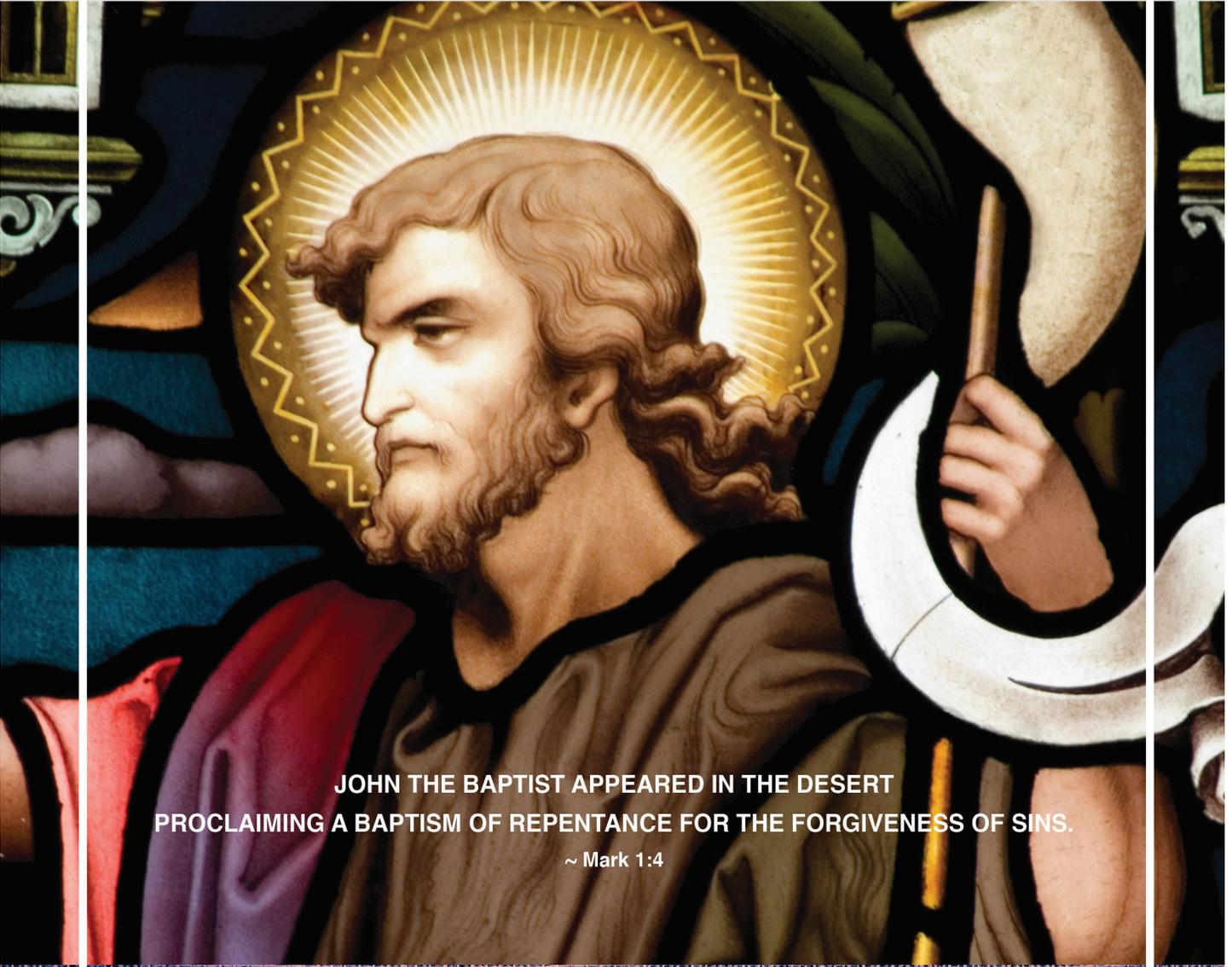


ADVENT

DECEMBER 10, 2017 | SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



JOHN THE BAPTIST APPEARED IN THE DESERT
PROCLAIMING A BAPTISM OF REPENTANCE FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

~ Mark 1:4

Our Lady of Peace

701 Plainfield Rd ~ Darien, Illinois 60561 (630) 525-4535

The Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception

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From Father Walter's desk...

"How to draw close to Christ? Be willing to learn is a good place to start!"

Now, being willing to learn is just an expanded way of saying that it is important to be humble. To be humble is to be open to being guided by another; it is to be willing to admit error; it is to be willing to learn. I just do not have all the answers! Most people would agree that the notion of humility is a very old Catholic teaching. Consider the following saying, it comes from St. John Climacus, "Humility is the only virtue no demon can imitate."

Why does this Saint say this? Well, compare this saying to what the poet John Milton says in his work, "Paradise Lost." He quotes Lucifer, in his fascinating poem as saying that "I would rather reign in Hell than serve in Heaven."

This saying is quite correct as far as Catholic Theology holds. The devils, starting with Lucifer himself, were all created as beautiful angels by God. But when God created humanity, Adam and Eve, some of these truly beautiful angels became jealous of us and rebelled against God. Angels were created for God's service and worship, and to serve us. Some of these angels simply would not serve us, humanity, as they regarded us a subservient to them, or at the least, should be. They were jealous of us.

The result of this jealousy was that they were cast out of heaven and into what we know now as Hell. Pride drove them there. Now when we reflect on the saying from Lucifer that "I would rather reign in Hell than serve in Heaven," it begins to make more sense.

Can we understand this further in a practical sense? Sure, just consider Bill Wilson for a minute. He is the founder of AA, which stands for Alcoholics Anonymous. In this group, 12 steps or guidelines are followed. Now, he admits that all 12 steps are rooted in humility. I am really offering you a pretty accurate paraphrase from Bill Wilson when I refer to him as saying, that the reason people get addicted is because they are not humble. They were not humble. No humility was consciously practiced.

Fine, the alcoholic responds! So, I am an alcoholic because I was not humble! So, how do I free myself? How do I rid myself of this addiction now? Bill's answer to this hypothetical retort would be, of course, "Be humble now!" What we see, therefore, in Bill's retort is that the entire 12 step program is designed to encourage the practice of humility. Learning to be humble before God and humble before my neighbor can free me from addictive behavior.

Now there are two other points to be considered in this discussion on AA. One is that the AA program has shown itself to be a time proven program to bring healing to countless people. In my book, that is impressive. The second interesting point is that AA has spawned other 12 step groups that, in turn, have also proven to be effective. Each of them is designed to treat a different addiction.

And the power of each of them comes from the same source. It comes from the practice of humility.

Blessed Marie of the Incarnation: "We crush the head of the Serpent when we scorn and trample underfoot the glory of the world, the praises, the vanities, and all the other pomp's of pride." God bless you!

LITURGICAL ROLES

LECTOR SCHEDULE	OFFERING COUNTERS	PARISH REGISTRATION
<p>December 16 5:00pm - Janiese Schultz</p> <p>December 17 7:00am - Bill Lucas 8:30am - Jerry Barton 10:15am - Tony Schiappa 12 noon - Geoff Bares 6:30pm - Marcheses</p>	<p>December 18 Adele Hardman Chuck Weiss</p> <p>Fran Weiss Patricia Parent Ute St Mary Paulette Hydzik Karen Gaydos</p>	<p>If you would like to become a parishioner at Our Lady of Peace Parish, please visit our website at www.olopdarien.org</p> <p>If you wish to register in person, please visit the Parish Office. Monday - Friday 8:00am-1:00pm</p>

MASS INTENTIONS December 11/17

MASS INTENTIONS	WEEKLY READINGS
<p>Daily Mass: Monday-Saturday 7:30am</p> <p>Monday 12/11 (D) Larry Labus</p> <p>Tuesday 12/12 (L) Rev. Al Micka</p> <p>Wednesday 12/13 (D) Madeleine Stoll</p> <p>Thursday 12/14 (D) Paul Nawrocki</p> <p>Friday 12/15 (D) Lee Sobieszczyk</p> <p>Saturday 12/16 (D) Martha Oberg</p> <p>5:00pm (D) Geraldine F. Ploskonka Msgr. Jim</p> <p>Sunday 12/17 Deceased Mbrs. Of Zulaski & Dalka Families</p> <p>Fr. John Larson 8:30am (D) Frank Cichanski Fr. Michael (D) Stimetz Family Members (L) Diane Treend (D) Walter & Helen Block (D) Ramona Reyes</p> <p>10:15am (D) Virginia Ricci Fr. John Larson 12:00pm (D) Isabel Kintanar Fr. Barry Cole 6:30pm (D) Jane & Lloyd Heim Fr. Walter Celebrants Subject To Change</p>	<p>Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26</p> <p>Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of The Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712</p> <p>Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30</p> <p>Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15</p> <p>Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19</p> <p>Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13</p> <p>Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28</p>

MASS INTENTIONS December 9/10

<p>5:00pm (D) Richard Herrick</p> <p>7:00am (D) Robert & Elaine Beall</p> <p>8:30am Holy Name Society (D) Robert Czaja (D) Emily Houska (D) Daniel Reyes</p> <p>10:15am (L&D) Lyman, Smith & Kearney Families</p> <p>12:00pm (D) Cipriano & Lucia Raguini</p> <p>6:30pm (D) Frances Platek</p>	
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MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY



Please help the less fortunate with a charitable gift. Your donation allows us to supply the needy with food from week to week. The recipients graciously thank you and God continues to bless you.

Hearing impaired? Search www.deafcatholicjoliet.org for SLI assisted Mass locations!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sunday Budget: \$21,500
Actual: \$25,532
Surplus: \$4,032



Your prayers have been a tremendous source of healing, empowerment, enrichment, and prophecies for all of the sick of Our Lady of Peace, especially those listed below. Join us daily by sharing your spirituality and prayer devotions for the sick.

BORN INTO ETERNITY

Please pray for the joyful rebirth into the eternal celebration of God's love for the departed

Irene Mendygral



BAPTISMS

Through the Saving Waters of Baptism, we will welcome...



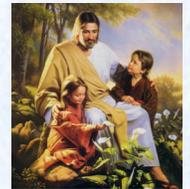
Siena Marie Sperando
Anya Filomena Buonavolanto
Hudson John Hoff
Trenton Robert Lewis
On December 10, 2017

ANNIVERSARY WIVES

Congratulations to



Please pray for the servicemen and women of our parish
Airman First Class Alyssa Dreksler



And for the seriously ill children of our Parish:

Emma Tucker, Damien Turrubartes, Joey Ventimiglia, Martin Viau

WEDDING Banns

It is with joy that we announce the upcoming weddings



Vinson Vadakara & Jeanie Shery

Parish Financial Reports The 16/17 year-end financial reports are available on our website at www.olopdarien.org. Please take time to review the parish, school and religious education year end results and 17/18 budget reports. Hard copy reports are also available in the church vestibule. Contact our parish business manager, Kellie Moore, at kmoore@olopdarien.org if you have any questions. Thank you again for your commitment and dedication to our parish. Your ongoing support allows us to offer all the wonderful ministries at Our Lady of Peace.

Remembering Jesus' Message of Divine Mercy...



“My daughter, speak to priests about this inconceivable mercy of Mine. The flames of mercy are burning Me --clamoring to be spent: I want to keep pouring them out upon souls; souls just don't want to believe in My goodness.” (Diary, 177)

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church ...

“The first movement of the prayer of petition is asking forgiveness, like the tax collector in the parable: “God, be merciful to me a sinner!” It is a prerequisite for righteous and pure prayer. A trusting humility brings us back into the light of communion between Father and his Son Jesus Christ and with one another, so that we receive from him whatever we ask..” (CCC #2631)



All are invited
to a
Christmas Concert
as
OLOP Music Ministry



“Proclaims the Joyful Message!”

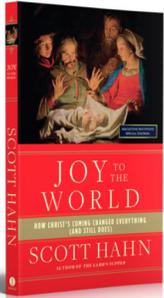
Sunday, December 10th

2:00pm

In the church



Second Sunday of Advent



Joy to the World by Scott Hahn is available for a suggested donation of \$5 in the back of church today. Reading this book will get your advent off to a great start. Please deposit the money in the book rack money slot. Enjoy!

The last Donut Sunday of 2017 will be next weekend, Sunday, December 17th

All parishioners are invited to attend the Sunday Donut Program in the Church Hall from 7:30am until 12:00 noon.



Additional volunteers are needed, both adults and teenagers. Please email blockwalter@hotmail.com

Book Club News!

Thanks to those who participated in the November meeting! We are taking the month of December off and will resume in January. The selection for January is *“The Screwtape Letters”* by C.S. Lewis. Our discussion will be Wednesday, January 31st from 7-8:30pm in the Art room at the school. Please contact Cindy Santay (olopbookclub@gmail.com or 630.963.9187) if you have any questions or need a copy of the book.

Easter Pilgrimage To Poland and Prague

Join Fr. Bill Hayward, a Marian Father, on a pilgrimage to Poland in April. This pilgrimage will visit the places where the Founder of the Marian Fathers – St. Stanislaus Papczynski – began the Marian Fathers. We will visit shrines such as Czestochowa, the Divine Mercy Shrine and the famous shrine in Lichen. We will pray at Auschwitz and conclude this 13 day pilgrimage in Prague. The cost is \$3400. The pilgrimage begins on April 17. For further information, please contact Judy Adamowicz at judy_adamowicz@yahoo.com



Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year making it a regular Sunday Obligation.

Christmas Day is a Holy Day of Obligation as well. So in order to make it easier for you to fulfill your obligations as Catholics, we will celebrate the following Masses as scheduled:

December 24th regular Sunday Mass schedule

7:00am, 8:30am, 10:15am & 12 noon

December 24th Christmas Vigil Mass Schedule

4:00pm, 6:00pm & 10:30pm

December 25th Christmas Mass Schedule

7:00am, 8:30am, 10:15am & 12 noon



IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR MASS INTENTIONS

In order to follow the directives of the Diocese regarding Mass intentions based upon Canon Law 953, changes are needed to comply with this law. Canon 953 states that no Mass intention may be taken that cannot be fulfilled within one year. The following changes allow the parish to be more responsive to the spiritual needs of our parishioners by having a Mass said in a timely manner and follow the law.

1. **Effective immediately, no Mass intention will be taken more than one year from the current date.** For example, on October 1 2017 the parish may schedule a Mass for October 1, 2018. All Masses that have been scheduled for 2018 will be honored, but the new policy is effective immediately for Masses requested after the current date, 2018.
2. The Sunday 8:30 am. Mass will now be a COLLECTIVE INTENTION MASS. This means that this Mass may have multiple intentions. This MAJOR change gives the parish the flexibility to have intentions prayed for within 6 days of the request. All intentions for the Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass will be announced. Having multiple intentions does NOT DIMINISH your intention, in fact, God's infinite grace and mercy is endless and you will be showing great compassion and understanding for another person who is in need of immediate prayers.
3. Con-celebrated Masses are also a good option to have a Mass said for someone's intention close to the request. This can take place when we have 2 or more priests at a weekday 7:30 a.m. Mass. The exact day of the request cannot be determined, because of the variability of Masses with a concelebrant. The name of the intention will be announced along with the one you see in the bulletin. We hope that these new procedures will ensure your intention will be in a timely manner.

BURYING THE DEAD is one of the Corporal Works of Mercy

Becoming a Bereavement Minister is one way of fulfilling this obligation. Because of the normal changes in peoples' lives, the ample number of ministers has been reduced and I need a few new ministers. You will have personal contact with families who are mourning the death of a loved one and will be helping them plan the funeral liturgy.

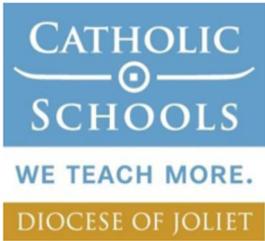
Is God calling you to this very fulfilling and worthwhile ministry?

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact:

Deacon Larry Fudacz 630-323-4333 Ext. 20 LFJF7930@prodigy.net

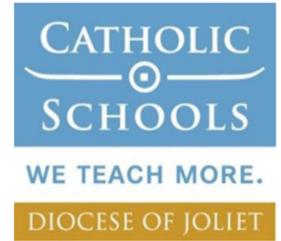
Springtime in Poland & Eastern Europe 12 days, April 30-May 11, 2018

Warsaw, Krakow, Auschwitz, Budapest, Prague, Vienna hosted by veteran tour leader Father John Vakulskas. \$3749 from Omaha; \$3699 from Chicago. Price includes roundtrip airfare, First Class Hotels, most meals, daily Mass, tours, portorage and admission fees, transfers as well as all government taxes and fuel surcharges. First come first served. For more information: 712.490.8047 johnvakulskas@gmail.com



State of Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship

Receive up to 100% of Catholic School Tuition



The State of Illinois has created a new way to fund scholarships for children who choose to attend Catholic schools through the “Invest in Kids Act.” Scholarships offered through this program have the potential to cover **up to 100 percent of tuition and eligible charges for next school year.**

The *Empower Illinois* Scholarship Granting Organization will be operational and will have application information around December 15, 2017 and anticipates accepting applications January 2, 2018. These dates are subject to change. **Visit www.weteachmore.org for up-to-date details.**



State of Illinois “Invest in Kids Act”

Support Catholic Education and Receive a 75% Tax Credit

The State of Illinois has created a new way to fund scholarships for children who choose to attend Catholic schools through the “Invest in Kids Act.” Scholarships offered through this program have the potential to cover **up to 100 percent of tuition and eligible charges for next school year.**

Under the Tax Credit Scholarship Program in the “Invest in Kids Act”, individuals and corporations will make donations to Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGO) that will distribute scholarships to qualified students. **Tax credits will be available on a first come, first serve basis beginning January 2, 2018.**

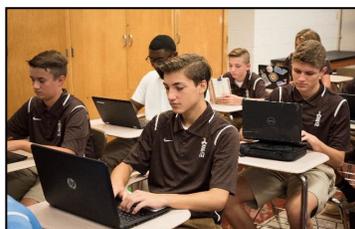
Benefit to Donors

~Individual or corporate donors will receive a 75 percent tax credit, up to \$1 million, for donations made to a SGO on their 2018 State of Illinois tax return.

~Example: a scholarship donation of \$1,000 will provide a \$750 tax credit to a corporate or individual Illinois taxpayer.

~**Individual (non-corporate) donors may designate their parish school or all Joliet diocesan schools to receive their scholarship donation.**

Visit www.weteachmore.org for details.





Crusader Chronicles *December 10, 2017*



GEOGRAPHY BEE

Our Lady of Peace School held its annual Geography Bee on Friday, December 1st. Congratulations to John S. on winning the geography bee and Matt G. on winning second place. Everyone did a fantastic job! John will now participate in the regional portion of the Geography Bee which is a written test.

OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

Our school will host two different open houses in January. The first one will take place on Thursday, January 25th (6:00-7:00 PM). This open house is for families interested in learning more about our pre-kindergarten and kindergarten programs. The all school open house is scheduled to take place on Sunday, January 28th (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM).

As parishioners, we would like to invite you to come over to see our school and some of the wonderful things that our students do here. Please feel free to invite people that may be looking at schools as well.

ILLINOIS TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The state of Illinois has created a tax credit program for those individuals and corporations to donate to scholarship granting organizations (SGO) and receive a tax credit on their state taxes. The SGO will use this money to grant scholarships to qualifying students. An individual or corporation will receive a 75% credit on their donation. This means that if a donor were to donate \$10,000, they will receive a tax credit of \$7,500. Individuals and corporations will be able to begin making these donations in early January. Individuals can choose the school that they would like their donation will go to and we would love it if you would choose Our Lady of Peace School.

Families can apply for this scholarship money beginning in January. The scholarship is based on financial need. These scholarships are open to current as well as incoming families to Our Lady of Peace School.

The Diocese of Joliet has created a website, weteachmore.org, that will help you through the process of donating for the tax credit or applying for the scholarship. You can also call the school office and speak with Mr. Wilkinson, our principal (630-325-9220).

CULVER'S DINNER FUNDRAISER

The Home School Association has set up the next dinner fundraiser to take place at Culver's on the day of the Christmas program, December 14th. Come in and enjoy a treat and support our school.

Upcoming Dates

- December 8th – Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass (9 AM)(8th grade)
- December 14th – Christmas program (1:30 and 7:00 PM)
- December 15th – School Mass (8:30 AM)(7th grade)
- December 20th – Band concert (2:30 and 7:00 PM)
- December 22nd – School Mass/Breakfast in Bethlehem (9:00 AM), 11:30 dismissal
- December 23rd – January 7th – Christmas Vacation
- January 8th – School resumes

Our Lady of Peace Fundraiser



541 Plainfield Rd. – Darien
630-734-0400

December 14th, 2017
3:30pm-10pm

All friends, family and supporters of Our Lady of Peace are invited to participate in their fundraising event on:

December 14th, 2017

Everyone is invited to gather at Culver's for a snack, dinner, or some custard. During this day, 10% of purchases accompanied by the certificate below will be donated to:

Our Lady of Peace

For Culver's Only:
Total Cost (Before Tax) _____

**YOU MUST BRING IN THIS FLYER IN ORDER FOR THE
PRESCHOOL TO RECEIVE CREDIT.**

~ Religious Education ~

What may we pray for you?

Please help us teach students about intercessory prayer? Complete this form and drop it in the collection basket OR in the black mailbox at school Door #3. Anonymous requests are welcome – God will know who you are! ☺

Angels, Shepherds and Volunteers Needed! for 2017 Christmas Eve Children's Mass

Inviting School and Religious Ed. students grades K thru 4 to play a part in the Nativity Story at the 4:00pm Christmas Eve Children's Mass.

Third and fourth graders will be selected to play roles. The younger children will be angels and shepherds.

Attendance is required at two rehearsals in church:

Rehearsal: Thu., 12/21 - 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Dress Rehearsal: Sat., 12/23 - 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Costumes: Girls are angels: white gown or dress, a halo and wings.

Boys are shepherds: tunic-length robe (or solid color bathrobe) and headpiece - can be a towel with a rope tied around it.

Costumes can be home-made (search the internet for How to make a shepherd or angel costume) or store-bought. Check Party City, or online Oriental Trading (watch shipping time).

Or you may check our supply of costumes, contact Religious Ed. office. First come first served.

H: 630.986.8430 EMAIL: ReligiousEd@olopdarien.org

If your child would like to participate, please complete form below and return (or email) to the Religious Ed. office by December 11th.

Students will be notified of their roles by December 18th

Questions? Contact Debbie Amolsch (630) 330-4190 Email: damolsch@comcast.net

My son/daughter _____, Grade ____ will participate in the Christmas Eve Mass. I will provide a costume and they will attend both rehearsals. Photos and videos may be taken. Signing below constitutes permission for publication of photos and videos.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

My child is a student in **(circle one)**: OLP Religious Education Our Lady of Peace Catholic School

Be a volunteer? _____ Volunteer Duties: Under Debbie's direction, help direct children at rehearsals and Mass.

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Pope Francis Tweet for the Week!

"At the end of time, when the Lord comes to meet us, our joy will be immense. We live in anticipation of this encounter!" 23Nov2017



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12.10.17

Jeanne Waliczek, Coordinator. PH: 630.986.8430 EMAIL: ReligiousEd@olopdarien.org

Hrs: M-Th., 10:00-3:30 or by appointment. Closed Fridays.

Website: www.olopdarien.org

Diocese: www.dioceseofjoliet.org/reo/



The Advent Wreath

Displaying the Advent Wreath, also known as the Advent Crown, is a beautiful tradition that symbolizes the passage of the four weeks of Advent.

The Wreath's circular shape represents our eternal God and Father as well as our soul's eternal life because a circle has no beginning and no end. Evergreens boughs, which symbolize continuous life, are shaped into a circle to further reinforce that implication. If holly is used, its prickly leaves and red berries remind us of the crown of thorns and the shedding of Jesus' blood during His passion. Lastly, pinecones symbolize Christ's Resurrection in that their seeds hold the potential for regeneration.

The Wreath is also a candleholder, and four Advent candles are lit, one by one, throughout the four weeks of Advent. These burning flames are visual reminders that Christ is "*the light of the world.*" (John 8:12). Each candle also represents 1,000 years. Added together, the four candles symbolize the 4,000 years that humanity waited for the Savior. The progressive lighting of the candles, therefore, symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of His second coming to judge the living and the dead.

There are three violet (purple) candles and one rose (pink) candle displayed. Violet is a liturgical color that signifies a time of penance, sacrifice, and prayer, and during the first, second, and fourth weeks of Advent we light violet candles. The Third Sunday of Advent is known as Gaudete (Latin for "rejoice") Sunday. By lighting a rose candle on this day, we are celebrating that our wait for Christmas is almost over because rose is a liturgical color used to signify joy. Some modern day adaptations also include a white candle placed in the middle of the wreath, which represents Christ, and this candle would be lit on Christmas Eve.

Traditionally, each of the four candles on an Advent wreath also has its own meaning. The first Advent candle, called the "Prophet's Candle," symbolizes **HOPE** and reminds us that Jesus is coming. The second Advent candle, called the "Bethlehem Candle," symbolizes **FAITH** and reminds us of Mary and Joseph's difficult journey to Bethlehem. The third Advent candle, called the "Shepherd's Candle," symbolizes **JOY** and reminds us of the joy the world experienced when Jesus was born. The fourth Advent candle, called the "Angel's Candle," symbolizes **PEACE** and reminds us of the message of the angels: "Glory to God in the highest; and on earth peace to men of good will."



During this Advent season, let us pray in a special way that Jesus will increase these four virtues of Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace within each of us.

Extra, Extra, Read All About It!

We are delighted to announce the Food Pantry Ministry of OLOP, will be renamed to honor the memory of the late Deacon Paul. It will thus be named:

Deacon Paul Brachle Food Pantry Ministry of Our Lady of Peace Church

A banner reflecting the new name of the ministry will be blessed following the blessing of a plaque which currently hangs above the gym, **recognizing Fr. Al and the first operational church here as St. Mary's, later renamed Our Lady of Peace.**

Join us for special ceremony in the school gymnasium after the 12 noon Mass on December 17, 2017

All are welcome to attend! Light refreshments to follow.

Please rsvp to Len Benes at lkbenes@aol.com

Catholic Sports Camp Fitness Circuit Challenge



December 20, 2017
6-8:30 p.m.
Bulls/Sox Training Academy
Lisle, IL

Join Us for Faith & Fun!

Fr. Burke Masters, Vocations Director & Chicago Cubs Chaplain, invites kids in the Diocese of Joliet to an exciting event kicking off the 2018 season of Catholic Sports Camps! He will begin with celebrating Mass at 6 p.m., followed by a variety of sports, and interactive team-building activities. Cost is \$10/child, adults free.



160 Max. - Lock in your spot!
Register at www.2018CSC.eventbrite.com

2018 Summer Camp Registration Opens December 20th
Makes a Great Christmas Gift!

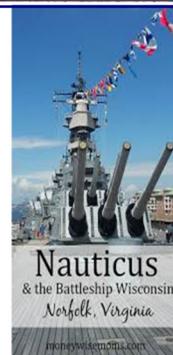


SOCCER June 10-13	New! FOOTBALL July 8-11
HOCKEY July 16-19	BASEBALL July 22-25

Igniting Faith, Building Leaders

Second Sunday of Advent~ 12/10/17
Until Christ Returns. Who shall we be and what shall we do while awaiting this Second Coming? Surely not stand idle. No-at work! The Bible readings early in Advent urge us to be at these works: giving comfort, straightening out pathways (both figurative and real), repenting, living without spot or blemish.

- ~Saint Paul asks, What sort of person ought I be?
- ~How does my life point to the Second Coming of Jesus Christ?
- ~What one act of mercy will I do this week?



MAY 6 - 12, 2018



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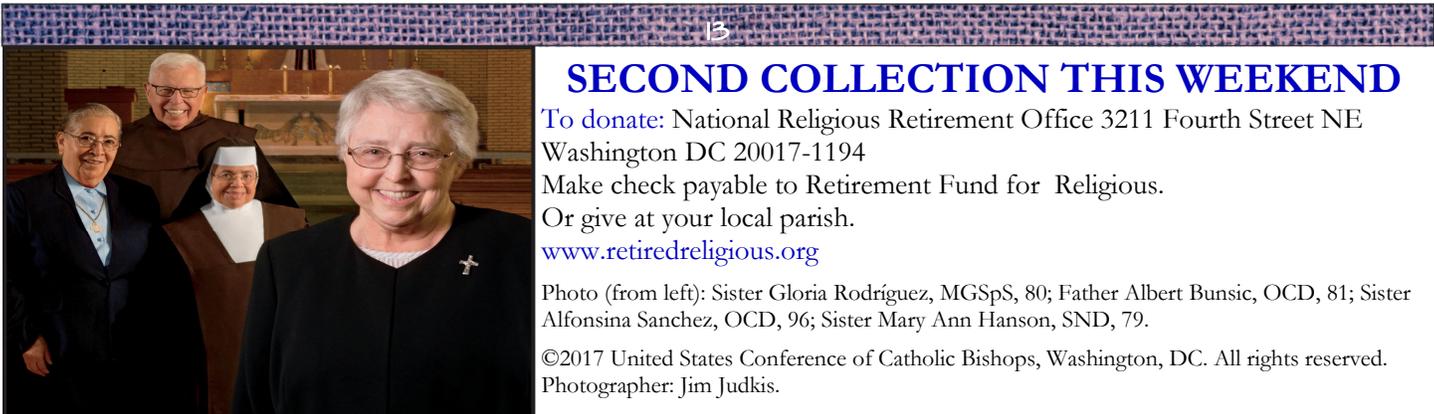


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Photo (from left): Sister Gloria Rodríguez, MGSps, 80; Father Albert Bunsic, OCD, 81; Sister Alfonsina Sanchez, OCD, 96; Sister Mary Ann Hanson, SND, 79.

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Are you itching to do Something Important?

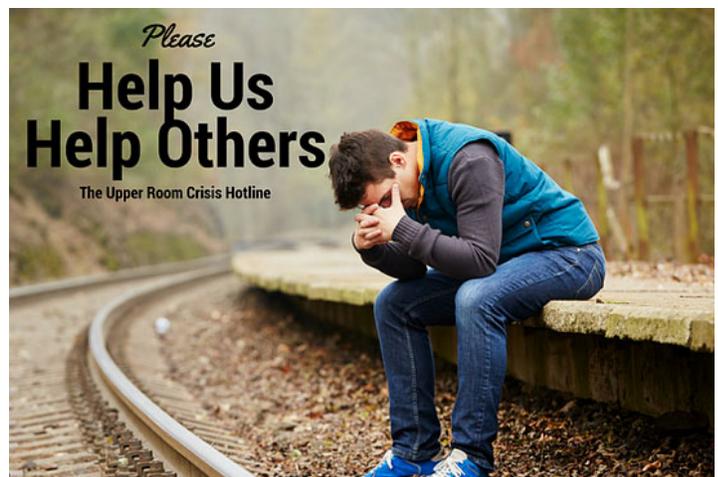
Ever have an itch you can't seem to scratch – an itch that just won't go away?

Well, sometimes God is like that itch. He tries to get your attention by annoying you with a little itchy urge that only He can scratch.

If God is urging you to do something to help others, consider becoming a volunteer phone counselor for The Upper Room Crisis Hotline. We provide counseling and referral services to anyone struggling to find a reason to keep living in all circumstances. While we deliver our services in the Catholic tradition, we counsel anyone who needs help.

Becoming a phone counselor requires you to complete an eight-week training program where you learn communication skills, relationship issues, suicide prevention and much more. We hold classes from Jan. 9th thru Feb. 27th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tuesday and Thursdays. All classes are held at The University of St. Francis (The old Guardian Angel Home on the corner of Theodore St. and Plainfield Rd) in Joliet, Il.

If this work touches your heart, please call Sr. Mary Frances Seeley at [815-341-9124](tel:815-341-9124), or email catholicohotline@gmail.com. Check us out at www.Catholicohotline.org. Thank You and God Bless!



Our Lady of Peace Catholic School Technology Coordinator Part time position

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Grade School in Darien is seeking a qualified, self starter to manage the daily technology needs of the school. This position is a part time, hourly, non benefit position requiring up to 20 hours per week.

Some requirements are as follows:

- ~Use standard equipment such as personal computer, printer, iPad, Chromebook, Eno board, Smart Board & document cameras.
- ~Works in standard office and school building environment
- ~Prior successful experience working in web-based applications or systems
- ~Solid and diverse support experience

For full job description, please visit our website at OLOPDARIEN.ORG

Please email resume to Kellie Moore, Business Manager at Kmoore@olopdarien.org

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EUCHARISTIC LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00, 8:30, 10:15 AM & 12:00 Noon & 6:30PM

Morning Mass: Monday-Saturday 7:30 AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Vigil Mass (Evening before Holy Day) 7:00 PM

Holy Day: 7:30 & 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Immediately Following Saturday Morning Mass

PARISH REGISTRATION

Visit on-line: www.olopdarien.org

Click On: Welcome & Registration

Or Call Office: 630-323-4333 Ext. 10 or 17

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To schedule an **Anointing of the Sick** or a **priest visit only**, please call our answering service at **630-323-4391**. Calls will be returned in a timely manner, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 9:30 PM, **based on priest availability**, and arrangements will be made to assist your request. No other calls will be handled by this service. Thank You.

DIOCESE OF JOLIET WEBSITE

www.dioceseofjoliet.org

MARRIAGE:

Our Parish is a wonderful setting to celebrate your Sacrament of Marriage. Couples must make arrangements at least 1 year before your proposed wedding date to allow for ample time for Marriage Prep.

Please contact **Deacon Larry Fudacz** at **630-323-4333 Ext. 20**.

BAPTISM:

Baptisms are celebrated on the second and on the fourth Sunday of each month immediately following the 12 Noon Mass.

We ask that the parents be registered members of the parish. First time parents must attend one hour (plus) of Pre-Baptismal instruction held on 2nd or 3rd Tuesdays of February, April, June, August, October and December at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. The Pre-Baptismal class may be taken before the birth of the child.

Please contact **Deacon Frank Vonesh** for more information at **708-793-3505**.

EUCHARISTIC HOME AND HOSPITAL VISITATION MINISTRY:

Our PASTORAL CARE MINISTERS are available to bring Communion to Shut-Ins at home, in hospitals and nursing homes. Request CARDS for PASTORAL CARE VISITS can be found in the Church Lobby and may be placed in the weekend collection basket OR, please contact **Deacon Pat Kenny** at **630-323-4333 Ext. 19**.