

Saint Anne Parish, Oswego, IL

January 24, 2021

Dioceses Across USA Participating in Nationwide Prayer Vigil for Life, January 28-29

Catholics across the country are encouraged to observe a nationwide prayer vigil from Thursday, January 28 to Friday, January 29, 2021 marking the 48th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions legalizing abortion through nine months of pregnancy. Since those decisions, over 60 million abortions have been performed legally in the United States.

Each January, the National Prayer Vigil for Life is hosted by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Pro-Life Secretariat, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, and The Catholic University of America's Office of Campus Ministry to pray for an end to abortion and a greater respect for all human life.

While thousands of pilgrims typically attend the vigil in person each year, the Basilica will not be open to the public for the 2021 vigil due to local attendance restrictions in place because of the coronavirus pandemic. In response, this year, for the first time ever, in addition to the televised Mass, bishops in dioceses across the country will be taking turns leading live-streamed holy hours every hour on the hour throughout the all-night vigil.

The vigil will begin with a live broadcast at 8:00 PM on Thursday, January 28 from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. with a rosary, followed by Mass opening the National Prayer Vigil for Life. The principal celebrant and homilist for the opening Mass will be Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas, who is chairman of the Committee on Pro-Life Activities for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). After the Mass and throughout the night, holy hours led by bishops from various dioceses around the country will be broadcast on the USCCB's website. The vigil concludes at 8:00 AM on Friday, January 29 with Mass celebrated by Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore.

"Now, more than ever, our nation is in need of prayer for the protection of the unborn and the dignity of all human life," said Archbishop Naumann. "I am happy to be joined by bishops in dioceses across the country who are hosting pro-life prayer events, including during the overnight hours of Eucharistic adoration. I invite all Catholics to spend time with Our Lord and join in this nationwide vigil for life."

The schedule of the 2021 National Prayer Vigil for Life is listed below. (All times are in Eastern Time.)

Thursday, January 28:

- 8:00 PM National Rosary for Life
- 8:30 PM Opening Mass with Archbishop Naumann
- 9:45 PM Holy Hour for Life
- 11:00 PM ~ Live-stream of holy hours throughout the night

Friday, January 29:

8:00 AM Closing Mass with Archbishop Lori

The live television broadcasts on January 28 from 8:00-11:00 PM and on January 29 from 8:00-9:00 AM will be provided by the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) and will also be available via live-stream on the Basilica's <u>website</u>. Live-streaming information for the overnight bishop-led holy hours from various dioceses will be provided on the USCCB's <u>website</u>.

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REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL

As we are invited to celebrate the gift of faith and the invitation of our Savior Jesus, we hear His profound words, "Repent and believe in the Gospel." These words should be familiar to us. Each and every Lent ashes are distributed, smeared on our foreheads and these words are spoken, "Repent and believe in the Gospel." As Jesus traveled proclaiming that the Kingdom of God was at hand, He offered this as a doorway, an entrance to a lifelong journey with Him. It is important that we take the first step by admitting our sins. We do need to repent. We must realize we require saving and we need a Savior. This is done through admitting we have sinned, we are broken, and darkness is at times a companion on our journey. This is only the starting point. From the point of the acknowledgment of our sinful ways, Jesus tells us to believe in the Gospel. This belief is to fill the void of the brokenness. It is to fill the void of what sin has caused in our lives. Jesus does not define us by our sin, but by us being sinners that are redeemed. We are to come to this awareness by the power of belief in the Gospel. When we believe in everything the heavenly Father is revealing to us through the Gospels, we are drawn into the powerful mystery of redemptive love. Jesus fills the void of sin by the presence of belief.

It is like breathing. We exhale then we inhale. The Co2 that we exhale is replaced by the oxygen we inhale. Like breathing, we are to exhale our sin, by repenting and admitting it and we are to inhale the power of belief that we are redeemed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We exhale brokenness, just to inhale the love God has revealed to us in the Gospel. Our belief begins with our need to repent. Our need to repent begins with an awareness of our sin. As Jesus proclaims that the Kingdom is at hand, He tells us how to access it. Repent and believe.

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Father John Ouper

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 25

8:00 AM-Bruce Hamp req. Mary Terese Davison

Tuesday, January 26

7:00 AM-Stefania Chase (Living Intention) req. Louise Sirianni

Wednesday, January 27

8:00 AM-Kathleen Grannan (Living Intention) req. Louise Sirianni

Thursday, January 28

7:00 AM-Nicholas Janich req. Joyce Lumley

Friday, January 29

8:00 AM-Communion Service

Saturday, January 30

5:00 PM-Intention of the Priest

Sunday, January 31

7:30 AM-Alexander Klonowski req. Carole Klonowski

9;15 AM-Norbert Dziekanowski req. Family

11:00 AM-For the Parishioners

IT IS WITH GREAT JOY THAT WE ARE ABLE TO OPEN FOR MASS Save a Seat for Mass

Reservation are required for daily and weekend Mass. Using your browser, go to: stanneparish.ticketleap.com

Follow the directions on the brochure mailed to parishioners or visit our website for full information.

Weekend Mass selections will be available on Wednesdays at 4:00 PM and daily Mass will be available at Noon on Friday for the following week.

Be sure to download your ticket on your smart phone or bring a paper copy with to Mass.

Sunday Mass will still be recorded and available on our YouTube channel by Saturday morning. The dispensation from attending Sunday Mass is still in place.

If you find you are unable to attend a Mass you make a reservation for, please email: **Saveaseat@stanneparish.org** so we may cancel your reservation and open the seat up for another parishioners.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are by appointment only. Please contact Father John:

630-554-3331 Ext. 119 frjohn@stanneparish.org

Readings for the Week

Readings for the Week of January 24, 2021

Sunday	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Thursday	Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest
	Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9;		and Doctor of the Church
	1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20		Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6;
Monday	Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul		Mk 4:21-25
-	the Apostle	Friday	Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40;
	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;		Mk 4:26-34
	Mk 16:15-18	Saturday	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75;
Tuesday	Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus,		Mk 4:35-41
	Bishops	Sunday	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3,		Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9;
	7-8a. 10; Mk 3:31-35		1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	Saint Angela Merici, Virgin		
-	Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 4:1-20		

Please Pray For

Cherie Andrews Emma Bates Steven Bermes Jim De Vos Richard Dusatko Peggy Flanigan Brice Grudzien Ken Hermann Rick Llanes Ramiro Martinez Breanna Ramirez

And all who are experiencing illness and are not listed by name. Names will be kept on listing for six weeks

PRAYER REQUEST HOTLINE

Use Email below to: Have your prayer requests placed on the altar when Father John offers Mass



prayerrequest@stanneparish.org

SPIRITUALCOMMUNION

"My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen."

PARISH OFFICES

Parish Offices and Religious Education offices are open by appointment only.

Please contact the staff member you wish to meet with for an appointment.

Staff will not be available on Fridays.

Staff contact information is on the back page of this Bulletin.

PARISH BULLETIN EMAIL NOTIFICATION

Stay up to date with what is happening at St. Anne Parish.

Each week Discover Mass will send you an email update with a link to the current week's bulletin.

https://discovermass.com/church/st-anne-oswego-il/#bulletins

God's Share

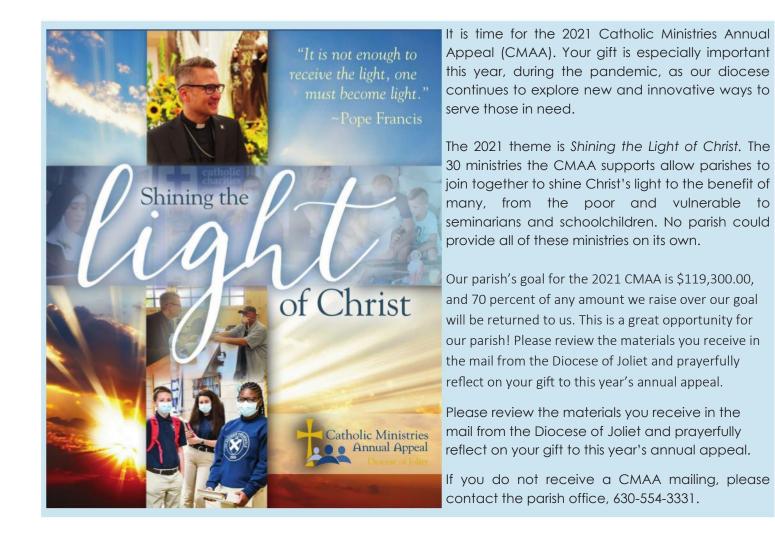
All of us are recipients of many blessings from God. In return, He expects that we praise Him for His goodness and thank Him for His generous 1 gifts. Thanking, however, is not done in word only, but in deed, also.

Total	\$23,599.00	
Sunday Offering E-Giving	\$18,453.00 \$ 5,146.00	\$25,500.00 134 Transactions
Total Parish Offering January 10, 2021	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>

Thank you to those who are able to continue to support us through EGIVING or mailing in your contribution!

E-Giving: If you would like to participate in E-Giving <u>https://giving.ncsservices.org/App/Giving/ncs-1474</u> For those signed up for EGIVING, please continue this practice to aide in the processing of the collection.

"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."



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WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

We want to warmly welcome and congratulate the following children who were Baptized last Sunday by Deacon James Perry:



Peyton Noelle Jackson

Benton Theodore Matuszewski



St. Vincent de Paul Society Gospel Reflection

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." As disciples, we are called to continue God's work on earth. Taking care of God's poor is indeed living gospel values.

This month, through your gifts and prayers, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families, providing funds for food, utilities, rent, and other bills. May God Bless You!

If there is anyone you know who needs help, our contact information is:

Hotline—630-383-2322 Email <u>stvincentdp@stanneparish.org</u>

THANK YOU FROM THE ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Dear Father John,

The members of The St. Vincent de Paul Society – St. Anne Conference would like to thank you and the parishioners of St. Anne for the generous donation of \$13,527 from the Thanksgiving collection. The outpouring of support continued well past Thanksgiving and we are very grateful. In this most unusual time, these funds have already been very useful in assisting neighbors in Oswego/Montgomery with regard to housing and utility assistance. We were also able to help some needy families celebrate Christmas because of some contributions that came in at the last minute.

Overwhelmingly, the neighbors that have asked us for help this year have been impacted by Covid-19. At times, we have had to react very quickly. Our conference meets monthly via Zoom and is in more frequent contact with each other if urgent neighbor needs arise.

Thank you again for your kindness and generosity. We go into 2021 knowing that we have the funds to help neighbors that have yet to find us.

The Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society – St. Anne Conference

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD—January 24, 2021



In his moto proprio of September 30, 2019, Asperuit illis, Pope Francis declared that "the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the Word of God. The title comes from the opening words of Pope Francis' letter, "He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures" (Luke 24:45). This was one of the final acts of the Risen Lord before his Ascension.

This "Sunday of the Word of God" is a fitting part of that time of the year when we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity. But a day devoted to the Bible should not be merely a yearly event but rather should be a reminder to spend time with Scripture every day. We urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and the Risen Lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers.

Every Christian is linked to the Word of God. Some of us are more aware than others. But without the Word, we have no voice to call ourselves disciples, Christians, even believers. Saint Jerome reminds us:

The relationship between the Risen Lord, the community of believers and sacred Scripture is essential to our identity as Christians. Without the Lord who opens our minds to them, it is impossible to understand the Scriptures in depth. Yet the contrary is equally true: without the Scriptures, the events of the mission of Jesus and of his Church in this world would remain incomprehensible. Hence, Saint Jerome could rightly claim: "Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ" (Commentary on the Book of Isaiah, Prologue: PL 24, 17B).

May the Sunday of the Word of God help us to grow in religious and intimate familiarity with the sacred Scriptures. As the sacred author taught of old: "This word is very near to you: it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance" (Deuteronomy 30:14).

Links to resources: Lectio Divina <u>https://catholic.bible/lectio-divina-in-english/</u> Bible in a Year podcast <u>https://media.ascensionpress.com/podcast/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/</u> U.S. Bishops and daily readings <u>https://bible.usccb.org/</u>



LETUSPRAY

Do you miss saying the response prayers?

One APP will make it easy for you to participate.

Just download the APP **LAUDATE** to any smart phone.

† Open the APP and you can then click on "Order of the Mass" to follow along.
† Click on prayers to just find the prayers you need

Let us RAISE OUR VOICES in Prayer to the Lord TOGETHER.

HOW DO I BECOME CATHOLIC? RCIA Steps

- · Pre-Catechumenate
- Catechumenate
- Period of Purification and Enlightenment
- · Mystagogia

If you, or anyone you know, is interested

in becoming Catholic,

or is simply interested in the

Good News of Jesus Christ,

please contact Deacon David Brockman

630-383-2331 or rcia@stanneparish.org

This short video explores the process for unbaptized and baptized persons seeking to become Catholic or learn more about the Catholic faith. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPvhIouj3Pg



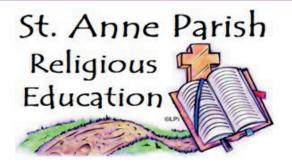
If you are an adult age 18 or older who has not been Confirmed, and you are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact:

> Deacon David Brockman 630-383-2331 rcia@stanneparish.org

Adult Confirmation classes will be held Thursdays February 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2021 at 7:00 PM

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated

Sunday, April 18 and Sunday, May 2, 2021 at 2:00 PM Cathedral of Saint Raymond, Joliet



RE Office Hours

Have questions or concerns about RE/DASH? Want to set up a day/time to meet with RE staff? Please call 630-554-1425 to leave a voice message or email to:

Contact Cathy Gillooly or Julie Krakora in the RE Office

630-554-1425

reo@stanneparish.org—Cathy Gillooly, DRE K-5 jhdre@stanneparish.org—Julie Krakora, DRE 6-8

K-5 Family Faith Formation

Jesus said to them. "Come after me

fishers of men."

This week we hear the account of Jesus calling his first disciples to leave their fishing nets behind and follow him. Jesus extends the same invitation to us - to put down whatever distracts us from God and dedicate our lives to being his disciples. This means living the and I will make you Good News of the Gospels as well as sharing it with others.

On January 25, we celebrate the Conversion of St. Paul, who went from persecuting the followers of Christ to being one of the greatest Christian missionaries of all time. He truly became a "fisher of men," preaching the Gospel and converting others to Christ. Paul serves as the ultimate example of what it means to abandon our sin and turn our whole hearts to God.

We Pray: Lord, we know that you extend your love and friendship to us and invite us to change our lives. This week, help us to hear your voice and answer your call, knowing and trusting in your everlasting love and care. Amen.



As new lessons for all levels of DASH are created, posted, and completed, life swirls around us during this ordinary time (liturgically.) For all of us, the new normal of ordinary life started almost a year ago. Now school changes bring a sense of formal normalcy with a twist of uniqueness. As changes come about, focusing on small blessings is a great gift. For that reason, this post about making your own prayer jar stood out. Check out the link. You, and your family, might appreciate a creative time to focus on God. https:// www.ssww.com/blog/how-to-make-prayer-jars-religious-craft-activity-lesson/

Something else to share to aid in prayer? Almost every Sunday night I (Julie) record a Scripture reflection/ prayer video specific for our DASH youth. (I've been told adults appreciate it too!) I've asked that all DASH 3 teens include this into their weekly time and want to let others know it exists! Check out YouTube and search for: DASH Scripture Reflections and Prayer if you see DASH JHYM as the creator - you've found it!

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

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THE BIBLE COLLECTION -PAUL THE APOSTLE

The story of Paul's life acts as an incredible witness to God's mercy and love as he went from persecuting the Church to proclaiming it to all the nations! This film brilliantly captures portrays this great missionary saint!



FORMED NOW! LETTERS OF ST. PAUL

Outside of Jesus, the greatest teacher of the faith was Paul the Apostle. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the great theologian known as the Apostle.

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WATCH

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS WITH RANDALL SMITH

FORMED Now!

The Angelic Doctor is often associated with his Summa Theologica among his other great works. Join Drs Christopher Blum and Randall B. Smith as they explore some of the lesser known works of St. Thomas Aquinas.

FAITH & CULTURE



Saint Thomas Aquinas

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

Do you long to receive Eucharist, but feel unsettled about entering the church building?

You are not alone.

Join us on

Sunday, January 24

- Parking lot opens at 3:15 PM (use the Lombardy Ln. entrance)
- Tune radio to 87.9 FM
- Mass begins at 4:00 PM

For your safety, you only exit your car to receive Communion (mask required)



Parking Lot Mass

KENDALL COUNTY COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

The Kendall County Community Food Pantry has been able to remain open. The number of families served each Thursday is up more than 50% in the last month.

As a result of the nationwide crisis, there are more large manufacturers pushing more and larger donations to Food Banks.

Cash donations go a long way. For every dollar donated, the pantry can purchase \$8.00 in food from the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

Donations may be mailed directly to:

Checks should be made out to Kendall County Community Food Pantry: (not St. Anne Parish) Kendall County Community Food Pantry 208 Beaver Street Yorkville, IL 60560 <u>https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=k3M9bfcQorZlyiWDnnVY36RqZ-LWu6-XyfrSkwtVKRi-0nrpFzSp5MU51e5QoDJ3RuGxm&country.x=US&locale.x=US</u>



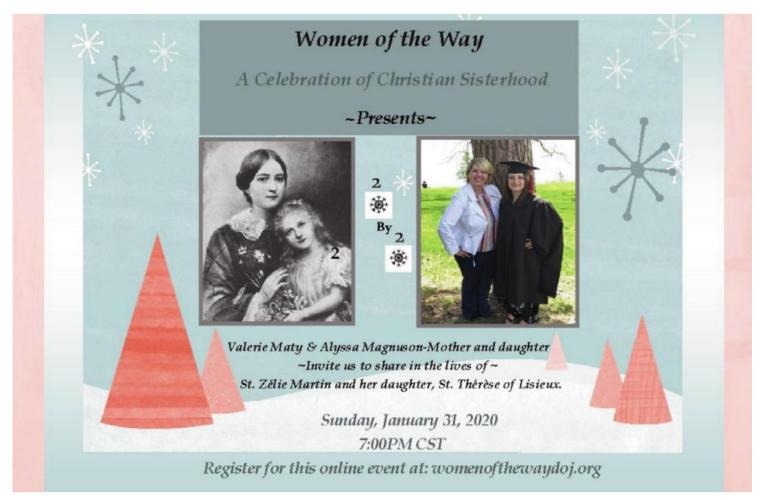
LIFE IN ACTION | HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH

DECEMBER 2020

"I'm still feeling overwhelmed, but I think that it will all work out."

When "Alisa" and her boyfriend "Hal" came into Waterleaf for their first appointment, they seemed happy when they found out they were expecting their first baby. Almost immediately, Alisa began to express doubts. Despite having a full-time job with insurance along with family support, she was unsure about whether she should continue the pregnancy while Hal wanted her to have the baby.

During their initial ultrasound, Alisa and Hal watched the ultrasound screen, seemingly captivated by the images. Their baby was moving around a lot and they could identify arms, legs, nose etc. As they left the clinic, they took pictures home with them. As time passed and they had time to discuss their future, the idea of parenting slowly grew on Alisa. At their next Waterleaf visit, Alisa and Hal told the patient advocate that they are excited about the prospect of having a baby. They expressed an interest in the parent education courses available via the Aspire Education and Resource center and that our Resource Specialists can provide linkages to community resources for them. They are currently researching potential healthcare providers to support through this pregnancy and beyond.



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Monday-Thursday	8:30 AM-4:00 PM
Friday	8:30 AM-Noon

Religious Education Office

Phone	(630) 554-1425
Fax	(630) 554-9797
Mon-Wed	10:00 AM-7:30 PM
Thursday	8:30 AM-4:00 PM
Friday	8:30 AM12:00 PM
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Offices currently open By APPOINTMENT only

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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EUCHARISTIC LITURGY

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	7:30, 9:15 & 11:00 AM
Monday-Wednesday	
Tuesday—Thursday	
Friday—Communion Service	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Pastor

Saturday.....Currently by appointment

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 Call the parish office or e-mail weekly 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

All new families are warmly welcomed to Saint Anne Parish and we ask that you register your family through our website at http:// stanneparish.org/registration-form/.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

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 Microsoft WORD.

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DIFIBRILLATOR AED

Located Across from Parish Offices and On Outside Wall of Gathering Room of Church.

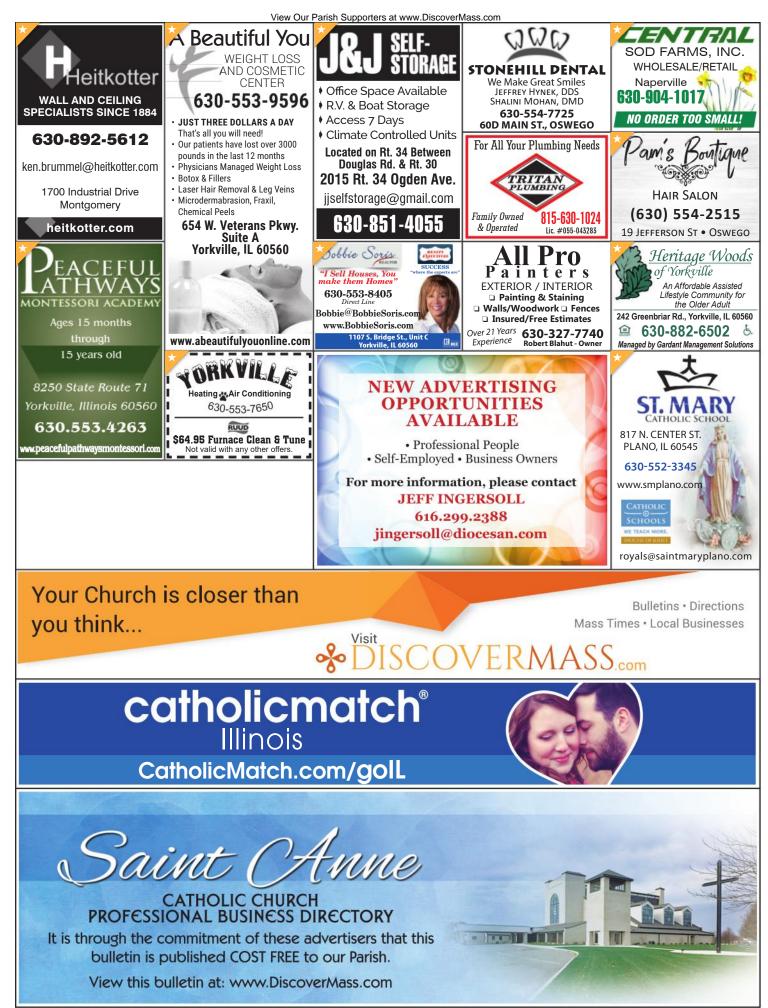
PARISH MAILING ADDRESS

Reminder: anything *mailed* to parish offices must be addressed to: P.O. Box 670 Oswego, IL 60543-0670

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