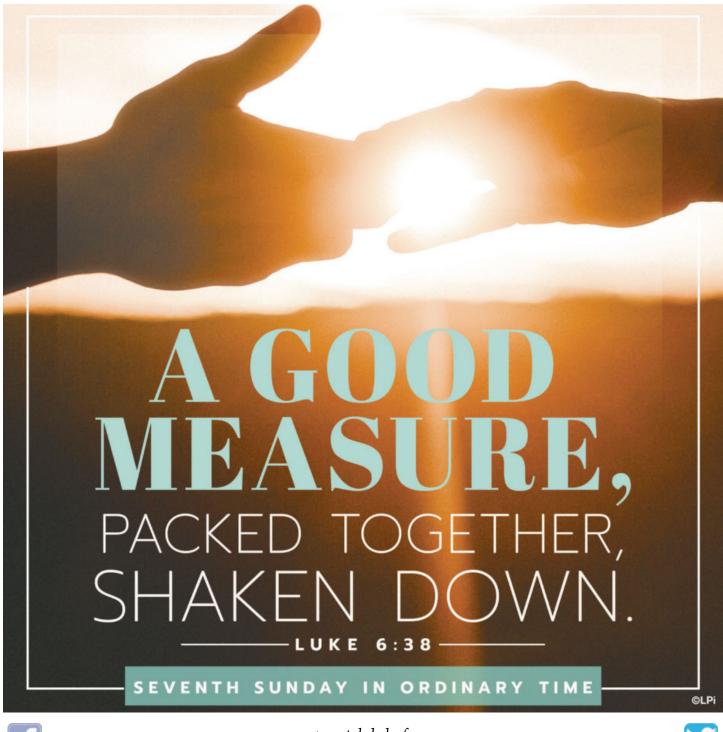


February 23, 2025 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:45 am in the Main Church

Daily Masses:

Monday through Friday 8:00 am in the Little Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday: 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm in the Main Church or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays: 1:00 pm Arrangements must be made in advance of the date.

Sacrament of Marriage Arrangements must to be made at least six to eight months prior to wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick Contact Fr. Gunderson at 847-234-1401

Holy Communion for the Homebound Please call the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

Children's Religious Education and Formation Mondays and Tuesdays, 4:30pm - 5:45pm Contact Religious Education Office at 847-234-2179

Sacraments, Visiting of the Sick, & New Parishioner Registration Contact the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

Sacrament of Confirmation Contact Brandin Stoy at 847-234-1401

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) Contact the Ministry Office at 847-234-1401

Office for the Protection of Children and Youth 312- 534- 5254 www.archchicago.org

Bulletin Deadlines

All articles must be submitted by noon of the deadline date. Please contact the parish Ministry Office.

Bulletin Date March 2 March 9 March 16 **Due Date** February 20 February 27 March 6 February 23, 2024

From the Desk of Fr. Jerry

Dear Friends,

We recently observed the World Day of Prayer for the Sick (February 11th, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes). Those who have visited Lourdes know the power of faith and prayer to give encouragement to those who experience weakened bodily strength. Jesus showed great compassion for the sick. He entrusted the power to heal to the apostles. It was not for their own notoriety, but rather to confirm their mission to heal. What is understood today as the sacrament of anointing of the sick is rooted in James 5:13-15:

"Is anyone among you suffering? He should pray. Is anyone in good spirits? He should sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint [him] with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven." The Catholic community is committed to a sacramental view of the world wherein clergy, religious, and lay ecclesial ministers all minister to the sick and infirm, as well as their family and friends who accompany them in the journey of suffering. The current liturgical rite for the Anointing of the Sick states that human illness is part of the mystery of salvation. We seek good health to enable us to fulfill our role in society and in the church. At the same time, those who are ill and infirm remind us of essential things and the necessity of the redemption of our lives through the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection.

WHO MAY BE ANOINTED?

Baptized members of the Christian faithful who have reached the age of reason and who begin to be in danger due to sickness or old age may receive the sacrament of anointing. Participation in the rites is encouraged broadly. For example:

- · The elderly who are weakened, even though no notable illness is present
- · Those who face surgery due to serious illness
- · Those who suffer serious mental illness or addiction
- · Seriously ill children can be anointed if they are old enough to understand the sacrament
- The sacrament may be repeated if the illness becomes more acute or if six months have passed

Pastoral Care of the Sick is much more than the Sacrament of Anointing and rites for varied situations are provided by the church. The homebound may request communion or confession. Individuals or family members should request the sacrament of anointing as soon as the right time comes so that it may be received with full faith and devotion. When death is imminent, Viaticum (Holy Communion for the dying) and the Prayers of Commendation for the dying can be offered by any baptized Catholic. After a person has died, there is no anointing; however, prayers after death may be offered.

Celebration of the Anointing for the Sick in a communal setting of family, parish members, and health care professionals is ideal. For this reason, A COMMUNAL CELEBRATION OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 2ND AT THE 10:00 AM MASS.

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Fr. Jerry Gunderson

This Week

Sunday, February 23 8:00am Mass - Fr. Franzman 10:00am Mass - Fr. Jerry Children's Liturgy of the Word 11:45am Mass - Fr. Hennessey

Monday, February 24 4:30pm RE Classes - PC 7:00pm 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory - PC

Tuesday, February 25 8:30am IH Leaders Meeting - CR 10:00am Woman's Group Meeting - CR 4:30pm RE Classes - PC

Wednesday, February 26 8:30am IH Prayer Group - CR

8:30am Adoration - OC 10:00am IH Bible Study - PC 1:00pm Staff Meeting - Rm 1 6:30pm Benediction - OC 7:00pm Sycamore - PC 7:00pm Wed Night Bible Study -CR

Thursday, February 27 6:00pm Bunco for Babies - PC

Friday, February 28

Saturday, March 1 5:00pm Mass - Fr. Webb

Sunday, March 2 8:00am Mass - Fr. Franzman 10:00am Mass - Fr. Jerry Children's Liturgy of the Word 11:45am Mass - Fr. Hennessey

Monday, March 3 4:30pm RE Classes - PC 7:00pm 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory - PC

Finances

YTD ending February 16, 2025

Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit	
\$501,646	\$418,011	\$83,635	

Scripture Questions of the Week

First Reading:

King David exercised great restraint in sparing the life of Saul. Can you think of a time when you had to take the high road with a friend or co-worker?

Second Reading:

Paul speaks of present-day believers as one day bearing the image of Christ (the "heavenly one"). How often do you think about your future life in heaven?

Gospel:

Jesus presents his followers with some very challenging morals: love your enemy, do not retaliate, and always be willing to forgive. Does this high moral standard seem possible for you personally?

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This Week's Readings

Sunday:	1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38
Monday:	Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:	Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27 <mark>-</mark> 28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday:	Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 17 <mark>1</mark> , 172, 174, 175/Mk 9:38-40
Thursday:	Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50
Friday:	Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27 <mark>,</mark> 34, 35/Mk 10:1-12
Saturday:	Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-1 <mark>6,</mark> 17-18/Mk 10:13-16
Next Sunday:	Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 1 <mark>5-16</mark> (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/ Lk 6:39-45

We were not born to kill but to foster the growth of all peoples. Please ask for peace in your daily prayers. Let us #PrayTogether for #Peace and do penance on behalf of peace.

-Pope Francis - follow @pontifex

Our Prayers

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Feb 23 8:00 am

10:00 am

 Stephen Chan, req. Frederick & Lucia Chan
Alice Balakrishnan, req. Bala Balakrishnan
Virginia Paxhia, req. Dick Heraty family
Leon & Patricia Kordell, req. The Joseph Passalino family

11:45 am People of St. Patrick Church

Monday, Feb 24 8:00 am

Tuesday, Feb 25 8:00 am † Deceased members of the Gulje family, req. The Morris family

Wednesday, Feb 26 8:00 am † The Holy Souls in Purgatory, req. Therese Ruedig

Thursday, Feb 27 8:00 am Special intention for: OCIA candidate & catechumens

Friday, Feb 28 8:00 am † Raymond D'Souza, req. Menuhin D'Souza

Saturday, March 1 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 2 8:00 am † Robert & Mary Seiler, req. Jim & Gail Creath

10:00 am

- **†** Marcia Driscoll, req. Julie Callaghan
- + Edmund & Alice Zarek, req. The Zarek family
- + Barbara Biederman, req. Mark & Lorraine Condic
- † Dan Lacko, req. Tony & Marie Lacko

11:45 am People of St. Patrick Church

Those Serving Our Country

- Lt. Col. Patrick Burke, Jr., US Air Force Son of Patrick and Patty Burke
- Lt. Col. Patrick J. Fahey, USMC Son of Tom and Marilyn Fahey
- Lt. Col. Michael J. Koob US Air Force Son of Mike and Donna Koob
- Captain Colt Marcyan, US Army Son of Ana and Carl Marcyan
- Major General Stephen L. Davis, US Air Force, Son of Karen Davis
- Staff Sgt. Section Chief Joseph D. Whitley, US Army, Nephew of Cathe Keres
- Ensign Owen William Platt, US Navy, Son of Roger and Liz Platt
- Cadet Reid Walsh, United States Military Academy, Son of Allison & Brian Walsh

The Lake County Veterans and Family Services Foundation is dedicated to helping Veterans and their families get the military benefits they have earned. If you need help connecting with Veterans Administration or other related resources, please contact foundation representative Bob Gorman at <u>robertegorman@sbcglobal.net</u>

Our Sick

Fr. Ronnie Calkins Joseph Zittnan Nicole Tallarico Carolyn Welby Florence Gatti Jennifer Mikell Gianfranco Isaia Paul Zittnan Cindy Wakat Ron Moskal Tom Sullivan Peter Andjelkovich Mariann Gregory Michael Kozak Dawn Tambi Trish Tivnan Hannah Hodgson Gina Wessel Lore Nugent

> Names added to the prayer requests will remain for 1 month. To add or re-add a person please email <u>jmanarik@stpatrick-lakeforest.org</u> or call the ministry office at 847-234-1401.

> > Our Deceased

Dawn Tambi, mother of Jackie Madura & Michelle Blodgett



Thursday, February 27, 2025 7:00pm - 9:00pm in the O'Gara Center

No Bunco Experience is Necessary

Wine, Soft Drinks, and Desserts Will Be Served

Entry fee is a donation of any items listed below. All items donated will benefit Heather's House or Monica's House.

Diapers: Sizes newborn 1&2	Baby Clothes: Newborn, gender neutral	Baby Clothes: 3+ months, boy/girl	Gift Cards: Walmart, Target & Jewel	Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Tissues & Napkins
Baby Wipe Refills	Baby Toiletries	Receiving Blankets	Crib Sheets	Garbage Bags

Please RSVP by February 24, 2025 RSVP online at <u>www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/bunco</u>, or email <u>peggy.gaier@outlook.com</u> or <u>khealan@gmail.com</u>

If you are not able to attend but would like to support our cause donations will be accepted during all Masses on February 22 & 23, and March 1 & 2. Please see the Women's Group display in the Gathering Area.

Heather's House & Monica's House: Many women consider abortion because they lack adequate housing or will otherwise be homeless if they choose life. The mission of Heather's House & Monica's House is to support women in difficult and unplanned pregnancies by offering them a safe and secure home where they can live with their babies. Heather's House & Monica's House are more than shelters, they offer mothers an opportunity to develop the life and job skills necessary to become financially independent and loving mothers. For additional information, see their website at https://www.aidforwomen.org.



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Thursday Morníng Scrípture Group

Invite you to...

Authentic Evangelization:

Living the Gospel in our Everyday Lives

a Lenten presentation by

Madeleine McCoy

"May the Lord be in my mind, on my lips and in my heart."

Thursday, March 6, 2025

9:30 – 11:00 AM in the O'Gara Center

Doors open at 9:30am | Presentation begins at 10:00am

Coffee/tea, coffee cake, and muffins will be available

RSVP by March 1, 2025 | No fee to attend

Register online at <u>www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/lentenpresentation2025</u> Or email Peggy Gaier at peggy.gaier@outlook.com



Throughout her life Madeleine has been blessed with an amazing Catholic family who instilled in her a God-centered life with a devotion to Our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph. As many may have experienced, her faith journey has included trying to determine a balance of spirit and flesh. In her twenties, she was focused on modeling, acting and earning her degree in journalism. When those career pursuits didn't really materialize, she took her gift of communication and worked in the secular world in administrative roles; here, though, she found that her normal work was often "interrupted" by people stopping in her office, seeking comfort, peace and joy. In 2015, after much discernment, she decided that she wanted these

deeper encounters to be the point of her work, and she put her business skills and experience to use at St. Paul of the Cross Parish in Park Ridge, IL. The opportunities in this role for one-on-one evangelization proved to be life-changing. Finding herself wanting to evangelize on an even larger scale, she currently works at Relevant Radio, as part of an exceptional team, bringing Christ to the world through the media. In her talk, she will share her journey, led by the Holy Spirit, through her ever-growing relationship with Our Lord in the Eucharist.



Spring 2025: March 13 - April 24

The word "Eucharist" is a familiar word to Catholic Christians, but how often do we stop and reflect on what the word means -- especially what it means in our everyday lives? Are we able to explain to our friends who are not Catholic what the "Real Presence" of Jesus in the Eucharist means? When the priest celebrating Mass proclaims "the Mystery of Faith" during the Eucharistic Prayer, do we realize that the priest is referring to the entire mystery of salvation achieved through Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension which is "re-presented" in the celebration of the Eucharist?

This spring, the Thursday Morning Scripture Group will read passages in Scripture that will help to deepen our understanding of the Eucharist. We will look at texts in both the Old and New Testaments that reveal that the Eucharist is a multi-faceted Mystery that can be pondered as sacrifice, meal, and communion. The 7-week spring session will begin on March 13.

The Thursday Morning Scripture Group has been meeting at St. Patrick's since 2001 and is led by parishioner Susan Carlson, who holds a Master of Divinity degree. The group's approach to the Scriptures is to combine study, prayer, reflection, and small group discussion. The group meets from 9:30 until 11:00 a.m. on Thursday in the O'Gara Parish Activity Center. No previous Bible study experience is required – please join us!

In addition to the Bible, the group will use a Threshold Bible Study Commentary, *The Eucharist*, by Stephen Binz. The fee to participate is \$15, which covers the cost of the commentary. To register for the spring session, please contact Susan Carlson at <u>SMcCarlson@aol.com</u>.





IT'S OUR ANNUAL ST. PATRICK PARTY

Friday, March 14 6:00 – 11:00 p.m. 💏 O'Gara Center Dinner 7:00 pm /Cash Bar

FEATURING: The Not for Profit Band



\$70 per person

PURCHASE TICKETS BY MARCH 8 AT WWW.STPATRICK-LAKEFOREST.ORG/PARTY



PURCHASE DRINK TICKETS ONLINE OR AT CASH BAR

MUST BE OVER 21 YEARS OLD TO ATTEND

Split the pot cash raffle: 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$25





Want to lend a helping hand? Questions? peggy.gaier@outlook.com



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Religious Education Hosted Mass

On Sunday, March 9th, for our 10am Mass, the St. Patrick's Religious Education students & families will be "hosting" Mass, with students singing, altar serving, and doing one of the readings for Mass. After the Mass, we will have coffee & donuts served by some of our RE families. Please join us for the RE Hosted Mass on Sunday, March 9th, at 10am.

Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry

If You Need Help Call: A Safe Place, (847) 249-4450 or (800) 600-SAFE (7233); or National Domestic Violence Hotline, (800) 799-SAFE (7233) www.stpatrick-lakeforest.org/dvo



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After All Masses in the Main Church Gathering Space

Celebrate life and the abundance of God's gifts in the middle of Lenten fasting and sacrifice.



