

# ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH

455 North Benton Street, Palatine, IL 60067 | 847-358-7760 | [www.sttheresachurch.org](http://www.sttheresachurch.org)



JANUARY 25, 2026 | THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekend Masses

Saturday | 8:00am\*, 5:00pm Vigil

Sunday | 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am\*,  
11:30am

### Weekday Masses

Monday | 6:30am\*, 8:00am

Tuesday | 6:30am\*, 8:00am

Wednesday | 6:30am\*, 8:00am

Thursday | 6:30am\*, 8:00am

Friday | 6:30am\*, 8:00am

6:30am Masses in Chapel

\*Livestreamed Mass

[youtube.com/StTheresaParishPalatine](https://youtube.com/StTheresaParishPalatine)

## CONFESSION

Saturday | 12:00pm - 1:30pm

## ADORATION

Monday-Friday | 7:00am-7:00pm

Open to the public. Become a Holy Hour

Adorer or Substitute:

[sttheresachapel.weadorehim.com](http://sttheresachapel.weadorehim.com)

## GET IN TOUCH

### St. Theresa Catholic Church

455 North Benton Street

Palatine, IL 60067

847-358-7760

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

### Parish Reception Hours

Monday - Thursday | 8am-8:30pm

Friday | 8:00am-3:00pm

Saturday | 9:00am-3:00pm

Sunday | 9:00am-1:00pm

## DONATE ONLINE

Donating online is easy! Just  
aim your phone camera at the  
QR Code and follow the link.

Thank you!



## Discover and Celebrate Catholic Schools Week



UNITED IN FAITH AND COMMUNITY



January 25 - 31, 2026



Schedule a Tour!

Forming Christian Scholars for the 21st Century

Join us in the school building today, Sunday, January 25,  
following 10am Mass for OPEN HOUSE!

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

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Dear Friends,

As I write this article it is Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>... two days before the Chicago Bears big game against the Los Angeles Rams, and six days after their miraculous victory against the Green Bay Packers in the first round of the playoffs. Whether the Bears win or lose on Sunday, this season has been an entertaining one to say the least, and way better than anyone would have predicted last summer.

Why would I be writing about a sports team in my weekly bulletin article? As big a fan as I am of the Chicago Cubs and Bears, I very rarely ever talk about them in the context of faith, and even when people ask me to pray for a sports team victory, I always politely try to tell them that God has more important things to attend to.

One of the dynamics of this Bears season, however, has been a focus on the longtime owner of the Bears, Virginia McCaskey, daughter of one of the founders of the NFL, George Halas, and a Catholic woman of great faith, who passed away last January at the age of 102.

Deacon Jim Devine shared with me an article on January 14<sup>th</sup> from the Daily Herald authored by long-time sports writer Dan Pompei titled, "This magical Bears season is beyond explanation. Is it divine intervention?" Mr. Pompei writes:

*A patch with the letters VMH has brightened the jersey of every Chicago Bears player this season. It sits as close to their hearts as the numbers will allow. The patches are a tribute to Virginia Halas McCaskey, the matriarch of the team, whose one-year death anniversary falls two days before Super Bowl LX. They are as good an explanation as any for how this team keeps winning games that have been described as miraculous.*

*This Bears season, maybe more than any of the 105 that preceded it, has been about faith. These Bears apparently play with an absence of doubt, and their superpower is the ability to have conviction without proof...*

*McCaskey sat in the same pew for 6:15 Mass every morning. She wore away the orange and blue colors on the beads of her rosary. No one had a deeper appreciation and understanding of the Bears. She experienced more of the Bears' history than anyone, including her father, and once called the team "her life..."*

*Thirty-three years later [after the Bears won Super Bowl XX in 1986], McCaskey had a chapel built at Halas Hall where players and employees can throw up Hail Marys. After her death, the chapel was dedicated to her. The plaque outside the chapel calls her "A WOMAN OF STEADFAST FAITH."*

*And if the chapel was not busy before games this season, it should have been after.*

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I had the privilege of meeting Virginia McCaskey several times during my years here at St. Theresa and even had the honor of attending a game in one of her five skyboxes at Soldier Field (noteworthy in that she had no alcohol in any of her skyboxes). She was always kind, friendly and had an exceptional memory! She was also never bashful talking about her Catholic faith.

She was indeed a devoted and unapologetic Catholic who brought so much of her faith to the administration of the team. She even disbanded the Honey Bears Cheerleading squad after the Super Bowl win in 1986 because she found the idea of cheerleading a professional football team "embarrassing, sexist, and degrading to women." Despite their undeserved reputation as being "cheap," both Virginia and her father contributed millions of dollars to charitable causes and helped countless players financially through the years when they were going through difficult personal challenges.

In a sports and entertainment world that abhors talking about faith in fear of offending people who don't share a particular faith expression, Virginia McCaskey stood out as someone who was proudly and unequivocally Catholic.

Win or lose against the Rams, I will still say that God is too busy to be concerned with the vagrancies of intervening in sporting events, but maybe, just maybe, Mrs. McCaskey is looking down on the Bears this season and inspiring them to miraculous finishes?

May God bless you all.

Love,  
Fr. Tim





# WELCOME TO ST. THERESA

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## WELCOME TO ST. THERESA!

### OUR MISSION

The mission of St. Theresa Catholic Church is to share Christ with others through the sacraments, education, prayer, and service.

### JOIN US, BECOME A PARISHIONER, RECEIVE EMAIL UPDATES

If you are new to the parish or not yet registered, we invite you to join St. Theresa Catholic Church! Contact the receptionist at the Pauline Pastoral Center front desk or speak with a greeter during weekend Masses. To sign up for parish email updates, text LITTLEWAY to 84576 or visit [sttheresaparish5.flocknote.com](mailto:sttheresaparish5.flocknote.com).

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on 1st and 3rd Sundays. Prep classes are held on 1st Wednesdays. Call Mary Amirante to begin the planning process: [marya@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:marya@sttheresachurch.org) or 847-358-7760.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

RE classes for Kindergarten-8th grade meet September-April on Tuesdays 4:30-6:00PM or Saturdays 9:00-10:30AM. For age 7+ not Baptized or 3rd grade+ who have not received First Holy Communion, classes meet September-April on Thursdays 5-6PM. Two years formation for Sacraments reception is required. Contact Elizabeth Vogt [elizabethv@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:elizabethv@sttheresachurch.org), 847.358.7760 x 111 or visit [www.sttheresachurch.org/religious](http://www.sttheresachurch.org/religious).

### ADULT SACRAMENTS

Adults who would like to join or be fully received into the Catholic Church and have not yet received the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation need to attend Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) classes at St. Theresa. Contact Dcn. Larry Schumacher [larrys@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:larrys@sttheresachurch.org) or call the Parish Office.

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

Congratulations on your engagement! Please make wedding arrangements six months in advance. Call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment with a priest.

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Are you discerning the priesthood or diaconate? Contact Fr. Tim [frtim@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:frtim@sttheresachurch.org), 847.358.7760 x 101.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 12:00-1:30 pm in the Church or by appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Receive the Lord's healing strength and peace, if you are seriously or chronically ill, hospitalized, or about to have surgery. Contact Fr. Tom Bishop [frtom@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:frtom@sttheresachurch.org).

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday - 1/25/26

7:00am | Jan and Kazimera Watychowicz  
8:30am | Christine Lisowicz  
10:00am | For Parishioners of St. Theresa  
11:30am | Helena Grajdura, Nancy Owens, Rachel Vaughn, Christina Lisowicz

### Monday - 1/26/26

6:30am | Judy Meyer  
8:00am | Necito Cojuangco

### Tuesday - 1/27/26

6:30am | St. Theresa Purgatorial Society  
8:00am | Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

### Wednesday - 1/28/26

6:30am | Judy Meyer  
8:00am | Healing for Debbie Janikowski

### Thursday - 1/29/26

6:30am | Charles Falkenberg, Jr.  
8:00am | Rose M. Mele

### Friday - 1/30/26

6:30am | Judy Meyer  
8:00am | Louie Reyes

### Next Saturday - 1/31/26

8:00am | Nancy Owens, Betty Ashford, Special Intention for Roger Curtis  
5:00pm | Walter and Rosemary Bzowy

I ENCOURAGE YOU,  
DEAR STUDENTS,  
TO MAKE  
YOUR TIME  
OF FORMATION  
AN UNREMITTING  
QUEST FOR GOD

*St. John Paul II | Catholic Schools Week*

## WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17 Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35  
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20  
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25  
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41  
Next Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

Daily Readings: <https://bible.usccb.org>



# STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

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## GOOD NEWS TO SHARE

As a result of a payroll tax credit, St Theresa Parish and School is the beneficiary of a one-time refund in the amount of \$99,943. A suggestion was made by the Finance Council to use that tax credit to establish a tuition assistance endowment fund for future needs of St Theresa School students.

To this end, in December we offered “a dollar for dollar matching” contribution for tuition assistance for Giving Tuesday and for the end of the 2025 tax year. Our parishioners stepped up and contributed \$19,700 from those two efforts. These donations will be used for assistance for the next academic year.

Due to this generosity, we’ve earmarked matching dollars, also in the amount of \$19,700, as seed money for a new endowment fund for future years.

We were very encouraged by December’s efforts and because this success, beginning Catholic Schools Week, January 25 through the end of the school year, we are offering to continue the program. Remember our need is twofold. Your donations will be used for 2026-2027 school year assistance for needy families; and the matching dollars from the tax credit will be invested in this endowment fund for future use. Please help us reach the remaining goal of an additional \$80,000 for next year’s financial assistance and then the matching tax credit proceeds will be used to enrich the endowment fund.

Thank you and May God Bless You,  
St. Theresa Finance Council



## DONATE TO TUITION ASSISTANCE HERE

Or, type this into your web browser:

<https://ppay.co/TGB49PVnJHk>



## DONATE ONLINE

Making your **weekly contribution** in Pushpay is easy! Just aim your phone camera at the QR Code and follow the link. Thank you for your support!



**Last year around this time we switched our giving software from GiveCentral to Pushpay.**

**Please be sure to double check that your recurring weekly donation is being made to this new service provider.**

**Questions? Email Tom Galvan or Kathryn McIntyre: [tomg@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:tomg@sttheresachurch.org) or [kathrynm@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:kathrynm@sttheresachurch.org).**

## SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

On the weekend of January 24-25 many Catholic dioceses in the United States - including ours! - will take the annual Collection for the Church in Latin America, which supports ministries among the poor in Mexico, Central and South America and the Caribbean. U.S. Bishops' Collection for Church in Latin America Reflects the Missionary Spirit of Pope Leo XIV. Read more, here:





## Church Teachings on Migration: Our Faith-Based Response

JOIN US AS WE WELCOME  
FR. COREY BROST C.S.V.  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,  
VIATOR HOUSE OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, January 24, 2026 11:30am St. Edna Church  
2525 N. Arlington Heights Rd., Arlington Heights

All are Welcome!



Sponsored by Contemporary Theology for Women  
Contemporarytheology4women@gmail.com



### ATTENTION MEN OF ST. THERESA'S PARISH Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men

The men of Knights of Columbus Council No. 4977 are excited to share the implementation of *Cor*, a new formation and fraternal opportunity for the men of St. Theresa's parish. *Cor* exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.

Before scheduling our first *Cor* meeting, we would like to determine what days and times work best for everyone moving forward. Please use the web link or scan the QR code below to take a brief survey to let us know when you'd be the most available and how you would like to grow as a Catholic man.

If you have additional questions, please reach out to Mark Cascia at:

mcascia@comcast.net  
or  
(847) 848-1265 (Cell)

Brief Survey Link: <https://forms.gle/oM1gRF5gm36ZCPyy7>



### *St. Vincent DePaul provides temporary emergency financial assistance to our neighbors in need*

Most of the funding for St. Vincent DePaul is provided by the generosity of the St. Theresa parish community.

Occasionally, a neighbor has a need that extends beyond the financial support that St. Theresa's can provide. In these situations, we may reach out to neighboring parishes for help to provide additional financial assistance.

We would like to recognize and thank the parishes of St. Thomas, Holy Family, St. Edna's, St. James, Our Lady of the Wayside and St. Mary in Buffalo Grove for their continued support and generosity to assist the neighbors in need in Palatine.

If you are interested in donating to St. Vincent DePaul, donations can be made through the poor box at the back of the church, by scanning the QR code, below, or by sending checks payable to *The Society of St. Vincent DePaul* to:

Society of St. Vincent DePaul  
St. Theresa Conference  
455 N. Benton St. Palatine, IL 60067



Thank you and God Bless from all of us at the St. Theresa Chapter of St. Vincent DePaul for your generosity to our mission to help the poor!



St. Theresa Catholic Church invites you to

***Come and See***

**The Catholic  
Catechism for Adults**

Our Winter CCC (Community, Conversation, & Christ) Speaker Series



**Jesus Taught Us to Pray**

***Presented by: Fr. Matt Jamesson***

**Wednesday, January 28, 2026 | 6:30pm-8:30pm, with dinner  
O'Brien Hall @ St. Theresa**

The Lord's Prayer is the most perfect of prayers. . . . In it we ask, not only for all the things we can rightly desire, but also in the sequence that they should be desired. This prayer not only teaches us to ask for things, but also in what order we should desire them.

—CCC, no. 2763, citing St. Thomas Aquinas,  
Summa Theologiae, II-II. 83, 9



Father Matt Jamesson was ordained as a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago in 2014. His first assignment was as an Associate Pastor at St. Theresa Church. Father Matt was one of the forces behind the construction of our beautiful Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. His next assignment was as Associate Pastor at SS. Matthew and Hubert Parish. He currently serves as a Health Care Chaplain at two nursing homes and as a weekend assistant at St. Theresa.

Sign up to attend:



Sign up to bring food:



Questions? Email Mary Ptak at [maryp@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:maryp@sttheresachurch.org)



## 2025 Christmas Flower Memorials

Donations made in honor / memory of:

Meller Family (in memory of)  
 Vincent Jo Bongiovanni (in memory of)  
 Peter & Marian Falzone (in memory of)  
 Rose & Benny Zarzana  
 Pete & George Tarara (in memory of)  
 Edward Cahill Jr. (in memory of)  
 Edward & Lois Stout (in memory of)  
 Antoni & Anna Jasion (in memory of)  
 Frank & Victoria Lardino (in memory of)  
 McLain's Family (in memory of)  
 McLain's - Schieler Family (in honor of)  
 Schieler's Family (in memory of)  
 Schieler's Family (in honor of)  
 Aparicio's - Aguirre Family (in memory of)  
 McLain's Family (in honor of)  
 John DeMaira (in memory of)  
 Helen Fasano (in memory of)  
 Pat Giannini (in memory of)  
 Adelina Giannini (in memory of)  
 John DeMaira (in memory of)  
 Helen Fasano (in memory of)  
 Pat Giannini (in memory of)  
 Adelina Giannini (in memory of)  
 James & Marcella Means (in memory of)  
 Danny Wamser (in memory of)  
 John & Doroth Puzzo (in memory of)  
 Robert & Barbara Zimmermann (in memory of)  
 Frank Czajkowski (in memory of)  
 Luca Cimarusti (in memory of)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Mike dipinto (in memory of)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Sam Cimarusti (in memory of)  
 The Unborn (in honor of)  
 Richard Pfister (in memory of)  
 William & Dolores Galuha Jr. (in memory of)  
 Stanley C. Malek (in memory of)  
 Walter Minkalis (in memory of)  
 Laura Minkalis (in memory of)  
 Ethel Minkalis (in memory of)  
 Fiona Gross (in memory of)  
 Harry & Jean Musial (in memory of)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Ruffini (in memory of)  
 Salomon Kim (in memory of)  
 Elizabeth Kang (in memory of)  
 Sang K. Lee (in memory of)  
 Simeon Je (in memory of)  
 John & Norita Hollar (in memory of)  
 Karin Seckora (in memory of)  
 Bartl & Margaret Hollar (in memory of)  
 Anna Szewc (in memory of)  
 Edward J Szewc (in memory of)  
 Robert A Bowers (in memory of)  
 Mary Ellen Bowers (in memory of)  
 Richard J Deyhle (in memory of)  
 Urbaniak Family  
 Yagiela & Szlaga Family  
 Maslanka & Konwent Family  
 Majchrewicz Family  
 William S Jambor (in memory of)  
 Ben & Stephanie Szramek (in memory of)  
 Betsy Szramek (in memory of)  
 Steve & Ann Jambor (in memory of)  
 Donna Leonardo (in memory of)

Paul & Dorie Bohlmann (in memory of)  
 Elliot Manint  
 Mark Manint  
 Our Beloved in Armatys-Samuel Family (in memory of)  
 Our Cherished Family and Friends (in honor of)  
 Doris Bero (in memory of)  
 Dolores Taylor (in memory of)  
 Aldo, Pamela & Andrea Azzolin (in memory of)  
 McLain Family (in memory of)  
 Aparicio Family (in memory of)  
 Schieler Family (in memory of)  
 Jeffrey Siegel (in memory of)  
 Robert Kane (in memory of)  
 John & Bob Gazda (in memory of)  
 Chester and Maria Oleszczuk (in memory of)  
 Agnes & Walter Janowiak (in memory of)  
 Zofia & John Zielinski (in memory of)  
 Peter Cory (in memory of)  
 John Lipinski (in memory of)  
 Geruasi Family (in memory of)  
 Pauley Family (in memory of)  
 Parents of Szewczyk & Bilas (in memory of)  
 Bilas Family - Dr. Bohdan, Joanne, Bohdan Jr.,  
 Vanessa, Eric, Joseph (in honor of)  
 Dr. Lidia Bilas, & Kathy Valentine (in memory of)  
 Russell & Josephine Willis (in memory of)  
 James Rawls (in memory of)  
 William & Margaret DeVita (in memory of)  
 Wanda Rawls (in memory of)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Harrigan (in memory of)  
 Michael Castro  
 Federico Crisostomo  
 Maternal Grandparents  
 Aunties and Uncles  
 Ted Bumidang  
 Ruth Tiano (in memory of)  
 Michael Tiano (in memory of)  
 Katherine Tiano (in memory of)  
 John Tiano (in memory of)  
 John & Dorothy Puzzo (in memory of)  
 Robert & Barbara Zimmerman (in memory of)  
 Estelle Valenti (in memory of)  
 Deborah Sulla (in memory of)  
 Sadowski Family Members (in memory of)  
 Pignato Family Members (in memory of)  
 Kazimierz & Adela Iwanicki (in memory of)  
 Karol & Emilia Supek (in memory of)  
 Jan - Jozefa - Jakup Pabiar (in memory of)  
 Wiktorina Kozano (in memory of)  
 Andrew Mullen, Jr. (in memory of)  
 David Shuey (in memory of)  
 Krista Ann Sromek (in memory of)  
 Anthony Sromek (in memory of)  
 Walter & Lois Lata (in memory of)  
 Michael Lata (in memory of)  
 Frank Masellis (in memory of)  
 Maraella Means (in memory of)  
 James Means (in memory of)  
 Danny Wamseo (in memory of)  
 Sue Bebbard

Don & Carol Davis (in memory of)  
 Teresa & Jorge Briones  
 Salvatore Galluzzo (in memory of)  
 Agata Galluzzo (in memory of)  
 Frances Galluzzo (in memory of)  
 Dorothy Caminiti (in memory of)  
 Joseph Wade (in memory of)  
 Reilly Burkeen (in memory of)  
 Bill Schmit (in memory of)  
 Krist & Janet Larsen (in memory of)  
 Darcy Killigrew (in memory of)  
 Gerald & Dorothy Killigrew (in memory of)  
 Gene & Marian Ferris (in memory of)  
 Doug Davis (in memory of)  
 Jacob & Florence Ulrich  
 JoAnn Laymon (in memory of)  
 Nadzieja A Miedzinska - mother (in memory of)  
 Elizabeth J Kociatkowski - sister (in memory of)  
 Edward J Miedzinski - brother (in memory of)  
 John E Cunningham - husband (in memory of)  
 Bob & Pam Schneider (in memory of)  
 Kenneth E Nettleton (in memory of)  
 Donald J Pozanaski (in memory of)  
 MaryAnn S Poznanski (in memory of)  
 Carl Reina, father of Maria Tambellini (in memory of)  
 Cliff Rees (in memory of)  
 Ray Statz (in memory of)  
 Millie Statz (in memory of)  
 Harlod & Shirley Herbst (in memory of)  
 Jim Holderfield (in memory of)  
 Jerome and Joan Paschke (in memory of)  
 Gayle Photikarmbumrung (in memory of)  
 Jimmy & Ron Vercillo  
 All the miracles in my health. Thanks to God  
 Jake Gross (in memory of)  
 Don & Pauline Vinson (in memory of)  
 Walter & Jean Oswald  
 Helen Fasano (in memory of)  
 John DeMaira (in memory of)  
 Pat Giannini (in memory of)  
 Adelina Giannini (in memory of)  
 Paul & Goldie Combs (in memory of)  
 Michael & Christina McAteer (in memory of)  
 Paul Combs (in memory of)  
 Valerie E Stippich (in memory of)  
 Frank & Antoinette Sikorski (in memory of)  
 Kenneth & Joan Stippich (in memory of)  
 John T Heraty  
 MaryJane O Heraty

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



## Vicariate I Ministry Commission

# Formation and Training for NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**Presenter: Fr. Robert Ryan**

**When:** Saturday, January 31, 2026

**Where:** St. Theresa Parish, 455 N. Benton St., Palatine, IL 60067

**Time:** Check in at 8:30 a.m. | Training 9 – Noon

**Register at:** [forms.office.com/r/HLx59MtwEc](https://forms.office.com/r/HLx59MtwEc)

A follow up session will take place in your parish that will include any particular practices for your parish.

**This training meets the archdiocesan requirements for mandation and remandation.**

Questions? Contact Marie Paul at [mariep@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:mariep@sttheresachurch.org).



## Christopher Leadership Weekend!

**March 13–15, 2026**

University of St. Mary of the Lake/  
Mundelein Seminary

**A God-Centered  
Leadership Program to...**

- Grow in Confidence
- Improve Communication Skills
- Learn "People" Skills that Work
- Put More Purpose in Your Life!

Limited Seating  
Registration Closes February 17, 2026  
[www.christophers.org/leadership](http://www.christophers.org/leadership)



For information and registration  
contact Class Coordinator, Pam Hammond  
845-661-5159, Cell/Text; [pammond@hvc.rr.com](mailto:pammond@hvc.rr.com)

*"Love of people for the love of God is an  
essential quality of a true leader."*

Father James Keller, M.M. 1900-1977, Founder of The Christophers

## Transformative Prayer in Lent

Tuesday, January 27, 2026;

12pm-2pm OR 7pm-9pm

Virtual

Lent calls us to re-ignite our prayer lives. This workshop will help individuals and communities move from merely reciting prayers to a deep, transformative connection and dynamic dialogue with God, enhancing your relationship with Jesus.

Info and registration are here:

<https://www.renewmychurch.org/renewal-workshops>.





## The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Candlemas

**Monday, February 2, 2026**

6:30 am for the blessing of candles at the Gathering Space

## CELEBRATE WORLD MARRIAGE DAY WITH MASS AND A COUPLES DINNER

**Friday, February 13, 6PM**

**Our Lady of the Wayside (434 W Park St, Arlington Heights)**

An Evening with Your Sweetheart to Celebrate & Strengthen Your Marriage Bond!



### CELEBRATION PLAN FOR MASS & DINNER

- 6:00 PM Attend Mass and renew wedding vows in Our Lady of the Wayside Church.
- 7:15 PM Enjoy an elegant three-course dinner prepared by professional chefs. Couples will be seated at sweetheart tables in the Father Mackin Center. **Please BYOB.** Water, sparkling water, & soft drinks will be provided.
- 8:15 PM Welcome our speaker, **Father Britto Berchmans**, a retired priest and former Pastor of St. Paul of the Cross in Park Ridge. Fr. Britto has authored CD's and a book, **Enrich Your Marriage**, and in 2025, a 2nd book titled, **Built on the Rock: A Practical Guide to Marriage**.

All married & engaged couples from OLW & neighboring parishes welcome!

**Make your reservation on or before February 7.**

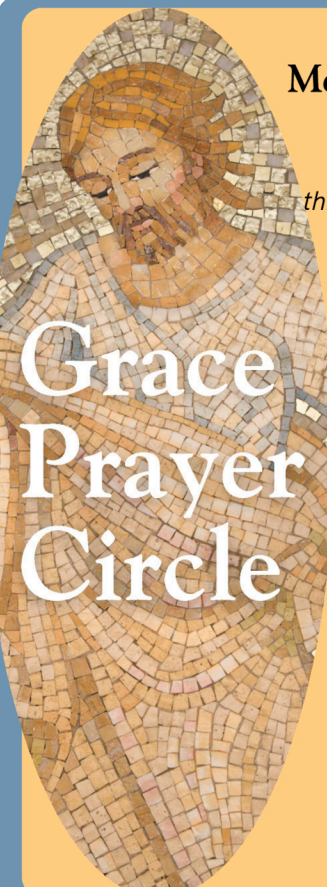
Cost is \$125/couple. Reserve a table by using the QR Code to pay with Push Pay.

May also pay with cash or a check made payable to **Arlington Area CFM**.

Bring payment to the Parish Office in an envelope labeled with both of your names.







## Meeting Mental Health With Grace

*A mental health ministry through St. James, St. Edna & Our Lady of the Wayside*

**Wednesday, Feb. 4th  
7:00 - 7:30 pm**

St. James School Chapel

**This month's topic:  
Calling on God's Love**

*Join us for scripture, songs, reflection and prayer for those living with mental health concerns and their loved ones.*

Submit prayer requests to:  
847-253-5390  
or  
mentalhealthministry@stjamesah.org

# Grace Prayer Circle

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



### The Vicar for Deacons

Have you ever considered the call to be a Deacon of the Catholic Church?

Join us at **7 p.m.** on **February 19**  
St. Francis de Sales  
135 Buesching Rd.  
Lake Zurich



We will provide an overview of the **Deacon Formation Program**, the application process and information on the ministry of a deacon. Men, single or married, are invited to attend. Wives are strongly encouraged to accompany their husbands. For more information and to register for this session, contact the Office of the Diaconate at **708.366.8900**.

**"Whom shall I send? Who will go for us? 'Here I am, send me!'" –Isaiah 6:8**

Archdiocese Women's Committee (AWC)

# VOICES OF WOMEN

Join the Archdiocesan Women's Committee (AWC) for one of three Zoom sessions as we explore

**Women in the Church: Elevating our Gifts, Finding Community.**

Our goal is to hear the voices of 200 or more women. Discussion will address the following:

- Following Christ's example of elevating women in scripture, how can the Church better recognize women's dignity and gifts?
- As women, how do we use our gifts and extend grace to those we encounter in times of uncertainty and division?
- How can women find community and belonging in the Church where isolation or invisibility may still exist?

Advance registration is necessary in order to receive the Zoom link for participation. To register, please scan the QR code or click on your desired session below.

Thursday, February 19 | 7 – 8:30 p.m. | [bit.ly/AWCVOWo21926](https://bit.ly/AWCVOWo21926)  
Wednesday, February 25 | 7 – 8:30 p.m. | [bit.ly/AWCVOWo22526](https://bit.ly/AWCVOWo22526)  
Tuesday, March 3 | 7 – 8:30 p.m. | [bit.ly/AWCVOWo30326](https://bit.ly/AWCVOWo30326)



The Archdiocese Women's Committee is an adjunct committee of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council. It serves as an advisory committee that works directly with Cardinal Cupich.

## SAVE the DATE

### SAINT VIATOR THEATRE PRESENTS

# Big Fish

## February 5-8, 2026

**Come support our St. Theresa Alumni!**

**Cast:**  
Emma Allen  
Gina Boler  
Gwen Cattapan  
Joe Kaiser

**Tech Crew and Musicians:**  
Kellen Schieler

**Don't let this show get away!  
Follow @saintviatortheatre to  
reel in tickets this January.**



## Adorers needed at St. Theresa Parish!

Eucharistic Adoration takes place in our beautiful Chapel from  
7am-7pm Monday-Friday.

*In order to continue offering Eucharistic Adoration during these hours, we need more adorers who can commit to one hour a week or to serve as substitutes.*

View open times and sign up at <https://sttheresachapel.weadorehim.com>  
or email [adorationteam@sttheresachurch.org](mailto:adorationteam@sttheresachurch.org)



## BECOME AN USHER AT ST. THERESA

*We'd love for you to  
join our team!*

Our parish usher staff now has a few select openings for able bodied volunteers who wish to join our ELITE, award-winning usher staff (as voted on by the usher staff) to assist at various church services on a regular basis.

Rigorous on-the-job training (a.k.a. show up and we'll show you the ropes) will guarantee your success in becoming an important part of assigned Masses and other church services.

If you think that you have enough of the "right stuff" to volunteer for this dynamic, enterprising opportunity to serve your parish, contact

Norm Behrens at  
847-358-6200, or by email at  
[nbehrens494@hotmail.com](mailto:nbehrens494@hotmail.com).

# PRAYER REQUESTS

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## OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

**MAY THEY FIND HEALING**

Sandra Alesch	Lester Lawson
Baby Bennett	Phil Lessner
Kathleen Birks	Nanette Lorenz
Anna Cecchi	Sammy Magana III
Paloma Chavez (newborn)	Edward Marcinko
Terry DaValle	Robert Martin
Victoria Denno	Dick Minar
Patricia Dormann	Tom Moran
Art Engelbrecht	Maria Navar
Freya and Rhett Fields (15 month old twins)	Kathy Nelson
Judith Figueroa	Katzinori Okado
Mia Finn (2 months old)	Bozena Osiecki
Valerie Garland	Cas Paprocki
Will Griffin (age 13)	Camille Paul
John Hayes	Anthony Perrone
Lou Ann Hayes	Marilyn Peterson
Jim Herbst	Tim Pizzato
Dorothy Hlavacek	Tom Reckamp
Jamie	Debbie Roberts-Meyer
Diane John	Maria R. Rogers
Nancy Kane	Ralph Schumann
Lorraine Kearns	Mary Ann Skutta
Alex Kowalenko	Michael Smith
Diane Lancour	Sarah Smith
JoLynn Lash	Ronald Sowizrol
Samantha Lash	Johanna Stencil
	Frances Swaine
	Christopher Thompson
	Kathleen Wahl

ADD, REMOVE, EXTEND NAMES:  
Please contact Mary Amirante at  
marya@sttheresachurch.org or  
847.358.7760

*LORD,  
HEAR OUR  
PRAYER*

## MILITARY AND VETERANS

Mary Arvidson (U.S. Navy, Ret.)  
Christopher Blankenship (Private, U.S. Army)  
Charles Bordenkircher (Korea, U.S. Army)  
Sgt. Robert E. Brodkorb (U.S. Air Force S.A.C.)  
Lance Corporal John F. Camp (U.S. Marine Corps)  
Alan Carlson (U.S. Navy)  
Robert Cecchi (Korea, U.S. Army)  
Matthew Chausse (U.S. Army)  
David A. Crouse (U.S.M.C. Ret.)  
Jesus De La Torre (U.S. Navy)  
Jackie Fairman (U.S. Marine Corps)  
Commander John-Paul Falardeau, USN (U.S. Navy, Pilot)  
Charles Foos, Captain (U.S. Army—Airborne)  
Captain Kevin Hand (U.S. Air Force)  
Captain Stephen Hand (U.S. Marine Corps)  
Spec. 5 Gene Hill (Vietnam, U.S. Army '66)  
Christopher Anthony Izzo (Private First Class, U.S. Marine Corps)  
Ian James (Private, U.S. Marine Corps)  
Louis Kittler (U.S. Navy)  
Michel Jenkins (U.S. Army—173rd Airborne)  
John Klaas (Retired Captain, U.S. Navy)  
Joseph S. Lapetina (U.S. Navy)  
William Leap (Vietnam, U.S. Army Master Corporal Nathan Ly  
Costanzo Maestranzi (Army, Korea)  
Patrick Malackowski (U.S. Air Force) Major Dr. Rory Mullen  
(U.S. Army)  
Logan Nelson (U.S. Army)  
Jim Olinski (Vietnam, U.S. Army)  
Captain Lindsey Palka (Royal Canadian Air Force)  
Cas Paprocki (U.S. Army)  
Anthony Perrone (Korea, U.S. Army)  
Deacon Lou Riccio (Korea, U.S. Army)  
Captain Sam Rothlisberger (U.S. Army)  
Captain Louis J. Schager, Jr. (U.S. Navy)  
James Schroeder (U.S. Navy)  
John Sellinger (U.S. Air Force)  
Col. Daniel Joseph Settergren (U.S. Air Force)  
Russell C. Smith (Vietnam, US Marine Corps)  
Rob Staszewski (U.S. Navy)  
Adolf Stransky (Vietnam, U.S. Navy)  
Donald Summerhill (U.S. Navy)  
Captain Preston Towers (U.S. Marine Corps)  
Robert Joseph Tremblay (TSgt. U.S. Air Force,  
U.S. Marine Corps, Ret. Col.)  
Kenneth Valenti (Korea, U.S. Coast Guard)  
Ron Willer (Vietnam, U.S. Army)  
Lt. Matthew Zak (U.S. Navy Pilot)





# NEWS & EVENTS

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE | JAN. 31

	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 7:00am	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 10:00am	Sunday 11:30am
Priest	Fr. Tim Fairman				
Deacon	Dcn. Jim Devine				
Sacristan	Don Klippstein				
Eucharistic Ministers	Pam Wade Alex Denno Mary Beth Schaerdel Don Fasick				

Our liturgical schedule for these times on Sunday, February 1 is to-be-announced!

# ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## THE WEEK AHEAD | JANUARY 26-FEBRUARY 1

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>Catholic Schools Week</b>	<b>Catholic Schools Week</b>	<b>Catholic Schools Week</b>	<b>Catholic Schools Week</b>	<b>Catholic Schools Week</b>		
6:30am Mass (Chapel)	6:30am Mass (Chapel)	6:30am Mass (Chapel)	6:30am Mass (chapel)	6:30am Mass (Chapel)	8:00am Daily Mass (Church)	7:00am Mass (Church)
8:00am Daily Mass (Church)	7am-7pm Adoration (Chapel)	7am-7pm Adoration (Chapel)	7am-7pm Adoration (Chapel)	7am-7pm Adoration (Chapel)	9am STS Athletics (Gym)	8:30am Mass (Church)
1:00pm Leadership Team Meeting (Room B)	8:00am Daily Mass & School Mass (Church)	7:00am Crossroads Bible Study (Festle)	8:00am Daily Mass (Church)	8:00am Mass (Church)	9:00am Eucharistic Minister Training (Church and Gathering Space)	10:00am Mass (Church)
2:30pm STS Athletics (Gym)	10:30am Cenacle Prayer Group (Festle)	8:00am Mass (Church)	9:30am Pastoral Staff Prayer (Teacher's Lounge)	12:30pm Pep Rally (Gym)	9:00am RE Classes (School)	10:30am OCIA Reflection Group (Festle)
4:00pm CCC Planning (Festle)	2:30pm STS Athletics (gym)	9:00am PA Assembly (Gym)	2:30pm STS Athletics (Gym)	1:30pm STS Athletics (Gym)	9:45am Confirmation Year I Student and Parent Session (O'Brien Hall)	11:30am Mass (Church)
7:00pm RE Board (Teacher's Lounge)	4:30pm RE Classes (School)	9:30am Bible Study (Festle)	4:15pm Youth Choir (Room C and Bernardin)	1:45pm Cub Scouts (Lower Dolan)	12:00pm Confessions (Church)	1:00pm Baptisms (Church)
7:00pm SVDP (Festle)	5:15pm Confirmation Year I Student and Parent Session (O'Brien Hall)	12:30pm Pastoral Staff meeting (Festle)	5:00pm OCIC (Festle)		5:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass (Church)	
	7:00pm Finance Council Meeting (Festle)	2:30pm STS Athletics (Gym)	7:00pm Youth Ministry LIFT (YM Room)			
	8:30pm Men's Basketball (Gym)	4:15pm Cherub Choir (Room C)				
		6:30pm CCC (O'Brien)				
		7:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Room C)				
		7:00pm Youth Ministry upLIFTed (YM Room)				
		7:00pm Charismatic Prayer Group (Bernardin)				
		8:30pm Co-Ed Volleyball (Gym)				