

St. Mary of Vernon Catholic Church

236 US Hwy 45 Indian Creek, Illinois 60061

Second Sunday of Advent
December 10, 2023

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:

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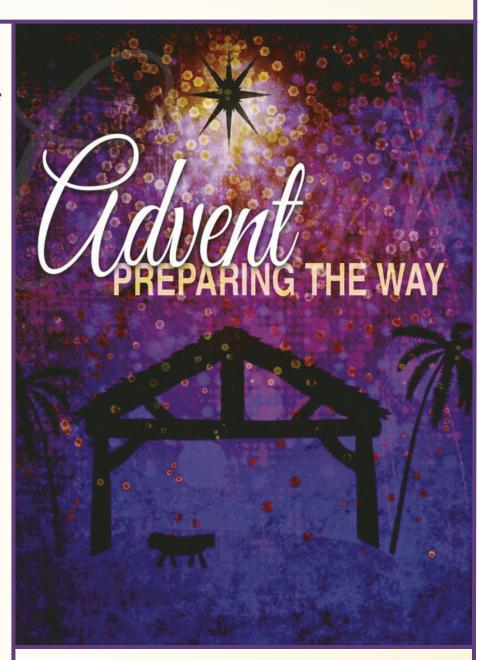
Youth Ministry: 847-362-1021

Parish Website: www.maryofvernon.org



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Parish Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
Friday Closed
Saturday 8:30 a.m.—Noon



St. Mary of Vernon Parish 2023 Advent—Christmas Schedule



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

(with simple confessions)
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12
7:00PM

Additional Confession Times

Saturday, December 16 9:00—10:00am

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23 5:00pm SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 7:45AM, 9:30AM & 11:15AM



CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm & 10:00pm

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

Monday, December 25 9:30am & 11:30am

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30 5:00pm SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 7:45am, 9:30am & 11:15am

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Monday, January 1, 2024 9:00am

Dear Parishioners,

When we think of Advent, we think of attentive waiting for the birth of Jesus, and that vigilant anticipation is manifested in symbolic items like Advent calendars, but especially the Advent Wreath, decorated with four candles representing four Sundays of Advent. Traditionally each candle also signifies one of the divine virtues — Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.



This Advent at 11:15am Masses together with our youngest parishioners we are exploring those virtues by the **Advent Tree of Hopeajolo**. Each Sunday children will be invited to decorate a Christmas ornament with an image of Hope, Peace, Joy or Love, and to bring it to Mass for the following Sunday. This Sunday, and the following Sundays children will receive a wooden ornament to color and to decorate the Hopeajolo Tree.

I would like to invite all families to participate in this Advent activity and to come each Sunday to 11:15am Mass. Let the Advent Tree of Hopeajolo be a fruitful preparation for kids and adults alike for the birthday of Jesus, our true Hope, the Prince of Peace, the cause of our Joy and the Love incarnate.

See you at 11:15am Mass! Fr. Shemek

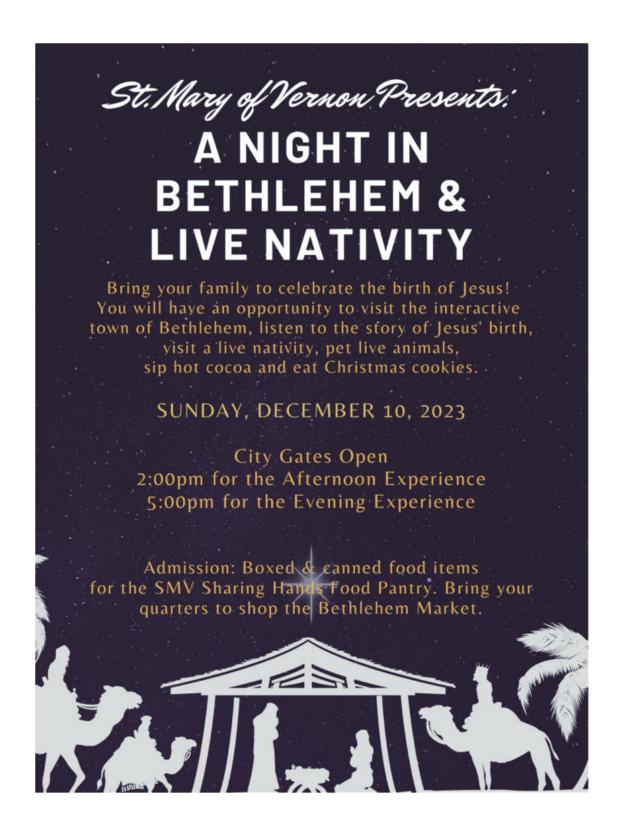
YAM-NW and YAM-Lake County invite you to look into their upcoming activities. See their websites to find Adoration, Service and Social Events, Presentations and more. Send an email to either or both YAM groups to receive news about young adult activities in Vicariate I.

YAM-NW Young Adult Ministry Northwest Suburbs

Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/yamnwc Webpage: https://vic1chicago.org/young-adult Email: yamnw.suburbs@gmail.com

YAM-Lake County Young Adult Ministry Lake County

Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/981171095370036/
Webpage: https://yamlakecounty.wixsite.com/yamlakecounty
Email: yamlakecounty@gmail.com



Due to the Advent Penance Service, there will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday evening, December 12



SIMBANG GABI 2023

Simbang Gabi is a unique Filipino tradition of celebrating nine-day novena of Marian masses to heighten our preparation for the celebration of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Through Simbang Gabi, the participating parishes of Vicariate I, deaneries A, B, and C offer the faithful a deepening of spiritual experience that leads to a more meaningful Christmas season. Each of the parishes listed below will host one of the evening masses.

The Filipino community of the participating parishes would like to extend a cordial invitation to all parishioners, families, and friends to come and share this cherished Filipino tradition at:

2023 SIMBANG GABI Schedule of Participating Northern Lake County Parishes (Vicariate I - A/B/C)								
Date (Day)	Time	Parish (Damoy)	Address	Parish Phone	Pastor	SG Coordinator(s)	Phone	E-mail
Dec 15 (Fri)	7РМ	MBT-Immaculate Conception (B)	508 Grand Ave, Waukegan, IL 60085	847-623-2655	Rev. Tim O'Malley	Vicky Iraula Ligaya Bell		vicky.iraula@gmail.com ligayabell2014@gmail.com
Dec 16 (Sat)	7РМ	ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL (A)	40000 N. US Hwy 45, Old Mill Creek, IL 60046	847-395-3474	Rev. Matthew Kowalski	Peter Dadivas	224-628-9720	pidroltd@yahoo.com
Dec 17 (Sun)	4PM	ST. MARY OF THE ANNUNCIATION (A)	22333 W. Erhart Rd, Mundelein, IL 60060	847-223-0010	Rev. Jerome Jacob	Evelynn Martin	224-619-6084	evelynnmartin@at.net
	7PM	ST. GILBERT (A)	301 E. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake, IL 60030	847-223-4731	Rev. John Chrzan	Heidi Metz	847-927-2265	fmvincemom@gmail.com
Dec 18 (Mon)	7PM	ST. JOSEPH (A)	114 N. Lincoln Ave., Round Lake, IL 60073	847-546-3610	Rev. Michael Zoufal	Chulita Coloma Mildred Manarang		c6coloma@gmail.com mom6869@yahoo.com
Dec 19 (Tuc)	7PM	PRINCE OF PEACE (A)	135 S. Milwaukee Ave, Lake Villa, IL 60046	847-356-7915	Rev. Gerald Walsh	Chris Angelo	224-261-5966	criscross_077@yahoo.co
Dec 20 (Wed)	7РМ	ST. MARY OF VERNON (C)	236 US Hwy 45, Indian Creek, IL 60061	847-362-1005	Rev. Ignatius Anaele	Annete Liwanag Lily Beckman		analiwanag@gmail.com lilyyb@aol.com
Dec 21 (Thu)	7PM	ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE (B)	6401 Gages Lake Rd, Gumee, IL 60031	847-918-0600	Rev. Krzysztof Ciaston	Catherine Karl	847-909-3220	rugger911@yahoo.com
Dec 22 (Fri)	7PM	LITTLE FLOWER-St. Anastasia (E)	624 Douglas Ave., Waukegan, IL. 60085	847-623-5050	Rev. Xamie Reyes	Reggie Baylon	224-627-5381	rbay1209@aol.com
Dec 23 (Sat)	4PM	ST. BRIGID-Our Lady of Humility (E)	10655 Wadsworth Rd., Zion, IL 60099	847-872-8778	Rev. Wojciech Oleksy	Winnie Webber	847-815-6655	akorin@comcast.net



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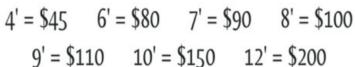


CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

The St. Mary of Vernon Men's Club will hold its annual Christmas dinner on

Fresh Cut Fraser Fir Christmas Trees

Monday, December 18 at 6:30 PM



at the Rev. John P. Finnegan Parish Center. Men of the parish, come and join us for fellowship, a fine meal, drinks and appetizers.

Christmas Tree Lot Hours
5:00pm to 8:00pm Monday - Friday
10:00am to 8:00pm Saturday & Sunday





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SPRED

SPRED is an agency of the Archdiocese of Chicago which has designed a unique program for people who live with various developmental disabilities. With the support of the SPRED agency, neighboring parishes welcome participants into a small faith community where they form friendships with people from the parish who journey with them in faith. There are four age groups for SPRED in your immediate community:

- The first are children between the ages of 6-10 St. Francis DeSales, Lake Zurich
- The second are teens between the ages of 11-16 St. Francis DeSales, Lake Zurich
- The third are young adults between the ages of 17-21 St. Mary of Vernon, Indian Creek
- The fourth are adults 22 and over St. Joseph's, Libertyville

If you happen to know anyone with disabilities that are in these age groups that may be interested in **SPRED**, please have them contact Marion Hornung, Director of Religious Education at St. Mary of Vernon at 847-362-0653.



THERE ARE CLASSES THIS WEEK - DECEMBER 10TH AND 11TH.

December

10 - Night in Bethlehem 10, 11 - PREP/Chi Rho Classes

January

6, 7 - Three Kings at all Masses 7, 8 - PREP/Chi Rho Classes 21, 22 - PREP/Chi Rho Classes 27 - Confirmation Retreat



Advent for Kids

Join Fr. Shemek at the 11:15am Mass each Sunday in Advent as he presents: "The Advent Tree of HOPEAJOLO"

Feast of the Three Kings

We are looking for children interested in participating in the Feast of the Three Kings (Epiphany) processions the weekend of January 6-7, 2024.

Three children (arade 6 and under) are needed at each

Three children (grade 6 and under) are needed at each of the regularly scheduled masses that weekend (5pm Saturday, 7:45am, 9:30am, and 11:15am Sunday). Please note that there is Sunday PREP that week, but it would be an excused absence if they participate at the 9:30am Mass.

The children dress up as the Three Kings and process down the aisle and present the gifts to Jesus at the altar. We provide all costumes.

Please contact the PREP Office ASAP if your child is interested.

First-come, first-served. Thank you!

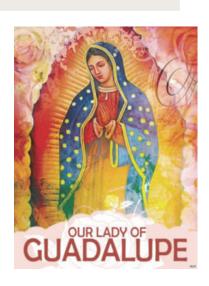


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Our Lady of Guadalupe

When Mary appeared to Juan Diego as Our Lady of Guadalupe, she had encouraging words for him. "Am I not here, I who am your mother?" In the image on Juan Diego's tilma (tunic), Mary identifies herself with the Aztec people. She has their hair and features, their symbolic maternity dress. She incorporated their important symbols of the sun, moon, and stars. Her feast day Mass (December 12) includes two Gospel options. Both are familiar passages from the Gospel of Luke - the Annunciation and the Visitation. Both are equally relevant to today's feast because Mary's yes to Christ isn't only to care for him but to come to us. Our Lady of Guadalupe is pregnant. The image bears witness to Mary's yes to conceive the Savior of the World. But even in her pregnancy, she goes to care for Elizabeth. Now Mother to all the world, Mary comes to the aid of her children, reminding them of her presence among them.





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 or in the Kiosk (wooden tower) in the Narthex (gathering space of the Church).



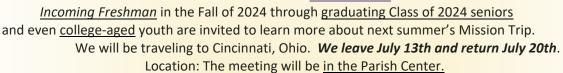
A Night In Bethlehem Sunday, December 10th 2:00 AND 5:00

Experience this amazing event with your family and friends! You can help out by donating cookies for the hospitality afterward.

Just bring them to Mass on December 9 & 10.

See page 3 of the bulletin!

Mission Trip Information Night
Wednesday, December 13th
7:00-8:30 PM







Drop-In Sunday, December 17th 6:30-9:00 PM

Take a mental break from studying and come join us!
We will have holiday snacks to refuel your overworked brain.
Just come when you can; leave when you must.
We will have Christmas themed activities, games, and fun!
Your friends are welcome to join us, so invite them for the break.

This Just In!

Christmas Cookie Exchange

At the Drop-In we will exchange cookies with all those who bring some in!

Bring 1 or 2 dozen cookies to the Drop-In and take home 1 or 2 dozen cookies

of a wonderful variety!!

Extra cookies will be baked for everyone to enjoy while at the Drop-In.





No Event Sunday, December 24th nor December 31st

Enjoy your Christmas and New Year's Extended Weekends!
See you on Sunday, January 7th!!
More info coming soon...



For Our Future Update

As of Tuesday, December 5, we have \$1,864,896 pledged and \$678,310 has been collected from 391 donors.

Now that the end of the year is approaching, we would like to thank everyone who has continued to support our capital campaign with your regular and consistent pledge payments. This is also the perfect time to catch up on your pledge if you haven't already and to make your annual or semi-annual payment if that is the payment method you chose. Annual statements of your pledge status will be mailed by the end of January.

Events in the area . . .

Catholic Women's Club of Lake County Meeting December 14 at Little Flower, St. Dismas Site. Rosary at 11 am, Potluck Luncheon. Hostesses are members from Little Flower. Bring donations of gently used kitchenware, towels, bedding. New items and Cash are also accepted. Guests from The Women's Board of Catholic Charites, Lake County Services, will attend and collect our donations for their "Welcome Home Program", which provides housing for clients/families in need.

Men's Breakfast with Bishop Grob. Catholic Men of Lake County are invited to Mass and breakfast on Saturday, January 13, 2024, Church of St. Mary, 175 E. Illinois Rd., Lake Forest. Mass is at 7:30 AM. After Mass is a continental breakfast and a talk by Bishop Jeffrey Grob, *Issues Facing Catholic Men in 2024*, in the Parish Center, 201 E. Illinois Rd.

The event is sponsored by the Faith and Fellowship Men's Club of the Church of St. Mary and the Knights of Columbus #1268. Advance registration is required, will be capped at 75 registrants, and will close on January 10. To register, use the link: https://forms.gle/nMfU2rMystrBUtdX6, or contact Joe Zac-

cari: 847-997-0490, mensclub@churchofstmary.org.



Monday, December 11th St. Mary of the Annunciation 22333 W. Erhart Rd. Mundelein 7:00 pm - Main Church

Through beautiful Marian music and scripted narrative be invited into reflection of Mary's experience as she awaited Jesus' birth. Explore and achieve personal spiritual growth -- with Mary leading the way -- as we approach the birth of the Lord!

There is no cost to attend and registration is not required.

Find more information at www.stmaryfc.org



READINGS, FEASTS AND MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Monday, Dec 11 - Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26 St. Dismas I

8:30am—No intention

Tuesday, Dec 12— Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:39-47 Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:30am— Theresa Peterson

Wednesday, Dec 13 —Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30 St. Lucy

7:00am—Jeanne Durren

Thursday, Dec 14 - Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15 St. John of the Cross

8:30am - No intention

Friday, Dec 15—Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19

7:00am—All my people

Saturday, Dec 16—Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

8:30am— No intention 5:00pm— Lucy Hass

Sunday, Dec 17—Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

7:45am—Ronald Jurey 9:30am—Lucille Grosko

11:15am - Rosendo & Anita Montalbo, Lorenzo & Amy Rebong, Merle Bangloy, Rebecca & Tomas & Maximino Domingo

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SMV LOVED ONES WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY

MAJ Jay Althoff, USA
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LTC Paul J. Milas, USA
LT Kelly K. Nagle, USN
SFC David Ptak, USA
Maj Matthew Tegeler, USAF
CPT Stephen M. Woldridge, USA
Cpl Tyler Zamsky, USMC

Please call Sue Wogan at 847-362-1005 if you would like to add your loved one to this list or have any changes to their information.

MASS PRESIDERS & HOMILISTS DECEMBER 16 & 17, 2023

5:00 PMPresider: Fr. BobHomilist: Fr. Bob7:45 AMPresider: Fr. IgnatiusHomilist: Fr. Ignatius9:30 AMPresider: Fr. IgnatiusHomilist: Fr. Ignatius11:15 AMPresider: Fr. ShemekHomilist: Fr. Shemek



Andrzzej Biedron,

husband of Jolanda Biedron

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



OUR SICK WHO HAVE REQUESTED PRAYER

Rene Steigerwald, Alice Seitz, Tom Haaker, Nathaniel Lee, Janet Dutler, Jennifer Morrow, Dan Dulik, Juanita Puchalski, Sr. Rita Stoeberl, Giulia Gagliardi



SMV WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, December 10

- Masses at 7:45am, 9:30am, 11:15am, Church
- 9:00am PREP Classes
- 10:45am Lake County United, Narthex
- 2:00pm & 5:00pm Night in Bethlehem & Live Nativity, Narthex & Church
- 6:00pm ChiRho Classes, PC

Monday, December 11

- 8:30am—Mass, Chapel
- 4:30pm PREP Classes
- 7:00pm Care for Our Common Home, 110
- 7:00pm Women's Healing Rosary, 118

Tuesday, December 12

- 8:30am—Mass, Chapel
- 9:30am Small Christian Community, 118
- 6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration, Church
- 6:30pm Sharing Hands, SHO
- 6:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal, Quad
- 7:00pm Respect Life Committee, 118
- 7:00pm Advent Reconciliation Service, Church
- 7:00pm RCIA, RMR

Wednesday, December 13

- 7:00am—Mass, Chapel
- 9:00am Bible Study, 118
- 6:30pm SPRED, 113-117
- 7:00pm YM Mission Trip Info Night, PC
- 7:00pm Knights of Columbus, Quad
- 7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal, Church

Thursday, December 14

- 8:30am—Mass, Chapel
- 3:00pm PADS Meal Prep, Kitchen
- 7:00pm Knights of Columbus, PO

Friday, December 15

• 7:00am —Mass, Church

Saturday, December 16

- 8:30am—Mass
- 9am 10am Confessions, Church & Chapel
- 9:00am Bible Study, 118
- 9:00am Sharing Hands, SHO
- 9:00am Furniture Ministry, Garages
- 5:00pm Mass, Church

Sunday, December 17

- Masses at 7:45am, 9:30am, 11:15am, Church
- 6:30pm Youth Ministry Drop-in, PC

Location Code:

AC=Administration Center

ACCR= Admin Center Conference Room

GH=Great Hall, JP Finnegan Center

MR=Music Room

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

A big THANK YOU to all who bought gifts for needy people in Lake County, wrapped them beautifully, and brought them to Church for Gift Sunday. A special thanks to the many people who stayed after 11:15 Mass to sort the gifts. You have made Christmas brighter for so many people!



NEED HELP?

Alcohol Abuse:

Call Alcoholics Anonymous 847-362-1811
Information on Al-Anon & Adult Children
of Alcoholics can be found at
1-888-425-2666 or www.niafg.org

Gambling:

Call Sarah at 847-546-6450 or visit www.gamblingservices@nicasa.org. **Narcotics:**

www.na.org

Drinking or Emotional Problems:

Holbrook Counseling Center of Mundelein, 312-655-7725

Physical/sexual abuse:

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 Moira Reilly, LCSW, 312-534-5205. mreilly@archchicago.org.

Domestic Violence Help:

WINGS 24 Hour Hotline, Counseling & Emergency Shelter: 847-221-5680;

National Domestic Violence 24 hr Hotline: 800-799-7233; National Dating Abuse

Helpline: 866-331-9474. In an Emergency dial 911.

Information on Elder Abuse:

www.nursinghomeabusecenter.com/resources/faith/

Pregnant and Need Help?

Call 847-249-2700 (Aid for Women of Northern Lake County)



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Marion Hornung, Director of Religious Education

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Contact for people with special needs:

johnglenn108@comcast.net

Sunday Masses:

Saturdays at 5:00 PM;

Sundays at 7:45am, 9:30am & 11:15am

Weekday Mass:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:30am

Wednesday & Friday 7:00am

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:15pm or by appointment - please

call the Parish Office.

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Tuesday 6-8pm in Church. First

Thursday of the month, 9am to 7pm in the Chapel.

Baptisms & Weddings: Please call the Rectory to make arrange-

ments as far in advance as possible.

Anointing of the Sick: 4th Saturday of the Month at 8:30am

Mass



