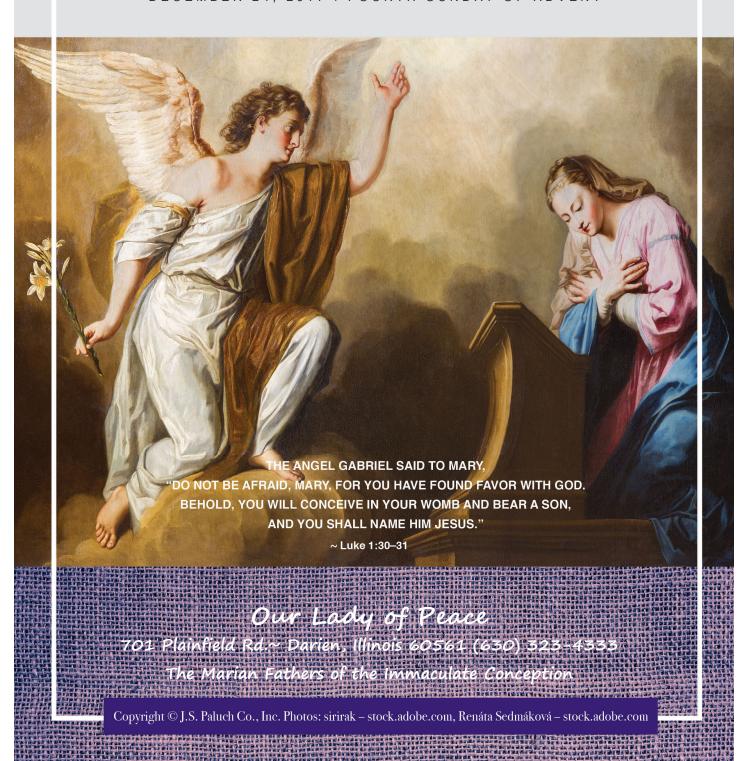
ADVENT

DECEMBER 24, 2017 I FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT





From Father Walter's desk... "Effort"

As we approach the day celebrating the birth of Christ, it can be a pretty good spiritual meditation to trace the role of effort in our lives. Effort can be viewed as an energy that takes its birth from commitment. This energy has to be there to allow for our goal to manifest.

For example, many of our young people play in some sport. Effort is needed by our young people to play any sport well. Both non-professional and professional athletes are themselves committed to a strong effort to play their sport well. Recently I heard a piano recital from a early teen who played marvelously. It took years of practice to get to this level. This is true for any accomplished musician. This Christmas we will all hear once again of the effort involved in the birth of Christ. The Holy Family had to travel, and then find a place to sleep. They found a stable, and it was here Jesus was born. Shepherds had to travel to find the Christ child. It took effort to find Him. The three wise men utilized effort, a much greater effort, to find Christ for they had to travel a much greater distance. They also had to deceive Herod's men. Certainly it took some effort to be that clever.

The above points just have to be a "no brainer" to anyone reading it, and it has to be such because the role of effort in our lives is just so clear to us. Admitting this to ourselves, the next logical task is to see the role of effort in our spiritual lives. A spiritual life is a multi-faceted journey! What are the facets? Let's see. Mass attendance, daily private prayer—with the time dedicated to it extending over time, private prayer that ought to include meditation at some point, again over time seeing the importance of getting a spiritual director, and full participation in the Sacraments available to us. In addition—yes, there is more—we might include keeping a spiritual journal where we write our own reflections on our lives, incorporating the insights that such reflections offer. We might join any of the many organizations that can further nurture our spiritual endeavors.

The problem is not in recognizing the role of effort. Perhaps it lies in prioritizing what we choose to give effort. The natural tendency of the beginner in the spiritual life is to prioritize the more earthly goals, what was called in times past the way of the flesh. It is natural to do so as such needs are obviously more immediate to our awareness. But that is why spiritual reflection is so important, not to mention the role of prayer. The smallest effort here inevitably expands our awareness, the result of which is that we begin to notice what is more important in our lives – really more important. As we move deeper into God, our awareness then reveals to us that it is not a matter of giving up something important in our everyday life. Rather, we are shown how to integrate our spiritual practices in our everyday life. This effort in turn allows us to see God now in all that we do. What a wonderful stage to reach! But we must be patient with ourselves. We have to basically give ourselves permission to grow naturally and slowly. In the end, we find that we arrive. And when we arrive, we find ourselves grateful to God who in the end was the One to inspire us to make the effort needed to begin so that we could arrive.

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LITURGICAL ROLES

LECTOR SCHEDULE

December 30

5:00pm - Larry Wieczorek

December 31

7:00am - Diane Ray 8:30am - Geoff Bares 10:15am - Kate Lyman 12 noon - Pat Debelak

OFFERING COUNTERS

January 2 Dick Slad Veretta Slad

Lou Larson Sheila Larson Genevieve Liska Dave Kilma

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you would like to become a parishioner at
Our Lady of Peace Parish, please visit our website at www.olopdarien.org
If you wish to register in person, please visit the Parish Office.
Monday - Friday 8:00am-1:00pm

6:30pm - Santays				Monday - Friday 8:00am-1:00pm
MASS INTENTIONS December 25-31		WEEKLY READINGS		
Daily Mass: Monday- Monday 12/25 7:00am (D) Ann 8:30am (D) Jose 10:15am (D) Euge 12:00pm Mary 8 Martin Tuesday 12/26 (D) Anthe Wednesday 12/27 (D) Franc Thursday 12/28 (D) Heler Friday 12/29 Fr. Walter's		Tuesday: Wednesda Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Sunday:	Acts 1	Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; 3:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25] 3:the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; 1-14; Lk 2:1-14 Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; -7; Lk 2:15-20 S 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; -18 [1-5, 9-14] S:8-10; 7:54-59; 3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22 -1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8 -15 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18 -11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35 -12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40 -16, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128: -17; Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or -18, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]
Saturday 12/30 (D) Stanley Chmielewski Sr.		MASS INTENTIONS December 23/24		
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6:30pm

Fr. Martin Gabel

Fr. John Larson

(D) Noreen McCann

Celebrants Subject To Change

D) Jane & Lloyd Heim

MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY

4:00pm

6:00pm

10:30pm

(D) Carol Vrtis

(D) Frank Annicks

(D) Stephen Gregorovic

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.

STEWARDSLIP OF TREASURE

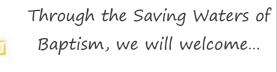
Sunday Budget: \$21,500 Actual: \$21,670 Surplus: \$170

BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE

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



BAPTISMS



ANNIVERSARY WISHES

Congratulations to



WEDDING BANNS

It is with joy that we announce the upcoming weddings



Vinson Vadakara & Jeanie Shery

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



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.

Michael Abrahamson, Alan Amann, Joseph Barberio, Celedonia Biala, Joseph Bielaga, Dcn. Frank Bina, Bill/James Bleacher, Linda Bronsteader, Judy C., Katy Counihan, Mario/Ann Cristofaro, Anne-Ellie Deutsch, Frank Dipodiva, Brooklynn Drab, Fran Goodell, Mark Herwaldt, JoAnne Hug, Mary Johnson, Dan Kieras, Donald Klemz, Burt Klich, Bro. Leonard Konopka, MIC, Robert Leverence, Rev. David Lord, Amy Lynch, Sylvia Malicki, Camille Manz, Laverne Marchese, John Matt, Donna Menard, Eusemia Mesina, Ronald Molfese, Joan Novak, Marilyn Pallardy, Charles & Gloria Pavesich, Rose Marie Pedryc, Helen Peschel, Agatha Piwcwicz, J. Pisarczyk, Stanley H. Ploskonka, Cida Quizon, Joan Ritzert, Laura & George Rossano, Dan Sackett, Charlie Sanders, Maria Santos, Tony Sekera, Joyce Smith, Karlton Smith, Bertha Sobotka, Jim Sobun, Marylyn Sobun, Patricia Soukup, Gerald Tampier, Diane Treend

And for the seriously ill children of our Parish:

Emma Tucker, Damien Turrubiartes, Joey Ventimiqlia, Martin Viau





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





Jesus appeared to St. Faustina as the Child Jesus. Jesus said, "I am, [your Creator and Lord], and I keep company with you as a child to teach you humility and simplicity." (Diary, 184)

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church ...

"Blessed are the poor in spirit. The Beatitudes reveal an order of happiness and grace, of beauty and peace. Jesus celebrates the joy of the poor, to whom the Kingdom already belongs." (CCC #2546)

Morning of Meditation

The Gift of Quiet

The Gift that Keeps on Giving

How do we keep

peace

in the hectic days before Christmas? Give a gift of

quiet time

to yourself So you can share it with others.

Presenter: Dr. Karen Pedigo, Psychologist

All are invited:
Those who meditate
Those who want to know more about meditation

Saturday, December 23

9:00am - 11:30am, Hospitality 8:30am

St. John of the Cross Parish Center, Western Springs Sponsored by the Christian Meditation group (wccm-usa.orgwccm.org)

Free will offering accepted Reservations requested Contact: Betsy 708-246-8315 or wccmchgo@gmail.com

Girl & Boy Scout Day of Reflection

The annual Catholic Scout Day of Reflection will be held on January 27, 2018 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. The event is open to all scouts ages 5 – 20. It will be held at Holy Family Catholic Church (600 Brook Forest Ave. Shorewood, IL.)

All information, registration forms and release forms can be found at www.dioceseofjoliet.org/scouting and click on the link Day of Reflection Retreat .

Holiday Office Schedule Rectory Parish Offices

December 25-26 CLOSED

December 27 8am-1pm

December 28 8am-1pm

December 29-January 1 CLOSED

January 2 8am-1pm Regular Hours Resume

Religious Ed Office

December 25-January 1 CLOSED

January 2 office re-opens

RE Classes Resume January 9-10

Wishing you a Merry Christ
mas and a Happy New Year!

The Counting Ministry of Our Lady of Peace is in need of volunteers.

This ministry requires a half day of volunteer work every six weeks on Monday morning to count Sunday's offering. Basic adding machine skills are required and it is a great way to help out the Parish. Please contact Joe Phillips at 708-525-5919 if you are interested

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



Catholic Answers Night

Deacon Pat along with his good (and smarter) friend, Deacon Ron Searls will endeavor to answer all questions concerning the Catholic faith on 1/9/18 at 7 PM in the OLOP church. All questions that you or your friends may have about the Church and her teaching authority are welcome! Sexuality, Birth Control, Sacraments, Marriage, The meaning of Christ's death on the cross, etc. are a few of the questions that will be addressed. You may have others. Please plan to attend and perhaps grow in appreciation for Christ's Catholic Church. If you would like to email questions in advance to be answered that night, please email Deacon Pat at PKENNY@OLOPDARIEN.ORG



Welcome retreat weekends at Our Lady of Peace are coming soon! Is something missing in your life? Have you lost the joy of your faith? Would you like to know more about Jesus? Would you like to help others know Jesus better? Would you like to get to know other parishioners here and meet new friends? You may really enjoy a Welcome weekend away from the world, right here on the parish grounds. The women's weekend is Feb/24,25 and the men's isMarch3,4. See the OLOP website for details, a video, and to register. This is the year to turn to God for peace and joy! Please register and bring a friend.

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, porterage 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



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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 schoolyear.*

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 tax-payer.
- "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 24, 2017



STUDENT COUNCIL AT CHRISTMAS

The Student Council held two events earlier this month to raise money so that they could sponsor a family this Christmas. Here is a picture of the Student Council members with the gifts that were purchased for the family. You can't see it, but almost every child has a gift in his/her hands for our adopted family. Plus, we have gift cards for the family as well.

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.

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Our school will be on break from December 23rd – January 7th. Classes will resume on Monday, January 8th. The school office will be closed during this time.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This year our Pre-kindergarten through fourth grade students, along with the choir, shared with us some holiday cheer as they sang and danced at the Christmas Program on December 14th. This was the first time that the Pre-kindergarten students joined us and they did a fantastic job. The show was a great way to help everyone get more into the Christmas spirit.

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 on January 24th. 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).

Upcoming Dates

December 23rd – January 7th – Christmas Vacation
January 2nd – Donations begin for the Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship
January 8th – School resumes

January 24th – Application process begins for Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship
January 25th – Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Open House (6-7)
January 28th – Pre-Kindergarten – Eighth Grade Open House (9-1)

~ 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!

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13



May your home be warmed by the love of the Savior, your hearts wrapped in His peace, joy, hope and love. Merry Christmas from the Religious Ed. team!



Pope Francis Tweet for the Week!

Follow Pope Francis: @Pontifex "I encourage all of you to live the joy of your mission by witnessing to the Gospel wherever you are called to live and work." 14Dec2017





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Like music? FM 94.3 K-Love – or download app.









Young Men Ages 13+ Operation Andrew Dinner

Tuesday, Jan 16, 2018, 6-8pm St. Mary Immaculate, Plainfield



- Meet Bishop Conlon & Fr. Burke Masters, Vocations Director
- Hear Inspiring Vocation Stories, Watch a Video, Q&A Session
- Lots of Food & Fun! Free! Parents Welcome!

Register at www.vocations.com Click on "REGISTER for EVENTS"

Who will Fill these shoes ?



It really is a simple question,
"Who Will Fill These Shoes?"

More importantly, it's a
shocking image, the image of
empty shoes, a priest's
shoes, laying there by the
altar. It is a sharp reminder
to all of us that without
priests, there will be
no Eucharist!

Men ages 7th Grade and older are invited to a day about priesthood!



THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2018
9:00 AM—3:00 PM
11:30 AM MASS
BLANCHETTE CATHOLIC CENTER
16555 WEBER RD.
CREST HILL, IL 60403



This is a day for men to hear more about the priesthood, meet our seminarians, and to find out if the Lord is asking them to "fill the shoes" of the priests who have gone before us. The day will include Mass, talks from priests and seminarians from our diocese, lunch and time for questions and answers about the priesthood. Parents are welcome to accompany their sons. If under 18, one parent or legal guardian must attend. Parents of our current seminarians will be available to speak about what it is like to have a son answer God's call.

For more information or to register go to:

www.whowillfilltheseshoes.com

THERE IS NO COST FOR THE DAY



The final months of the year are traditionally considered the season of giving. In addition to the gifts we give to the important people in our lives, this season of generosity is also the prime time to show support for the causes we love. When you support your parish this year, not only will others benefit, but so will you.

Few things in life offer more personal satisfaction than helping others. When you make a gift at year-end in support of our vital mission, not only will you help us meet our goals, but you can also receive important tax benefits. Here is what you need to know about making charitable gifts before the year comes to a close.

Explore Your Options

Although there may still be time to make several different types of charitable gifts, based on your unique situation and tax considerations, some gift types may be more practical than others. Following are a number of popular options.

Make an immediate impact.

Cash is an easy way to give each year. You can receive an income tax charitable deduction for the full value of the gift, up to 50 percent of your adjusted gross income. If you write a check for less than \$250, a copy of the check will suffice as a record of the gift. You should obtain a receipt for gifts of \$250 or more.

2 Save taxes on appreciated stock.

When you donate stocks that are worth more than what you originally paid for them, you can claim deductions for their full fair market value and eliminate any tax on the appreciation.

Avoid the hassles and costs associated with selling real estate

Like securities, if you try to sell appreciated property you will be subject to capital gains tax on the appreciation. By donating the property to charity, you can enjoy tax savings and relieve yourself from the hassles of selling or maintaining it.

Put an insurance Policy to good use.

An old policy you no longer need can make a big impact on our work. To qualify as a deductible gift, we must become the policy owner. For most types of insurance policies, your tax deduction is usually the cost basis or the fair market value of the policy - whichever is less.

It is more common for policies to still require premiums to be paid. When you donate these, the future premiums are tax-deductible as you pay them.

Book Club News!

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.

The Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien has two open positions.

The first is a part-time (approx. 15 hours per week) housekeeping position paying \$12 per hour. The second is a part-time (approx. 20 hours per week) kitchen position & salary is negotiable. Both positions are mainly daytime business hours with some weekends. Please contact Lisa at 630-929-4055 if interested.

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 benefited 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 <u>must attend</u> one hour (plus) of <u>Pre-Baptismal instruction</u> 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 <u>before</u> 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.**