



ST. PAUL VI PARISH

SECOND SUNDAY OF

Advent



DECEMBER 4, 2022

John the Baptist appeared,
preaching in the desert of Judea and saying,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!”

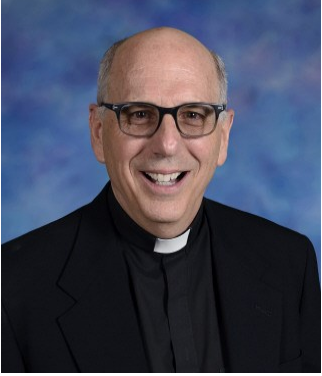
MATTHEW 3:1

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St. Mary Church
105 Herrick Road
Riverside

Mater Christi Church
2401 S. 10th Avenue
North Riverside

A message from our Pastor



This weekend we light the second purple candle of Advent, representing Faith. It is also known as the Bethlehem Candle, a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. Faith is a journey, and it is different for each one of us.

A journey is defined as "the act of traveling from one place to another". We often think of journeys as going to somewhere and then returning "home", but journeys do not necessarily mean that one travels back to the place from which one started. Going on a journey implies experiencing new things, looking at things with a new perspective, going places you would not normally go, overcoming unexpected challenges, and finding one's inner strength to complete the trip. Journeys change people. Think of some epic journey stories – The Odyssey, Star Wars, The Ring Trilogy, Harry Potter. Journeys span time and force examination; journeys are not vacations. All journeys begin somewhere and end somewhere else.

For Mary, the journey began when she said "Yes" and agreed to be the mother of God's son. For Joseph, the journey began when he listened to an angel, changed his heart, and became Mary's husband. Their respective "yeses" to God and His plan, took great courage. The trip to Bethlehem could not have been easy for either one of them; they didn't even have a place to stay. Mary gives birth in a stable; they are visited by strange people wanting to see the child. When it comes time to return "home", they are instructed to go instead to Egypt. Talk about an epic journey story! What fortified this couple and kept them going despite unbelievable challenges? For both Mary and Joseph, it was a deep and abiding faith and an incredible trust in God, personally, as a couple and as a family. Their faith made them open to be part of God's plan, not their own. They had choices, they listened for God's voice in their lives, and they acted accordingly.

What fortifies us along the way? Belief? Prayer? The Sacraments? Unfortunately, many people believe that their journey ends with the reception of the sacraments, rather than understanding that the sacraments are the tools and markers to help sustain us along the way.

Let us use these days of Advent to help open our hearts and minds to God's plan in our lives.

Where are you on your faith journey?

"Once in our world, a Stable had something in it that was bigger than our whole world."

- C.S. Lewis

Fr. Tom May, Pastor

A message from our Associate Pastor



You may have participated in Secret Santa during the Advent and Christmas Season. I can remember growing up and choosing a Secret Santa from among my family members. It was fantastic going to the St Rene Holiday Bazaar with \$5 to buy my gift. I can also remember my Mom reminding me to pray for my Secret Santa. Margaret Rose Realy, Obl.OSB from Aleteia has more about praying for someone during this season.

When you give the gift of spiritual adoption, the recipient need never know.

The preparation for Christmases of my childhood began weeks before Thanksgiving. The family business was commercial greenhousing and included evergreens: wholesale garland, wreath, and grave blanket production. Arriving at Christmas was a full-on run without the spiritual focus on Advent and the coming of the Messiah.

Christmas day meant stacks of beautifully wrapped boxes under the tree. Once all the packages had been placed before each of us children, we, all at once, tore open the wrappings to reveal the hidden gifts.

Often my enjoyment became muted. It's not that as a child I wasn't grateful for the gifts, but rather was overwhelmed by the excessiveness.

There were times I would walk away from the stack of opened gifts, stand to the side of the sofa and watch the others. I was joyful in seeing their delight, and I wanted to see if so-and-so had opened my gift to them. I was calmed and renewed by giving a gift.

Today, sharing gifts anonymously — fulfilling gift tags taken from the church's Giving Tree, and the "Secret Santa" game played among close friends — carries a special kind of joy for me.

It is also this anonymity that I am fond of as a prayerful intercessor.

A favorite way I have to pray for another is by adopting that soul for a year. It first began as a month-long practice, as a way to foster forgiveness of despairing situations and release both our souls. It was a deliberate act of faith, and an affirmation, that though a situation may be unforgettable, one can move beyond it.

Soon a deepening peace developed with this discipline that felt more like love than work. The joy of accompanying a soul, the whole person, in a spiritual journey, was a gift I could give to Our Lord. It is a way to bless God for blessing me with the opportunity to pray for another. Being an intercessor means petitioning for a person, a future saint, in an intense fellowship of prayer in whatever is faced in our daily life.

Prayer that combines the fruits of the spirit and spiritual adoption is a fruit easy to grow in the garden of the soul.

First, open yourself to the needs of a specific person for prayer—you will adopt only one (living) person for a year. It could be a mother with multiple challenges, a friend with a chronic illness, your mechanic who is unsure about religion, a recent immigrant trying to find his way, or maybe an older student entering studies in a new field.

Once the Holy Spirit has moved you to discern that person, choose a meaningful day—to be the same every year—to begin the adoption. The day could be Christmas, the calendar or liturgical new year, the date of your patron saint, or my choice, All Saints Day.

Over the next year your spiritually adopted soul will be a part of your daily life, which partners the idea of "praying without ceasing." Here are a few suggestions to practice prayers of adoption. You will surely think of more:

- Add your adoptee to your morning and evening prayers.
- Offer daily a decade or full rosary for her/him.
- Whenever visiting a church that has votive candles, always light one on your adoptee's behalf.
- When doing chores, offer up a quick ejaculatory prayer, such as "Jesus, bless him/her with your grace today."
- Randomly, when the person comes to mind, say the Memorare by including him or her at the end; "...Oh mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petition [for _____], but in your mercy hear and answer me..."
- The offering up thing? Yep, give that to Our Lord in your adoptee's name.
- Imagine that soul accompanying you during Adoration.

I rarely tell the person they've been spiritually adopted. There have been a few situations when I've felt my adoptee may need to hear someone has their back. I'll share with them my intentions and ask them to keep me posted of their needs during that time.

A special friendship develops, one that spans space and carries into eternity. It is a way to help a person increase the desire to search, to welcome, and to cooperate with the will of God.

There is an anticipation of the joy these people will feel when they one day enter into eternity and the hidden gift is revealed, and a hope that my adopted friends delight in the secret prayers that drew them closer to God.

Worship

MASS SCHEDULE

Mater Christi Church

Daily Mass

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am
Church (Live replay on YouTube)

Anticipated Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm Church

Sunday Mass

8:00 am Church
(Live replay on YouTube)

9:30 am Church

11:00 am Church*

St. Mary Church

Daily Mass

Monday-Friday 8:30 am Church

Anticipated Mass

Saturday 4:00 pm Church

Sunday Mass

8:00 am Church

10:00 am Church*

5:00 pm Church

*Children's Liturgy of the Word

MASS LIVESTREAM LINK ON YOUTUBE:

[youtube.com/channel/UC1KACprstDfNk-Zy8MOAeaA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1KACprstDfNk-Zy8MOAeaA)

Sunday Drive-Up Holy Communion

St. Mary Church side parking lot near the elevator entrance

9:15 to 9:30 am

Please remain in your vehicle and the volunteers will guide you.

RECONCILIATION

Mater Christi Church

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 pm, before
5:00 pm Mass or by appointment

St. Mary Church

Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 pm, before
4:00 pm Mass or by appointment

This Week's Scripture Reading

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;
Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;
Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10;
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6,
11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b,
15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-
10; Mt 11:2-11

PRESIDER SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF December 10 & 11:

St. Mary Church

Presider:

Saturday **Dec 10** 4:00 PM Fr. Thomas May

Sunday **Dec 11** 8:00 AM Fr. Thomas Unz

10:00 AM Fr. Brian Taber, SJ

5:00 PM Fr. Matthew Nemchausky

Mater Christi Church

Presider:

Saturday **Dec 10** 5:00 PM Fr. Matthew Nemchausky

Sunday **Dec 11** 8:00 AM Fr. Thomas May

9:30 AM Fr. Thomas May

11:00 AM Fr. Robert Banzin

**Presider schedule is subject to change.*

ROSARY, DIVINE MERCY & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mater Christi Church

Rosary

Saturday 7:30 am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 6:00 to 8:00 pm

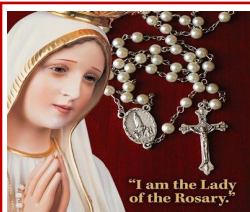
St. Mary Church

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary

Thursday 3:00 to 4:00 pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

3:00 to 9:00 pm



Hail Mary Challenge

1,328,284

Come pray the Glorious Mysteries of the Holy Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary.

Please keep sending in your prayers for healing and join us for the Zoom Rosary Sundays at 7:30pm.

Join us on this link: Meeting ID: 812 1056 2468

Passcode: 949134

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VIRTUAL PRAYER WALL

Share your prayer request so others can pray for you, or pray for the needs on the wall. Remember, this is a public forum. Be sure you have permission to share the personal details of others, especially names.

All prayer intentions will be moderated before posting.

We encourage you to also post prayers of praise and thanksgiving, sharing when prayers have been answered.

Virtual Prayer Wall requests can be made by visiting www.stpaulviparish.org or call the parish office at 708-447-1020.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 3 - St. Francis Xavier

(MC) 8:00 am † Crifassi Family (Robert Dedowicz)
(SM) 4:00 pm † For all parents
(MC) 5:00 pm † George T. Buenik, Jim Burns (Del Burns)

Sunday, December 4 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

(SM/MC) 8:00 am † Members of the Stumpo Family (D. Conjura)
(MC) 9:30 am † Jose Gonzalez Monroy, Rosa Guzman Jaso, Dalton Lee Brown
(SM) 10:00 am † Marco Navarro, Janice (Bunnie) Rink-Knackstedt (Barb, Edna, Carolyn, Barb & Judy)
(MC) 11:00 am † Jeanne Dvorak Nolden (Del Burns), Anne & Fred Curcione, Rosa & Joseph Santoro
(SM) 5:00 pm † For all expectant mothers

Monday, December 5

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † St. Paul VI Parish School children & teachers

Tuesday, December 6 - St. Nicholas

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Mary McQuade (Patricia Madai), Victoria Michniewicz (Lesniak & Michniewicz Families)

Wednesday, December 7 - St. Ambrose

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Joseph Carrabotta (Drs. Frank & Carla Orland)

Thursday, December 8 - THE IMMACULATE CONCEPCION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Gene Holzmeister (Kay Holzmeister), David J. Mulvihill (St. Paul VI), Robert Carey (Peggy Carey)

Friday, December 9 - St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Father Thomas J. Mescall (Thomas Morrisey)

Saturday, December 10 - Our Lady of Loreto

(MC) 8:00 am † St. Paul VI Parish Volunteers
(SM) 4:00 pm † Nushard & Jes Families (Sharmayne Stach), John Chavez (Sharmayne Stach), Radoslava & Augustine Pribyl (Pribyl Family), Franda & Joseph Uhlar (Pribyl Family), Flavio Gentile (Judy Jisa)
(MC) 5:00 pm † Ron Gryzlak, Jim Burns (Del Burns), Walter Folz, Jr. (PJ Folz), Mary Anderson (PJ Folz), Betty & Charlie Pavelic (Jeri Basek), Basek Family (Jeri Basek)

Sunday, December 11 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

(SM/MC) 8:00 am † August & Helen Ondrejka (L. V.), Donald Joseph Tadda (Anne T. Lysaught)
(MC) 9:30 am † Jose Gonzalez Monroy, Rosa Guzman Jaso, Sweeney Family (Mary Sweeney), Daniel Mokrzycki, Edward & Lillian Mokrzycki, George R. Zdarsky, Edwin Dulik, Dalton Lee Brown
(SM) 10:00 am † Antonette Uthe, Procoro & Lillian Cuevas (Cuevas Family), Mildred Valek (Zaviska Family), Ronald Smith, Richard Dunleavy (Thomas Dunleavy), Ryan Lechter (Mary Sweeney), Glynell Killian (Scaduto Kids)
(MC) 11:00 am † Ray Hickey (Cindy Hickey)
(SM) 5:00 pm † Margaret "Peg" Birmingham (Bill & Jane Birmingham)



In our hearts and prayers, we pray...

For the deceased

PRAYER FOR THE ETERNAL REST

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**For all those who have died, especially for
Ann G. Gogola, Irene Kaval and Alice Ewald.
May they rest in Peace.**

For the sick and homebound

Virginia Alba	Theresa Kledek
Cheryl Albertsen	Mary Kratochvil
Christine Alvarado	Joseph Kratochvil
Jim Arndt	Diane Kretz
Arlene Batek	Christina Lee
Deacon Bob Boharic	Ramon Lehnen
Jennifer Borow	Charlotte Lindauer
Linda Bronsteader	Eileen Marquetti
Del Burns	Emily Martinez
Raybon Carroll	Harper Faith McGee
Gloria DeSanto	Spencer Mehr
Margarita Diaz	Lizzie Mooney
Therese Dolmant	Freda Murphy
Elliott Franche	Irene Nelsen
Midge Galloro	Annie Nystrom
Jayne Girard	Beth Pennacchio
Bern Gordus	Dean Pennacchio
Anthony Gorski	Rafaela Perez
Elena Gorski	Elsie Piszczor
Irene Gorski	Dennis Raleigh
Bob Gurski	George Rieber Sr.
Katie Hassberger	Rogelio Rojas
Thomas Higgins	Bridget Sarley
Marilynne Higgins	Carol Schaffer
Robert Holas	Lorraine Schmecht
Irene Horacek	Nicholas John Stiso
Olga Horacek	Erin Stobaugh
Wassyl Kalin	Ethan Tkalec
Noel Keen	Maria Villafuerte
Bill Kernan	Jennifer Walden
Patricia King	Carina Willems
Norman Kirkley	Pat Zdarsky

If you have a loved one that you would like to be remembered for a special intention during Mass, please visit our parish office located at 40 E. Burlington St., Riverside or call 708-447-1020 to schedule one.

To request your Mass Intention to be included in the bulletin, please submit at least 2 weeks prior to the requested Sunday bulletin date.

2022 Advent & Christmas Mass Schedule

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Thursday, December 8
8:00 AM Mater Christi Church
8:30 AM St. Mary Church
7:00 PM Mater Christi Church

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Monday, December 12
7:00 PM St. Mary Church

PARISH RECONCILIATION

Tuesday, December 13
6:30 PM St Mary Church

LAS POSADAS

Friday, December 16
7:00 PM St. Mary Church
Tuesday, December 20
7:00 PM Mater Christi Church

SIMBANG GABI

Saturday, December 17
5:00 PM Mater Christi Church
(Please note NEW TIME)

CHRISTMAS EVE

Saturday, December 24
No morning Masses
3:00 PM St. Mary Church
3:00 PM St. Mary Parish Center
Children's Christmas Pageant
4:00 PM Mater Christi Church
5:00 PM St Mary Church
10:00 PM St. Mary Church (Livestream)
(Carols begin at 9:30 PM)
12:00 Midnight Mater Christi Church
(Carols begin at 11:30 PM)

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sunday, December 25*
8:00 AM Mater Christi Church
8:00 AM St. Mary Church
9:30 AM Mater Christi Church
10:00 AM St. Mary Church
11:00 AM Mater Christi Church
**NO 5:00 PM Mass at St Mary Church*

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Saturday, December 31, 2022
4:00 PM St. Mary Church
5:00 PM Mater Christi Church

Sunday, January 1, 2023

8:00 AM Mater Christi Church
8:00 AM St. Mary Church
9:30 AM Mater Christi Church
10:00 AM St. Mary Church
11:00 AM Mater Christi Church
**NO 5:00 PM Mass at St Mary Church*

EPIPHANY

Saturday, January 7, 2023
Sunday, January 8, 2023
Regular Weekend Mass schedule

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Saturday, January 14, 2023
Sunday, January 15, 2023
Regular Weekend Mass schedule

*Rejoice always,
Pray without ceasing.*

- 1 Thessalonians 5:16



Stewardship: Gifts of Time, Talent & Treasure

Prayer of Generosity

“Lord Jesus, teach me to be generous. Teach me to serve as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to labor and not to seek to rest, to give of myself and not ask for a reward, except the reward of knowing that I am doing your will.” - St. Ignatius of Loyola

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
PRIESTS' HEALTH
& RETIREMENT



December 11, 2022

Our Promise to Our Priests



Priests' Health and Retirement

Priests have dedicated their lives to ministry, serving our needs as Catholics from the moment we are baptized until we receive last rites before entering eternal life. Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA provides for the health and well-being of 450 active and 254 retired archdiocesan priests.

Today, with healthcare and retirement costs rising, there is an urgent need for your support. Your generosity to the Priests' Health and Retirement/PRMAA ensures our priests can continue their meaningful work in our parishes by providing funds for:

- Health insurance
- Medication
- Wellness costs
- Nursing care
- Independent retirement living residences
- Priests' retirement fund

- W A Y S T O G I V E -

MAIL - DROP OFF - CALL

- Bishop Lyne Pastoral Center
40 E Burlington St.
Riverside IL 60546
(708) 447-1020

ONLINE

- Click the donate button at www.stpaulviparish.org to set up an EFT or credit/debit card donation.

TEXT-TO-GIVE

- Text **DONATE** to 708-55-4PAUL (708-554-7285).
- A verification and an email will be sent to you.

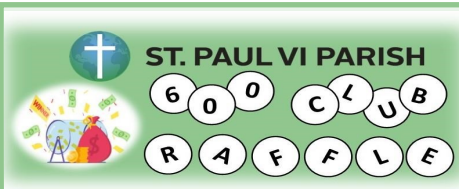


SCAN TO DONATE

How to scan a QR code using your iPhone or Android phone:

- Open the Camera app on your phone.
- Then point your phone on the QR code to scan.
- Tap on the pop-up banner to open St. Paul VI Donate page.

Announcement



CONGRATULATIONS!

Winners for 600 Club 11/21
1st Prize (\$75):
Linda Wawzenski (#064)
2nd Prize (\$25):
Mike & Nicole Hayes (#49)

Winners for 600 Club 11/28
1st Prize (\$75):
Susan E. Conner (#231)
2nd Prize (\$25):
Matt Radek (#110)

The next drawing will be on Monday, December 5.

Feeling lucky?! Come by the parish office and grab a raffle ticket. The winner will be notified by email/phone, bulletin. Pick one up at the parish office. 40 E. Burlington St. Riverside. All proceeds from the fundraiser will be credited toward the parish fundraising goal of \$45,000 for the fiscal year 2022-2023. Any questions? Please contact Jane Birmingham at jbirmingham@stpaulviparish.org or 708-853-1421.

Stewardship: Gifts of Time, Talent & Treasure



A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS AT THE PARISH ACTION DAY

Parish Action Day this year was a resounding success! Thanks to all 145 parishioners who volunteered at one of the eight different service projects that were completed on November 5th. Thanks also to those who donated coats & warm clothing to Catholic Charities, supplies for the stockings for the military, and laundry pods & quarters for the homeless laundry bags. Special thanks to all of the well-organized group leaders and Service Outreach Committee members who also supplied the delicious breakfast.

Here are some of the results of the day's work:

1. 25 holiday stockings filled and decorated, 30 cards decorated, all for active duty military personnel.
2. 85 cookies iced and decorated for BEDs Homeless clients.
3. 160 toiletry kits assembled for Guardian Corps of America (serving homeless veterans on the streets).
4. 40 "Random Acts of Kindness" pouches with candy were assembled, decorated, and distributed randomly out in the community to brighten people's days on behalf of St Paul VI.
5. 107+ laundry bags with 2 pods, 2 dryer sheets, and \$3.50 were assembled for BEDs Homeless clients as well as 938+ more with just the pods and dryer sheets.
6. 42 extra large bags of coats & warm clothing were collected, sorted, and bagged for Catholic Charities (4 full SUVs!). Assembled 40 snack packs for CC kids after school program.
7. Groups at both Mater Christi and St Mary did a variety of tasks to help clean our churches.
8. A group went to the Bishop Goedert Senior Home at Hines VA and honored the veteran residents with a patriotic program and brunch.
9. A hardy group worked outside in the windy cold weather to help the Riverside forester improve one of the community parks.



1. Decorated Christmas cards for the Military



4. "Random Acts of Kindness" pouches with candy were assembled, decorated, and distributed randomly out in the community .



7. Cleaned both St. Mary and Mater Christi Churches.



2. Cookies for BEDs Homeless clients



5. Assembled laundry items for BEDs Homeless clients



8. Honored the veteran residents with a patriotic program and brunch at Hines VA.



3. Assembled toiletry kits for the Guardian Corps of America



6. Collected, sorted & bagged warm clothing, and assembly snack packs for after school program for the Catholic Charities.



9. Helped the Riverside forester improve one of the community parks.

Announcements

Giving Tree

Thank you to everyone who has taken or will take a tag off the St. Paul VI Giving Trees. All gifts are due back December 10-11. Please see your tag for instructions regarding returning your gift.

Giving Trees located at St. Mary Church, Mater Christi Church and St. Hugh Faith Formation Center.



FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS

All families of St. Paul VI Parish, including Religious Ed and St. Mary School, are invited to share a Christmas Ornament to be used in decorating the Family Christmas Tree in the Parish Center lobby. Ornaments should represent the family in some way and may be any style, either homemade or store bought. Ornaments may be dropped off at the Lyne Pastoral Center, St. Mary School, St. Mary Church, Mater Christi Church, or the St. Hugh Faith Formation Center from December 1st through December 16th, 2022.



In Remembrance...

During this holiday season, we remember our loved ones who have passed on. Parishioners are welcome to make a gift in creating a small yet tangible remembrance of their deceased family members and/or friends while helping to fund the Advent and Christmas flowers and our musicians that enhance our parish liturgies.

To participate, please fill out the form below and return it with your donation in an envelope. A suggested donation of \$10 to honor your remembrance or any amount of denomination is greatly appreciated. Please make checks payable to St. Paul VI Parish. Donations may be deposited in the Sunday collection basket (please place in a separate envelope), or drop it in the Parish Office mailbox. You can also submit online using the link below or scan the QR code with your mobile device. Please be sure to include in Memoriam name.

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/a6b70eed-d8cf-4f58-b3ec-d52b7ea45c11>



The names of those you wish to be remembered will be published in the St. Paul VI Parish bulletin. Your remembrance **must be received by December 9th!**

CHRISTMAS FLOWER/MUSICIAN MEMORIAL

Please **PRINT** - first and last name only

In Memory of _____

Donor's Name _____

Phone Number _____

Announcements



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
BISHOP KETTELER COUNCIL # 1628
St. Paul VI Parish
Riverside, IL 60546



"Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest Entry Form



Age 5-7 (Grade K-2) Age 8-10 (Grade 3-5) Age 11-14 (Grade 6-8)

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____

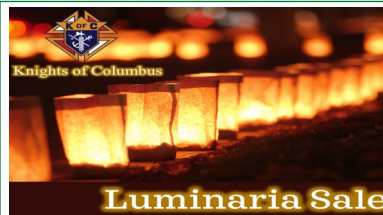
Email address _____

"Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest Rules

The Poster must reflect the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas.
The contest is open to St. Mary School and St. Paul VI Religious Education Students.
Each poster must be accompanied by the attached Official Bishop Ketteler Council #1628 Entry Form.
The contest will be divided into three (3) age categories:
5-7 (grade K – 2), 8-10 (grade 3 – 5), and 11-14 (Grade 6 – 8) years of age.
Each poster should be the original work of one artist including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images.
Poster must be 8 1/2" X 11".
Posters must be submitted to Bishop Lyle Pastoral Center office.
All posters must be submitted by 6:00 pm on Friday, December 16, 2022.
Posters will be judged by a panel of the KofC council and other appointed personnel.

Contest Prizes
First Prize for Age 8-10 and 11-14 year olds will be \$50.
Second Prize for Age 8-10 and 11-14 year olds will be \$25
Best Poster for Age 5-7 will be a Gift Certificate for \$25 from Aunt Diana's Old-Fashioned Fudge

For questions, please contact Francis Michl at Fxmichl64@gmail.com



ORDER LUMINARIA FOR CHRISTMAS

6 Luminaria per Kit for \$10
3 Kits (18 Luminaria) for \$20

Christmas Luminaria orders are due by December 13

Each Kit contains 6 candles, 6 bags, and sand.
Local Orders will be delivered on December 17.

For online order or to download an order form, visit stpaulviparish.org.

Paper orders can be returned in the collection (labeled Luminaria Sale) or dropped off at the Parish Office (40 E. Burlington St., Riverside).

Please make checks payable to St. Paul VI Parish.

If you have questions, please call Terry Healy at 312-550-2208.



St. Mary School's Family School Association (FSA) is selling their first annual Christmas ornament!
These beautiful ornaments are made of glass. They are 3" square and have a picture of the church and original school building. Each ornament is \$12.
Checks can be made out to St. Mary FSA.

Questions? Email smsf-sa.riverside@gmail.com.

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/5e27138f-f536-407c-9bae-dbd042b223eb>



Parish Events



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training
When: Thursday, December 15th
7:00 PM to 9:30 PM
Where: Marian Room (lower level of Mater Christi Church)
Who: New candidates for Eucharistic Minister
Leader: Father Matthew Nemchausky

Training will be provided by Fr. Matt. A certification will be given at the completion of training. Additional training course will be given for Ministers of Care candidates. Current Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of Care are encouraged to attend. The program will renew and deepen your understanding and commitment to your Ministry.

Please register by calling or texting Rich Sima, 708-446-6394 or calling Berni Austin, 708-334-3677. You can also call Chris Alfred at the Parish Office at 708-447-1020.

A WOMEN'S SOCIETY CHRISTMAS

The Women's Society will gather for its next meeting and Christmas festivities **Wednesday evening, Dec. 7, at 7:00 pm** in the Marian Room at Mater Christi Church. The festivities will include music, holiday refreshments, painting a Christmas canvas, and an ornament exchange! If you would like to take part in the exchange, please bring a wrapped ornament worth up to \$10. Join us in church at 6:30 for the Rosary and the St. Andrew Christmas Novena.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING AND MASS

All men of St. Paul VI Parish are invited to attend our Holy Name Society (HNS) Meetings. Our next meeting will be held on **Friday, December 9th, 2022** at the St. Hugh Faith Formation Center in Menarik Hall (lower level). Doors open at 7:00pm with the meeting commencing at 7:30pm. In conjunction with the season, please note that the December meeting will also include a guest presenter who will speak to us about Advent. After the meeting, a meal featuring hotdogs will be served for dinner.



The Holy Name Mass will be on **Sunday, December 11th, 2022** at the 9:30am Mass at the Mater Christi worship site. There will be hospitality after Mass. All men of the parish and their families are invited to pray together with the HNS at that Mass and share in hospitality after Mass.

Parish Events


THE FEAST OF
Our Lady of Guadalupe

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12
ST. MARY CAMPUS
105 HERRICK RD., RIVERSIDE 

6:00 - 7:00 PM
Drop off food for Potluck Social (Fiesta)
(Parish Center)

7:00 - 8:00 PM
Bilingual Mass (Misa de las Rosas)
Music - Mariachi Universal

8:00 - 9:00 PM
Potluck Dinner Fiesta (Parish Center)
Music - Mariachi Universal

If you would like to be a sponsor/ padrino (madrina) for the roses, hospitality, Holy cards and other items for the Feast, kindly drop off your donation in the collection basket in an envelope. Please mark on the envelope-
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For more information, contact Matt Brophy at
mbrophy@archchicago.org

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**Saturday
December**

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**Senior
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Tuesday, December 13th

5:00 pm

St. Mary Oak Room

All Seniors are invited to dinner hosted by St. Paul VI Holy Name Society. Enjoy some dinner and company with other Senior parishioners.

Please RSVP so we can get an accurate attendance count.
Chef Dan Schoen at dschoen325@gmail.com (312-320-7324) or
Chef Kevin Tabor at tabor316@comcast.net (708-334-8536)

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<https://www.stpaulviparish.org/news--events/stockings-for-soldiers-veterans>

JOIN US FOR A FREE PROGRAM

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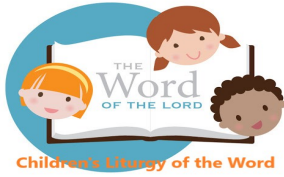
We are inviting you to a Christian Life Program. It is an individual renewal and family renewal program. It is a **free 8-week program**, one talk per week, and it starts with GOD'S LOVE and ends with TRANSFORMATION IN CHRIST.

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2401 S. 10th Ave., North Riverside**

Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by Couples for Christ.



Service Opportunities



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for adults who would like to work with children during the 10:00 am Mass at St. Mary or the 11:00 am Mass at Mater Christi, please reach out to Elizabeth Kos at

ebkos@stpaulviparish.org.

No experience is necessary, and we will provide all materials you need! Teens are also needed to help!

BEDS PLUS Rotational Shelter Dinner Coordinator

St. Paul VI Parish would like to support the BEDS PLUS organization as they open their Rotational Shelters and are seeking cook teams. Service Outreach Committee (SOC) has sponsored these dinners pre pandemic and would like to resume supporting BEDS Plus. In order to provide support, SOC is looking for a volunteer who can coordinate 3 monthly dinners, 1 in January, February & March 2023. Dinner dates for each month and locations (LaGrange, Brookfield or LaGrange Park) will be finalized once we have a coordinator. Check our [website](#) for details.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES (CC) - TUESDAY SUPPER

CC Cicero began the Tuesday Supper program at the beginning of the pandemic in October, 2020. The geographic area that is served is mostly the near west suburbs of Berwyn, Cicero, and South Oak Park. The CC clients served are seniors and the working poor. **St. Paul VI Parish is a monthly sponsor.** The Service Outreach Committee coordinates a supper on the 3rd Tuesday of every month; different menus are planned. Thank you to all who have helped us to help others, especially those who help on a regular monthly basis.



Volunteers are needed on the 3rd Tuesday of every month

1. **Cooks & Bakers** – Prepare food for 24, ready to serve in disposable trays delivered between 4:45 – 5 pm to St. Mary's Parking Lot near the entrance off of Herrick Street.
2. **Drivers** – needed at 4:40 pm to meet at St. Mary's Parking Lot to load up prepared food and drop off by 5:30 pm at the CC Cicero location where the food is served.

Our next supper will be on Tuesday, December 20th. Check the SignUpGenius link for more info: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054eaea62aaafc1-catholic57>

FOOD PANTRY - STOCK THE PANTRY!!



Please bring your donation for the Catholic Charities Pantry items to the Parish Office at 40 E. Burlington, Riverside. Canned goods: soup, vegetables, fruit, tuna, and pasta, pasta sauce, rice, cereal, mac n cheese are welcome. In addition, gift cards can be placed in an envelope and dropped at the office mailbox. Please label the envelope CC Food Pantry Collection.

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The Knights of Columbus are collecting diapers of any size for Catholic Charities in Cicero. Your donation will help many families and babies in need. Please drop off your donation at the parish office located at 40 E. Burlington St., Riverside, or Mater Christi Church at 2401 S. 10th Ave., North Riverside.

Thank you for your generosity!



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FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Do you enjoy cooking? There is an opportunity and need for volunteers to help feed the hungry for a homeless shelter located on Lake Street in Oak Park.

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If you are interested in this worthy deed, please contact Kathy Burns, burns.kathleen@comcast.net

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The train has not stopped! We continue to seek volunteers to make meals for Fr. Cy Nemecek, Pastor Emeritus. Call or text Patti Jo Meyer at 708-334-6263, email her at pjmeh14@gmail.com or visit <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/vzl32w>. All aboard!!



The next session is Saturday, January 7th from 8:30- 11:15 am. Kids 11+ be must accompanied by a responsible adult.

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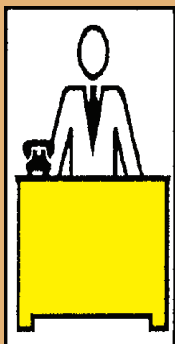
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