# ALL SOULS' DAY

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

We remember our beloved dead during November, the month of the Holy Souls.

Eternal Rest, grant unto them, O Lord...
And let perpetual light shine upon them forever!

Let us pray for those who have died, and were buried from our Church this past year, since last All Souls Day...

### In the Year of Grace, 2024

Kathleen Enright	October 24, 2024
Gary Skay	November 23, 2024
William Brown	November 26, 2024
Timothy Stanton	December 3, 2024
Carmenlizyl Somoza	December 6, 2024
Kathleen O'Donnell	December 9, 2024
Marilyn Dunne	December 10, 2024
Deborah Schneider	December 11, 2024
Robert Dietsche	December 12, 2024
Eleanor Logan	December 19, 2024
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Jonathan Owen	January 6, 2025
Mary Louise Melwid	January 8, 2025
Maureen Navarro	January 9, 2025
Kenneth Sucharski	January 19, 2025
Gloria Jenkins	January 19, 2025
Michael Davis	January 25, 2025
Frank Daly	January 28, 2025
Dona Santucci	January 29, 2025
John Luetkebuenger	January 30, 2025
Angela Garta	February 5, 2025
Cheryl Kinley	February 11, 2025
Margaret Caldieraro	February 13, 2025
Roy Kupsche	February 17, 2025
Jeanette Gillespie	February 28, 2025
Molly Gallett	March 5, 2025
Timothy Stewart	March 7, 2025
Duane Olek	March 10, 2025
Nancy Angerame	March 14, 2025
Catherine Lindenmuth	March 15, 2025
Mary McNellis	March 26, 2025

Grace Larkin		
Catherine Magee		
Mary Anne Steinmetz		
Frances Kerznaric		
Lois Lipinski		
Alexandro Diaz		
Jerome Miskovic		
Clifford Kraft		
Mark Ercolano		
Frances Rader		
Maria Iturrieta		
Harold Austin		
Elaine Stephan		
Augusto Ramirez		
Peter Herbert		
David Dillon		
Francis Jungels		
John O'Brien		
Maria Jurado-Cobo		
Joan Marchaterre		
Mary Maher		
Christopher Bowers		
Darlene Smith		
Mary Walsh		
Maureen Slanicky		
Jane Moylan		
Roger Wisinski		
John Pisut		
Jean Myles		
Margaret Pritt		
Frank Buonamici		
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Esteban Malanyaon		

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### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 1

8:00am Rev. Gerald Tivy 10:00am †Robert Maculsay 12:00pm †Ken Rimkus

5:00pm Willard "Bill" Brestal

Sunday, November 2

6:45am †Joann Dublinski 8:30am Sagen & Kaufman

**Deceased Members** 

10:30am People of SSPP 12:30pm †Peter Pham Cong

Pham & Magdeline

Tho Nguyen

4:30pm Souls in Purgatory

7:00pm †Alice Day

Monday, November 3

6:45am †Lisa Mastny 8:00am †Margaret Rechenmacher

5:15pm †Virginia Rost

Tuesday, November 4

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8:00am Chinnappan Devadas 5:15pm Decd members of the

Legion of Mary

Wednesday, November 5

6:45am †Sheila Corley 8:00am †Anthony Smierciak

5:15pm Isabel Aquino

Thursday, November 6

6:45am Nora & Arthur

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8:00am †Jean DeLuco 5:15pm †Timothy O'Toole

Friday, November 7

6:45am †Stephanie Sheehan

8:00am †Bud Ruppert

Saturday, November 8

8:00am †Frank & Amalia Pibie

& Family

5:00pm †Joseph Sagen Jr.



### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday—Thursday

6:45am, 8:00am and 5:15pm **Fridav** 

6:45am and 8:00am

Saturday

8:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday

6:45am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm

& 7:00pm

**Tridentine (Latin) Mass** 

4:30pm

# RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Held in Holy Family Chapel located in the Ministry Center

Monday

4:15pm - 5:15pm

Thursday

11:00am - 12 noon

Saturday

3:00pm - 5:00pm

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Held in the St. Francis Eucharistic Adoration Chapel located in the St. Paul Center (Access code needed after hours)

Adoration Hours-

Perpetual Adoration (24/7)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 8:30am - 4:00pm

Friday

8:30am - Noon





### A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

ear Parish Family,

November and December are my favorite months of the year. And the two feasts we celebrate at the beginning [All Saints Day and All Souls Day] are two of my favorites as well. Together, they show us that we are not alone — the Church not only exists here on earth [the Church Militant], but She also exists in Heaven. We're connected to the saints in Heaven [the Church Triumphant], but we are also bound to the holy souls in Purgatory [the Church Suffering]. These holy days at the beginning of November show us the timelessness, wonder, the beauty, and the mystery of the Church in its fullness.

Ordinarily, November 1st, All Saints Day, is a Holy Day of Obligation. This year, because November 1st fell on a Saturday the obligation to attend Mass was removed. All Saints Day celebrates all those canonized and un-canonized, known and unknown to us, who have "fought the fight, run the race, and won the Victors crown of gold" [2 Timothy 4: 7-8]. All Saints Day celebrates all those who are in Heaven, and live with God forever. However, because November 2nd, All Souls Day, falls on a Sunday, many more of the faithful are present in the church for Sunday Mass, and are able to celebrate this beautiful feast. It really is a day that reminds us of God's love, His mercy, and His desire to save us: We are not lost! When I was a young priest, 38 years ago, I remember nine masses being celebrated on All Souls Day, and the church was full to over-flowing at each of the Masses. Sadly, times have certainly changed. Because, ordinarily, All Souls Day is not a "day of obligation," in this present day, very few Catholics attend Mass on All Souls Day to pray for our beloved dead. Hopefully, with the celebration of the Feast on a Sunday, devotion, desire, and piety will be renewed and people will return to the churches for All Souls Day.

It is important for us to remember to pray for the dead every day, not just on All Souls Day, and not just during the month of November, the month of the Holy Souls. The faithful departed need prayers and sacrifices offered on their behalf. It is an error to think that Vatican II did away with Purgatory. The teaching of the Church is consistent and quite clear. No Council could "do away with" Revealed Truths of the Catholic Faith. Coming from both Scripture and Tradition, as Catholics we hold that there is a Heaven, there is a Hell, and there is a Purgatory— and all three places are a distinct possibility for all of us. And, that judgement belongs to God alone. It's been said that "one of the most successful tricks of Satan is making people believe that there is no devil, and no hell." Sadly, many people have fallen into the trap, and believe that all we have to do to go to Heaven is die. And that is simply not true. Death and judgement are waiting, and are inescapable, for all of us. But, it is also true that the mercy and love of God is inescapable for those who truly desire it. This comforting message is part of the teaching on Purgatory, and that should give us great hope. As Scripture says... thanks be to God, who has given us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ! [1 Corinthians 15:57]. The death and resurrection of Jesus teach us that sin and death do not have the final word: God does! And His word is good, His word brings eternal life and the forgiveness of sins to the "many" who desire it,

embrace it, and seek after it in this life. Salvation comes to us as a gift. But God will never force His love on us. The offer is there, but we have to want it. We all know, you can't "force" someone to accept a gift, it must be received.

And so, I encourage you to use this month of November to remember your beloved dead with love, with prayer, and with sacrifice in obedience to the command of Sacred Scripture. Let the beauty of this month help form a daily habit in your heart and home. I would also encourage you to contact the Parish Office and have masses offered for your beloved dead.

I think that the beginning of the month of November is the perfect time to remember and pray for all those, special to us, who have died. As we stand on the "threshold" of the Holiday Season, it's a beautiful time to pause and give a thought, and "send-up a special prayer," for those who perhaps were with us last year, and are not with us this year. Not only remember your family and friends, but also pray for our deceased priests and religious brothers and sisters, and for the forgotten dead — those who have no one to offer prayer and sacrifice on their behalf.

Daily remember the dead, not just during November, but throughout the year. A beautiful habit to form is to add the short, familiar prayer: May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.... at each meal when you bless your food. We do that at the Rectory table, with the priests, each day. Visit the graves of your beloved dead, remember them with friends and family, have Masses offered for the repose of their souls, and offer daily sacrifice on their behalf (in death, they are unable to help themselves. The Church Suffering in Purgatory is connected to, and needs the prayers of the Church here on earth and in Heaven. These beautiful feasts of All Saints and All Souls teach us this truth: We are connected, one to another in Heaven and on earth! It is a holy and pious thought to pray for the dead, to offer prayer and sacrifice on their behalf, thus making atonement for the dead that they might be freed from sin [cf. 2 Maccabees 12:43-46]

Next Sunday, November 9th, Bishop Hicks has asked for a second collection throughout the Diocese to provide for the formation and educational needs of our seminarians. Currently, there are 27 men in formation for the Diocese. And, from Saints Peter and Paul Parish, four young men are in the seminary, preparing for the Diocesan Priesthood. Please keep them in your prayers. And, next Sunday, make a generous gift to the Seminarian Education Endowment, created to provide for the education of seminarians for the Diocese of Joliet.

During this month of November remember to offer prayers for your beloved dead. And, may God grant the souls of the faithful departed, eternal rest and peace!

God's Blessings!



Father De Salvo

### The Sick

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are seriously ill, and others who are suffering with long-term or terminal illnesses:

Patricia Branham Rosey Chudyk Michael Condon Michel Coniglio Deacon Michael Crowell Carmen DePoalo Finley Edgar Linda Gentzen Dennis Gorecki Iim Gratzke Rita Guilo Donald Hinterlong Sr. Penny Holtz **Bob Hoole** Tori Hudgins Grace Humphrey Chris Johnson Sarah Kukulski Edmund Kurzawa Myla Lavigne Michael Lenz James Lohse Michael Luft Joseph Marchese Mike Marra

Sam Marra Samuel Mulay Iillian Navarro John Pisut Carter Polizzi Carolyn Preston Joy Quinn Gina Rovito Tim Roy Betty Ryan Mary Sagen Bill Salzman Dr. Derek Speten William Stanish Barbara Strugalla Marty Szczech Akiko Toyahara Marino Verdico Theodore Weber Matthew Weidner Iim Weidner Pam Willis Janis Wozniak Kristin Zwirkoski

Prayers for the sick and for our beloved dead are included in every Mass celebrated in our church, and are in the daily prayers of our priests. If you would like the name of a family member or friend included in the list published in our Sunday Bulletin, please call Kayla Knisley at 630-718-2131. When adding someone to the list of the sick, please make sure you have permission from the person you want listed, before you call us to add their name. The list of the deceased will ordinarily carry the names of those who were buried from our church that past week, or will be buried from our church the coming week. Ordinarily, names of the sick will be kept on for three months. The publishing of the names in the Sunday Bulletin will be the ordinary way to request prayers for specific loved ones.



### Please Remember in Prayer **Those Serving in the Military**

U.S. Air Force Sgt. Cory Bassett Staff Sgt. Joseph Burns 2nd Lt. Daniel Caddigan Lt. Col. Frank Girdwain Lt. Theodore M. Jackson Master Sgt. Mike McDonnell Sgt. Zachary McKenty Sr. Airman Patrick Neis Sr Airman Daniel Shea Sr. Airman Amanda Shea Sgt. Dan Steenstra

U.S. Army PFC Sam Allard Major Angelo Bartocci PVT Justin Bielefeld SPC Ryan Bridgman Captain Michael Caddigan Major John J. Case Major Sydney Case Major Eileen Cassidy Major Mary Cassidy Major Tom Crane SPC Joshua Adam Demerin Captain Reilly Dougherty Col. Edward Fisher 2nd Lt. Matthew Quinton Frame 1st Lt. Robert A Freas Sgt. Nick Gedvilas Major Thomas E. Goerling SPC Trevor Gomoll SPC Jarred Hampton

Sgt. Kellen Jones SPC Mark Keough Lt. Colonel Stephen Laz 1st Lt. Connor Mulhere SPC Steven Powell Col. Michael Predny Captain Daniel Rickert 1st Lt. David Rickert Sgt. 1st Class Pamela Schmecht SPC John August Sopuch IV 1st Lt. Winnie Springer Sgt. Craig Vladika lst Lt. Samuel Wehrli

2nd Lt. Joseph Zolper

Lt. Col. Sean Hermick

U.S. Navy LCDR Thomas Bock LTJG Brian Conlisk LCDR Dustin Flaum Captain Anthony Giglio Ensign Nicholas Jacobs Captain Michael Jelinek CDR Tom Kuhrt Commander Chris Kurgan Lt Andrew Parent LCDR Patrick Marsh SN Jenny McLaughlin LCDR Caleb Moore LCDR Kasey Scheel LCDR Matthew Scheel Ensign Michael Schmitz

U.S. Marine Corps CPL BJ Boren CWO2 John Crites Major Donald J. Carlsen Sgt. Richard DiBiaso PFC Jonathon Dragovan Sgt. Luke Focer 1st Lt. Robert Gortner 2nd Lt. Eric Hovey Sgt. Ivan Karamysev Major Pete Keough Corporal Joseph Murray LCPL Matthew Prasse LCPL Maddox Ritter Corporal Luke Russell Corporal Joseph Taylor PVT Chris Vazquez

U.S. Air National Guard LTC Scott Paeth MSG Naomi Tillhof

U.S. Coast Guard SR John Aabram P.D. John McNellis

U.S. Space Force Major Nick DuPre

To arrange a welcome home for your soldier, contact Donna Morsovillo of Operation Welcome You Home at www.welcomeyouhome.org

### Daily Readings

Sunday

Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Monday

Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday

Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday

Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday

Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14/Lk 15:1-10

Friday

Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15

### **November and the Communion of Saints**

Saturday, November 1st ~ The Solemnity of All Saints

The Late Francis Cardinal George [d. April 2015]

In faith, we belong to a society that is not only universal, but which extends backward and forward in time and reaches into eternity. We call it the Communion of Saints. It reminds us that the Church does not come to an end at the threshold of death. The Church is made up of all those who belong to Christ, in this life and the next. The beginning of November each year brings two feasts that remind us we are one with all those who have gone before us in faith.

On November 1st the Church celebrates the feast of All Saints. From the prophets and holy men and women of God's covenant with the Jewish people to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the apostles and martyrs of all nations, even to the death of those who die in God's grace today, heaven is peopled with those who love us and want to help us. Heaven is another name for a perfected relationship with God. Its attainment is, in the end, the only thing that matters, the only criterion for judging the success of one's life.

Belief in heaven is perhaps weakened today by a virtual denial of hell. Hell is the communion of all those separated eternally from God's love. It is caricatured, and therefore more easily dismissed, in the fearful tales and spooky games of Halloween. The devil and his legions are condemned to hell. Whether there are spirits of human beings among them is an open question, but not even God's infinite love removes our freedom to separate ourselves from him, now and for eternity.

If both heaven and hell disappear from the horizon of this life, we become short-sighted. A life that is truly free and adequate to the best of human aspirations rations is a life in which heaven is longed for and hell is abhorred through all one's days.

On November 2nd, the Church celebrates the feast of All Souls. Death comes to everyone of us and cuts our lives short, so often when we are still learning to love honestly and intimately, while we are underdeveloped morally and still learning to appreciate the beauty of holiness in all its dimensions. Yet our lives are not destined to end with a sense of incompleteness or frustration or resigned stoicism. There is an eternal source behind all things that gives our life its ultimate meaning, an almighty and loving God who wants us to be united to Him forever, living always in the love He showers upon us.

To come into the presence of the living God is an event beyond our imagining. Union with God given us by his grace is often tenuous because of our sinning. Not yet thoroughly transformed into the likeness of God, with a wedding garment only partially stitched, many can die, having accepted the truth about God and our destiny without this truth having been fully worked into, their character. While living here in the communion of saints, spiritual transformation takes time, given the kind of halfhearted creatures we are. Those who have died in God's grace but not fully prepared for heaven are the souls in Purgatory, whom the Church prays for on November 2nd- the Feast of All Souls.

"All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation, but after death they undergo purification so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter heaven." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1030). This is the consoling doctrine of the Church: for all who need it, purgatory is the final step on the way to heaven. In purgatory, all attachment to sin is overcome, reparation is made for faults and the soul is perfected in the love of God.

The Church teaches the existence of purgatory, along with that of heaven and hell, but she stops short of speaking about the process of transformation after death. The important point is that those in purgatory are fully part of the Church, members of the communion of saints. We can help them and they can help us. We help each other by our prayers for one

From the beginning of the Church, the Eucharist has been offered as a sacrifice for the living and the dead: The Church prays daily for her deceased members, that they may soon find in God's presence "light, happiness and peace." (Roman Canon of the Mass) The fruits of the Eucharistic sacrifice, the most powerful of all prayers, can be directed to specific purposes by the priest who celebrates the Mass and by those who specify the intention of the Mass through the offering of a stipend (see the Code of Canon Law, 945 and 946). The greatest kindness Catholics can express to someone who has died and to their family is to offer stipends for Masses to be celebrated for the one who has died.

"Funerals are for the living" is a half-truth that is destructive of the faith if it implies that a funeral Mass is just a commemoration of the dead for the sake of the living and not a means of inserting a dead person into the sacrifice that brings salvation. The entire month of November is a time set aside for prayers for the faithful departed. Just as we are quick to ask for prayers for the sick, we should also pray regularly for those who have died and have Mass offered for them. This is a duty of charity and an expression of the beautiful unity of all who belong to Christ in the communion of saints.

### Remembering the Dead

It is a good and holy thought to pray for the dead...

Near the statue of the Sorrowful Mother in the back of our church is our parish remembrance of the dead for the month of November, the Month of the Holy Souls.

The names of those who have died and were buried from our Church since last All Souls Day are listed, with their date of death. There is also space provided in the Book of the Dead for you to list the names of those you would like to remember during this month of the Holy Souls. All Souls Day envelopes were included in your packets.

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them!



#### November —

### The Month of the Holy Souls Our Sunday Visitor / November 2023

As November blankets the world in a gentle shroud of, autumnal calm, it's a poignant reminder of how powerful a visit to a cemetery can be. Cemeteries are not merely places of solemn remembrance; they are sacred grounds where the mortal remains of our loved ones rest, awaiting the promised resurrection from the dead. The act of visiting these hallowed sites is an expression of our unwavering love for and devotion to those who have gone before us. During the quiet moments of reflection a cemetery visit offers, we should contemplate the brevity of life, the beauty of eternal hope and the importance of praying for the souls of the faithful departed who have gone before us. Our presence at their graves is a testament to our enduring bond with the faithful departed, and it serves as a source of spiritual solace for both the living and the deceased. It is truly, as the Church teaches, a work of mercy. Moreover, in a world often consumed by the material and the fleeting, a visit to the cemetery provides a sanctuary for prayer and self-examination. Cemeteries put things in perspective, allowing us to see our lives more clearly for what they really are: pilgrimages on just one side of eternity. Let us honor this venerable tradition, visiting cemeteries during November, and in doing so, take a few more steps toward our own final rest.

# SSPP Vocations Commission & Serra Club DuPage County Vocations Event

November 3, 2025



Join the SSPP Vocations Commission & Serra Club of DuPage County for a special presentation during National Vocations Awareness Week.

The guest speaker is Jennifer Ristine, Consecrated Woman of Regnum Christi, and author of three books on Saint Mary Magdalene. She will share her journey of being called

by Christ. During her 28 years of consecrated life, she became a special friend of Saint Mary Magdalene. Hear how she missions with this Saints. Her latest work of historical fiction, Becoming Magdalene, will be available. Monday, November 3- Holy Family Chapel

Schedule

5:15pm- Mass/rosary 7:00pm- Presentation Meet and Greet to Follow

### **Knights of Columbus 2025 Vocations Raffle**

Tickets Sold After All Masses -

November 1 and 2

Drawing: December 6th, 2025

Grand Prize: \$10,000

Tickets (\$20 per book) available from SSPP Council 1369

### MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

Knights of Columbus Council 1369

Include your Name, Address & Phone Number
Mail to: Knights of Columbus Council 1369, 615 E Ogden

Ave., Naperville, IL 60563 by November 28, 2025

You may also purchase raffle tickets using the following QR Code and pay by credit card. Enter 1369 in the comments section.





Illinois State Council



## Fr. Bader's Book of the Week

The Binding Force of Tradition by Fr. Chad A Ripperger PhD In this 54 page treatise, Fr. Chad Ripperger examines the question of the object and nature of Sacred Tradition and the moral requirement of Catholics to accept Sacred Tradition. Topics include the Rule of Faith, the Magisterium, and sins against Tradition.



# **Kneeling Adjustments During Pew Refinishing**



Repairs continue in the church during the week. Daily Masses— Monday morning through Saturday morning — will be held in the Holy Family Chapel.

If you are seated in a chair during this time, please make note of the following adjustments. There will be no kneelers, but you may choose to kneel, if you are able.

If you choose not to kneel, you will remain standing after the Sanctus and throughout the Eucharistic Prayer. Alternatively, you may choose to kneel only during the Words of Consecration. Sitting at any time during the Eucharistic Prayer would not be appropriate. The same applies to after the Lamb of God and before receiving Communion. You may choose to kneel or remain standing prior to your reception of Communion. After you receive Communion, you should kneel or be seated. Those seated in the pews will kneel as usual.











**Are you ready for Advent?** The American Heritage Girls (AHG) can help. Before and after Masses the weekend of November 8th & 9th, AHG will be selling several Advent items.

- The Advent calendars have religious designs with Bible text that follows the Nativity story, each
  containing a piece of chocolate behind each window, for \$5 each.
- Advent Candles (set of three purple, one pink) for \$10.
- Eleven-inch diameter Advent Wreath (candles sold separately) for \$30.

### Cash only please.

### All proceeds of the sale go to AHG troop IL0908.

American Heritage Girls is the premier national character development organization for young women (ages 5-18) that embraces Christian values and encourages family involvement. The mission of AHG is building women of integrity through service to God, family, community and country.

### Congratulations to **Guy Maras**

Congratulations and blessings to parishioner, Guy Maras, who, on October 17 received the Ministry of Lector from Bishop Dennis Spies. Guy is in formation, preparing for ordination as a Permanent Deacon for the Diocese of Joliet. He currently serves as the head of the Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion and is involved with our mens' groups here in the parish. Institution into the Ministry of Lector is one of the "steps" along the way to the final goal of ordination to the Diaconate. Please join me in offering our prayers and congratulations to Guy on this important step toward Diaconal Ministry in the Church.



### Safety Consultant

Do you have experience with security issues? Sts. Peter and Paul Parish is searching for a volunteer to oversee the development of security and safety protocols for our par-



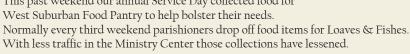
ish. Given the increasingly serious threats to safety we experience these days, we want to be proactive in ensuring the safety of those we welcome and serve. This person would consult with professionals to evaluate how to best develop and implement security protocols. If you feel called to this ministry, have some public safety experience or have any questions, and want to explore the possibilities of service in this area, please contact Meg Salzman in the parish office at (630)718-2110. Members of our Parish Council will be in touch.

### YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Recent legislative changes and an ongoing government shutdown are significantly impacting the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), also known as food stamps. The changes include new or stricter work requirements for millions of recipients, federal funding running out for November benefits, and cost-of-living adjustments.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced that due to the federal government shutdown, it will have insufficient funds to pay full SNAP benefits for November 2025. Approximately 42 million Americans are at risk of not receiving benefits.

This past weekend our annual Service Day collected food for



We will add two additional bins to the entrance of the church. Please try to bring food donations when attending Mass either in the Ministry Center or the church.

Let's support our local food pantries that do such critical work. Thank you!

### Support our future priests through the second collection for Seminarian Formation!

Priests are essential to our Catholic faith, as only these holy men can transform bread and wine into the life-giving Body and Blood of Christ. The Holy Spirit has blessed the Diocese of Joliet with an abundance of vocations to the priesthood.

Currently, our diocese has 27 men in seminary formation, which costs \$53,900 a year per seminarian. To ensure we are always able to support our seminarians both prayerfully and financially, the Diocese of Joliet has established this second collection.

At Masses next weekend, our parish will take up a second collection for this effort. Gifts will be invested in an endowment designated specifically for seminarian education.

Please prayerfully consider supporting this second collection. To learn more about this campaign, or to make a gift online, use your smart phone to scan the QR code.





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A second collection for the education and formation of our future priests

# **VOCATIONS OFFICE**

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# **Seminarian Jonathan Hernandez**

The middle child with two sisters, Jonathan Hernandez was born on December 22, 1999.

As he was growing up, his family was faithful in attending Mass every Sunday and his parents always made sure the children were taken care of in regards to the sacraments.

Despite the gift of having such parents in an increasingly secular society, they were still lukewarm Catholics.

Jonathan's parents knew a respectable amount about their faith and even prayed the rosary every so often as a family. When he would hear them pray, he could tell their faith was genuine.

The instruction he did receive was the soil for his faith to grow. From an early age, Jonathan recalls being highly curious about what was going on at Mass and he was always interested in what the priest and altar servers were doing.

With time, his interest in altar serving

brought him to begin altar serving at his parish.

Through this experience, Jonathan's love of the mass and knowledge of priests began to grow. After altar serving for two years, he was at an age where he could begin attending vocation events.

"The very first I could attend was Jeremiah Day," Jonathan said. "I was in middle school at the time. During my Jeremiah Day experience, I learned more about the priesthood, visited a seminary, and met seminarians for the first

time. At the conclusion of the day, we prayed the rosary. During which we were invited to ask the Lord what our vocation was. I reluctantly did so at the time and was surprised to find a desire for the priesthood. I was struck because I had not considered it prior to this experience."

The desire for the priesthood never went away, at times Jonathan managed to repress it but it would always come back.

For a time, he went through a period where he rejected the notion that he could ever be a good priest.

His trust in the Lord at the time was also lacking, and he was looking towards the world to guide him.

He was told he should get a high-paying job and he would be happy.

That didn't satisfy Jonathan. The only thing that

gave him peace was the priesthood. As such, the parochial vicar at his parish invited him to stay at a seminary for a weekend. The Lord made it clear to him that he was calling Jonathan towards the priesthood.

Thus, he entered seminary after high school.

"That was one of the best decisions I ever made. Had I waited and tried to play it "safe" by going to college and then discerning priesthood. I would have surely been filled with regret for I knew I would be going against God's will for me," Jonathan said. "During my time in Seminary, I have matured and grown in my relationship with the Lord. I look forward to my second year in Theology this Fall 2023 at Mundelein Seminary."

### How to Support Your Priests

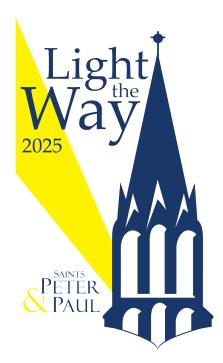
Parishioners can encourage the priesthood by praying daily for vocations

and for priests, by encouraging men they know to consider the priesthood, and by actively supporting the church's vocation ministry. Encouraging a priestly vocation includes recognizing spiritual commitment, such as regular participation in prayer and spiritual events, and speaking to potential candidates to offer support and invite them to explore the possibility of a vocation. A supportive community that fosters openness to God's call is crucial for men and women to discern and respond to a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.



# SEMINARIAN EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND





As one of the tallest structures in downtown Naperville—the heart of the city—the church steeple serves as a true beacon in the community, a sign of faith and hope for all.

The proceeds this year will support the parish's effort to repair and resurface all four parking lots on our parish campus. Over the years, the lots have been patched many times but now require complete resurfacing to serve our parish community for years to come.

FATHER WILLIAM DE SALVO, RAY JONES AND SAINTS PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO THE 28TH ANNUAL

## Light the Way

A celebration of parish family and friends, featuring complimentary cocktails and buffet dinner, holiday music and an auction of Christmas treasures

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2025
CRESS CREEK COUNTRY CLUB
1215 ROYAL ST. GEORGE DRIVE, NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS
6:30 TO 9:00 P.M.

### Please respond with this form by November 24, 2025. Sponsors and auction donations welcomed! ☐ Food Buffet Dinner and Open Bar (\$125/person) No. Attending \$ Total Name(s) Telephone Email Dinner seating will be reserved for each guest. If you would like to be seated with other attendees, please indicate names below (8 to 10 people fill a table). ☐ Regretfully, I (we) will not be able to attend. Please accept this contribution to support the Parish's effort to to resurface the parking lots. Your donation may qualify for an income tax deduction in accordance with federal and/or Illinois income tax laws. We provide this information as a courtesy and is not meant to provide legal or tax advice. Please consult IRS resources or your tax advisor for additional information and personal guidance. **SPONSORSHIP** ☐ Shining Star Sponsor – \$5,000 Includes one table for 10; please include names above ☐ Light The Way Sponsor – \$1,000 Payment by (circle one) MasterCard Visa Credit card number\_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date\_\_\_/ Billing name Billing address\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Please return with payment (if check); make checks payable to Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church and include "Light The Way" in the memo area. Thank you for your support!

# ARCHBISHOP GEORGE ANTONYSAMY

Thank you to the Most Reverend George Antonysamy for visiting us at Saints Peter and Paul last weekend. Archbishop Antonysamy is from India, and has been bishop of the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore since 2012. A special thanks to all the parishioners who also donated to assist him in his work to administrate his Archdiocese, and to assist the poor under his care.



















### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

# EVANGELIZATION





The Eucharist 2 students received the Scapular of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel this week. Thank you to Father Rutnicki and Father Bader for investing them in the important and meaningful rite

The Brown Scapular is a sacramental sign of special devotion to Our Lady. It was in England in the thirteenth century that a Carmelite, St. Simon Stock, is said to have received the Brown Scapular from Our lady after having written the beautiful Carmel prayer about Mary.

It is our tradition at Saints Peter & Paul that all students preparing to receive their First Holy Communion receive this scapular which offers Mary's special protection.



Thank you to Mike Lewandowski, the parish Director of Adult Catechesis and Evangelization, for speaking with the Confirmation 2 students on Theology of the Body.



### **Explaining the Faith**

With Fr. Bader

Every last Tuesday of the month, join Fr. Bader for an evening to explore your faith deeper through videos, discussions and talks! Next Session- Tuesday, November 25 6:30PM in Room 217/218

Topic- Called to Holiness: Turning Spiritual Battles into Victory

Fr. Ripperger is a leading expert in the area of spiritual warfare and exorcism. He is a well known and sought after speaker. His education and first-hand experience make his presentations informative and interesting. He always provides a plentitude of insights into the Catholic faith and traditions that give any listener an abundance of information on which to meditate. In the following conferences Fr. Ripperger explains with extraordinary lucidity the nature of spiritual and psychological wounds and how to find the healing you need

# Advent by Candlelight

· Monday, December 1, 2025 ·

Please join us for our annual Women's Night as we ready ourselves for the Christmas Season.

Gathering at 6:30 p.m. and Program at 7 p.m.
Saints Peter and Paul Ministry Center Social Hall

RSVP by November 24 at sspeterandpaul.net/abc

The featured speaker will be Sr. Maryann Dosen

(School Sisters of St. Francis of Christ the King)





### SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

# Parish Sacrificial Giving We sincerely thank everyone for their generosity & support

For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 the weekly Sunday collection budget is \$47,269 (based on 52 Sundays)

Actual Fiscal Year to Date Average Sunday Collections (13 Sundays) \$43,874



### **Sunday Offering**

Support the ongoing, operational needs at Saints Peter and Paul. As we gather to celebrate the Holy Eucharist, we are reminded that every blessing we receive is a gift from God. The Offertory is not only the presentation of bread and wine, but also a moment when we are invited to offer ourselves—our time, talents, and treasures—back to the Lord in gratitude.

Thank you for your continued generosity and faithful stewardship. Your offerings support our parish ministries, outreach efforts, and the mission of Christ in our community. Make a gift online at speterandpaul.net/online-giving.



# **FISHERS OF MEN**

### Who is Your Master?

No one can serve two masters! We cannot serve both God and worldly wealth, or we will love the one and despise the other.

> Saturday, November 8, 2025 Saints Peter and Paul Ministry Center

Come and hear stories about people who valued worldly over eternal wealth and lost their way. Money has the power to take God's place in your life. Learn how to use your worldly wealth wisely and invest in helping others to find Christ and finding your path to eternal benefits. If you cannot join us in person a Zoom link will be emailed this week.

### **AGENDA**

6:15am: Welcome, Fraternity and Prayer Need Requests

6:30am: Rosary in Holy Family Chapel 7:00am: Pledge of Allegiance / Talk Theme:

### Who is Your Master?

7:15am: Small-group discussions 7:40am: Wrap Up & Salute to Veterans 7:50am: Closing Prayer & National Anthem 8:00am: Daily Mass at Saints Peter and Paul

Fellowship of Authentic Catholic Men Following Christ, Leading Families to Heaven! New men welcomed every week! Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, pray for us! fishersofmensspp@gmail.com





### ADORATION CHAPEL

### ST. FRANCIS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Light a candle, say some prayers and be with Jesus face-to-face in His real presence. It is life-changing and necessary.

Consider joining this beautiful and special ministry!

It is heaven on earth!

Open Every Day of the Week Contact Kathy with questions: 630-818-7897

**Hour That Needs Adorers** THURSDAY 1:00 AM



Sign up for a weekly commitment here!



# & PAUL

**CHRISTIAN SERVICE** 



Yes, you can be the difference in helping a family get their lives back on track. All it takes is a weekly one-hour meeting to go over basic budgeting and lifebuilding skills. Your everyday knowledge is all that is required to guide single mothers toward the goal of independence and financial freedom. With your help, you'll witness generational change!



GET INVOLVED TODAY! Tom Dorn (630) 270-7303 tdorn@sbcglobal.net

### Seasons of Hope

At Saints Peter & Paul, Seasons of Hope is a unique, Christ-centered Catholic support group for the be-



reaved. Sessions are intended for the bereaved who have lost a spouse, family member or close friend through death. The program is divided into four, six-week sessions, called Seasons, which are held throughout the year. Our next Seasons of Hope meeting is on November 3 from 6:30—8:00pm in the St. Paul Center. Pre-registration is required. Please email Deacon Joe at jverdico@sspeterandpaul.net.

# YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

With Fr. Loya

"The Word Became Flesh: Understanding How the Incarnation Affects Everything from Sexuality to the Environment"

**NOVEMBER 6, 2025** 

6PM-9PM

**Young Adults Age 18-30** 

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church Holy Family Chapel 36 N Ellsworth St., Naperville, IL 60540

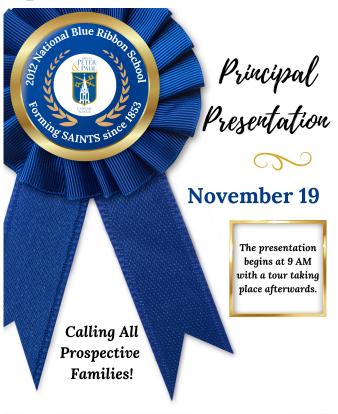
PRESENTATION · Q&A · CONFESSION · ADORATION



Fr. Thomas J Loya, is currently the pastor of Annunciation of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Parish in Homer Glen, IL. He is also the host of the long running radio program, "Light of the East" which can be heard in more than 60 cities across the United States on several Catholic radio networks including EWTN Radio as well as a regular guest on the Dr. Gregory Popcak radio show – More2 Life.



Sign Up Here

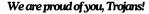


Interested families must RSVP by emailing Mrs. Bridget Evers: Bevers@sspeterandpaulschool.com



## Congratulations to our volleyball CHAMPIONS!

Our 7A girls, 7A boys, and 5A boys volleyball teams were victorious in their Championship matches over the weekend!







# Saints Peter & Paul Catholic School Naperville, II. | 38 Preschool - 8th grade MISSION STATEMENT

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School prepares our students to think critically, become confident, responsible Catholic leaders formed in Jesus Christ, who strive to reach heaven, succeed in future academic endeavors, and contribute to the greater community.

# PARISH CONNECTION

- Part of Saints Peter & Paul's parish - Illinois' oldest in DuPage (1846)
- Serves ~4,000 families with vibrant liturgies, ministries, perpetual adoration, & community events such as the annual Homecoming Fest.
- Historical and welcoming parish and school campus.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- One of our teachers, Miss Ondracek, just won the Great Teacher Award in the Diocese of Ioliet in 2024.
- Our new playground was built in 2023.
- Founded in 1853, SSPP is one of the oldest Catholic schools in the area.
- We are one of only a few schools in the Diocese of Joliet who've built our own school app - a one stop shop for all things SSPP! Our parents love this!

Forming Saints since 1853!

#### WHY CHOOSE SSPP?

- National Blue Ribbon school of Excellence
- Deeply rooted in Catholic values and service
- Challenging academics and Christ-centered instruction
- Experienced and caring teachers who support our students' individualized learning styles and help them strive to reach Heaven.
- Family-focused; supportive community

### ACADEMICS

- Curriculum includes religion, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, Spanish, art, gym, music, technology, and STEM.
- Emphasis on Catholic identity, service critical thinking, and community leadership.

## ENRICHMENT & ATHLETICS

- Basketball, volleyball, track, cross country, and cheer.
- Band, choir, robotics club, dance club, art classes, scholars, Jumpstart to Kindergarten, and more!

### **DIOCESE OF JOLIET**



#### Communio

ENROLLMENT &

through 8th grade

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201 E. Franklin Avenue Naperville, IL 60540

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505 students in the entire

Average student-teacher ratio 15-17:1

Average classroom size is 25

Daily prayer, weekly Mass, &

CONTACT US

630.355.0113 school websitel

Stay connected with us on Facebook & Instagram @saintspeter&paulschool tweis@sspeterandpaulschool.com

CULTURE

Offering 3s Preschool

Adoration | Confession | Praise and Worship | Prayer | Community

Please join us for our next Communio on November 7, 2025.

Fr. Jared Rutnicki- "Into your hands I commend my Spirit: Dying Well in Christian Tradition"

First Fridays 7-8:30pm, September-May St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Naperville, IL

### **Plan Today for Peace of Mind Tomorrow**

It's difficult to think about, but pre-planning your Catholic cemetery arrangements today protects your family from the heartbreak and financial worry of having to make these decisions tomorrow. Look for special savings in your mailbox soon and visit diojoliet.org/cemeteries for more details. We're here to help!