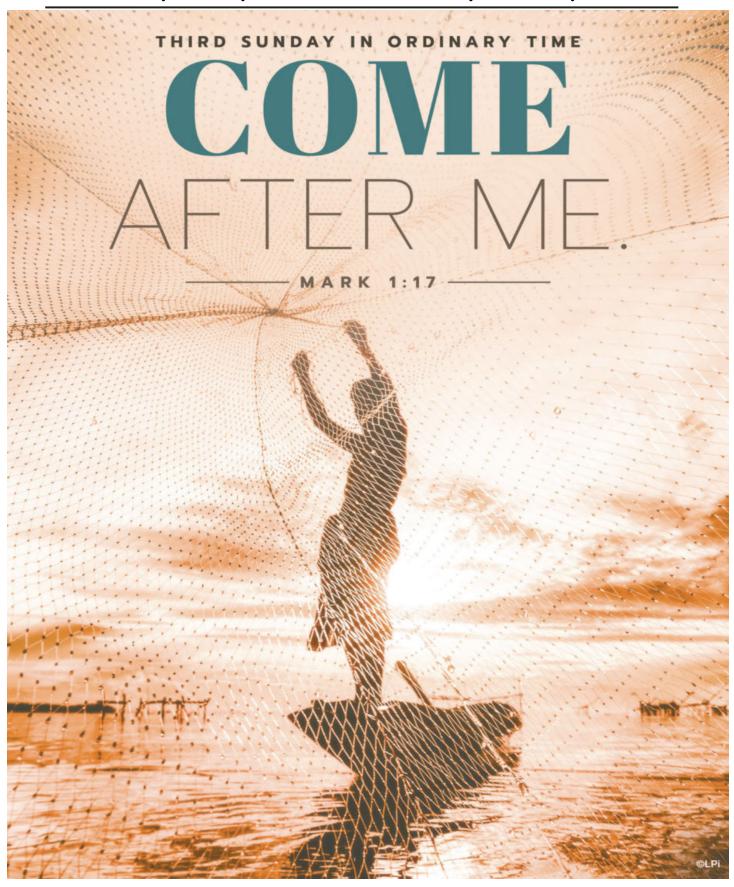
Saints Thomas Becket and Alphonsus Liguori Parish

Sunday, January 21, 2024 ◆ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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MASS TIMES

ST. THOMAS BECKET CHURCH

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday—Tuesday Thursday—Friday: 9am Wednesday & Friday: 7pm—Polish

CHURCH WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

Monday to Thursday: 8:15am Friday & Saturday: 8:30am

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4pm Sunday: 9am & 12:30pm 7:30am & 10:45am—Polish

CONFESSION

Friday: 5:30pm—6:45pm

ADORATION

Friday: 5:30pm—6:45pm

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

1st Saturday Healing Mass: 8:30am Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm Sunday: 8:30am & 11:00am

CONFESSION

Saturday: 4pm—4:45pm

ADORATION

Tuesday: 6pm—7pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday and Friday:

9am—4pm

Tuesday—Wednesday—Thursday: 9am—4pm

Divine Word Sunday

Today in the Catholic Church we celebrate Divine Word Sunday. It was established by Pope Francis' motu proprio "Aperuit illis" and designated as the third Sunday of Ordinary Time. Divine Word Sunday is intended to serve the purpose of discovering the great gift that God's Word, as conveyed in the Spirit-inspired books of the Old and New Testaments, is to man, regardless of his worldview or value system. Through the biblical texts read in the liturgy, it is God Himself who speaks to His people, and Christ Himself who proclaims His Gospel. Just as the Church has established a separate feast of Corpus



Christi to honor the Eucharist - in which the sacramental presence of the risen Christ is contemplated under the forms of bread and wine - so too Divine Word Sunday has been established to reflect more deeply on the mystery of the work of the Lord's Word, through which God enters into human life and transforms it with his divine power. The Sacred Scripture not only proclaims the person of Jesus Christ, but also explains his mission. In the Scriptures, God speaks to man, whom He created and whom He loves! And the Holy Spirit, who inspired the authors to write down this speech, inspires it to reach man's mind and heart in such a way that it reveals to him the truth about himself and the world. Divine Word Sunday is an excellent opportunity to reach for the Bible in our homes and not only read a passage, but also to reflect on what God wants to say to me today through that particular word. You can start with your favorite book of Scripture that somehow speaks to you more deeply, or with the Book of Psalms or Proverbs. Before reading Scripture, pray to the Holy Spirit to hear the voice of God in it, now speaking to you as a loving Father. After reading a passage of Scripture, it is good to prayerfully thank God for those words of Scripture that have already moved you, motivated you to important actions, revealed life's calling, comforted you in grief, suffering, or sorrow, or given you hope. It is also good to write down a word or phrase that has moved you and return to it in the coming days, meditating on it in your heart until you read the next passage of Scripture.

Have a blessed time with the Word of God!

Beata BosakDirector of Lifelong Faith Formation

Niedziela Słowa Bożego

W Kościele katolickim obchodzimy dziś Niedzielę Słowa Bożego. Została ona ustanowiona na mocy motu proprio papieża Franciszka "Aperuit illis" i wyznaczona na III niedzielę okresu zwykłego. Niedziela Słowa Bożego ma służyć odkrywaniu wielkiego daru, jakim dla człowieka - bez względu na jego światopogląd czy system wartości - jest Słowo Boże przekazane w natchnionych przez Ducha Świętego księgach Starego i Nowego Testamentu. Poprzez teksty biblijne odczytywane podczas liturgii, to sam Bóg mówi do swojego ludu i sam Chrystus głosi swoją Ewangelię. Tak, jak w Kościele została ustanowiona oddzielna uroczystość Bożego Ciała dla uczczenia Eucharystii – w czasie, której rozważana jest sakramentalna obecność zmartwychwstałego Chrystusa pod postaciami chleba i wina, tak też została ustanowiona Niedziela Słowa Bożego, by podjąć głębszą refleksję nad tajemnicą działania Słowa Pańskiego, poprzez które Bóg wkracza w życie człowieka i je przemienia swoją boską mocą. Pismo Święte nie tylko zapowiada osobę Jezusa Chrystusa, ale także wyjaśnia jego misję. W Piśmie Św. Bóg mówi do człowieka, którego stworzył i którego miłuje! A Duch Święty, który natchnął autorów do spisania tej mowy, inspiruje, aby ona tak trafiała do rozumu i serca człowieka, by objawiła mu prawdę o nim samym i o świecie. Niedziela Słowa Bożego jest wiec doskonała okazją, by sięgnać po Biblie, która jest w naszych domach i nie tylko odczytać jakiś jej fragment, ale także podjęć refleksję nad tym, co poprzez to konkretne słowo, Bóg chce mi dziś powiedzieć. Można zacząć od swojej ulubionej księgi Pisma Świętego, która w jakiś sposób głębiej do nas przemawia lub od Księgi Psalmów czy Przysłów Salomona. Przed czytaniem Pisma Świętego należy pomodlić się do Ducha Świętego, aby usłyszeć w nim głos Boga, który teraz zwraca się do Ciebie jako miłujący Ojciec. Po przeczytaniu fragmentu z Pisma Świętego dobrze jest w modlitwie podziękować Bogu za te słowa Pisma, które już nas poruszyły, zmotywowały do ważnych działań, objawiły powołanie życiowe, pocieszyły w smutku, cierpieniu czy żałobie, które dały nadzieje. Dobrze jest też zapisać sobie słowo, lub zdanie, które nas poruszyło i wracać do niego przez najbliższe dni, rozważając je w sercu aż do przeczytania kolejnego fragmentu Pisma Świętego.

Błogosławionegoczasu ze Słowem Bożym!

Beata Bosak

Director of Lifelong Faith Formation

Liturgy at St. Thomas Becket Church

MASS INTENTIONS AT ST. THOMAS BECKET

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024

4PM—FR. SD †NANCY LUKAS

†NANCY GULLIKSON

†GREG LANGE

†MARZENA STOLARZ

†GREG & RICH KLECZYNSKI

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024

7:30AM—FR. GW †MARIA I ANTONI ZAUCHA

†ADELA I WACŁAW POPIEŁUSZKO

†MIECZYSŁAW PASIEWICZ

†JOSEPHINE CIELAK

†EUGENIUSZ FILIP

†DANIEL I ŁUCJA GIBAŁA

†JÓZEF SNOPKO

†WŁADYSŁAWA I STANISŁAW WOJDACZ

†WŁADYSŁAWA I WŁADYSŁAW MRYCZKA

†JOANNA I FRANCISZEK PODHORODECKI

SPECIAL: WOJCIECH—O ZDROWIE

SPECIAL: LESZEK—W DNIU URODZIN

9AM-FR. SD SPECIAL: FOR PARISHIONERS

SPECIAL: MAREK—15TH BIRTHDAY

10:45AM—FR. GW †ARTHUR KOSIBA

†MIECZYSŁAW SZUMA

†WANDA-ZOFIA I STANISŁAW POPŁAWSKI

†ANNA LECHOWICZ

†ZDZISŁAW KONOPKO

†MARIA KOGUT I ZMARLI Z RODZINY

†KRZYSZTOF KRZYWOSZ

†MARIA ZGŁOBIŚ

SPECIAL: DAVID LEI ŽBIETA — UPODZINY

SPECIAL: DAVID I ELŻBIETA—URODZINY

12:30PM-FR. SD

†MARYLIN ARCHIBALD

†BERNADETTE LUPA

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024

9AM—FR. SD †MARY WATKINS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024

9AM—FR. SK SPECIAL: FOR PRIESTS AND THE CHURCH

SPECIAL: FOR BLESSINGS AND NEEDED GRACES

FOR FAMILIES WILCZEK, MAJEWSKI, NOWAK, HEFLIN &

TAŃCULA

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024

7PM-FR. SK

SPECIAL: RODZINY OFIARUJĄCE KWIATY—OPIEKĘ MB

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024 9AM—FR. SK +HELEN LASCOLA +STANISŁAW MASŁOWSKI FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024

9AM-FR. SK †EDWARD RECHNER

7PM—FR. SK †JERZY HARKOWSKI

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024

4PM—FR. SK †EDWARD RECHNER

†NANCY GULLIKSON

†GREG LANGE

†MARZENA STOLARZ

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

7:30AM—FR. SK †MARIA I ANTONI ZAUCHA

†ADELA I WACŁAW POPIEŁUSZKO

†MIECZYSŁAW PASIEWICZ

†EUGENIUSZ FILIP

+JÓEF DOBEK

†DANIEL I ŁUCJA GIBAŁA

9AM-FR. SD †LISETTA SCARAMELLA

10:45AM-FR. SK

†KS PRAŁAT JÓZEF KOCOŁ

†ELŻBIETA I STEFAN JĘDRZEJCZUK

†MARIA KOGUT I ZMARLI Z RODZINY

12:30PM—FR. SD †ELAINE JOLLY

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR STB JANUARY 27/28

MASS TIME	PRESIDER	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
4:00pm ENG	Fr. Sławek K Dcn Dan M	Scott S	Kathleen S Diane M Dcn Dan M	
7:30am POL	Fr. Sławek K Dcn Jacek S	Ignacy N	Piotr J Halina S Dnc Jacek S	
9:00am ENG	Fr. Steve D Dcn Dan M	Brian W	Dcn Dan M	
10:45am POL	Fr. Sławek K Dcn Jacek S	Wojciech G	Wojciech G Jakub G Dcn Jacek S	
12:30pm ENG	Fr. Steve D Dcn Dan M	Jeff P	Jeff P Bogdan Z Dcn Dan M	

Liturgy at St. Alphonsus Liguori Church						
Masses / Observances	Mass Intentions	Presider	Readings			
Saturday, 1/20, 8:30am St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr	Parishioners of Sts. Thomas Becket & Alphonsus Liguori Parish	Fr. Steven Dombrowski	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21			
Saturday, 1/20, 5:00pm	†Kenneth R. Marcotte, †George Fine, †Virginia Wojcik, †Kudjer & Wurtz Families, †Joseph Boffa, Petro & Amico Families, †Josephine Morelli	Fr. Greg Wojcik	See Sunday's Readings Below			
Sunday, 1/21, 8:30am 3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	†Peter Wisniewski	Fr. Slawomir Kurc	Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20			
Sunday, 1/21, 11:00am	†Michael Whelan, †Irene Hendricks, †Frank Pawula, †Josephine Morelli, †Charlene Kania	Fr. Slawomir Kurc				
Monday, 1/22, 8:15am Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children	Parishioners of Sts. Thomas Becket & Alphonsus Liguori Parish	Fr. Slawomir Kurc	2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25- 26/Mk 3:22-30			
Tuesday, 1/23, 8:15am St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin	†Peter Wisniewski	Fr. Steven Dombrowski	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35			
Wednesday, 1/24, 8:15am St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	†Jean Perkowitz, †George Hawel, †Albert Hawel, †Donald Deuling	Fr. Slawomir Kurc	2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29- 30/Mk 4:1-20			
Thursday, 1/25, 8:15am The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle	†Gordan Staiger	Fr. Steven Dombrowski	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18			
Friday, 1/26, 8:30am Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops	†Nicholas Helmer, †Robert Mallek	Fr. Steven Dombrowski	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1- 2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk 4:26-34			
Saturday, 1/27, 8:30am St. Angela Merici, Virgin	Parishioners of Sts. Thomas Becket & Alphonsus Liguori Parish	Fr. Slawomir Kurc	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41			
Saturday, 1/27, 5:00pm	†Kenneth R. Marcotte, †George Fine, †Ray E. Revera, †Kudjer & Wurtz Families, †Joseph Boffa, Pamela Longeway, †George & Evelyn Kalacinski	Fr. Steven Dombrowski	See Sunday's Readings Below			
Sunday, 1/28, 8:30am 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Celebrate Catholic Schools Week	†Peter Wisniewski	Fr. Greg Wojcik	Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28			
Sunday, 1/28, 11:00am Youth Mass	†Michael Whelan, †Irene Hendricks	Fr. Greg Wojcik				

This Weekend's Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned their nets and followed him. He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him.

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Contact our Site Administrators:

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Sunday Donations

Saints Thomas Becket & Alphonsus Liguori Parish Collections

Y-T-D Sunday Collection: \$ 562,133.00 (For Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023)

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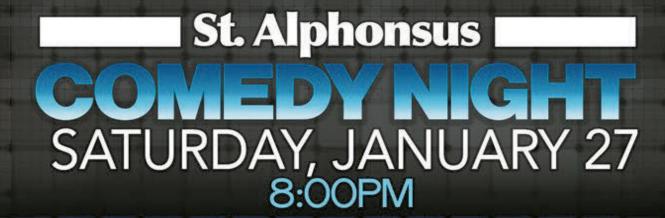
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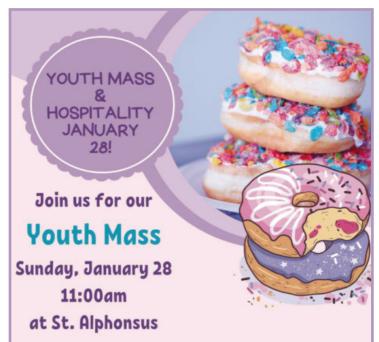




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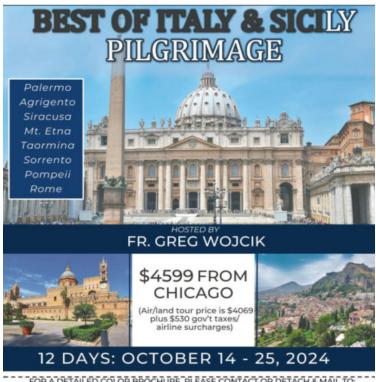
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Happy New Year! My name is Sofiia, and I am the Bulletin News Girl Leader for American Heritage Girls (AHG) Troop IL1317. I have been in AHG since fourth grade when I came as a first year Explorer and will soon be in my last year as a Patriot next year. I just can't seem to get enough of this leadership program focused on helping girls grow in their relationship with God through activities based on faith, fun, and service. Ours is the only AHG troop chartered by a Catholic Church nearby! AHG is a Christ-centered scout-style program.

The activities we have done so far this year are:

September-- AHG National Day of Service, created cards for 90 residents at St. Joseph Home for the Elderly; weekend Camping trip and Camping badge requirements at DuPage County Greene Valley Forest Preserve

October--Public Rosary Rally, Northwest Families March for Life, Troop Girl Leadership Retreat

November—All Saints Day party, participated as part of the Nativity scene in the Glenview Holiday Parade

December—St. Nicholas/Advent party; Christmas Around the World party and created 70 cards for Ascension Living Nazarethville Place, Christmas Caroling at Ascension Living Resurrection Place

These fun and faith-filled activities are what makes us happy to be a part of AHG! If you know any girls ages 5-18 who want to have fun while helping others and growing closer to God, please let us know! We are always open to new girls joining us. Those who are interested can email our Troop Coordinator, Mrs. Schorsch, at skp480@gmail.com. We hope to see some new faces soon!

Thank you, Sofiia



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DOES GOD FORGIVE ABORTION?

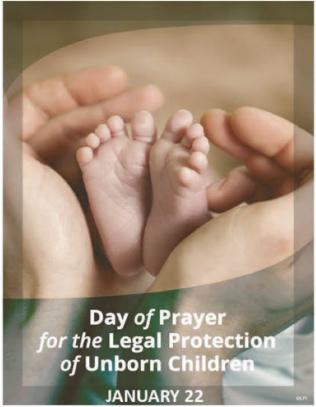
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Can a person (the mother, father, or provider) ever be forgiven for an abortion?

Answer:

For people of faith, any conversation of human sinfulness should always lead us to reflect on God's loving mercy. Because God's mercy is greater than any sin, the Church is clear that even those involved in the sin of abortion can be reconciled with God and the Church. To help make this grace more available through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis extended the permission to absolve someone of the sin of abortion to all priests in 2016.

Even with the grace and blessings of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the tragedy of abortion and the aftermath of abortion takes a toll on everyone involved. Ministries of



outreach and support, such as Project Rachel, offer pastoral counseling, support groups, retreats, and other forms of care. As Christians, we are also called to help promote this healing and reconciliation in all its forms. To learn more, visit www.hopeafterabortion.com. ©Lpi

DLACZEGO TO ROBIMY? - ŻYCIE KATOLICKIE WYJAŚNIONE

CZY BÓG WYBACZA ABORCJĘ?

Pytanie:

Czy osoba (matka, ojciec lub usługodawca) może kiedykolwiek otrzymać przebaczenie za aborcję?

Odpowiedź:

Dla ludzi wierzących każda rozmowa o ludzkiej grzeszności powinna zawsze prowadzić nas do refleksji nad miłosierdziem Boga. Ponieważ Boże miłosierdzie jest większe niż jakikolwiek grzech, Kościół jasno stwierdza, że nawet osoby zaangażowane w grzech aborcji mogą zostać pojednane z Bogiem i Kościołem. Aby pomóc uczynić tę łaskę bardziej dostępną poprzez sakrament pojednania, papież Franciszek w 2016 roku rozszerzył na wszystkich kapłanów zezwolenie na rozgrzeszenie z grzechu aborcji.

Nawet z łaską i błogosławieństwem Sakramentu Pojednania, tragedia aborcji i jej następstwa udzielają się na wszystkich zaangażowanych. Ośrodki pomocy i wsparcia, takie jak Project Rachel, oferują porady duszpasterskie, grupy wsparcia, rekolekcje i inne formy opieki. Jako chrześcijanie jesteśmy również wezwani do promowania uzdrowienia i pojednania we wszystkich jego formach. Aby dowiedzieć się więcej, odwiedź stronę www.hopeafterabortion.com. ©Lpi

STYCZEŃ 22—DZIEŃ MODLITWY O PRAWNĄ OCHRONĘ DZIECI NIENARODZONYCH

Women's Guild Meeting

The Women's Guild meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, January 22 at 1:00pm in the St. Thomas Becket parish hall. An afternoon meeting lets us avoid the dark January night.

The meeting will begin with a light meal of pasta, beef sandwiches and dessert before the business meeting, door prize and speaker.

Joni Fine, one of our guild members, will be our guest speaker with talk on "Fraud and Identity Theft."

Joni is the former Illinois Chapter Vice President of the International Associate of Financial Crime's Investigators (IAFCI).

As always, guests are welcome!

Uncover the Biblical Foundations of Catholicism

Have you ever been unable to explain the "why" of Catholic beliefs? Have you ever wondered why the Old Testament sounds so different from the New Testament? In the Old Testament, God began building a plan and laying a foundation for the beautiful traditions of the Catholic Faith. That plan was fulfilled by Jesus in the New Testament. Fulfilled: Uncovering the Biblical Foundations of Catholicism is an apologetic approach to sharing the Catholic Faith using the Old Testament Tabernacle as a blueprint for God's plan. Fulfilled will reignite your love of Scripture and help you share and defend the Catholic Faith with the Word of God. Fulfilled Part One – Called into His Presence focuses on elements of the outer sanctuary of the Tabernacle and how they connect to the liturgical calendar, the priesthood, purgatory, baptism, and more.

Join us for this seven-part study beginning Wednesday, January 24th in the St. Alphonsus School Library from 6:45pm—8:00pm. We will not meet on Ash Wednesday, 2/14/24.

To register: contact Joe Cotugno at 847-650-4921 or j.cotugno@icloud.com, Brad Vallem 847-714-2574 or bsvallem@aol.com, or the parish offices. The cost of the Study guide is \$25.00. If you also want the companion book and online access (to preview or review or in case you miss a class), the cost is \$30.00.



Healing Mass

Join us for the Sacraments of Reconciliation & Anointing during Mass on **Saturday**, **February 3** at 8:30am.

The Rosary will be led by the American Heritage Girls after Mass.



Monthly Birthdays

The Daily Mass community invites all parishioners to celebrate birthdays the **first Tuesday** of each month **following the 8:15 Mass** in the meeting rooms.

JOIN US TUESDAY, February 7th! Celebrants are invited for coffee & cake and a special blessing. Even if it's not your birthday come and enjoy the coffee and conversation!



"Deliver us from Evil" What exactly is "Evil" and How Can I Avoid it?

We know that evil is around us everywhere...it insinuates itself in every aspect of our lives... We need to constantly be on guard, and with Lent upon us we can use all the help we can get!

The Senior Fun Club, Woman's Guild and Men's Club of Saints Thomas Becket and Alphonsus Liguori, invite you to a very special Lenten event!

Monday, February 19th at Noon

in the St. Alphonsus Dining Hall

Most Rev. Jeffrey Grob, our Episcopal Vicar, will be our Speaker

Soup, Salad & Dessert will be served! Cost is \$10/person

Proceeds going to Nazarethville

Reservations Necessary by 2/13/24

Drop off at either Parish Office or collection basket.

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Phone	 	
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Please Pray For:

~ Those Requesting Trayers ~

John Balzanto, Shirley Barker, Matthew Fitzgerald Batt, Jamal L. Carraway, Clayton Berrigan, Marie Berrigan, Donald Blickle, Lawrence Boesen, Thomas Boesen, Lola Bondzinski, Anna Braun, Jeanne Brown, Maria Budinger, Maria Cacucciolo, Harriett Ciesil, Jennifer Clyder, Terry Condon, John Doherty, Jack Dugan, Mary Dugan, Joan Fine, Heather Fischer, Tim Ford, Kevin Frei, Caryn Garber, Carol Glab, Peggy Gosch, Mary Graff, Brian Halpin, Kris Hansen, Liz Hardesty, David Hartman, Judy Hartman, Dale Hay, Kathleen Heinz, Salvina Hernandez, Jackie Hipelius, John Hipelius, Jessica Hough, Tom Huene, Jr., Itzy, Tom, Heune, Sr., Pam Jackstis, RFK, Ann Kellerhals, Krzysztof, Mary Ann Kudjer, Kirk Kunzendorf, Pat Laman, Carol Lange, Lucille Lay, Megan Lawler, Patti Lawler, Mary Margaret Lazich, Jim Leonard, Carol Lewandowski, Tony Lewandowski, Bob Linhart, Pat Linhart, Rick Lizars, Harper Lynn, Josephine Mallek, Claudia Marchetti, Mareena Mattison, Wendy Mattison, Michael McDonough, Kathleen McKenna, Jim McGowan, Brian Meschick, Joann Miller, Ann Michals, Gay Miezin, Cathy Moretti, Dick Moretti, Maeve Morgan, Dolores Murbach, Norine Naselli, John Naughton, Susan Naughton, Marilyn Olson, Bernie Olson, Susan Ostrowski, Karen Ralston, Michael Ricard, Mary Roseri, Ning Santos, Mary Jo Sheehy, John Shafer, Pat Schaefer, Stan Shafer, Laura Schuerman, Robert "Bob" Smith, Stanley, Donna Tadda, Natalie Tadda, Barbara Teeple, Justin Thompson, Margaret Turansky, Steve Volkodav, Mickey Wallace, Martha Wieland

To be added to this prayer list, or have your name removed, please call the Parish Office at 847-255-7452.



Register with our Parish

Call the Parish Office at 847-255-7452 or 847-827-9220, register on our website, or register in person.

~ Those in the Military ~

We would like to keep Active Duty Military who proudly serve our country in our prayers.



Capt. Peter Straka, U.S. Army, son of Timothy and Carol Straka Lt. Ryan Pattullo, USN, grandson of Maria Wirth

Capt. Michael K. Yoshino, U.S. Army, son of Keith & Kristine Yoshino

Col Michael B. Sheridan, U.S Army, *nephew of Anita Thomas* Lt. Col Chiara Sheridan, U.S. Army, *relative of Anita Thomas* Maj. Christina M. Rudolph, U.S. Army Reserves, *daughter of Julianne Henington*

LCp1. Tim Haerr, USMC, great nephew of Joyce Patton LCDR Patrick Mitchell, USN, son-in-law of Jean and Tom Spiegelhalter

CPO, Matthew Lee, USN, nephew of Patrick Lee Cpl. Jason Matker, USMC, grandson of Donald (& Carol) Matker FCA2 Andrew Fonseca, USN, parishioner

Cpl. Eric Fonseca, USMC, parishioner

Sgt. Robert McKavanagh, USMC, son of Deana McKavanagh

Add a Person / Update Rank / Remove from List Contact Deana: 847-255-7452 x 131 d.mckavanagh@stbal.org

Prayer Circle

Ministers offer spiritual and moral support to those experiencing serious concerns in their lives. They want to pray with you for special intentions, such as a serious illness or emergency situation. When called upon, these ministers pass your prayer request to all members. Prayers are kept within the Prayer Circle and are not announced at Mass unless you wish. If you are in need of this prayer support, please call:

Diane Kachigian 847-215-2548

If you would like the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, or have an emergency requiring a priest, please contact us at 847-255-7452 or 847-827-9220.

Community Events and Support Groups:

Spring 2024 Adult Confirmation for Vicariate I—



Are you an adult who missed receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? **Preparation for Confirmation for Vicariate I parishioners will be offered weekly on Mondays beginning Monday, April 8, 7-9pm**, at St. Edna Parish, 2525 N. Arlington Heights Rd. in Arlington Heights. Bishop Jeffrey Grob will preside at

the Confirmation Mass at St. Edna Parish on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. **Registration closes on March 15.** Contact Lorie Crepeau for information and registration; lcrepeau@stedna.org, 847-398-3362, ext. 325

Fulton Sheen Day at Marytown—

Marytown is proud to present **Fulton Sheen Day** on Saturday, **February 24, 2024, 8:00am to 4:00pm** at its conference center at 1600 W. Park Ave., Libertyville. Presenter, Dr. Peter Howard, President of the Fulton Sheen Institute, is a leading expert on the teachings of Venerable Fulton J. Sheen. The day will feature prayer, presentations and lunch. Registration and fee are required. For information, see <u>kolbeshrine.org/fulton-sheen-day</u> or call 847-367-7800 x225.

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Lent with the Heart of Jesus



Retreat Leader: Fr. James Kubicki, SJ



February 14, 2024

Day of Reflection for Adults

Ash Wednesday falls on Valentine's Day this year. It's a day filled with hearts but the most important one is the Heart of Jesus. We will celebrate Ash Wednesday reflecting on prayer, fasting, and alms-giving and their connection to the Heart of Jesus.





To register for this retreat, scan the QR Code with your camera!



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LOSS: Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide—

Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) is a nondenominational program that supports individuals who are grieving the loss of a loved one by suicide offered by Catholic Charities. LOSS offers a safe, non-judgmental environment where survivors of suicide can openly talk about feelings, and find resources for healing. Call 312-655-7283 or visit www.catholiccharities.net/loss

Support for Loss of a Loved One—

Grief and Loss Services at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care offers one-on-one counseling, support groups and education for anyone who has lost a loved one. For more information visit www.RainbowHospice.org or call 847-653-3141

Widowed Men & Women's Monthly Support Group—

To Be Joyful Again, a non denominational support group for widows, widowers, or anyone who has lost a significant other, meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:00pm at Holy Family Parish, 2515 Palatine Road, Inverness. Get the support you need in this difficult time. All are welcome. Contact Peggy Emerson at 224-595-3613 or Bob Boho at 847-438-2884

Joyful Again! Support for Widowed Men & Women—

For upcoming Retreats and Workshops please check us out at www.joyfulagain.org, or call 708-354-7211

NAMI Support Group at St. Emily Parish—

Family members of individuals living with mental health conditions are invited to the National Alliance on Mental Illness Family Support Group the **second Tuesday of each month 7:00-8:30pm** 1400 E. Central Road in Mt. Prospect. Questions? Contact Mary Rose at 847-496-1415

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If you are a victim of domestic violence (male or female), or know someone who is, and need help, please contact one of these numbers: WINGS 24 hr. Hotline and Counseling Services and Emergency Shelter 847-221-5680 • National Domestic Violence Hotline 24 hr. 800-799-7233

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