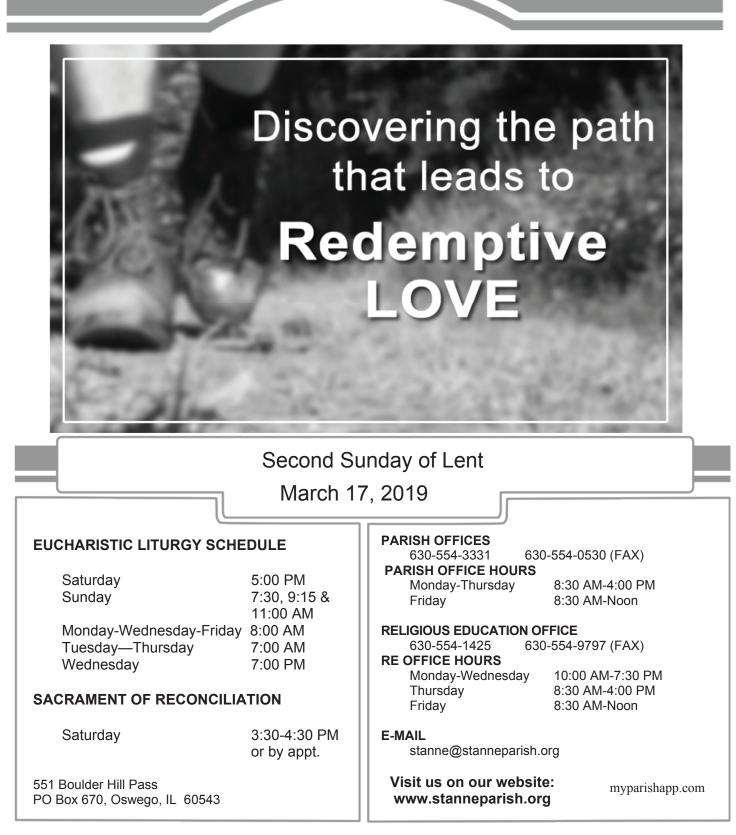
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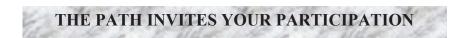




This past week we were privileged to have Fr. Burke invite us on the pilgrimage to become missionary disciples. I am grateful to Sr. Margaret Anne for bringing Fr. Burke to us and scheduling him on our calendar. Many groups made the Parish Mission everything God wanted it to be. I would like to thank the Godparent Program and Dash Program for sending out reminders for the Sunday presentation; the Hospitality Ministry for taking care of the Sunday gathering after the talk. On Monday, Adult Faith was responsible for hosting and welcoming and on Tuesday, the Worship Commission closed out the mission in true style. We are at our best when we are a community of faith working together. As a follow up, it is a great time during this season of Lent to once again read and reflect on Bishop Conlon's pastoral letter. Our pathway to the Paschal Mystery will lead us to be sent forth into the world to proclaim the Good News. May the pilgrimage be profound.

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Fr. John



As our journey of Lent continues, we find an incomplete path along the Stations of the Cross. The Art and Environment Committee invites you to add a picture of a pathway or place where you have experienced God's redemptive love. It can be a place where you found joy and peace, it can be a person who became a soul mate who changed the pathway and direction of your life. A copy of a picture unframed will be added to span the last section of the wall in the fourth week of Lent. Feel free to drop them off in the office or sacristy and we will prepare them to be put up. Every journey matters, every moment on the journey matters and when and where we have been overwhelmed by God should be shared. Join us as we connect our pathway to the one Jesus walked for all of us.

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Father John

FACING THE GREATEST CLIMB OF OUR LIVES

Jesus invites us to lace up our climbing boots and hike the mountain of transfiguration with Him. He longs to reveal His true self to us. Just as He did for Peter, James and John, He invites us personally to the place where He can reveal His true self to us.

The other day in the bitter cold, I joined a new subculture, one I never thought I would ever join. In order to get some exercise I went to the mall and did some mall walking. While there, I observed mall walkers to be an interesting group. In my time walking the perimeter of the mall, I entered into the experiences of this group of which I was unsure. I wasn't ready to say I was a part of them. I apologize for my attitude and I don't mean any disrespect. By the time my exercise was finished, it became evident there was a lot God wanted me to deal with on my first mall walk. In my mind I identify myself as runner and when I run, it is always outside. In the past, a vision of senior citizens way older than me walking in their new running shoes around the mall wasn't an appealing type of exercise to me. What I observed and absorbed on my first mall walk led me on a difficult climb into the depths of my own pride and ego. First of all, I realized most walkers walk in one direction. Some round the corners of the mall, others do not. Some walk towards every opening to the parking lot, some do not. Attire is unique. Some carry their jackets, and others put them in a backpack. Some wear a shirt from a recent 5K, and others wear blue jeans and a golf shirt. As for me, since I really did not want anyone to know I was doing this, I wore jeans and a light jacket so it might look as if I was shopping.

As I made my trek, I began to do some self-reflection. How bad am I? It became apparent rather quickly that I had judged this subculture of mall walkers without ever knowing their stories, without ever realizing what it might have taken for many of them to even be able to walk. Some might be doing this for rehabilitation after surgery. Shame on me! I also observed a whole other subculture present in the mall—those who sit on the benches. My mind wandered as to why these people were on their electronics when instead they could be up and moving around. I began to catch myself in all the judging I was doing. As I clipped along, I saw some walkers with ear buds, and some looking at their electronics while bumping into others. I noticed those, who like myself, were trying not to be noticed. But even after just a few times around the mall, we all know who is who. Some bring water bottles, and others carry a bag as to look like they bought something. Each of us were on our own journeys doing the same thing for whatever reason that inspired us.

While I continued to delve into my walking, I began to realize, for Jesus to reveal Himself, His true self to me, I have to climb deeply into myself where my sense of who I am is revealed and I am able to see how broken and pitiful it is. The greatest climb is to ascend my pride. My self-importance of thinking I am a runner above others is a nasty and steep cliff. Thinking I sit on a standard greater than others because I ran so many marathons in the past is a mountain of self-righteousness, one that is far away from our humble Savior. The more I walked, the more the climb into the depths of my true sense of self took drastic spills. Distraction became my coping mechanism.

While trying to avoid an uncomfortable reflection on my sinful pride, I learned a great deal. First, there are a lot of places that pump smells into the doorways of their stores. Some grind beans loudly to try and grab the attention of potential customers. The fragrances of candy and popcorn can beckon from the other side of the mall. There was an exercise gym at this mall with windows facing outward. I can remember rounding the bend and saying to myself, "They paid for what I am doing for free." While I chuckled about my insight, once again I was reminded of how quickly I make assumptions about others or compare myself to others. I apologize to all mall walkers of the past, present and of the future. Someday I hope for acceptance into the mall walking group as I work on developing humility within myself.

When Jesus went up the mountain and revealed His true self, the disciples were overcome first by sleep. The journey was exhausting. Once they were fully awake they could see the true Christ and hear the voice of the Father. First an exhaustive journey into the self to climb the mountain of transfiguration is required. We must use all of our courage and strength to reveal our true self so we may see the true self of our Savior, Jesus Christ. When it all comes down to it, we are all pitiful sinners and sin creeps into our lives in all different ways. When we become exhausted about that, it is then when we are able to embrace the most perfect One, the sinless One, the holy Son of God. I long for those moments when He shows Himself and reveals His true self. For me, these moments happen most profoundly when I am in the depths of recognizing my sin.

The greatest climb of our lives is to scale the mountain of our self-perception, arrogance and pride. It is not a journey upward, but one that takes us downward into the depths of our soul. Jesus invites us to lace up our boots and get going. He longs to reveal His true self to us. One last note—when I went to the mall, I was disappointed to learn that the place called "True Religion" is not actually a chapel, but instead just a place where jeans are sold.

Happy climbing; it is worth it.

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Reverend John J. Ouper

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 18 8:00 AM-Rick Herff req. Family **Tuesday, March 19** 7:00 AM-Joseph Zacher reg. Wife Wednesday, March 20 8:00 AM-Joseph Kubicki req. Joan Kubicki 7:00 PM-Frank & Maxine Rybicki reg. Larry Rybicki Thursday, March 21 7:00 AM-Thattil Family req. Annrose & Joseph Friday, March 22 8:00 AM-Thuruthikara Family req. Annrose & Joseph Saturday, March 23 5:00 PM-Bernice Neubauer reg. Mike & Andrea Mann Sunday, March 24 7:30 AM-For the Parishioners 9:15 AM-Allen McAllister req. Barbara McAllister 11:00 AM Lisa Cowdrey req. Mom Joan Frieh req. Family Readings for the Week Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk Monday: 6:36-38 Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9 Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

Meetings and Events Monday 10:00 AM-Prayer Shawl ministry. 4:30 & 6:00 PM-RE K-6 classes & Reconciliation. 6:30 PM-Arts & Environment. 7:00 PM-Celebration Ringers. 7:00 PM-HS SALT Leadership meeting. 7:00 PM-Blue Army meets for Rosary and Holy Hour. 7:30 PM-RE Grades 7/8 DASH classes. 7:30 PM-RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Tuesday 9:30 AM-Bereavement planners meeting. 12:00 Noon-AFF: Women's Scripture Study. 4:30 & 6:00 PM-RE K-6 classes & Reconciliation. 7:30 PM-Chancel Choir. 7:30 PM-Men's Spirituality. 7:30 PM-Prayer Group. Wednesday 9:00 AM-Rosary. 9:30 AM-AFF: Transfigured Scripture Study. 4:30 & 6:00 PM-RE K-6 classes & Reconciliation 5:00 PM-Joyful Ringers. 5:45 PM-Youth Choir. 7:30 PM-Heart of Worship. 7:30 PM-AFF: Baptism Preparation II. 7:30 PM-Family RCIA. Thursday 7:30 PM-Cantors. 7:30 PM-AFF: Evening with the Bible. **Friday** 7:00 PM-Stations of the Cross. Saturday 10:00A M-HS Confirmation class. 4:45-6:30 PM-Religious Articles Store. 5:00 Reverse Food Collection. Sunday Reverse Food Collection. 8:15 AM-12:30 PM-Religious Articles Store. 9:15 AM-Liturgy of the Word for Children. 9:15 AM-RCIA 1st Scrutiny, Dismissal and Breaking Open. 12:30 PM-HS Living Stations Practice. 7:00 PM-HS Godparent Home Sessions.

March 17, 2019	Second Sunday of L	ent Page Fi	ive	
PLEASE PRAY FOR				
Cherie Andrews	Daniel Harkens	Nick Rich		
Gary Avram	Joseph Harkens	Terry Ann Richmond		
Emma Bates	Phyllis Harkens	Joel Rivera		
Steven Bermes	Sarah Hinkle	Isabella Rominski		
Noah Burch	Lari Johnston	Eleanor Salisbury		
Gaetano Capici	Fran Lang	Carmelita Schuster		
Sol Carlson	Debra Losch	Steve Schuster		
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Thomas Duprey Lucille Mary Eager Peggy Flanigan Al Frieders Gail Gross Nick Gross

Ramiro Martinez Callie Pavne Julie Peters Frank Petrella Estella Ramirez Bill Rich

Lance Smalarz Thomas Szymborski James Wren Janet Zakosek Josefina Zwerenz

And all who are experiencing illness and are not listed by name.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you know of someone unable to attend Mass regularly due to age or illness and wishes to receive Communion at home, please have them contact the parish office, 630-554-3331, so that arrangements can be made to have a Pastoral Care Minister bring the Eucharist to their home.

JOIN US FOR OUR PRAYER SHAWL GATHERING

- Monday, March 18, 2019 10:00-11:30 AM Joachim Center
- Blessings are knitted into shawls for all circumstances of life.
- Don't know how to knit or crochet? We'll show you how.

For information, contact Rhonda Wooley, 630-294-8189



"In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you." 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Parish Information

PARISH MAILING ADDRESS

Reminder: anything mailed to parish offices must be addressed to:

P. O. Box 670 Oswego, IL 60543-0670

Bulletin articles are due into the parish office by 10:00 AM Thursday, 10 days before the Sunday you wish the article to appear. Please email your copy to stanne@stanneparish.org. using WORD Times New Roman 12 font.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DIFIBRILLATOR AED Located Across from Parish Offices and On Outside Wall of Gathering Room of Church

God's Share

All of us are recipients of many blessings from God. In return, He expects that we praise Him for His goodness and thank Him for His generous gifts. Thanking, however, is not done in word only, but in deed, also.

	Actual	Budgeted
Total Parish Offering		
Sunday Offering	\$28,471.32	\$24,750.00
E-Giving	\$ 4,403.00	98 Transactions
Children's Offering	\$ 6.27	
Money not in envelope but in		
above figure	\$ 1,198.05	
Collection for the Church in Eastern & Central Europe	\$ 25.00	
Parishioners registered for envelopes		
as of February 28, 2019	3,033	
Average Regular Envelope Users	535	17% Participation
Number of envelopes used last Sunday	563	18% Participation
Number of Children's envelopes used	08	01% Participation

E-Giving: If you would like to participate in E-Giving, please log on to the Saint Anne website: www.stanneparish.org and click on the E-Giving link for under "Support Us". Please follow link for instructions.

"Recent Federal Tax changes may make it advantageous for parishioners receiving RMDs (Required Minimum Distributions) to <u>transfer funds</u> from their IRA (Individual Retirement Accounts) to St. Anne Parish. "Please consult your financial planner or tax advisor before making any tax or contribution decision."

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's second reading we learn that one of Saint Paul's principles of Christian living is to watch and imitate other followers of Christ. There is a pattern for Christian living that Saint Paul wants others to discover and then imitate. This pattern includes a life of prayer, selflessness, sacrifice, and caring for others, including our family of faith. Good stewards choose their friends wisely. They cultivate friendships with other Christian stewards, spend time with them, observe how they live, ask questions about their faith and learn from them. Who are your friends? Are they good stewards of their faith? Are they those who can help you on your own journey of faith?

CATHOLIC MINISTRY ANNUAL APPEAL —Signs of Hope

Every gift to the CMAA makes a difference! The opening report for the 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) in the literature rack details the many ways our annual appeals helps us offer *Signs of Hope* of God's work here on earth.

The CMAA supports 30 ministries that benefit so many throughout the Diocese of Joliet. As you will read in the opening report, gifts to the CMAA make a difference to members of our parish as well as our friends and neighbors and our brothers and sisters in need. Please return your pledge as soon as possible.

Our parish's goal for the 2019 CMAA is \$115,200.00. If we raise more than this goal, 70 percent of the amount over goal will be returned to us for our use. This is a great benefit for our parish! Thank you for prayerfully reflecting on your gift to this year's CMAA and making the most generous pledge possible.



Mass with Sacrament of the Sick

Saturday, April 6, 2019 11:00 AM Luncheon to follow

OFFERING OF LETTERS TO CONGRESS WEEKEND OF MARCH 30/31

On March 30/31, the Peace and Justice Ministry will present an opportunity for your voice to be heard in the fight against world hunger. Letters will be available for you to send to Congress asking to increase funding for the nutrition of mothers, newborns, and young children in countries with a high burden of malnutrition.

Bread for the World's 2019 Offering of Letters campaign: **Better Nutrition, Better Tomorrow**. These letters will be blessed and hand delivered to Congress on behalf of the people of the Diocese of Joliet. Watch for our table near the Joachim Center after all Masses the weekend of March 30/31. For more information see: **www.bread.org**



2019 LENTEN SACRIFICIAL OFFERING



As Christians, our Baptism initiates us into the world of mission. In response to the Gospel call of Jesus, the Joliet Diocese Partnership forms servants for the work of missions and justice. They reach out in service, relief, and friendship to our brothers and sisters of the Navajo Reservation of Chinle, Arizona. The Navajo Nation is the largest (300,000 and growing) single federally recognized tribe in the U.S., and is located in four states (Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, and Utah).

The mission contributes to the needs of the Navajo community either by directly helping a Navajo family with basic life needs, or indirectly through projects at Our Lady of Fatima Parish and its associated missions. Families are involved in projects as much as they can. Missioners have daily Mass at OLF, and experience the Navajo spiritual outlook on life.

All money collected will cover construction expenses. Any extra funds will be donated to some need on the Reservation. Any checks should be made to St. Anne Church. Envelopes will be provided in the church narthex along with a display of information on the Mission.

We encounter the presence of God in the midst of those to whom we are sent. Your generosity is appreciated.



LENTEN REGULATIONS and the EASTER TRIDUUM

- 1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
- 2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- 3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously, affected, the law does not oblige.
- 4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
- 5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer and a performance of charity and mercy.

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Stations of the Cross Fridays at 7:00 PM

- Mar 22 Knights of Columbus
- Mar 29 Blue Army Holy Hour follows for Prayer for Life Advocacy
- Apr 05 HS Youth Ministry (7:30 PM)
- Apr 12 Family Stations (Pasta supper preceding)

PASTA SUPPER

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2019 – 6:00-6:45 PM JOACHIM CENTER

> FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT SUSIE, 630-264-2617 ADULTFAITH@STANNEPARISH.ORG

FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOLLOW AT 7:00 PM IN THE CHURCH





DIOCESE OF JOLIET LIFE ADVOCACY DAY

Please join the Office for Human Dignity ~ Respect Life Ministry Wednesday, April 3, 2019 At the Capitol Building in Springfield 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Schedule of the Day:

- 10:00 AM Briefing at Cathedral of Immaculate Conception School in Cafeteria, 524 E. Lawrence Ave., Springfield, IL 60703
- 10:30 AM Lobby with Legislators
- 1:00 PM Lunch Provided at Cathedral of Immaculate Conception School in Cafeteria, 524 E. Lawrence Ave., Springfield, IL 60703
- 2:00 PM Depart Springfield to return home

REGISTRATION FORM

To register online visit: www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life/

Please choose your departing location:

Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill (Bus departure time approximately 6:45 AM)

____ Corpus Christi Parish, 1415 W. Lies Road, Carol Stream (Bus departure time approximately 5:45 AM)

Cost per person \$10.00. Make checks payable to "Diocese of Joliet", and mail to Diocese of Joliet, Attention Respect Life Ministry, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403

Zip Code

Name: _____

Address: _____

City:

Email address:

Cell phone number: _____

Dietary Need: _____

____ Check here to be added to our email list

Please check:

_____ I agree on behalf of myself, my heirs, assigns, executors, and personal representatives, to hold harmless and defend the Diocese of Joliet, its officers, directors, agents, employees, or representatives from any and all liability for illness or death arising from or in connection with my participation on this trip.

In event that I should require medical treatment and I am not able to communicate my desires to attending physicians or other medical personnel, I give permission for the necessary emergency treatment to be administered. I understand that I or my insurance company will be responsible for any charges incurred.

Please register by Thursday, March 28, 2019

Consider fasting on Wednesday, April 3, to join in solidarity with those from our diocese who will be traveling to Springfield.

Prayer for Life Advocacy Day

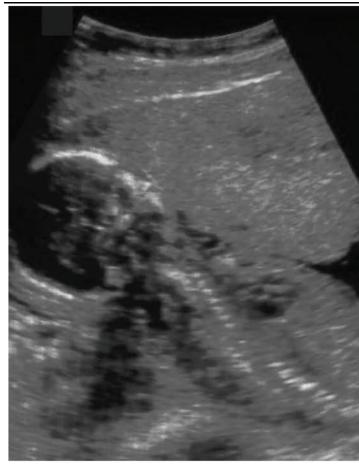
Gracious and merciful God, we ask that you send your Spirit among us to guide us and direct us in order to inspire all of our political leaders to advance the culture of life in their duty to uphold the common good for all the people they serve. You sent your Son Jesus to teach us how to pray, how to serve you in obedience and how to be the people you are calling us to be. You inspire us each and every day to appreciate the gifts you bestow upon us and to use them to change the hearts and minds of all people. The most precious gift you have given us is the gift of life and you call us to be good stewards of all our creation. Help us to cultivate a spirit of prayer and of reconciliation for the lack of due diligence in protecting the most vulnerable among us; the children who are forgotten, abandoned and thought of as an inconvenience to the welfare of societies. Inspire all those in public office to protect the dignity of the unborn and those who are living who are deemed unfit to receive our care. Help us to receive your wisdom so that we may know how best to serve you and your people. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

We ask the faithful of the Diocese of Joliet to pray this prayer daily.

OFFICE FOR HUMAN DIGNITY Respect Life Ministry

16555 Weber Road Crest Hill, IL 60403 (815) 221-6251 prolife@dioceseofjoliet.org www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life/

This advocacy campaign is part of a larger effort by all the dioceses in Illinois, and is coordinated by the Catholic Conference of Illinois.



Catholic Conference

of Illinois

EXTREME Abortion Bills Introduced in IL Legislature

House Bill 2467 & Senate Bill 1594:

Repeals Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act

Current law requires a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion. Includes a waiver for children physically or sexually abused. Passed in 1995 but not implemented until 2013 by a *unanimous* Illinois Supreme Court ruling.

House Bill 2495 & Senate Bill 1942:

- · Repeals current state ban on partial-birth abortions.
- Defines abortion as a fundamental right.
- Removes abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.
- Removes the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions.
- We are studying the bill for further impact.

February 2019

We will keep you updated at **www.ilcatholic.org**, and via emails sent through our Illinois Catholic Advocacy Network (I-CAN).

Sign up for I-CAN at: www.ilcatholic.org/take-action/join-i-can

Contact your state House and Senate lawmakers and urge them to vote "no" on HB 2467, SB 1594, HB 2495 & SB 1942. Go to www.ilcatholic.org for more info. St. Anne Parish

Religious Education

RE Class Schedule

March 18-20	Grades K-6 in session; Reconciliation during class time for grades 2-6
March 24 – April 2	No RE or DASH classes during Spring Break
Wednesday, April 3	Grades K-6 classes resume

Teen SPICE

The next Teen SPICE gathering is scheduled for Saturday, April 6. All teens with special needs are welcome to join us for this opportunity to volunteer and assist at the parish Anointing of the Sick Mass and Luncheon. Email Jenine Boes at t.j.boes@att.net for times and more information.



~ Regular day/time on March 17/18 for DASH 2 & 3

~ DASH 2 & 3 does not meet again *until* April 7 when everyone comes at the SAME time/day for Reconciliation (4:30 - 6:30 PM)

disciples actively striving 4 holiness

~Confirmation retreat days were sent out earlier this month. Those in DASH 3 should sign up for Saturday, August 10 or 17.



For the month of March, we celebrate Cerebral Palsy!

There are some signs that may indicate a child has cerebral palsy. Not all signs are visible at birth and may become more obvious as babies develop.

Babies: Low muscle tone (baby feels 'floppy' when picked up); Unable to hold up own head while lying on stomach or in supported sitting position; Muscle spasms or feeling stiff; Poor muscle control, reflexes and posture; Delayed development (can't sit up or independently roll over by 6 months); Feeding or swallowing difficulties; Prefers to use one side of the body.

Toddlers/Children: Although the brain of toddlers/children with cerebral palsy remains injured, the injury does not get worse as they develop. Depending on the level of severity of cerebral palsy, toddlers and children may experience difficulties with physical development such as: not walking by 12-18 months, not speaking simple sentences by 24 months.

(https://www.cerebralpalsy.org.au/about-conditions/cerebral-palsy/)

To learn more about SPICE contact Jenine Boes, Coordinator, at 630-554-2502; t.j.boes@att.net or Cathy Gillooly, DRE at 6360-554-1425; reo@stanneparish.org.

BUILDING ON THE PAST—Creating for the Future

Give your child the best a Catholic education has to offer. Pope Saint John Paul II Catholic Academy pursues the development of the whole child through spiritual, academic, and physical formation.

Pope Saint John Paul II Catholic Academy is a fully accredited Catholic school serving the needs of families from preschool through eighth grade.

For information on our academic program, to tour our campuses, meet our staff and learn how Pope Saint John Paul II Catholic Academy can be affordable with our tuition assistance program, contact Sr. Ann Brummel at 630-844-3781.

We are currently enrolling students for the 2019 / 2020 school year. South Campus: 601 Talma Street 630.851.4400 North Campus: 706 High Street 630.844.3781 <u>www.jp2aurora.org</u> Facebook.com/PSJPIIAuroraIL

ANNUAL DIOCESAN SCOUT RECOGNITIONS CEREMONY



Attention <u>ALL</u> American Heritage Girls, Boy Scouts, Camp Fire & Girl Scouts. If you have earned your Catholic Religious Recognition for your age group then come and get it blessed at the Annual Diocesan Religious Recognition Ceremony to be held on Saturday, April 27, 2019, from 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM (registration begins at 9:00 AM) at St. Jude Catholic Church, 241 W Second Avenue, New Lenox.

The event is free and open to <u>ALL</u> who would like to come and share in the achievements of these young men and women. <u>No</u> pre-registration is needed (check-in at the door). For more information visit: <u>dioceseofjoliet.org/scouting</u> and click on the 'A - Z Directory' from the main page. From there scroll down alphabetically to: 'Annual Recognitions Mass'.





SAINT ANNE SENIORS —S.A.S.

- <u>April 5</u> SAS members are encouraged to spend an hour at the Lenten adoration between 8:30 AM and Noon.
- **April 11** Regular monthly meeting—1:00 PM. We will have our annual Pro Life baby shower. A representative from Joliet Catholic Charities will be present to describe the Diocese's ministry for single mothers and their babies. Bring unwrapped gifts of bottles, diapers and clothes for babies up to 6 months old.

SAS plans to have lunch at a local restaurant in the week following the monthly meeting. Please attend the meeting to find out where we are going!

Saint Anne Seniors group meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 1:00 PM in the Joachim Center. Please join us for fun and companionship. All registered parishioners 55 and older are invited to join the Saint Anne Seniors (SAS) group.

For more information please call Francis Slama, 630-897-2421.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Here to Help

The St. Anne Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is up and running, ready to provide assistance for those who are experiencing difficult times. The Society can offer material help with transitional or emergency needs as well as spiritual support and guidance. If you would like to request help, or know of someone in need, you can reach us at

630-383-2322

For those who are interested in helping this new organization in its work, cash/check donations can be placed in a clearly marked envelope and dropped in the Sunday collection basket. Those who wish to donate furniture or other usable household goods may do so by calling (630) 231-4658. The St. Vincent de Paul truck makes pick-ups in Oswego every other Thursday. Also, watch for news of our upcoming clothing drive.

Please keep us and our clients in your prayers.

512051 St Anne Church (B)

www.jspaluch.com

For Ads: J.S. Paluch Co., Inc. 1-800-566-6170

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Sr. Margaret Anne Spagnola, OSM, Pastoral Associate pstast@stanneparish.org, 630-383-2306

Deacon David Brockman, Director of R.C.I.A. rcia@stanneparish.org, 630-383-2331 Deacon Duane Wozek High School Youth Minister

hsym@stanneparish.org, 630-554-1425

Deacon James Perry

Deacon Gary Wooley deacongary@stanneparish.org, 630-383-2327

Rev. Daniel F. Stempora, Pastor Emeritus

MISSION STATEMENT

God has called us to be Christian witnesses by the precious gift of our Catholic faith through Baptism. Just as Saint Anne had a role in God's plan so do each of us. We are called to faithfully teach and live the message of Jesus. We listen to God's word, grow in our understanding of it and respond to it through outreach and service in our own parish as well as the wider community. We exercise our responsibility to develop and see the gifts God has given us for the common good and to insure that our Eucharistic celebrations are truly joyful and meaningful.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are generally held the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month (some months this may vary) at 12:30 PM. Expectant parents are to call the Parish Office, six months before the birth of their child for preparation information. Please do not choose Godparents until you receive the established Church guidelines for Godparents. SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage should call the parish office at least six months before the date of marriage. A wedding date may not be secured until meeting with the parish Deacon or Priest. At that time, the couple will be secured a date and begin the process of preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage.

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SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If there is anyone at home who cannot get to Mass and the Sacraments because of illness or age, please call the parish office at anytime to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Those interested in becoming Catholic or in learning more about the Catholic faith meet weekly. Call the parish office or e-mail rcia@stanneparish.org for more information.

STEWARDSHIP PARISH

We are a stewardship parish. This means that every parishioner with an income is asked to use a Sunday envelope, since we expect to meet our needs from the one collection at the Presentation of the Gifts.

NEW PARISHIONERS

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