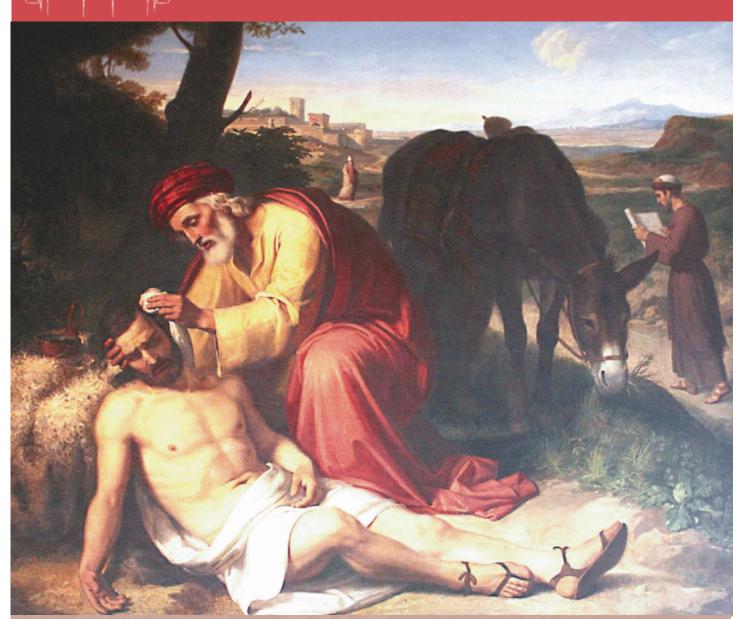
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"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:33

Mission Statement

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Confessions (Reconciliation - Oak Street Church):

Monday: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Saturday: 8:00 am - 9:00 am and 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Locations:

Oak Street Church - 451 W. Terra Cotta Ave.

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Crystal Lake, IL 60014

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Monday, 6:15 am - Friday, 9:00 pm

Saturday, 7:15 am - 5:45 pm Sunday, 7:15 am - 6:45 pm

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From the Pastor's Desk...

This column is devoted to some of the main reasons for choosing Catholicism.

- Only the Catholic Church can trace its roots back to Christ Himself. Within a few short years of the Resurrection, the followers of Jesus began calling themselves "Christians" (cf. Acts11:26), and by the end of the first century, the word "catholic" meaning "universal" was applied to the Church.
- 2. The Eucharist the Real Presence of Christ is not found in other denominations.

 While other denominations see the Eucharist mainly in symbolic terms, the Catholic Church has consistently taught that it is truly the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ. There would be no Church without the Eucharist and Ordained Priests.



- 3. Catholics have a fully sacramental understanding of God's saving activity. Our faith is "incarnational" and "sacramental". We believe in a system instituted by Christ where He used visible signs and sources of God's grace in 7 specific ritual actions.
- 4. The Magisterium provides assurance of our beliefs as divinely revealed truths. Jesus came to proclaim God's truth (John 18:37), and He entrusted this teaching authority to His Church, through a careful examination of Sacred Scripture and Tradition.
- 5. The Catholic Church, more than any other, gives fitting honor to the Mother of God. We rightly honor the Virgin Mary, for she plays an irreplaceable role in God's plan of salvation. It is only right to honor her (not worship her) and provide due veneration.
- 6. The Catholic Church takes Scripture Study most seriously. The Catholic Church is concerned not just with quoting the Bible, but with the original intent of those who were divinely inspired to compile its timeless wisdom and inspiration.
- 7. The Church has survived and thrived for over 2,000 years. This is true in spite of almost every form of persecution, opposition, and difficulty. No mere human institution could possibly withstand such circumstances.
- 8. Catholicism has the most accurate and complete understanding of human nature. This truth pertains to 3 areas in particular: reconciliation (ongoing process), ritual (need for communal celebrations), and role models (living mentors and saintly intercessors).
- 9. Catholicism reflects the nature of heaven most accurately. This can be seen in 3 different ways. First, the Church and Heaven have a hierarchal structure. Second, the Church and Heaven are universal. Third, all members are united and yet preserve their individuality.
- 10. Catholic Christianity is rooted in human history and also transcends it.

Peace, be with you,

Fr. Bob Jones

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 14th

6:30 am † Debra Yester 12:10 pm † Kristin Famolaro

Tuesday, July 15th

Wednesday, July 16th

6:30 am Smorczewski & Cribb Families

(Living & Deceased)

Thursday, July 17th

6:30 am Sarah Onwualu (Special Intention)

Victor Onwualu (Special Intention)

12:10 pm † Diana LaPelusa

Friday, July 18th

Saturday, July 19th

Chester Robaczewski (Special Intention)

Sunday, July 20th

7:30 am + Robert Thomas

† Norine Dalessandro Thomas

9:00 am People of St. Thomas Parish

(Living & Deceased)

10:30 am † Janina Szpytma 12:00 pm † Mary Lattanzio

5:30 pm Gary and Karen Chianakas

(Special Intention)

Mass

Please visit or call the Parish Center to schedule a Mass Intention.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, July 13, 2025

8:30 am Coffee and Donuts (Community Room) 8:30 am Blood Pressure Screening (Library)

Monday, July 14, 2025*

10:30 am MMP Rosary (Oak St. Church) 5:00 pm Confessions (Oak St. Church)

Tuesday, July 15, 2025*

6:30 pm YM Evening (Oak St. Church)7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Rosary

(Oak Parking Lot)

Wednesday, July 16, 2025*

6:30 pm LOTW "The Lord's Pathfinders"

(Parish Center)

7:00 pm St. Vincent DePaul Society (Lower Oak)

Thursday, July 17, 2025*

Friday, July 18, 2025*

Saturday, July 19, 2025

7:30 am Mass (Oak St. Church)
8:00 am Confessions (Oak St. Church)
8:00 am Men's Group (Lower Oak)
3:00 pm Confessions (Oak St. Church)

Sunday, July 20, 2025

8:30 am Knights Breakfast (Community Room)

*6:30 am and 12:10 pm daily Mass at Oak Street

Adoration Candle Intentions

July 6 - July 19

Lyons Family
Arza Family
Knapp Family
Bauer Family



Knights of Columbus Recitation of Rosary

All are invited to join the
Knights of Columbus who will
recite the Rosary at the Oak St.
Church outside at the Rosary
Walk on Tuesday, July 15, 2025,
at 7:00 pm. The Knights will be
praying for all the living and deceased English and Hispanic parishioners of St.
Thomas the Apostle Parish.

Mark your calendars for July 15 and join us.

St. Thomas School Summer Hours

July by appointment

August 4-7- 8:00-2:00 pm August 11-15- 8:00-2:00 pm



Celebrant Weekday Masses				
7/14	6:30 am	Fr. Jones		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Wirth		
7/15	6:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Jones		
7/16	6:30 am	Fr. Jones		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Downing		
7/17	6:30 am	Fr. Downing		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
7/18	6:30 am	Fr. Jones		
	12:10 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
7/19	7:30 am	Fr. Downing		
	Celebrant Wee	kend Masses		
7/19	4:30 pm	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
7/20	7:30 am	Fr. Fitzpatrick		
	9:00 am	Fr. Jones		
	10:30 am	Fr. Jones		
	12:00 pm	Fr. Downing		
	5:30 pm	Fr. Downing		

Please pray for the Deceased

Marilyn Spiewak
Freddie Kruse, Jr. (nephew of Karen Kruse)

WEEKEND MASS MINISTERS - 7/19/25 & 7/20/25				
	Lector	EM	Altar Server	
4:30 pm	Clare Ossman	Patrick Slowey, Kathy Pfeiffer, Gloria Marmol		
7:30 am	Lori Gajdzik	Mark Przybylski, Nancy Tomaso, Brad Frey, Eleanore Wojewoda		
9:00 am	Greg Ives	Vicki K., Judy G., John T., Valerie C., Dawn A.	George Cuchna, Simon Cuchna, Ian Varys	
10:30 am	Monica Caldicott	Maureen Carpenter, Kristy White, Jennifer Widger, Vicki Roberts	Isabella Costantini, Andrea Orellana, Maureen Kelly	
12:00 pm	Judy Wiedenfeld		Michael Davis, Anthony Alvarado	
5:30 pm	Joanna Majewska	Annette O'Connell		

Weekly Collection - June 29		
Sunday Envelopes	\$13,688.00	
Online Giving	\$9,655.50	
Sunday Offering	\$2,788.08	
Total Collection	\$26,131.58	
Weekly Tithe	CASA	

Weekly Collection - July 6		
Sunday Envelopes	\$20,634.00	
Online Giving	\$9,520.50	
Sunday Offering	\$2,499.74	
Total Collection	\$32,654.24	
Weekly Tithe	Crystal Lake Food Pantry	



July 13

Coffee & Donuts in the Community Room after morning Masses!



Readings for the week of July 13, 2025

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37

(see 33)/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Mt

10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt

11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt

11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-

27/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17

-18/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-

15/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/Col

1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42



SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: Are you and your spouse celebrating a special milestone anniversary in 2025? Couples celebrating the milestone wedding anniversaries of 25, 50, 55, 60, 65, and 70 or more years of marriage in 2025 are invited to a special Mass in their honor at St. Mary Parish in Huntley, IL on Sunday, August 17 at 2:30 PM celebrated by Bishop David J. Malloy. A reception with celebration cake will immediately follow. The Life & Family Evangelization Office welcomes your registration by phone (815) 399-4300 or online at www.rockforddiocese.org/anniversary by August 4. Commemorative certificates to mark this special occasion will be available for those who pre-register for this event.



is a two-year formation opportunity for lay Catholics. The goal of the program is to help participants deepen their faith and receive the formation necessary to effectively lead and serve in multiple areas of lay ministry.

MINISTRY FORMATION WILL



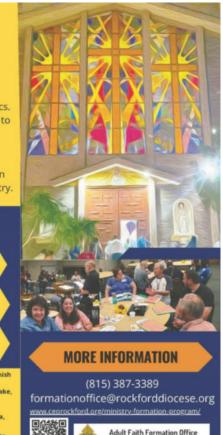




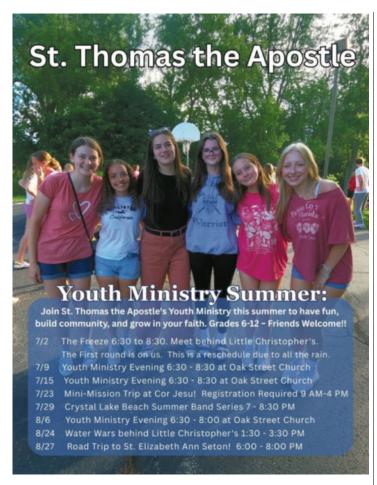
essions are offered in English and Spanish

English sessions are offered in Crystal Lake Dixon, Geneva, and Rockford.

Spanish sessions are offered in Aurora, Crystal Lake, and Rockford. Sessions meet each year from August to May, on nine Saturdays (9 am - 12:30 pm), and nine weekdays (7 pm-9 pm).



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Saturday 12th: 6PM to 9PM

Sunday 13th: 9 AM to 2 PM



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Horario de Misas

Miércoles 6:00 am Martes 6:00 am Jueves 7:00 pm Viernes 7:00 pm

Sábado 6:00 pm

Domingo 9:30 am y 11:30 am

La Adoración al Santísimo es en la Capilla de Adoración ubicada en la esquina de la calle Oak/Ruta 176.

De Lunes 6:15 am a Viernes 9:00 pm

Sábado: 7:15 am a 5:45 pm Domingo: 7:15 am a 6:45 pm "Ven y Adora, Él espera por ti"

Horario para confesiones:

Viernes de 6:00-7:00pm Sábados después de misa de 6pm O hacer una cita en la oficina parroquial.

Coordinador: Reverendo William Tunarosa

Atención al Público: Martes a Jueves de 9:00am a

4:00pm

Llamar a la Oficina Parroquial para hacer su cita:

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Oficina del Ministerio Hispano, Atención al Público:

Irene Garcia: Lunes a Viernes 9:00am a 5:00pm

Colecta Semanal - June 29 / July 6		
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Pruebe los antojitos mexicanos

Sabado 12: de 6PM a 9PM

Domingo 13: De 9 AM a 2 PM



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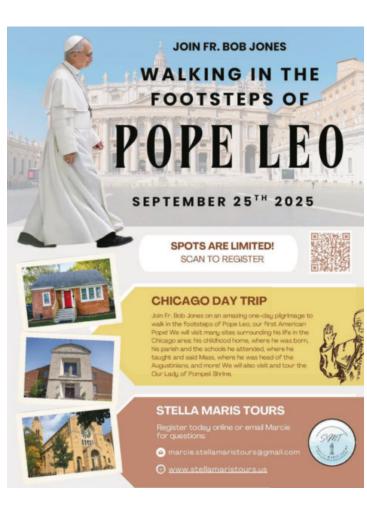
July 22nd Concerts on the Beach

August 15th Feast of the Assumption Ice Cream Social

God Bless America!

We were happy to represent our school in the Crystal Lake Independence parade on Sunday. Kids were smiling and singing despite the rain, what a wonderful witness of Christian joy!!



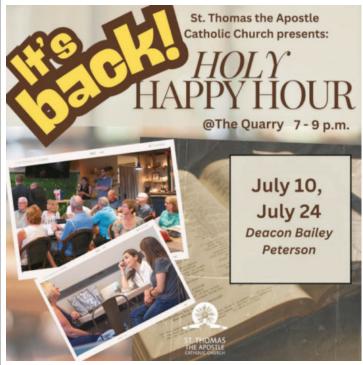






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