



# ST. PAUL VI PARISH



SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

*May is the Month of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary*

**St. Mary Church**  
105 Herrick Road  
Riverside

**Mater Christi Church**  
2401 S. 10th Avenue  
North Riverside

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## *A message from our Pastor*



Today's Gospel takes place during the Last Supper. Jesus packs a lot into the last couple of hours with his disciples. But over and over, he keeps telling them, "if you love me you will keep my commandments."

We know the Father's commandments. They were given to Moses on stone tablets; ten of them, clear and concise – what to do and what not to do. But what is Jesus' commandment? We hear it in this gospel reading. "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you."

Then he goes a step further. Jesus is not just asking his followers to obey a rule. He gives them a command for action. "This I command you: love one another."

On the surface, this seems so easy, right? When you are among your best friends, your brothers/sisters – love one another. But the fact is, this is probably the hardest commandment of all. We need to love as God loves us - always present, always open, always forgiving, in every instance, circumstance and event. Think about that.

If we just look at our own families and relationships, we can see how truly difficult this can sometimes be. Now add on friends and colleagues and neighbors. How about those who don't look like us or believe differently than we do about religion or politics?

Jesus didn't say "Love one another if, when, or how..." He said "Love one another."

The directive is simple but truly takes a monumental effort every single day.

This month we celebrate anniversaries of priest's and deacon's ordinations. A very Happy 60th Anniversary to Fr. Banzin and 20th Anniversary to Fr. Vittorio! Please join me in wishing all of our priests and deacons that serve at St Paul Vi parish a heartfelt thank you for everything they do to minister to this flock! Continue to keep Deacon Tim Berryhill in your prayers as his ordination draws ever nearer!

*Fr. Tom May, Pastor*

## *A message from our Associate Pastor*



This weekend we celebrate First Communion for our parish. We congratulate all our Communicants and thank their parents, teachers and Catechist who prepared them for this glorious sacrament. Many might be wondering why we celebrate Communion in May and how can we better receive Our Lord. Philip Kosloski of Aleteia helps us answer these questions. In many Western countries, it has become an annual tradition to celebrate the First Communion of children during the months of April or May. Yet, this tradition is something relatively new and unique to the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church.

In the first few centuries of Christianity, the three sacraments of initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist, were always celebrated together. This meant that adults, children and babies received all three sacraments when converting to Christianity.

Typically, this took place at the Easter Vigil, as it commonly occurs today in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Initially the bishop conferred these sacraments, but as Christianity spread in the West, bishops were no longer able to be physically present. This resulted in a separation of these sacraments in the Roman Rite, where baptism became a solitary sacrament administered by the priest or deacon and later on confirmation would be conferred when the bishop could travel to the parish. First Communion then came after confirmation and was often given to teenagers.

By the 19th century there developed an elaborate ceremony in many Western countries where all teenagers received First Communion together at the local parish, dressed in white garments that resembled their baptismal clothing.

This was the practice up until 1910, when Pope Pius X lowered the age of First Communion and encouraged young children to receive the Eucharist at age 7 or 8. Then instead of teenagers receiving First Communion at the parish, it changed to younger children.

The decision to host this ceremony in April or May is largely based on the celebration of Easter, which in some way connects it to the original tradition of receiving the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Additionally, for many centuries the Church instructed its members to receive holy communion annually during the Easter season. The current Code of Canon Law highlights this "Easter obligation."

After being initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, each of the faithful is obliged to receive holy communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at another time during the year. (Can. 920)

Technically speaking, anyone can receive their First Communion, with the permission of their local pastor, at any time of the year. However, because of the Eucharist's close connection to the Easter season, it is most often celebrated on one of the Sundays following Easter.

The following are two prayers to help us receive Communion and after receiving contemplate this great gift. Our preparation for communion should be an integral part of our spiritual exercises, especially as the moment for reception nears.

Here is a brief prayer from The Glories of the Catholic Church to be said shortly before holy communion that invites Jesus into your heart.

One way to we invite God to flood your soul with peace is to recite this poem, found in the 19th-century devotional The Glories of the Catholic Church, after communion:

*Come, dear Jesus, come and receive me; come and take possession of my soul and body; of my will, memory, and understanding; of my thoughts, words, and actions; of every look, step, breath and motion; in fine, of all that I am and have. Come and deliver me from all my spiritual enemies. Come, dear Jesus, and unite me strictly to you. I do now, my dearest Jesus, receive you in the best manner I can into this my poor heart: do you one day receive me into your heavenly habitation.*

After receiving Our Lord we can invite God to flood your soul with peace is to recite this poem, found in the 19th-century devotional The Glories of the Catholic Church:

*The happiness I now enjoy, With Jesus in my heart, The enemy can ne'er destroy, With all his wily art. The bliss that Jesus now imparts To my enraptured soul, Is only felt by faithful hearts That sin cannot control. I feel my ardor now revive, With Jesus in my heart; In vain this world's allurements strive My Lord and I to part.*

*Fr. Matt Nemchausky, Associate Pastor*

## Worship

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Mater Christi Church

Daily Mass  
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am

Anticipated Mass  
Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass  
8:00 am (en español)  
9:30 am  
11:00 am

#### St. Mary Church

Daily Mass  
Monday-Friday 8:30 am  
Anticipated Mass  
Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday Mass  
8:00 am  
10:00 am  
5:00 pm

#### MASS LIVESTREAM LINK ON YOUTUBE:

[youtube.com/channel/UC1KACprstDfNk-Zy8MOAeaA](https://youtube.com/channel/UC1KACprstDfNk-Zy8MOAeaA)  
(no set Mass time for livestream)

#### 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

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

#### Mater Christi Church

Monday 6:00 to 8:00 pm

#### St. Mary Church

Thursday 3:00 to 8:00 pm

### ROSARY

#### Mater Christi Church

Monday - Saturday 7:30 am

#### St. Mary Church

Monday - Friday After 8:30 am Daily Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary  
Thursday 3:00 to 4:00 pm

### PRESIDER SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND MAY 11 & MAY 12:

#### St. Mary Church

Saturday **May 11** 4:00 PM Fr. Matthew Nemchausky

Sunday **May 12** 8:00 AM Fr. Brian Taber, SJ

10:00 AM Fr. Thomas Unz  
5:00 PM Fr. Thomas May

#### Mater Christi Church

Saturday **May 11** 5:00 PM Fr. Thomas May

Sunday **May 12** 8:00 AM Fr. Juan Carlos

9:30 AM Fr. Robert Banzin

11:00 AM Fr. Matthew Nemchausky

*\*Presider schedule is subject to change.*

### THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READING

**Sunday:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/  
Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/  
Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20  
Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or  
Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

**Friday:** Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

### REFLECTIONS

#### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

*By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

#### As I Love You

This week my children were learning about energy. We set up an experiment with toy cars — one was placed in front of another, and a third was pushed into the two stationary ones.

The forward motion caused the front car to move, but not much. “Most of the energy goes into the car in the middle, not the car on the end,” my daughter concluded.

I asked her why she seems to have so much energy, and I seem to have so little.

“Because you’re old,” she replied confidently.

Most days I feel like that first car, barreling at life with all my energy and love and good intentions, only to have it almost entirely absorbed by the proverbial middle car. It’s so easy to be discouraged. The devil so badly wants us to feel discouraged.

But the law of love is not unlike the law of conservation of energy. Love is neither created nor destroyed. It is only transferred from one form to another. And yes, sometimes it certainly seems like it disappears. It appears to get lost between my hands and the plate of dinner that goes uneaten or evaporates off of my lips as words I fear are never heard. It is spat upon as a commandment the world would prefer I do not keep.

But we are not called to simply love one another — to love when it seems effective and productive and appreciated. We are called to love as Christ loved: recklessly, selflessly, and yes, even without logic. We are called to love with a love that doesn’t give up and is never withdrawn. A love that doesn’t fear death or the world’s hatred. A love that stands willing to argue, to be reviled, to be dismissed.

We are called to be that first car, hurtling ourselves against a world that isn’t ready to accept or understand us. And we trust that, even when we can’t see how, the love that seems to disappear simply changes forms.

“This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.” — John 15:12. ©LPI



## Worship

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, May 4

(MC) 8:00 am † St. Paul VI Parishioners

(SM) 4:00 pm † Nushardt & Jes Families (Sharmayne Stach),

Theresa Kelly Berry (Bradt Family), Anna Sniakas, Michael Prepura,

Mike Clemens (Shannon Brooks & Marigold)

(MC) 5:00 pm † Fr. M. Cyril Nemecek, Jim & Del Burns, Guy Belmonte

#### Sunday, May 5 - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(SM/MC) 8:00 am † Members of the Stumpo Family (Dorothy Conjura),

Joan Hadak (St. Paul VI Bereavement Min.), Ismael Lara, Shirley Schmidt

(MC) 9:30 am † Jose Gonzalez Monroy, Rosa Guzman Jasso, Andrew

Garcia, Celestine Casper, Charmaine & Bob Kutt

(SM) 10:00 am † Charlotte Lindauer (Drummond/Bialas Families)

(MC) 11:00 am † Emile Peruzzo, Eugene Koszala (Koszala Family),

Del Burns, Women's Society Mass, Guy Belmonte (Ray & Teresa Hall)

(SM) 5:00 pm † Peace in our World, Alfonso Corral, Jaime Galindo,

Socorro Esparza, Maria Luisa Galindo

#### Monday, May 6

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Therese Reniche for healing (Anne

Lysaught), Daniel Rosenmayer (Kate Lyons), Maria Pura

#### Tuesday, May 7

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Marion P Kieras (Endriukaitis Family),

Maria Pura

#### Wednesday, May 8

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Robert Keehn III (Patricia Madai)

#### Thursday, May 9

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Christopher Chang Pyo Hong, Rosemary

McDonald (MC Rosary Group), Maria Pura

#### Friday, May 10 - St. John of Avila and St. Damien de Veuster

(MC) 8:00 am & (SM) 8:30 am † Ron Gryzlak, Maria Pura

#### Saturday, May 11

(MC) 8:00 am † Mildred Kisel (Susan Kisel), Martha Schub (Susan Kisel)

(SM) 4:00 pm † Agnes Mazur, Michael P. Mazur, Loretta Turek (Mary

Pechous)

(MC) 5:00 pm † Mary Ann Mangiantini (SPVI), Josephine DeSantis (Gloria

Pennachio), Jim & Del Burns, Kerry Siecka

#### Sunday, May 12 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

##### SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(SM/MC) 8:00 am † Charlotte Lindauer (Lindauer Family)

(MC) 9:30 am † Dalton Lee Brown (Pat Brown), Edwin Dulik, Dick & Kay

Vabro (Pat Brown), Jose Gonzalez Monroy, Rosa Guzman Jasso, Andrew

Garcia, Thomas Franzak (Franzak-Hopper Families), George R. Zdarsky,

Ofelia Villafuerte (Ofelia Villafuerte), Carmen Orozco (Evelia Villafuerte)

(SM) 10:00 am † Kay Falbo (Gloria Rossi), Celestine Casper, Timothy

Richards (SPVI Bereavement Ministry), Theresa Roebuck & Mary Rocotello,

Thomas Lysaught IV Healing (Anne Lysaught), Dianne Grant (Donna & Dale

Eddy), Betty Batson (Rich & Gloria Rossi), Mildred Server

(MC) 11:00 am † Therese Dalmonte (Bob & Eileen Glazik), Freda & James

Murphy (Murphy/Manika Families)

(SM) 5:00 pm † Francis X. McMonagle (Constance Gertz), Alfonso Corral,

Jaime Galindo, Socorro Esparza, Maria Luisa Galindo



*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  
Dorothy Kraus, Kenneth Skisak,  
and Daniel Dulik.**

**May they rest in peace.**

### FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Virginia Alba	Emily Martinez
Richard Alvarez	Roberto Medina
Arlene Batek	Domingo Martinez
Mary Binder	Spencer Mehr
Renee Collins-Marah	Christopher Mounts
Alex Dynako	Patricia Mounts
David Dynako	Roake Mounts
Elaine Dynako	Cecylia Noveli
Barbara Gurski	Beth Pennacchio
Bob Gurski	Dean Pennacchio
Dolores Gryzlak	Bryan Poehler
Marilynne Higgins	Richard Ptak
Tom Higgins	Albert Riebock
Terry Hunt	Elizabeth S.C.
Aurora Infante	Maripat Scanlon
Patricia King	Jack Silhavy
Jerry Kosik	Ethan Tkalec
Diane Kretz	Maria Villafuerte
Ramon Lehnen	Miguel Villafuerte
Anthony Lindauer	Carina Willems
Barb Marszewski	Pat Zdarsky

### 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.

Virtual Prayer Wall requests can be made by visiting [www.stpaulviparish.org](http://www.stpaulviparish.org) or call the parish office at 708-447-1020.

### HAIL MARY CHALLENGE- 1,866,085

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 at this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81210562468>

**Meeting ID:** 812 1056 2468 **Passcode:** 375243

Please submit your count to [stmary-marys@gmail.com](mailto:stmary-marys@gmail.com). The counts received are tabulated for inclusion in upcoming communications.

## Parish Announcements & Events



### *A Prayer for our First Communicants receiving their Sacrament.*

Please pray that our offering of these Sacraments allows the Holy Spirit to change the hearts of these students and that they would become followers of Christ. Please pray that they are moved by the Holy Spirit to fulfill their Baptismal promises and become full & frequent participants in the life of the Church. Please pray that their parents, godparents and sponsors also receive the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they might help fan the flame of faith in their children. Please pray that everyone that participates in these Sacraments as celebrant, recipient, family and friends is changed forever by the Holy Spirit and a new song of discipleship and joy is written on their hearts. Please pray that those of us who will be at many if not all of these will feel the joy and peace of the Spirit through each of these Sacraments.

Jacob Acuna  
Ruben Acuna  
Elijah Albertsen  
Ismael Alvarez  
Dylan Angulo  
Aranya Athmanathan  
Vittorio Barbera  
Carlton Bode  
Roman Boenzi  
Martino Bonicelli  
Analeise Marie Boorazanes  
Patrick Cairo  
Samuel Cardenas  
Victoria Cardenas  
Nicolas J Carreon  
Sloane Cavaliere  
Seanna Caybot  
Elyanna Ceballos-Lagunas  
Genevieve Chase  
Katherine Ann Chlapecka  
Duke Christopher  
Robinson Clennon  
Michael Diaz  
Milana Victoria DiNatale  
Catherine Dolezal  
Amelia Dooley  
Jack Drenth

Alexandra Enderle  
Maeve MaryAnn Flynn  
Jonathan Fournier  
Katherine Fournier  
Lindsey Jean Franklin  
Brook Lyn Garcia  
Jordan Garcia  
Meylin Garcia  
Aaron Garcia  
Luca Gonzalez  
Wyatt Gorski  
Emma Guerrero  
Penelope E. Hermsdorf  
Sophie Lendman  
Elizabeth Lentz  
Jaime Lopez  
Zoe Lopez  
Natalia Lopez Harrison  
Caterina Marinozzi  
Penagos Marissa  
Emelinah Bernice Martinez  
Helena Cristina Martinez  
Julian Martinez  
Ava Mattio  
Alany McChrystal  
Harlan McCreary

Rowan McKinstry  
Javier Carlos Mendoza  
Daniella Maria Meraz  
Emma Montalbano  
Giovanni J. Morales  
Natalia Marie Moreno  
Saul Muniz  
John Nieman  
Will Nieman  
Finn O'Bryan  
Rhett O'Bryan  
Pablo Pantoja Salazar  
Christopher Peth  
Olivia Petrola  
Serena Pompei  
Grace Riazzi  
Timothy Rooney  
Dayna P. Royster  
Olivia Sanchez  
Isabella Satas  
Sadie Elizabeth Selimos  
Blake Sievert  
Lilyrose Skreko  
Mateo Suarez  
Sophia Villalobos  
Sean V. Witt  
Reagan Denise Wojtulewicz



### *A Prayer for the Confirmands who received their Sacraments*

Please pray that our offering of these Sacraments allows the Holy Spirit to change the hearts of these students and that they would become followers of Christ. Please pray that they are moved by the Holy Spirit to fulfill their Baptismal promises and become full & frequent participants in the life of the Church. Please pray that their parents, godparents and sponsors also receive the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they might help fan the flame of faith in their children. Please pray that everyone that participates in these Sacraments as celebrant, recipient, family and friends is changed forever by the Holy Spirit and a new song of discipleship and joy is written on their hearts. Please pray that those of us who will be at many if not all of these will feel the joy and peace of the Spirit through this Sacrament.

Stephen **John** Bukowski  
Angelo **Michael** Cardenas  
Michael **Anthony** Diaz  
Alaniz **Mary** Gonzalez  
Jaime **Wenceslaus** Lopez  
Atziri **Guadalupe** Montano  
Joseph **Benito** Montano

Saul **Francis** Muniz  
Alexandra **Frances** Paramo-Cardenas  
Marissa **Therese of Lisieux** Penagos  
Jazmine **Teresa** Perez  
Ricardo **Judas Tedeos** Puente  
Liliana **Rose** Santini  
Gregory **Christopher** Zolo

*Celebrating the Month of Priesthood Ordination*

With praise and gratitude, for the Deacons, Priests, and Bishop in our parish.  
Thank you for your dedication and service to our parish community.  
Happy Anniversary on your Priesthood Ordination!



Fr. Robert Banzin  
60th Anniversary (1964)



Fr. Thomas Unz  
41st Anniversary (1983)



Fr. Thomas May  
41st Anniversary - (1983)



Fr. Vittorio Bruscella, CMF  
20th Anniversary (2004)



Fr. Matthew Nemchasky  
15th Anniversary (2009)



Fr. Krys Swierczynski  
12th Anniversary (2012)



Fr. Brian Taber, SJ  
7th Anniversary (2017)



Soon to be Ordained  
Fr. Timothy Berryhill  
May 18, 2024



Deacon Robert Boharic  
25th Anniversary (1999)



Deacon Randy Belice  
9th Anniversary (2015)



Deacon Ronald Pilarzski  
7th Anniversary (2017)



Deacon Peter Brown  
4th Anniversary (2020)



# Stewardship: Gifts of Time, Talent & Treasure

2024 LEGACY PLANNING

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



## Leave Your Legacy Through a Bequest

Please consider including a gift to our parish in your will or trust to support our faith community well into the future. A bequest can be made to our parish using the following language:

"I give [insert specific dollar amount, or percentage of net or residuary] to The Catholic Bishop of Chicago, Tax ID #36-2170826, a corporation sole located in Chicago, Illinois, to be used for the benefit of St. Paul VI Parish located in Riverside, Illinois. However, if St. Paul VI Parish ceases to exist in its current form, then to the new parish or parishes erected in its stead."

If you would like more information on how to make a QCD gift to St. Paul VI Parish, please contact Jane Birmingham at 708-447-1020 or [jbirmingham@stpaulviparish.org](mailto:jbirmingham@stpaulviparish.org).

## Ways to give

### 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](http://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.



April 29, 2024  
WINNERS!

1st Place (\$75)

#170

Sandra Vomacka

2nd Place (\$25)

#200

Cece Caladrino

## YOU COULD BE THE NEXT WINNER! GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

ALL proceeds from this fundraiser will help defray regular operating costs in the parish budget.

**Help us reach our FUNDRAISING GOAL of \$35,000.**

For the official rules, terms and conditions, visit our website at

[www.stpaulviparish.org](http://www.stpaulviparish.org).

Tickets will also be available for purchase at 40 E. Burlington, Riverside.

[Visit our website to download and print the order form.](#)

Ticket numbers are assigned in the order payments are received.

Any questions?

Please contact Jane Birmingham at [jbirmingham@stpaulviparish.org](mailto:jbirmingham@stpaulviparish.org) or 708-853-1421.

Thank you in advance for supporting the parish and GOOD LUCK!

## BETHLEHEM ART SALE



We will host representatives of the Catholic Christian Community from Jerusalem and Bethlehem in the Holy Land and have a display of handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles. Due to the political conflict and the reduction of tourism, the Catholic Community has come to depend more on the sale of these articles abroad to survive and to keep their faith and Christian presence in the holy land. The woodcarvings are beautiful and reflect faith and love for the Lord.

Please consider purchasing a gift that will be remembered and cherished for yourself or someone dear to you. The handcrafted olive wood religious figurines and articles will be available for purchase after all the weekend Masses on May 25 & 26, 2024.



## ***Faith Formation***

### **All God's Children Are Made Perfectly!**

SPRED (**SP**ecial **RE**ligious **D**evelopment) prepares those with special needs for Liturgical life.

SPRED is an agency of the Archdiocese and is a unique program designed for persons with physical and developmental disabilities. The program helps individuals with special needs to know God, grow in faith, and prepare for full participation in the sacramental life of the parish.

*St. Paul VI is celebrating a special Mass for our SPRED friends & families, and those in our community who support us or want to know more about SPRED on Sunday, June 2 at 5pm at Mater Christi Church.*

*Please save the date, more information to come.*

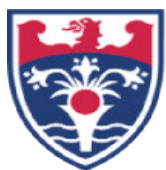
Through collaboration with Blessed Miguel Pro: St Pius X Church, individuals can attend SPRED from six years old through adulthood. Blessed Miguel Pro: St Pius X (Stickney) hosts the 6-10 year old group while the remaining age groups are facilitated at the St. Hugh Faith Formation Center on the Mater Christi campus of St. Paul VI. The age breakdowns are:

- Children: ages 6-10
- Teenagers: ages 11-16
- Young People: ages 17-21
- Adults 22 years and older

If you know of an individual in St. Paul VI Parish that would benefit from this program, please contact the Faith Formation Office of St. Paul VI at 708-447-1020.

#### Volunteers Needed!

Since SPRED is not a classroom model of religious education, we need adult volunteers who will be trained to form a small community of faith and grow in their own faith as they welcome people of a particular age group. You do not need experience or to have a degree in special education to volunteer with this program. Extensive training is provided, so you just need a willingness to grow in your faith and to welcome our friends! If you are called to service in this ministry, please contact us at 708-447-1020.



## **SCHOOL OF PARISH LEADERSHIP & EVANGELIZATION**

*University of  
Saint Mary of the Lake*

Are you passionate about serving your parish community and making a positive impact? A Certificate of Lay Leadership with the University of Saint Mary of the Lake (USML) is your gateway to enhancing your skills, deepening your faith, and becoming a confident leader within the Catholic Church. USML provide academic courses and formative experiences for those seeking to build the Kingdom of God in our world through our School of Parish Leadership and Evangelization (SPLE).

Enroll in one of the Parish Ministry programs today and unlock the doors to a transformative experience. The program is open to all individuals who are passionate about their faith and eager to contribute to the Church's mission.

Summary of Program Offered by SPLE  
*All programs focus on the integration of human, spiritual, intellectual,  
and pastoral development, as well as formation.*  
[www.usml.edu/sple](http://www.usml.edu/sple) for more information


#### **Lay Leadership: A Certificate in Lay Ministry**

- Intended primarily for volunteer ministers and adult Catholics who wish to grow in their faith.
- Prerequisite: None
- 2-year program of academics and formation
- Location: Monday nights in English at Sacred Heart, Palos and Thursday nights in Spanish at St. Augustine, Midlothian.
- Additional Proposed Sites: University of Saint Mary of the Lake, Mundelein. Vicariate 2, Diocese of Joliet (online option available if enrollment requirements are met) **Vicariate 5, St. Paul VI Parish.**

Cost: \$550/semester plus fees (we encourage all parishes to seek any available budget funds to support your parishioner's faith formation and provide some type of scholarship. If extra funds are needed that the applicant cannot cover, USML has limited funds available for further financial assistance).

Stay tuned for informational sessions being offered May 18<sup>th</sup>, June 8, and July 13<sup>th</sup> (locations TBD)

## Parish Announcements & Events

 ST. PAUL VI PARISH

# GOT AN IDEA?


## ST. PAUL VI PARISH IDEA BOX

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A SUGGESTION? DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE AN IDEA BOX?

IDEA BOXES CAN BE FOUND AT BOTH CHURCHES. AT MATER CHRISTI, THE IDEA BOX IS IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH BELOW THE BULLETIN BOARD. AT ST. MARY CHURCH, YOU WILL FIND IT BY THE ELEVATORS.

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### BLESSING OF MOTHERS

On Sunday, May 19  
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A special blessing will be held at the Shrine for all expectant mothers and those trying to conceive. Open to all!



### JOIN OUR NEW COMMITTEE, CREATION CARE

We are looking for volunteers to form a NEW environmental committee. The committee will address environmental issues within the parish infrastructure and offer guidance parishioners can take to develop more environmentally friendly habits.

If you have environmental concerns and would like to assist this committee, please get in touch with Bob Finn at [finbob@gmail.com](mailto:finbob@gmail.com).



## Sisters, Soda, & Scripture

hosted by the St. Paul VI  
Women's Society



Join us as we gather to pray, read a Bible story, share our thoughts, and hopefully laugh a lot!

This event is open to all ladies of St. Paul VI Parish.

We will gather on Saturday, May 25, 2024 at 1pm  
at the Lyne Center (40 E Burlington, Riverside)

Please RSVP by filling out the online link:  
[www.tinyurl.com/sss52524](http://www.tinyurl.com/sss52524)  
or calling: 708-224-9993 by May 19, 2024.

Please bring your favorite non-alcoholic beverage  
or snack to share with the group.

Please read the Scripture Passage  
(to participate in the discussion):

**The Woman with the Alabaster Jar:  
Seeing with Christ's Eyes**  
Luke 7:36-50

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### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, May 21st.** Check the SignUpGenius link for more info: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054EAEA62AAFC1-48346199-catholic#/>



### FOOD PANTRY - STOCK THE PANTRY!!

The Food Pantry stays open year round. Please continue to support the Food Pantry by keeping it stocked year round. 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, and 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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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COLLECTING DIAPERS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

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### PARISH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Connect with us and join us!

At St. Paul VI Parish, we have an abundance of ministry opportunities and ways in which you or your family members can get involved. For a list of ministries, visit [www.stpaulviparish.org](http://www.stpaulviparish.org) (click Engage, then Get Involved), or call the Parish Office at 708-447-1020 to sign up.



### SAINT KATERI'S CLOSET

We are still accepting First Communion outfits for our St. Kateri's Closet. Items can then be returned freshly laundered for the next family to use. There is no cost to the families. Donations can be dropped off at:

St. Hugh Faith Formation Center  
2400 S. 10th Ave., North Riverside

St. Paul VI Parish Office (Lyne Parish Office)  
40 E. Burlington St., Riverside

Questions? Contact Chris at 708-224-9993 or [jcvalfred@outlook.com](mailto:jcvalfred@outlook.com)



### FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Looking for volunteers to help feed 40 meals to the hungry for a homeless shelter located on Lake Street in Oak

Park on the first Friday of each month. Each volunteer makes 5-10 dinners on a menu of their choosing comprising of an entree, a vegetable, and a dessert. Containers are supplied. Meals are delivered.

Interested? Contact Kathy Burns, [burns.kathleen@comcast.net](mailto:burns.kathleen@comcast.net)  
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### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Please consider helping serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul or by making a donation in the donation box found in the back of both Churches. Thank You for your generosity!



*If you know of someone who needs assistance, or would like to join St. Vincent DePaul, please call the office at 708-447-1020, X217.*



### LOOKING FOR GARDENERS, VOLUNTEERS, AND HELPERS!

Come celebrate life with us!  
/Volunteer with St. Paul VI Garden Ministry as we tend the gardens located next to St. Mary Church. All are welcome. Children under the age of 21 must be accompanied at all

times by a parent or legal guardian.

For complete information, contact Sallie Boge at [gardenministry@aol.com](mailto:gardenministry@aol.com).



## *Parish & Community Resources*

### **ST. PAUL VI PARISH WOMEN'S SOCIETY**

The St. Paul VI Women's Society holds its monthly gatherings on the first Wednesday of every month, September through June, unless otherwise noted. The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Room (lower level) of Mater Christi Church. Prior to the meeting, everyone is invited to church for the Rosary at 6:30 pm. For information, contact Co-President Nicki Mendez, 708-539-6575, [nicki828@myyahoo.com](mailto:nicki828@myyahoo.com); or Co-President Theresa Mendez, 815-383-8841, [thrsmdz2055@gmail.com](mailto:thrsmdz2055@gmail.com).

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

*Bishop Ketteler Council 1628* Catholic men 18 and older are invited to our monthly meeting held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the basement of St. Mary Church (Oak Room). Info: Roger Jensen at (630) 418-3308.

### **HISPANIC MINISTRY / MINISTERIO HISPANO**

Join the St. Paul VI Hispanic Committee to talk about promoting our Latino faith and share with the parish community.

For questions, contact Matthew Brophy [mbrophy@archchicago.org](mailto:mbrophy@archchicago.org) or call 708-447-1020.

Únase al Comité Hispano de St. Paul VI para hablar sobre promover nuestra fe latina y compartir con la comunidad Parroquial.

Si tiene preguntas, comuníquese con Matthew Brophy [mbrophy@archchicago.org](mailto:mbrophy@archchicago.org) o llame al 708-447-1020.

### **ST. PAUL VI HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

St Paul VI Parish Holy Name Society (HNS) meets monthly from September through May each term. General meetings are held on the second Friday of each month with a Mass celebrated the Sunday immediately following the meeting. Other HNS events are held throughout the calendar year with information posted in advance in the bulletin. For information contact Ted Watylyk at [stpaulvihns@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulvihns@gmail.com).

### **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Prayer Shawl Ministry meets twice a month to pray, knit and crochet. Please let us know when someone in your family or neighborhood is in need of the comfort these prayer filled shawls, hats & scarves provide.

For information, call the parish office at 708-447-1020.

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

St. Paul VI's Conference of the St. Vincent DePaul Society helps those in the surrounding areas with assistance. If you need assistance or know someone that needs assistance, please call the parish office and leave a message for St. Vincent DePaul and a volunteer will contact you.

### **BAPTISM**

Second and fourth Sundays at St. Mary, first and third Sundays at Mater Christi. To make arrangements or for more information call the Parish Office at 708-447-1020.

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

This process begins with an interview with a Pastoral Staff member. No date for the ceremony can be reserved until this interview is completed. For more information, call the Parish Office at 708-447-1020.

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

If you would like to receive an anointing, or you know someone who would like to receive this Sacrament, please call the parish office (708-447-1020) to schedule an appointment to arrange a visit.

### **FUNERAL PLANNING & ARRANGEMENTS**

St. Paul VI Parish will assist you in preparing and customizing the Funeral Mass for your loved one. We are here to be of service to you during your time of sorrow.

Please contact the parish office at 708-447-1020 to make arrangements after you have contacted the funeral home.

There is a simple outline of choices you may use to personalize the Mass for you and your family. All of these are suggestions; you may choose any sacred music that is familiar or important to you.

Contact the parish office for assistance in any musical questions or special requests.

For a complete list of the Outline of Funeral Mass, please visit <https://www.stpaulviparish.org/funerals.html>

### **COUNSELING SERVICES**

St. Paul VI offers counseling services to our parishioners. All issues are treated with respect and confidentiality.

Appointments are set at your convenience and are held at the Pastoral Center or other suitable location.

Clients are served on a sliding scale and whenever possible insurance reimbursement will be encouraged and supported.

Meet our parish counselor Damaris Colón-Soto. She is now available for confidential counseling in person at the Lyne Pastoral Center or St. Hugh Faith Formation Center from 9 am-4 pm. To schedule an appointment, please email [damariscolon.claret@gmail.com](mailto:damariscolon.claret@gmail.com) or call 773-313-2492 (Se habla español). She will be available to meet in person at the Lyne Parish Office on Fridays.

For reading resources, visit [stpaulviparish.org](http://stpaulviparish.org).

### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCE**

#### **FOR HELP 24/7**

National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233

Love is Respect (For Teens) 1-866-331-9474  
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