



ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

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SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45

The Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time—March 2nd

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Community of St. John the Apostle Parish commits to live out the teachings of Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, guided by the Holy Spirit and rooted in prayer. Together we continue the mission of Christ through Evangelization, Discipleship and Charity.

La Comunidad Católica de la Parroquia San Juan Apóstol se compromete a vivir las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, alimentada por la Eucaristía, guiados por el Espíritu Santo y con raíces en la oración. Juntos continuamos la misión de Cristo a través de la evangelización, discipulado y Caridad.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST. As a parish family, we at St. John the Apostle pray for all the members of our parish. We especially pray for our parishioners and their relatives who are currently on active duty in the military:

- Staff Sgt, DeWitt
- Staff Sgt. Adam Griswold
- Pvt. Aren Menor
- Pvt. Joseph Aguayo-Ludvik
- USMC Joseph Ciesla
- 2nd Lt. Colleen Corcoran
- Spc. Thomas
- AIC Darren Menor
- A1C Ryan Pemberton
- Sgt. Andrew J. Peterson
- Sgt. Donald J. Peterson
- A1C Anthony Pieroni—USAF
- Pvt. Jeremy Schumacher
- Spc. MP Catherin R. Stover/Peterson
- Corp. Robert Stover
- Pfc. Stephen Winter.
- E3-Yesenia Vivero
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(submit name and branch of service so that he or she can be

RECTORY / PARISH OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS / HORARIO DE OFICINA

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Friday: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Saturday 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS

Saturday: 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM en Español

Weekdays: 7:45 AM except Thursday at 7:00 PM

Baptisms / Bautizos

Baptism Preparation / Preparación para el bautismo

Contact the parish office to register.

Contacte la oficina parroquial para registrarse.

Confessions / Confesiones

Mondays 5 - 6:00 PM—or by appointment / o con cita.

Weddings / Bodas / Quinceañeras

Contact the parish office to schedule.

Contacte la oficina parroquial para programar.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK:

If you would like your name added to or removed from this list for prayers, please call the parish office.

*Ginger Herring
Leslie Huzak
Mary Szabo Linder
Liz May
Pat Murrin
Hannah Medow
Tom Schuch*

All names will remain on this list for 60 days then the name will be removed. If you want to continue on this list please call the office.

Collections

Sunday, February 16th-\$2,645.00
Mail-\$374.00

TOTAL: \$3,019.00

Thank you for supporting the good work
of St. John the Apostle Parish!

Events For The Week

Monday, March 3rd

Reconciliation-5:00-6:00 PM/Church
Adult Formation Study-7:00-8:30 PM/Library
Finance Meeting-7:00 PM/Rectorry

Tuesday, March 4th

SSJW General Meeting-7:00-9:00 PM/Library

Wednesday, March 5th

Ash Wednesday

Collection for Church in Central/Eastern Europe

Mass 7:45 AM

Noon Service

Seton Stations of the Cross-2:00-2:30 PM/Church

Mass 6:00 PM Bilingual

Spanish Legion of Mary-7:00-9:00 PM/Library

Thursday, March 6th

Spanish Bible Study-5:00-6:45 PM/Library

Friday, March 7th

Seton Stations of the Cross-11:00-11:30 AM/Church
Family Rosary-6:00-7:00 PM/Church

Saturday, March 8th

Stations of the Cross-9:30 AM/Church

RE 1-5-9:00-11:00 AM/RE Classrooms

Sunday, March 9th

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the week of March 2, 2025

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1
Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Monday: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk
10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14
and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-
15 (see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

2025 HOLY WEEK SERVICES SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AT ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

MONDAY, April 7..... 5:00-7:00 PM
MONDAY, April 14..... 5:00-7:00 PM

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY, April 17 AT ST. John the Apostle

Bi-lingual Mass of the Lord's Supper. 7:00 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until
10:00 PM at St. John the Apostle

GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS April 18 AT ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

English Stations of the Cross 3:00 PM
Spanish Stations of the Cross 4:00 PM

Bi-lingual Celebration of the Lord's Passion
At St. Alexander 7:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, April 19 At St. Alexander

Blessing of Food at St. John the Apostle 11:00 AM
Bi-lingual Easter Vigil Mass at St Alexander. . . 8:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY, April 20 At St. John the Apostle

English Masses 9:00 and 11:00 AM
Spanish Mass. 1:00 PM

The priests of Eastern DuPage County
will be available to celebrate the
Sacrament of Forgiveness of Sin!

Saturday, April, from 8am until 3pm

There will be select times when the
Sacrament will be offered in
Polish and Spanish.

All are invited to receive God's grace

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MARIAN REFLECTION



God is love, and whoever abides in love lives in God and God in him. In this way love is brought to perfection among us.

—1 Jn 4:16

The Heart of Mary constituted a perfect empire for Divine Love, which always reigned therein. And it caused to reign herein all laws of God, all the maxims of heaven, and all the Christians virtues.

-St John Eudes

Reconciliation

St. Alexander: Tuesdays from 5:00—6:00pm
Saturdays from 4:00—4:45pm or by appointment
630-833-7730

St. John the Apostle: Mondays from 5:00—6:00pm
Saturdays from 4:00—4:45pm
630-279-7404

VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR-MARCH

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen
Prayer for Vocations
by Pope Francis
For an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life, especially in the Diocese of Joliet, we pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer Amen

PLENARY INDULGENCE OF THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025

Our Holy Father Pope Francis has granted a special plenary indulgence to everyone who observes the Jubilee Year 2025.

“All the faithful, who are truly repentant and free from any affection for sin, who are moved by a spirit of charity and who, during the Holy Year, purified through the sacrament of penance and refreshed by Holy Communion, pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff, will be able to obtain from the treasury of the Church a plenary indulgence, with remission and forgiveness of all their sins, which can be applied in suffrage to the souls in Purgatory...” (Degree on the Granting of the Indulgence during the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025)

A Catholic would gain this special Jubilee Year Indulgence by doing the following:

- make a sacramental Confession before, during or after visiting the pilgrimage site,
- receive the Eucharist at Mass before, during or after visiting the pilgrimage site,
- make a profession of faith and offer prayers for the Holy Father’s intentions.

Pilgrims may also observe the following, in addition to and in conjunction with the above mentioned conditions:

- at one of the designated pilgrimage churches participate in Mass, or the Sacrament of Penance, or some other devotion (like the Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Hours, Stations of the Cross, the Rosary, or other devotion being celebrated at the Pilgrimage church)

- at one of the designated pilgrimage churches spend time in Eucharistic Adoration or meditation before the Tabernacle and conclude this time with the Our Father, the Profession of Faith (Nicene or Apostles’ Creed) and invocations to Mary, the Mother of God.

In addition, the faithful will be able to obtain the Jubilee Year 2025 Indulgence:

- If, with a devout spirit, they participate in popular missions, spiritual exercises, or formation activities on the documents of the Second Vatican Council and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, held in a church or other suitable place.

- In a special way "during the Holy Year, we are called to be tangible signs of hope for those of our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind." The faithful, following the example and mandate of Christ, are encouraged to carry out works of charity or mercy more frequently, especially in the service of those brothers and sisters who are burdened by various needs. More especially, they should rediscover these “corporal works of mercy: to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead” and rediscover also “the spiritual works of mercy: to counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offenses, bear patiently those who do us ill, and pray for the living and the dead.” In this way, the faithful will be able to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence if they visit, for an appropriate amount of time, their brothers and sisters who are in need or in difficulty (the sick, prisoners, lonely elderly people, disabled people...), in a sense making a pilgrimage to Christ present in them (cf. Mt 25, 34-36) according to the usual spiritual, sacramental and prayer conditions. The faithful can repeat these visits throughout the Holy Year, even daily, acquiring a plenary indulgence each time.

The Jubilee Plenary Indulgence can also be obtained through initiatives that put into practice, in a concrete and generous way, the spirit of penance which is, in a sense, the soul of the Jubilee:

- In particular the penitential nature of Friday can be rediscovered through abstaining, in a spirit of penance, at least for one day of the week from futile distractions (real but also virtual distractions, for example, the use of the media and/or social networks), from superfluous consumption (for example by fasting or practicing abstinence according to the general norms of the Church), as well as by donating a proportionate sum of money to the poor;

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH—VILLA PARK

Date	Intention	Requested by
Sunday, March 2nd 9:00 AM	1. Carol Colby (+)	Ray & Mary Ann Bauer
11:00 AM	1. Stella Almassey (+)	Richard Almassey
12:30 PM	1 Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	
Monday, March 3rd 7:45 AM	1. Carol Colby (+)	Arlene Ries
Tuesday, March 4th 7:45 AM	1. Carol Colby (+)	Arlene Ries
Wed. March 5th 7:45 AM ASH WEDNESDAY 12:00 PM 6:00 PM	1. Bill Morris 1. Parishioners of St. John the Apostle 1. Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	The Family
Thur. March 6th 7:00 PM	1. Carol Colby (+)	The Colby Family
Friday, March 7th 7:45 AM	1. Steve & Noreene Damolaris	Steven Damolaris
Saturday, March 8th 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	1. Carol Colby (+) 1. Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	The Colby Family
Sunday, March 9th 9:00 AM	1. Conrad & Rose Cilella (+)	The Cilella Family
11:00 AM	1. Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	
12:30 PM	1. Jose Zevmero (+) 2. Jorge Alejandro Silva-Birthday Blessings	Rosenda Micdela Grau

2 de marzo de 2025

8º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Siempre que vamos al súper, llegamos con el buen deseo de escoger lo mejor. Especialmente la fruta, la queremos fresca, jugosa y dulce. Has pensado en los árboles de donde proviene la fruta. ¿Serán buenos, estarán bien regados y vitaminados? Porque depende del árbol cómo es que será su fruto, bueno o malo. Hoy, es día de examen, para saber cómo andamos de frutos. Mucho depende de lo que llevamos dentro del corazón y Jesús, sin rodeos, lanza la siguiente pregunta: “¿Puede un ciego guiar a otro ciego? Ciertamente caerán ambos en algún hoyo” (Lucas 6:39). Desde luego que no, alguno de los dos debe tener visión clara y saber hacia dónde se dirige. Observemos bien qué tipo de fruto esta dando nuestra vida y eso se mide en el refrán que dice: Obras son amores, y no buenas razones.

El Papa Francisco, también lo explica de la siguiente manera: “Los niños y los jóvenes son los frutos de los árboles. Y cuando un árbol tiene buenas raíces y un buen tronco (abuelos y padres) da buenos frutos. Debemos ser un bosque lleno de buenos frutos; las familias numerosas son una gran esperanza de la sociedad”. Todos por lo general tendemos a cuidar las apariencias, por lo tanto, descuidamos lo más importante, el interior del corazón, que es de donde sale lo bueno: “La boca habla de lo que está lleno el corazón” (Lucas 6:45). Pidamos al Señor, que nuestros frutos buenos sean para que los demás los disfruten.

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