



Dear Parishioners,

This is a reminder that we are less than two weeks away from the Saint Luke Productions presentation of Maximillian Kolbe. The play will be featured on Friday evening, April 1; Saturday afternoon and evening on April 2; and Sunday afternoon on April 3. Saint Luke Productions is based in the state of Washington and offers quality performances around the country. The creator and director of this moving presentation is Leonardo Defilippis and he and his entire team consider their artistic work a ministry.

We are asking pre-registration through the parish website and I encourage everyone to come. Your faith in God and in his church will be uplifted. Because the presentation deals with the Holocaust, it is not recommended for children 10 and under. We are offering this, and the Man of the Shroud presentation, in lieu of our annual Lenten Mission. It is my personal guarantee that you will be moved by this presentation and desire to be a better person. This is open to everyone, not just parishioners so if you have family or friends, please be sure to invite them. Just remember to register online.

As we continue with our Lenten Journey, I am asking parishioners to keep in prayer those candidates and catechumens preparing for baptism and full communion in the church. Jeffery Steplowski, Kristin O'Meara, Natasha O'Meara, Aine O'Meara Szot, Lena O'Meara Szot, Tracy Rapisarda, Tessa Rapisarda, Gianna Rapisarda, Ciera Lurie and Violet Kooyenga have been moving steadily to Easter. It is an exciting journey and we all can support them with our prayers.

On behalf of the victims of war in Ukraine, I would like to express my gratitude to all those who have found ways to support those who have been impacted. This may be through your prayers, your donations of articles to assist the suffering or financial contributions. Nearly 65 years ago, Pope Paul VI came to the United Nations to address the general assembly. In his address he said, "War Never again. Never again war." Today there are well over twenty armed conflicts going on around the world. We must never give up being ambassadors for peace and this begins by seeing every person as God's creation. We still have a long way to go.

Last year I had the privilege of traveling to Fatima, the sight of the 1917 apparitions of the Blessed Mother. These apparitions occurred during the First World War and in the year of the Communist takeover of Russia. The children reported that Mary had asked that Russia be consecrated to her Immaculate Heart. Over the year various Popes have expressed this consecration in different ways. Pope Francis, in a very explicit way has consecrated Russia and Ukraine to the Mother on God on the Feast of the Annunciation, March 25th. Let us continue to pray for these nations in conflict, entrusting them to God through the intercession of Mary.

In Christ,

Father Mike

Fr. Mike

REV. MICHAEL G. FOLEY, PASTOR REV. ROBERT MARCHWIANY, ASSOCIATE PASTOR MOST REV. JOHN R. GORMAN, RESIDENT REV. ED MIKOLAJCZYK, RESIDENT REV. WILLIAM J. FINNEGAN, PASTOR EMERITUS DEACON JOHN J. AND TERE MACAROL DEACON DOUG AND CAROLYN SZARZYNSKI

MIKE CALLAHAN Pastoral Minister SHELLY STANKO Business/Office Manager ERIN KUTA **REP Secretary** BRIAN ZIELINSKI Athletic Coordinator

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday — 8:30 AM, 5:00 PM

and after 5:00 PM Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES: 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 9:00-9:30 AM

MICHELLE HILLIARD Pastoral Associate KIMBERLY DUDA Director of Religious Education R.E.P. ANDY PER7 Director of Music Ministry

> DIANE VANDERPOOL Parish Secretary

Sunday — 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM

BAPTISMS: Sunday at 12:30 PM. Arrangements must be made in advance at the Parish Office. MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at the Parish Office six months in advance. Pre-Cana required. **REGISTRATION IN THE PARISH:** Newcomers are welcome to the Parish and are requested to register at the office.

JOHN MAIER

Sacristan

LAURIE LYONS

Parish Outreach

CHRISTINE COLLINS

Youth Minister

PARISH BOUNDARIES: East 80th Ave., (west side), North Rte. 83 (south side), West Bell Rd. (east side) to 123rd Street to Parker Road (east side), South 135th Street (north side)



Easter Food Drive



Bag Distribution April 2nd and 3rd after all masses
Food Collection April 9th and 10th
Benefitting St. John Berchmans and Casa Catalina
Questions or interested in volunteering
Please contact Sheila Scarim @ 708-228-0991
Special Thanks to Trader Joe's Orland Park



Please consider continuing your weekly donations via online giving by visiting: ourladyofthewoods.org. Just look for the little gift box.

You can easily set up an account to make recurring gifts, or you can make a one-time donation through Give Central. Under payment type, you can choose either a Debit/Credit Card or Bank Account.

Thank you for your prayers and generosity!



Weekend of March 20, 2022

God Bless All for your continued generosity to our Parish.

	Actual	Budget	Difference
Week	\$20, 215	\$22,000	\$1,785
Year	\$810,477	\$836,000	(\$25,523)



If your family or someone close to you is in need, please contact us at (708) 606-5360.

A representative will return your call as soon as possible to arrange a confidential conversation.

Confidentiality and compassion are the cornerstones of our Ministry.

Creation Care Corner



Taking action to protect God's great gift to us - Mother Earth



"The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth."

-Pope Francis

THIS WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION: Dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW) properly. Do not dispose of HHWs to landfills, or pour into drains or ditches. Save these toxic and electronic materials for periodic collections. This includes old/ unneeded meds, which could contaminate waterways. Some local police stations take back unused meds. Search Earth 911.com for local recycling/disposal resources. Also check with your city, township or county for upcoming HHW collection events, and with your state EPA office for permanent HHW drop site locations.



Lenten Regulations (From Ash Wednesday to the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday and on all of the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age, but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special

Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.



Stations of the Cross Please join every Friday night in church at 7pm for the Stations of the Cross.

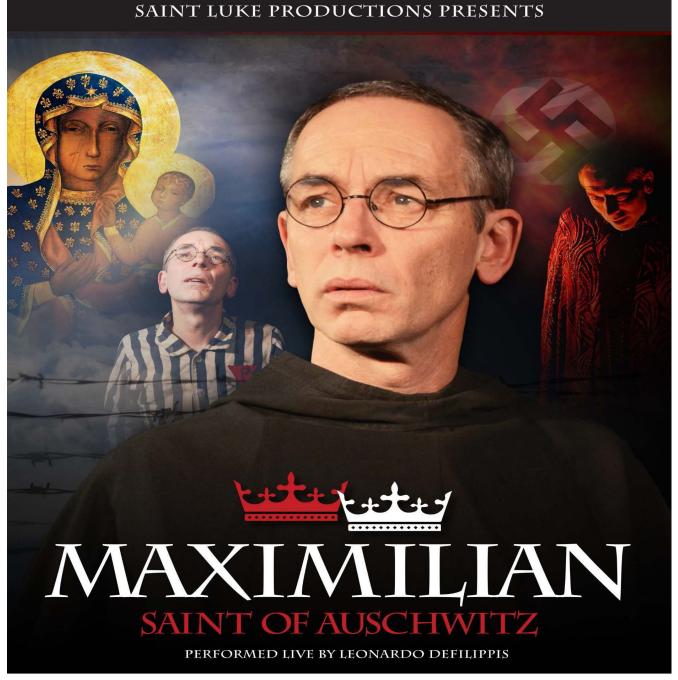




Please join us every morning after the 8:30 Mass to say the Rosary and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.

Every Friday after 8:30 Mass a Holy

Hour for the Sacred Heart of Jesus with Benediction is hosted. Please feel free to join us.



Fri, April 1
7 pm

Sat, April 2 2 & 7 pm Sun, April 3 3 pm

Our Lady of the Woods Parish - Finnegan Center

10731 West 131st Street, Orland Park IL 60462

Admission:

Free-Will Offering (Not required for entry) Suggested donation: \$20 Adults | \$10 Students Suitable for Ages 10 and Up Information: Our Lady of the Woods (708) 361-4754 ourladyofthewoods.org

Our Lady of the Woods Presents Family Mass Weekend!

Join us!

March 26 & 27th!

We will come together as a parish to learn and **Pray for Peace** in our world.



The last weekend of every month all Masses will offer an even more family friendly liturgical experience. Family focused homilies, great music, and time to connect with our parish community!



Questions: Contact Christine Collins or Kim Duda At 708-361-4754





Our Lady of the Woods and Fr. Ed are excited to announce our First Annual Easter Egg Hunt!!!

This will take place on Saturday, April 16th at 10:00 AM on the parish grounds.

*We are asking for donations of PLASTIC multicolored Easter eggs and candy to fill the eggs for this special event.

Thank you for your generosity!

Recycling for Lent

Recycling is part of the sustainable lifestyle Pope Francis calls us to in his encyclical *Laudato Si*. For four Sundays in Lent, the parish Creation Care Team is presenting displays of practical tips on recycling on four topics listed below. As QR codes become available, they can be scanned to download further information.



- Recycling Electronics
- Recycling Auto Fluids/Batteries
- Recycling Plastic
- Bulk Recycling



BE A BOCCE NIGHT OWL!
ADULT BOCCE BALL LEAGUE

Limited Space—Register Now!
-12 teams-

At Mama Vesuvio's East 6361 W. College Drive in Palos Heights

League will run weekly on Fridays from April 29th—June 24th

Adults (21 & over) - Teams of 4-8 people
Team Fee: \$150

Questions? Call Christine Collins at 708-269-6315

Our Lady of the Woods Youth, Young Adult, & Family Ministries ourladyofthewoods.org

Youth Ministry
Jr. High School and Older
Drop-In/Open Gym
Thursdays 6-7:30pm

Looking for Jr. High & High School Teen volunteers to help us offer presentations for our parish on Good Friday! Service hours will be given for participation.



Teen & Young Adult
Unwind Your Mind Retreat
April 8,9,10
In Lake Geneva
Call Christine if interested

Young Adults: 18-30
Volunteers needed to join
in starting a Regional
Young Adult Ministry



Family Ministry Please Join Us!

St. Peter Rabbit Patch program has begun. Details and registration can be found on our Website.



Share Your Soles Shoe Drive happening now! Bring your shoes to the parish office.



Thought of the Week

Jesus, I surrender

myself to you.







DIVINE MERCY MESSAGE

Jesus told St. Faustina, "I want to give Myself to souls and to fill them with My love, but few there are who want to accept all the graces My love has intended for them."

We have to be humble enough to realize that we need God's mercy.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses:

SATURDAY: 5:00pm

SUNDAY: 8:00am, 9:30am*, 11:00am & 6:00pm.

Daily Masses:

6:30am (Monday - Friday)

8:30am (Monday - Saturday)

* YouTube Livestream

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: Following 8:30am Mass & 5pm Mass

Adoration: Thursdays 3:00pm -7:00pm & Fridays 9:00am -10:00am





FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

DRIVEN BY A DREAM

Malnutrition is widespread in Rwanda, but Gloriose and her husband are doing everything they can to keep their children healthy and set them up for success. From learning to grow a kitchen garden to participating in a micro-savings group, Gloriose and Karekezi know it takes many resources to help their children thrive.

How have you helped others access what they need this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



Upcoming Early Bulletin Deadlines...

Please submit any items for the bulletin for April 10th (Palm Sunday) by Tuesday, March 29th and any items for the bulletin for April 17th (Easter Sunday) by Tuesday, April 5th...

Thank you for your cooperation and have a Blessed Easter!



Holy Thursday Pilgrimage

- ⊕ Depart Our Lady of the Woods at 8:30pm after the 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Visit 7 churches in our area for group and personal prayer with concluding midnight prayer at Our Lady of the Woods
- Pilgrimage Booklets are available with a listing of churches, addresses and brief overview
- PLEASE contact Parish Office to reserve space on Bus

The tradition of visiting churches on Holy Thursday is an ancient practice, probably originating in Rome, where early pilgrims visited the seven major basilicas as penance. They are Saint John Lateran, Saint Peter, Saint Mary Major, Saint Paul-outside-the-Walls, Saint Lawrence-outside-the-Walls, Saint Sebastian-outside-the-Walls, and Holy Cross-in-Jerusalem. Pope Boniface VIII revived the tradition in 1300 with the establishment of the Jubilee Year, and Rome became a center for pilgrimages.



Saturday, May 7, 2022 – 9th annual Walk to Mary. This 21 mile pilgrimage will start at the National Shrine of St. Joseph at Old St. Joe's Church on the campus of St. Norbert College in De Pere, WI and end at the National Shrine

of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, WI. There are several points along the way you can join in to make your pilgrimage shorter.

Our Blessed Mother appeared to Sister Adele Brise on the site of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help and gave her this message: "Gather the children in this wild country and teach them what they should know for salvation."

At the core of Catholic education is the realization that life, itself, is a pilgrimage, and we are called to prepare our children for their journey.

Learn more and SIGN-UP NOW at www.walktomary.com. Check us out on Facebook too – www.facebook.com/walktomary.

Donations are appreciated. Mile marker sponsorship is \$100. Contact Pat Deprey, Event Director, at 920-660-7826 or depreypatrick@gmail.com with questions.

We welcome to the Family of God:

Ronan Thomas Hickey Daniel William Rocha Luca Vincent Miglio Quinn Kellien Sheehan





Those needing good health: We wish you comfort and peace

Manuel Alonzo, Joe Bruno, Natalie Costa, George Durante, Jackie Faber, Kris Kahn, Virginia Kapelonski, Ken Kazmierczak, Lyndsey Kokoris, Mary Segars-Koscielny, Michael Koscielny, Jean-Marc Krikorian, Bronislawa Krzysiak, Katie Lucarelli, Linda Lucas, Richard Macarol, Kevin Maltese, Barbara Maniatis, Mary Marsan, Linda McDonald, Brodie McIntosh, Deacon Michael McLynn, Maeve McKeough, Brian McVicker, Sophia Miller, Robin Moll, Mark Monahan, Logan Muchowski, Judy Nocek, Rosemarie Noga, Joey Oberholzer, Mary O'Boyle, Mildred O'Connell, Katie Olsen, Cathy Onak, Bill Owens, Lynn Pacetti, Maggie Pack, Nicholas Pappas, Anna Pavilon, Gerald Pavlovic, Patty Pollard, Pauline Pracz, Florence Rafac, Brian Raimondi, Daniel Ray, Kathy Rowan, Anthony Scalise, Bernadette Scalise, Andrew Schutzius, Ellen Schutzius, Anne Shanahan, Kate Kelly Sladek, Dan Sloan, Barbara Strahl, Robert Strejc, Leianna Tanedo, Julie Tkachuck, Kenneth Vanek, Thomas and Judy Veen, Zenon Wiercimak, Erin Wiley, Vicki Wiley, Mark Wisinski, Jerold Wojcki, John Wozniak, Dayle Yukich, Greg Zander, Deirdre Zielinski.



Let us Pray

Please join Our Lady of the Woods Parish as we continue to pray for those who have or are serving in the military. We pray for those who protect our country, for their safety, and well-being, especially,

Adam Rodrigues Captain John Brooker CPL John P. Cherry CPL Brandon D. Gabry LCPL Steve Olson Lt. John Spannuth Sgt. David A. Delach Brian Allen Bryan Lampinen Sgt. John P. Micham Sgt. Jesus M. Flores Cpt. Benjamin Feithen Lt. Dylan Conover Sean Girouard CPL Rowen N. Barker 1Lt. Jack McGuire 2Lt. Patrich McGuire Ian Altieri **Battalion Chief Douglas** Mayer LTJG Garrett Green, USN

Peter Michael Czerwien, Navv Robert Owens Larry Stolinski Major Tom Buller Sgt. Greg Danko Mario Danko PFC Tim Radcliffe Sgt. David Darwent Gavril Robert Micham Danielle Batton CPT Brendan Girouard LT Matthew E. Lodwich CSM Joseph Cistaro SPC Rebecca Buhs Major Nicholas Kamon LT Christa Kamon AB Kevin Schwenn AB Sean Schwenn CPT Allen Dagys Commander Justin T. Halligan Sgt. Gavril AJ Pfeiffer Sgt. Rafal Hodur



Our Deceased:

Lee Kotora Rev. William Gubbins Craig Hodges

"Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord."

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Our Ministry Team is here to help you during this difficult time:
Michelle Hilliard—708-361-4754
"Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

Matthew 5:4



SATURDAY, March 26

8:30 AM—Sophie (Living), William Jacoby 5:00 PM— Patricia Rowley, Joseph & Betty McQueary

SUNDAY, March 27

8:00 AM—People of Our Lady of the Woods, Michael Gorman

9:30 AM—Norm Swiderek, Hipolite Janiak 11:00 AM—Dan & Dolores Desmond, Betty & Ed McMahon

6:00 PM—Remo Turano, Eddie O'Connell

MONDAY, March 28

6:30 AM—Jim DeFay, Marilyn Rosetta Shaw 8:30AM—Ann Clair, Raffaella & Antonio Gentile

TUESDAY, March 29

6:30 AM—Martin Moody

8:30 AM—Mike Gorman, Lynda Janes

WEDNESDAY, March 30

6:30 AM—Edward Glabicki

8:30 AM—David Kelliher, James O'Neil

THURSDAY, March 31

6:30 AM—People of Our Lady of the Woods 8:30 AM— Michael Mikolajczyk, Thomasine Conwell (living)

FRIDAY, April 1

6:30 AM—People of Our Lady of the Woods 8:30 AM—Helen Kucharski, Lynda Janes

SATURDAY, April 2

8:30 AM—Robert Butcher, Bette Ferry 5:00 PM—Agnes Maier, Helena & Roman Wiszowaty

SUNDAY, April 3

8:00 AM—People of Our Lady of the Woods, Joseph & Dolores Bergen

9:30 AM—Fritzie Butella, Laurie Kaput

11:00 AM—Lillian Fiornek, Radtke & Giermak Family

12:15 PM— Ann Liston, Linda O'Connell

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 27, 2022

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

— 2 Corinthians 5:17

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God's people enter the promised land, observe the Passover, and eat of the produce of the land (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) *or 1 Samuel 16:1b*, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) *or Psalm 23*.

Second Reading — We are now ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) *or Ephesians 5:8-14*.

Gospel — We must rejoice when our brother who was dead in sin repents and comes back to life (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) *or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]*.

3, 11-32) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]. The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-

16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;

Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14;

Jn 8:1-11:

Alternate readings (Year A):

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent

Friday: First Friday; Abstinence; April Fool's Day

Saturday: St. Francis of Paola; First Saturday



512074

Our Lady of the Woods Church 10731 W 131st Street Orland Park, IL 60462-8308

708-361-4754

Contact: Shelly or Laurie

sstanko@ourladyofthewoods.org llyons@ourladyofthewoods.org olwparish@aol.com

Software Using: Win 10.0 Publisher 2016 Adobe Acrobat 2017

Transmission Day/Time: Tuesdays, 11 am

Bulletin for Sunday, March 27, 2022

Special Instructions: