

JANUARY 14, 2018 | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*Our Lady of Peace*

*701 Plainfield Rd.~ Darien, Illinois 60561 (630) 323-4333*

*The Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception*



From Father Walter's desk...  
 "God First...Always"

I think that the Old Testament gets a bad rap. People typically typecast it as being a collection of books that merely puts people on a guilt trip. But does it really? The Church would say no and the main argument here is that Jesus is found implicitly throughout its pages. He is born as a result of the Old Testament prophecy. Once born, He would quote the Old Testament freely, signifying by such an action how important the Old Testament was and is to Him. Of particular importance is when Mary and Joseph found Him in the temple as a young man explaining Scriptures to the leading men of the temple. Then, and throughout His life, He would indicate that, at best, people then (and now) basically misunderstood good parts of the Old Testament.

I've always wondered about that, -the extent in which we may understand the Old Testament. For us today it makes sense to see this question embracing the New Testament as well. However, let's stick to the Old Testament for this reflection. I have wondered about the extent the Old Testament is misunderstood; and over the years my "wondering" has turned into conviction. Yes, we do misunderstand it and these misunderstandings need to be corrected!

Let's take the concept of idolatry. This is a major Old Testament theme. We are warned against it quite strongly. One major Old Testament story that speaks of this issue is when Moses goes up Mt. Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments. He comes down the mountain after receiving the commandments and sees the Hebrews worshipping a Golden Calf. This act of yes, idolatry, enrages him. He throws down the tablet upon which the commandments were written and destroys the Golden Calf.

So why are idols so bad? Well, what's an idol to begin with? An idol is whatever takes the place of God for us. The Hebrews had their God, the same one who took them out of Egypt. A Golden Calf did not take them out of Egypt. "I am who I am" took them out of Egypt. This is the answer God gave to Moses in the burning bush when Moses asks Him to identify Himself. Yet, despite the fact the Hebrews knew this, they still chose the Golden Calf - an idol instead. Moses knew his own duty in this case. He needed to remind them to place their awareness back to the real God.

Again and again, we are always reminded to keep our attention on the real God and not let any idol replace Him. So, what's an idol for us? Or better expressed, what can be an idol for us? Anything that we are addicted to can be an idol. Any sinful habit. Our ego "can" be an idol for us. If we live selfishly with the sense that "it's all about me," we are over emphasizing our ego. And this is bad because in this sense we are ignoring the plight of our neighbor. We can even do this with our religion, at least in the sense as to what we think it means or says. For example, we may feel that all that matters is that I go to Heaven, not caring if anyone else does. Yet, what does Our Lady of Fatima say, and for that matter, the Apparitions of the Blessed Mother in general? Here we are invited to pray for all. People go to hell, Our Lady of Fatima says because they have nobody to pray for them.

We can become obsessed with worry about our problems and concerns. Instead of releasing them to God, we obsess about them, and as a result we don't think of God anymore. We think of what makes us anxious. We may want constant distractions as a way of "coping" with life. The bottom line is that God should be our major focus. If we surrender here to God, we find that guidance is always ours. We find that Peace is restored to our soul. God bless you!

Peace, Fr. Walt

## LITURGICAL ROLES

LECTOR SCHEDULE	OFFERING COUNTERS	PARISH REGISTRATION
<p><b>January 20</b> 5:00pm - Mary Ann Ciesla</p> <p><b>January 21</b> 7:00am - Mike Hogan 8:30am - Troy Fleming 10:15am - Aleta Peknik 12 noon - Bernie Maresh 6:30pm - Ciancio</p>	<p><b>January 22</b> Pat Debelak Marlene Nedball</p> <p>Shirley Barton Connie Caputo Richard Kuhlman Mary Ellen Kuhlman</p>	<p>If you would like to become a parishioner at Our Lady of Peace Parish, please visit our website at <a href="http://www.olopdarien.org">www.olopdarien.org</a></p> <p>If you wish to register in person, please visit the Parish Office. Monday - Friday 8:00am-1:00pm</p>

MASS INTENTIONS January 15-21	WEEKLY READINGS
<p><b>Daily Mass: Monday-Saturday 7:30am</b></p> <p><b>Monday 1/15 Czeslaw Lipiszko</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Tuesday 1/16 (D) John Barzyk</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Wednesday 1/17 (D) Robert Cambra</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Thursday 1/18 People of the Parish</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Friday 1/19 (D) Ben &amp; Helen Wroblewski</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Saturday 1/20 (D) John Johnson</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>5:00pm (D) Myra &amp; Elden Johnson</b> <b>Fr. Gerry</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Sunday 1/21</b></p> <p><b>7:00am (D) Andrew &amp; Marie Sraga</b> <b>Fr. Walter</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>8:30am (D) Mel Sedlacek</b> <b>Fr. Michael (D) Elmer Otto</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>10:15am (L) Dolores Trefelner</b> <b>Fr. Gerry</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>12:00pm (D) Gregory LaCava</b> <b>Fr. Michael</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>6:30pm (D) Mary Adele Tomy</b> <b>Fr. Gerry</b></p> <p><b>Celebrants Subject To Change</b></p>	<p>Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22</p> <p>Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28</p> <p>Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6</p> <p>Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12</p> <p>Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19</p> <p>Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21</p> <p>Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20</p>
	MASS INTENTIONS January 13/14
	<p><b>5:00pm (D) Richard &amp; Rose Hintz</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>7:00am (L) Fr. Joseph Leo Lappe, MIC</b></p> <p><b>8:30am Holy Name Society</b> <b>(D) Barbara Nudera</b> <b>(D) Michael &amp; Henry Lazarski</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>10:15am (D) Kobiljak/Tomsovic</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>12:00pm (D) Joseph Kasher</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>6:30pm (D) Renee Kenny</b></p>



### 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](http://www.deafcatholicjoliet.org) for SLI assisted Mass locations!

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Budget: \$21,500  
Actual: \$24,115  
Surplus: \$2,615

## BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE

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

Joey Ventimiglia  
Adonis Gardiola  
Theresa Banno  
Ann Jages



## BAPTISMS

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



## ANNIVERSARY WISHES

*Congratulations to*



## WEDDING BANNS

*It is with joy that we announce the upcoming weddings*



## 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, Sue Atkinson, Joseph Barberio, Celedonia Biala, Joseph Bielaga, Dcn. Frank Bina, Bill/James Bleacher, Linda Bronsteader, Judy C., Katy Counihan, Mario/Ann Cristofaro, Anne-Elle 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, Cita 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 Turrubiarres, Martin Viau



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



*Remembering Jesus' Message of Divine Mercy...*



**“My daughter, your confidence and love restrain My justice, and I cannot inflict punishment because you hinder Me from doing so.” (Diary, 198)**

*From the Catechism of the Catholic Church ...*

The God of our faith has revealed himself as He who is; and he has made himself known as “abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness” (EX 34:6) God’s very being is Truth and Love. (CCC #231)

*Thank You*

The OLOP Music Ministry would like to thank the parishioners for their support in purchasing our recently published Rosary CD. Our wish is to encourage everyone to honor Our Lady of Fatima by praying the four Holy Mysteries of the Rosary and to be uplifted by the beautiful musical background as they meditate on Christ's life, death and resurrection. There are still a few CDs left. See John Berardi if you would like to purchase one.

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 1/14/18

**Q and A with Jesus.** The gospel of St. John records the very first words of Jesus as this question: "What are you looking for?" The gospel response was, and still is, "Being with you, Jesus!" To be with Jesus, we must Come! See! Stay! After seeing and staying, we believe. After believing, we act. We must.

~What am I *really* looking for?

~How can I find it in Jesus and in the Christian community?

~Am I willing to come, see and follow? This week it means....

### 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](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/scouting) and click on the link Day of Reflection Retreat .

**The Parish Offices will be CLOSED on Monday, January 15th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day and will re-open on Tuesday, January 16th at 8am.**

*Welcome  
New Parishioners*

#### September 2017

Joseph & Annette Buonavolanto and Family

David Ryan & Danielle Keating and Family

Mary Elizabeth Prosapio

Sara Pulley and Family

Fejma Sabanov and Family

Hoy & Christine Wells and Family

#### October 2017

Jack & Jamie Nick and Family

Dominic & Karen Reda

Bob & Jude Skallerup

Vicente Tisoro & Margaret Abrasaldo and Family

#### November 2017

Rick & Mimi Coughlin

Victor & Joyce Salvador and Family

Ding & Lourdes Salvador

#### December 2017

Mary Bertulis

Thomas & Melinda Smith

### **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](mailto:judy_adamowicz@yahoo.com)



# Welcome.<sup>CRHP 2.0</sup>

There is **More to Life**

## A Special Opportunity for Women

**Do you sense that something's missing in your life? Do you feel that if you weren't so busy you would be happier, healthier, more effective, more fulfilled, and maybe even a better person?**

**Come to the next women's Welcome weekend!** It's an incredible experience that will help you discover what's missing in your life and what to do about it. Whether you want to connect with other women in the parish, improve your prayer life, or just take a break from the craziness of your everyday to have fun and not have to cook or clean, you will find what you are looking for—and more.

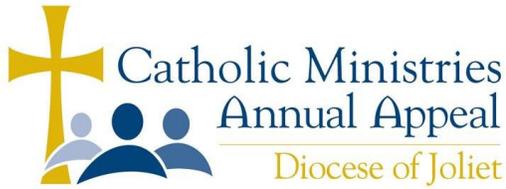
February 24-25, 2018

Saturday 8am-9pm & Sunday 8am-3pm

Our Lady of Peace  
Church & School

**For more information and to sign up, stop by the Welcome table in the back of church, call the parish office at 630-323-4333, or visit [WWW.OLOPDARIEN.ORG](http://WWW.OLOPDARIEN.ORG)**

 **Dynamic Catholic**



## The 2018 Catholic Ministries

### Annual Appeal is now underway!

The Diocese of Joliet is mailing information about the 2018 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) this month to all CMAA donors at Our Lady of Peace. The CMAA supports thirty ministries that benefit every parish in the Diocese, including ours, as well as our friends and neighbors most in need.

Our parish's goal for the 2018 CMAA is \$100,900. If we raise more than this goal, 70% of the amount paid over goal will be returned to us for use. This is a great benefit for our parish! Please review the information you receive and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's CMAA.

\*If you do not want to receive a mailing from the Diocese about the CMAA, please contact the parish office.



### THE WOMEN'S CENTER

5116 North Cicero Avenue, Chicago, IL 60630 (773)794-1313

BRANCH OFFICES: 9730 S. Western, Ste. 318, Evergreen Park, IL and

2720 S. River Rd., Suite 234, Des Plaines, IL

*The Women's Center Bulletin Announcement for January, 2018*

January 22<sup>nd</sup> marks the 45th anniversary of the legalization of abortion which has resulted in the death of nearly 55 million innocent, unborn babies in this country, one every 30 seconds. The Women's Center has saved over 39,000 babies and their mothers from the pain of abortion in our 33 years of service. We offer counseling, material assistance, prayer support and more.

**PART TIME JOB OPENINGS:** Seeking RDMS Certified Sonographers to conduct limited OB ultrasounds. Multiple shifts are available in our Cicero Avenue (north side) office and Evergreen Park office. Please submit a resume to [mstrom@GoTWC.org](mailto:mstrom@GoTWC.org). No phone calls please.

**Save the date: Sunday, February 11, 2018 is the date for our 33rd Annual Life Banquet at The White Eagle in Niles, IL featuring Gianna Jessen, an abortion survivor and pro-life advocate who has spoken around the world. For tickets call 773-794-1313. Overwhelmed with Christmas gifts you cannot use?** Please consider donating them to The Women's Center for our Life Banquet Silent Auction. We are looking for NEW items: gifts for her-him-or children, gift certificates to restaurants, theaters or sporting events, sports equipment, housewares, jewelry, electronic items, etc. They will be most appreciated. To donate, phone 773-794-1313.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** 1) We are looking for a new volunteer on Wednesday afternoons as a lobby receptionist. 2) We are looking for volunteers to sort donated items and assist clients in our Family Room, help with mailings and baby bottle projects. 3) We are always looking for bi-lingual volunteers who are conversational in Spanish to help in special areas. 4) We are seeking male volunteers to assist with baby furniture donations. *For more info on these volunteer roles, call us at 773-794-4771.*

**SEEKING DONATIONS:** *We are in immediate need of 6 infant car seat/carriers, also 5 large car seats for 20 to 40 lb (by law all car seats must be less than 7 years old).* Also needed are diapers in sizes 5 and 6 only. These items cannot be picked up unless accompanied by baby furniture. The families who receive these things are grateful for your generosity. For our address, or if a pick-up by a volunteer is needed, please call 773-794-1313.

#### **Retreat/ workshop for widowed men/women**

The Joyful Again! program brings understanding and hope to help you on your new life's journey.

"I felt welcome." "Found hope."

"Am more at peace."

Upcoming Dates:

**March 3 & 4, 2018** and **April 21 & 22, 2018** For more

information contact us at Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry

Ph: 1-708-354-7211

Email: [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com)

Website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org)

(Short video on website.)

**IMPORTANT:** Register early, space is limited.

**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**



## *Crusader Chronicles*

### *January 14, 2018*

#### **TEAM JOEY**

As many of you know, Joey passed away in early January. He and his family has taught us a lot about life and our faith. Joey is in heaven! He will always be a Crusader and we will always love him. In support of Joey's family, many homes have put orange ribbons on the trees in the neighborhood. Please join in showing Joey and his family your love and support.

#### **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 25<sup>th</sup> (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 28<sup>th</sup> (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM).

#### **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 24<sup>th</sup>. 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](http://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

January 15<sup>th</sup> – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, No School

January 17<sup>th</sup> – HSA Dinner Fundraiser at Pizza Italiano (4-9)

January 19<sup>th</sup> – End of the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, School Mass, Father/Daughter Dance

January 24<sup>th</sup> – Application process begins for Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship

January 25<sup>th</sup> – Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Open House (6-7)

January 28<sup>th</sup> – Pre-Kindergarten – Eighth Grade Open House (9-1)



# Our Lady of Peace Catholic School

Future • *Faith* • Family



Our Lady of Peace School is a thriving and diverse Catholic school serving Preschool through Grade 8. We provide a comprehensive and challenging curriculum to help our students develop strong foundations in reading, math, science, technology, arts and culture that will prepare them for high school and the path beyond.

- Preschool offered 2, 3 or 5 days a week
- Half or full-day kindergarten
- Preschool-3rd grade utilize iPads as part of their curriculum; 1:1 technology program for grades 4-8
- Spanish, art, music, gym and athletics for K-8
- Convenient before and after school care

We'd love the opportunity to show off our school to you and answer your questions.

## Preschool & Kindergarten Preview

**Thursday, January 25, 2018 6-7 p.m.**

Our Preschool & Kindergarten Preview is a great opportunity to see the classrooms, meet our educators and learn about our fun and robust curriculum. This event is open to both parents and children.

## All-School Open House

**Sunday, January 29, 2018 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

All are welcome to meet our teachers, explore the classrooms, learn about our enriching and challenging curriculum and how we embrace technology. In addition to faculty and staff, many OLP families will be on-hand to help with tours and answer questions from the parent perspective.



To schedule a personal tour,  
please contact us at 630-325-9220



709 Plainfield Road Darien, Illinois 60561

• 630-325-9220

• [www.olopschool.org](http://www.olopschool.org)

## ~ Religious Education ~

### May we pray for you?

Help 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! ☺

### St. Ignatius Loyola's 10 Guidelines for Negotiating Life's Journey...

One June morning, Fr. Brendan McManus stepped out for a much-needed walk—to be exact, a 500-mile hike on Spain's renowned Camino de Santiago. A few years earlier, his brother had committed suicide, and the tragedy left Brendan physically, psychologically, and spiritually wounded. Something radical was required to rekindle his passion for life and renew his faith in God.

In **Redemption Road: From Grief to Peace through Walking the Camino de Santiago**, McManus tells his story of walking the Camino through the lens of Ignatian spirituality. Not surprisingly, he learns a number of lessons along the way for how to negotiate life's journey.

1. Remember that you are a pilgrim, just passing through life. You put yourself on the road, a journey into the unknown, to be open to hear God's call.
2. God is a pilgrim who's always trying to find us, even in difficult situations. God is with you even if you are not with God.
3. Walking puts you in touch with your deeper desires, what you really want. Following this longing will bring us to God.
4. Keep on track by following the signs that are found only in reflection and meditation. Trust your inner compass to guide you.
5. Take time out regularly to reflect on your path (i.e., review of the day); be flexible in progressively altering things as you go. Don't be afraid of change.
6. Take time over decisions; they are important "crossroads" moments in your life. Never make a hasty decision—rather, play for time, and ponder the options internally before deciding.
7. If you get lost, be humble enough to backtrack to a known, sure spot. Beware of pride driving you on, getting you even more lost.
8. Possessions are only temporary; don't hold on to things too tightly. Practice detachment: use things insofar as they are useful, and discard them when they get in the way.
9. You can expect fierce storms on the road. The important thing is not to be deterred from your course but to hang on tightly to those support structures you know to be sound (prayer, discernment, and reflection). Don't change course, undo decisions, or alter the structure in midstorm.
10. Protecting yourself is important, as is having good defenses against whatever comes. This means knowing your own weak spots and areas where you are likely to be vulnerable. (Ignatius recommends fortifying your defenses to anticipate challenges.)

*This list is excerpted from **Redemption Road** by Brendan McManus, Society of Jesus (Jesuit priest).*



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#### Pope Francis Tweet for the Week!

"A joyful soul is like healthy soil in which life can thrive and produce good fruit." 9Jan.2018



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





## St. Joseph Parish (Downers Grove) Overnight Vigil for Life

Please join St. Joseph Parish Catholics for Life for an overnight Vigil for Life before the Blessed Sacrament in recognition of the two Supreme Court decisions of 1973 that made abortion legal in the United States, and in memory of the tens of millions of babies killed in the womb since.

The vigil begins in the Chapel (to the left as you enter the church) with a rosary on Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30pm, and continues overnight and all-day Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, ending with a rosary starting at 5:30pm.

A Holy Hour for Life will be held on Sunday evening from 8:30 – 9:30pm.

Please send an email indicating when you will attend to [SJC.ProLife@gmail.com](mailto:SJC.ProLife@gmail.com), or join us at anytime during the vigil hours.



**St. Joseph Church is located at 4801 Main Street, Downers Grove, IL.**

*“Defend the unborn against abortion even if they persecute you, calumniate you, set traps for you, take you to court, or kill you. ~~~ Pope Francis ~~~”*

St. Joseph Catholics for Life: Promoting the Culture of Life through Prayer, Education, & Action  
For more information or to be added to our mailing list for pro-life news and events:  
email [SJC.ProLife@gmail.com](mailto:SJC.ProLife@gmail.com), or call Bob LeMay @ 630-464-5344.

**Welcome.** CRHP 2.0  
There is **More to Life**

### A Special Opportunity for Men

**What:** An incredible experience that will help you discover what’s missing in your life and what to do about it

**When:** March 4-5, 2018  
Saturday 8am-9pm & Sunday 8am-3pm

**Where:** Our Lady of Peace Church & School

**Who:** Any man over the age of 18

**Why:** Because you deserve to live with passion and purpose

**RSVP:** Sign up for the Welcome weekend at the table in the back of church, online at

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

or call the parish office at 630-323-4333 .



**BELLARMI**  
Jesuit Retreat House



“The Mountaintop:  
The Place Where  
God Dwells”



**April 6-8, 2018**  
with Fr. Brad Held, SJ  
Ignatian, Silent Retreat for Men

420 W County Line Rd · Barrington, IL 60010 · 847-381-1261  
[www.JesuitRetreat.org](http://www.JesuitRetreat.org)

**BIBLICAL JUSTICE & CATHOLIC SOCIAL THOUGHT**

January 17, 24, 31 and February 7, 2018 9:30-11:00am

Sister Karen Nykiel, O.S. B.,

Sacred Heart Monastery~1910 Maple Ave Lisle

These sessions attempt to integrate Church social teaching (i.e. all social encyclicals beginning with Pope Leo XIII “Rerum Novarum, etc.) into Deacon, Family, Faith and Vocation journeys. We examine Scripture and Tradition as sources of Faith and Justice, and challenge ourselves toward the vision proposed by Vatican II Church renewal necessary for today.

# Called to Serve?

## Attend Next Vocations Event

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](http://www.vocations.com)  
 Click on "REGISTER for EVENTS"

### Holy Trinity Catholic Parish, Westmont, seeks full-time Director of Communications

Reporting to the Pastor, the Director of Communications will be responsible for all communications, website, and public relations messages for Holy Trinity Church and School and to consistently articulate Holy Trinity's mission. The Director will also coordinate the messaging on fundraising efforts and ongoing marketing of parish resources. Holy Trinity is seeking an accomplished professional with a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing or Communications and two years of experience covering areas such as website content, newsletters, and donor communications. To view a full job description, visit: <http://www.dioceseofjolieta.org/hr/listjobs.php>. To apply for the position, please send resume and cover letter to [apply@holyltrinitywestmont.org](mailto:apply@holyltrinitywestmont.org).

### 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](http://OLOPDARIEN.ORG)

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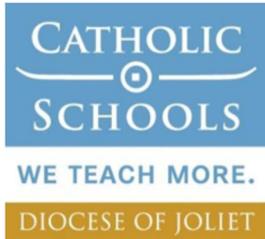
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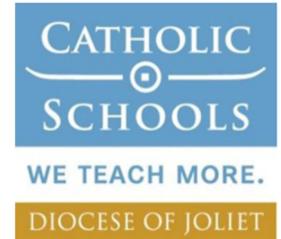
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The *Empower Illinois* Scholarship Granting Organization will be operational and will have application information around December 15, 2017 and anticipates accepting applications January 2, 2018. These dates are subject to change. **Visit [www.weteachmore.org](http://www.weteachmore.org)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



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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](http://www.weteachmore.org) for details.



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## **EUCCHARISTIC 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](http://www.olopdarien.org)

Click On: Welcome & Registration

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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**

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## **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**.

## **EUCCHARISTIC HOME AND HOSPITAL VISITATION MINISTRY:**

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