homilist: J. Curtis
<b><u>7:00 PM</u></b>	Presider: B. Beaven Homilist: B. Beaven
<b><u>Midnight</u></b>	Presider: J. Curtis Homilist: J. Curtis
<b><u>9:30 AM</u></b>	Presider: D. Olson Homilist: D. Olson
<b><u>11:15 AM</u></b>	Presider: J. Curtis Homilist: J. Curtis

### **MASS PRESIDERS & HOMILISTS**

#### **December 29 & 30, 2018**

<b><u>5:00 PM</u></b>	Presider: J. Curtis Homilist: P. Pagnotta
<b><u>7:45 AM</u></b>	Presider: D. Olson Homilist: D. Olson
<b><u>9:30 AM</u></b>	Presider: J. Curtis Homilist: P. Pagnotta
<b><u>11:15 AM</u></b>	Presider: B. Beaven Homilist: B. Beaven

#### **December 31, 2018 & January 1, 2019**

<b><u>5:00 PM</u></b>	Presider: D. Olson Homilist: D. Olson
<b><u>9:30 AM</u></b>	Presider: J. Curtis Homilist: J. Nora
<b><u>11:15 AM</u></b>	Presider: J. Curtis Homilist: J. Nora



## READINGS, FEASTS & MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**Monday, Dec 24**—No 7:00am Mass this morning

**Christmas Eve:** Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25

3:00pm—Theresa & Arthur Kepler

5:00pm—No intention

7:00pm—Robert Lapinski

Midnight: Richard Kowal

**Tuesday, Dec 25—Christmas Day**—Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

9:30am—Carmen F. Diaz

11:15am—Laura & Peter Lichter, Jim & Kris Lemmon, Robert Hill

**Wednesday, Dec 26**—Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22 *St. Stephen, the 1st Martyr*

7:00am—Stephen J. Grosko, Jr.

**Thursday, Dec 27**—1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8 *St. John, Apostle*

9:00am—Mary Blindauer

**Friday, Dec 28**—1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Mt 2:13-18 *The Holy Innocents*

7:00am—All our people

**Saturday, Dec 29**—1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35 *St. Thomas Becket*

8:30am—Kevin Molson

5:00pm—Migut Family

**Sunday, Dec 30**—Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:41-52 *The Holy Family*

7:45am—Georgette Scully

9:30am—No intentions

11:15am—Zenon Goniou

**Monday, Dec 31**—1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18 *St. Sylvester I*

7:00am—No intention

5:00pm—No intention

**Tuesday, Jan 1**—Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 *New Year's Day*

9:30am—Gertrude Vale, Stanley & Angela Archacki, Anthony & Concetta DeVita

11:15am—Carmen Diaz, Bros Peter

**Wednesday, Jan 2**—1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28 *Saints Basil the Great &*

7:00am—Stephen J. Grosko, Jr. *Gregory Nazianzen*

**Thursday, Jan 3**—1 Jn 2:29—3:6; Jn 1:29-34 *Most Holy Name of Jesus*

9:00am—Gertrude Vale

**Friday, Jan 4**—1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42 *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

7:00am—All our people

**Saturday, Jan 5**—1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51 *St. John Neumann*

8:30am—No intention

5:00pm—Dorothy Migut

**Sunday, Jan 6**—Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12 *Epiphany of the Lord*

7:45am—Mary Schramm

9:30am—No intention

11:15am—Connie Felice-Garmen, Greg & Epifania Manaloto

## BAPTISMS LAST WEEK

Made children of God by water and the Spirit:

**Madison June Grum**, daughter of David Grum & Meghan Barker

**Xalyra Rain Irabagon**, daughter of Jonathan Irabagon & Talia Sundby

**Galilea Lizeth Velasco**, daughter of Gerardo Velasco & Liliana Juarez

We congratulate the proud parents and welcome the newest members of our community of faith.



## OUR SICK WHO HAVE REQUESTED PRAYER

Evelyn Schultz, Dianne Hogan,  
Pat Slovak, Patrick Gasey,  
Jim Wogan, Paul & Karen Arends,  
Phillip Pagnotta, Sr., Al Lovas,  
Kay Morrow, Ed Tracz  
Tom Gaubatz, Kay Spiller,  
James Sackley, Vito Lubes  
Fr. David Olson, Joan McEnery,  
Sarah Weigert, Jan Kaczala,  
Rose Marie McFadden, Julie Smith,  
Vilma Fernandez, Maggie Carver,  
Franco Lenzini

## OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

**Marion (Juanell) Abbinanti,**

We offer our sympathy to the family and pray that her soul now rests in peace and joy in the arms of God.

## MASS PRESIDERS & HOMILISTS

**January 5 & 6, 2019**

**5:00 PM** Presider: J. Curtis  
Homilist: D. Moore

**7:45 AM** Presider: D. Olson  
Homilist: D. Olson

**9:30 AM** Presider: D. Olson  
Homilist: D. Olson

**11:15 AM** Presider: J. Curtis  
Homilist: D. Moore

## **SMV Week at a Glance**

### **Sunday, December 23**

- 12:15pm—Decorate Church for Christmas
- 2:00pm—Teen Choir Practice, Church

### **Monday, December 24**

**Christmas Eve**  
**No 7am Mass**  
**Christmas Eve Masses at**  
**3pm, 5pm, 7pm, Midnight**

### **Tuesday, December 25**

**Merry Christmas!**  
**Masses at 9:30am & 11:15am**

### **Wednesday, December 26**

**Parish Office Closed This Week**

### **Thursday, December 27**

- 9:30am—Morning Prayer (Lauds), Church
- 5:00pm—PADS, PC

### **Friday, December 28**

- Midnight—6am—PADS, PC

### **Saturday, December 29**

- 9:00am—Rosary, Chapel
- 9:00am—Sharing Hands
- 9:00am—Furniture Ministry, Garages

### **Right to Life Signature Campaign**

### **Sunday, December 30**

**Monday, December 31—New Year's Eve**  
**Mass at 5:00pm**

### **Tuesday, January 1**

**Happy New Year!**

**Masses at 9:30am & 11:15am**

### **Wednesday, January 2**

- 9:00am—Bible Study, 118
- 6:00pm—Youth Choir Practice, Church
- 6:30pm—Knights of Columbus Board, 125
- 6:30pm—COVE Board, 110
- 6:30pm—Youth Ministry, TR
- 7:00pm—RCIA Inquiry, RMR
- 7:30pm—RCIA, 118

### **Thursday, January 3**

- 9:30am—Adoration, Chapel
- 5:00pm—PADS, PC
- 7:00pm—Small Christian Comm, 118

### **Friday, January 4**

- Midnight—6am—PADS, PC

### **Saturday, January 5**

- 9:00am—Rosary, Chapel
- 9:00am—Sharing Hands
- 9:00am—Furniture Ministry, Garages
- 9:00am—Bible Study, 118

### **Sunday, January 6**

- 8:45am—PREP Classes
- 6:30am—Youth Ministry Bowling, O/S

#### **Location Code:**

AC=Administration Center  
ACCR= Admin Center Conference Room  
GH=Great Hall, JP Finnegan Center  
NH=North Hall, JP Finnegan Center  
N=Narthex  
O/S=Off-Site  
PC or Numbers= JP Finnegan Center or Classrooms  
PO=PREP Office  
RMR=Rectory Meeting Room (Lower Level)  
SHO=Sharing Hands Office  
TR=Teen Room

## **NEED HELP?**

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**Narcotics:** [www.na.org](http://www.na.org)  
**Emotions Anonymous:** 847-370-6937 Ask for Don.

**Drinking or Emotional Problems:** Holbrook Counseling Ctr of Mundelein, 312-655-7725  
**Physical/sexual abuse:** Call Jane 847-986-4088 or Lee 847-367-5034. The Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center offers counseling for children & adult survivors of abuse. Call 847-244-1187. Hot line is 847-872-7799.

**Reporting Allegations of Child Abuse to Civil Authorities:** Contact Matt Chancey, Chief of Criminal Division at 847-377-3000. D.C.F.S. = 1-800-252-2873. **To report sexual abuse of minors by priests or deacons, lay employees, and/or volunteers:** Call Leah McCluskey, MSW, LSW, 312-751-5205. Confidential Hotline: 1-800-994-6200.

**Domestic Violence Group Counseling** offered in English & Spanish. Monday evenings in Waukegan, Tuesday evenings in Mundelein. Call 847-249-4450  
**Pregnant and Need Help?** Call 847-249-2700 (Aid for Women of Northern Lake County)  
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**Veteran Support.** [vets.archchicago.org](http://vets.archchicago.org)

## **PADS ASSIGNMENTS DECEMBER 27 & 28 (WEEK 4)**

**6:00 – 8:30 PM**— M. Kelly, S. Epstein, R. Schultz, M. Pateles V. Hudspeath, J. Brown, M. Weeks, N. & M. Wayne, V. & V. Grossi  
**8:30 – 11:00 PM**—M. Litgen, M. Nicholas, L. Lemon, R. & L. Leber, N. Hencier, S. Rathsam, B. Doering, R. Schneider  
**11:00 PM – 3:00 AM**— G. Palubicki, M. Clark  
**3:00 – 7:00 AM**— G. & M. Maher, D. Carroll  
**5:15 – 7:00 AM**—S. Hogan, J. Kron, T. & S. Larkin, J. Kron, P. Rizzo, B. Hogan, C. Donaldson, C. Wallen, S. Spinell  
**If you have arranged for a sub, disregard your name above.**

## **PADS ASSIGNMENTS JANUARY 3 & 4, 2019 (WEEK 1)**

**6:00 – 8:30 PM**— C. Levitz, G. Reznicek, M. Kelly, M. Reiff, J., D. & S. Krippinger, A. Karwat, M. Baker, D. Williams  
**8:30 – 11:00 PM**—M. Katzner, A. Foley, D. Panek, J. Venard, S. & G. Tumino, R. & R. Steigerwald  
**11:00 PM – 3:00 AM**— J. Hornung, E. Lannon, S. Smith  
**3:00 – 7:00 AM**— B. Reinert, D. Wascow-McGuire, B. Foley  
**5:15 – 7:00 AM**—J. Venard, B. Hogan, M. Augustyn, T. Rieder, C. Donaldson, B. & L. Gosen, C. Brownson, N. Kranberg  
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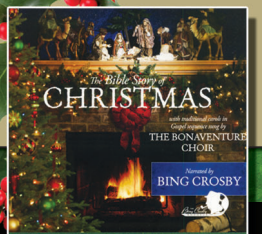
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