



St. John XXIII Parish

The Unified Parish of St. Mary, 1012 Lake Street & St. Nicholas, 806 Ridge, Evanston IL



SECOND SUNDAY OF

Lent

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From the cloud came a voice that said,
"This is my beloved Son,
with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him."

Matthew 17:5

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This Week at St. Mary's Church



Haitian Mass at 12:30 p.m., St. Mary Church

SPRED (Special Religious Development)
Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Church

St. Mary's Black Catholics Discussion Group

Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
Contact Shannon Ambrose: stmaryevanstonbc@gmail.com
for upcoming topics and the link to this week's meeting.

Yvonne Smith's Lenten Group

Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Library

Friends of Jusus Lenten Group

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Library

St. Mary's Quilting Ministry

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., in the Gathering Space

Care for Creation Lenten Group

Thursdays 6:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Conference Room

St. Mary's Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Music Rehearsal Room

Movie Night for Lent

Fridays during Lent at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center

Lent Group (Spanish)

Fridays at 7:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel

Esprit d'Amour Charismatic Prayer Group (French)

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church

Praying the Rosary

Saturdays 7:30 before the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Stations of the Cross

Saturdays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Weekly Prayer & Worship

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 4:-4:30 p.m. at St. Mary
Saturdays, 3:30 p.m. at St. Nicholas

Weekday Mass Schedule

Mondays-Saturdays 8:00 a.m. in St. Mary Church
Monday, Wednesday-Saturday 8:00 a.m., St. Nick's Chapel
Tuesdays, at 8:15 a.m. in St. Nicholas Church
Friday's 8:00 a.m. Mass is Bilingual in St. Nick's Chapel

Weekly Rosary

Saturdays at 7:30 a.m. in St Mary Church

Sunday Mass Schedule

At St. Mary: Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. First Sunday of the month, Haitian Mass, 12:30 p.m. (French)

At St. Nicholas: Saturday, 4:30 p.m. (English), Sunday, 8:30 a.m. (Spanish) 10:15 a.m. (English) & 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday afternoons, 3:00-6:00 p.m. at St. Mary Church
Friday mornings, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass until 10:00 a.m.
Saturdays at 7:30 a.m. at St. Nicholas Church

Renew My Church: Unification

*“Throw open the windows of the church and let the fresh air of the Spirit blow through.”
St. John XXIII*

The St. John XXIII Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council assists the pastor in the development of the mission-focused parish. It attempts to place at the heart of the parish a consciousness and zeal for the mission of Jesus Christ. When there is a clear awareness of this larger vision proposed by the gospels and taught by the Church, a parish finds itself energized by this sense of mission, service, and evangelization.

The Parish Pastoral Council consults with the pastor in his leadership role of planning, organizing, initiating, promoting, coordinating, and reviewing the evangelization, worship, religious education/formation, and service activities within the parish. While the PPC does not have decision making authority, consultation is at the heart of the decision-making process. This involves sharing information, listening, engaging in discussion, and promoting consensus. The PPC acts in an advisory and consultative capacity, always with priority given to the Pastor and the parish.

Specifically, the Parish Pastoral Council consults and assists the pastor to

- Listen and learn of the needs of the whole parish and bring them to the pastor and staff
- Develop and implement a pastoral plan which will promote the mission and common good of the parish under the commissions of Spiritual Life, Parish Life, Education and Faith Formation, and Human Concerns
- Foster unity and a sense of community in the parish
- Articulate and advocate for programs that deepen the faith of the community of believers; serve the poor and those in need and to minister to each other in the spirit of love and compassion

Parish Pastoral Council Member Qualifications

- **LEADERSHIP**
Understands the broad needs of the parish and is able to advise the pastor on hard decisions
Strong communication skills for advocating, promoting, or informing the parish
Present oneself in a positive and professional manner to pastor and parishioners.
- **MISSION ORIENTED**
Demonstrates commitment to the mission of St. John XXIII Parish, always recognizing the need to always support the ministry of Jesus Christ in parish life.
- **DIVERSITY**
Represents the diversity of the whole parish community and advises on the behalf of all groups
- **PLANNING AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**
Envisions future opportunities for parish growth and evangelization.

How to Nominate a Candidate for Parish Pastoral Council

The new PPC will be made up of 9-11 individuals.

If you wish to nominate yourself for the PPC, send a letter or email to Fr. Jean Philippe at kklok-po@archchicago.org and a copy to Shelley Benson at shelleybenson5gmail.com. The letter should not exceed one page in length.

If you wish to recommend another parishioner for PPC, please nominate them by sending an email to Fr Jean Philippe and Shelley Benson. The deadline for submitting nominations is **Monday March 27** and new council members will be announced on March 31, 2023.



St. John XXIII Parish Lent 2023

Weekday Masses

Monday–Saturday 8:00 a.m. at St. Mary Church

Monday, Wednesday–Saturday 8:00 a.m., St. Nick’s Chapel

Tuesdays, at 8:15 a.m. in St. Nicholas Church

Friday’s 8:00 a.m. Mass is Bilingual in St. Nick’s Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00–4:30 p.m. in St. Mary Church before the 5:00 p.m. Mass

Saturdays 3:30 p.m. in St. Nicholas Church before the 4:30 Mass

Praying the Rosary

Saturday Mornings at 7:30 a.m. before the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary

Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday Mornings at 7:30 a.m. before the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Nicholas

Friday Mornings at St. Mary, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass —10:00 a.m. in the church

Sundays at St. Mary, 3:00–6:00 p.m. in the Church

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at Noon at St Nicholas

Friday Evenings at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary Church (in French)

Saturday Mornings after the 8:00 a.m. Mass in St. Mary Church (in English)

Sunday Masses

Saturdays at St. Mary: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday, 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 11:00 a.m. (English);

1st Sunday of the month–Haitian Mass at 12:30 p.m. (French)

Saturdays at St. Nicholas: 4:30 p.m. (English); Sunday, 8:30 a.m., (Spanish)

10:15 a.m. (English), 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Vespers/Lectio Divina

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in St. Nicholas Church, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Tiny Lenten Retreat on March 4, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. at St. Nicholas

Reflections from the Women Doctors of the Church—Sts. Teresa of Avila, Catherine of Siena, Therese the Little Flower, and Hildegard of Bingen at St Nicholas

A Morning of Reflection & Renewal

Saturday, March 11, 10 a.m. to Noon at Saint Mary’s Church Gathering Space

Facilitator, Karie Ferrell, Director of Lifelong Faith Formation

Parish Communal Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, March 28 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary Church



ReLent Groups

“Perhaps he will again relent and leave behind him a blessing ...”

(Joel 2:14)

Every year during Lent, we have the opportunity to share our faith in small groups. There are more than 14 options. For you to choose. Contact—Karie Ferrell kferrell@archchicago.org for information and to sign up.

- ♥ Tom Lenz’s Group, Sundays at 1:00 p.m., locations rotate through the group
- ♥ Deacon Jaime & Leonor Rojas, Sundays at 6:00–8:00 p.m. in the Social Hall;
- ♥ Ed & Mary Signatur, Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at Three Crowns / Yvonne Smith, Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Zoom
- ♥ Mike Borman, Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary’s Parish Center
- ♥ Friends of Jesus, Prayer & Scripture, Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Parish Center
- ♥ Lent through the Lens of Creation, Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in St. Mary’s Parish Center
- ♥ Movie Nights for Lent, Fridays at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary’s Parish Center
- ♥ Sister Christina’s Group / Sue Kamp’s Group / Kathy Benn’s Group / Yvonne Smith’s Group at St. Mary’s



UCYM's Annual

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Date: March 4th, 2023
 Time: 9:00-2:00 pm
 Where: Oldershaw Hall (St. Nick's Campus)

Come Hungry!

www.ucym.org




All men of St. John XXIII are invited to a Mid-Lent Presentation

March 13, 7:30 p.m.
Oldershaw Hall at St. Nicholas Church

We welcome Chris Tirres, Vincent de Paul Professor of Religious Studies. Chris will focus on the significance of Guadalupe for the U.S. Latinx community, including our community here in Evanston.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Payer Shawl Ministry

Imagine the arms of your friends, your family, your faith community and of your God who loves you so, encircling you as you put your shawl around you. When you do this, know that your shawl has been made with prayers of comfort and love.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry gives our shawls in church, in small groups, in homes, in the hospital or nursing homes to fellow parishioners and/or their families. They may use the shawls in times of joy and celebration, in sorrow, for warmth, courage, or just because they feel like it.

Referrals can come from staff, ministers of care and fellow parishioners.

Our group is very small and we are calling all who knit to join us in the companionship and joy of creating these shawls. We gather at the St. Nicholas Church, in the office parlor in the evenings on the first and third Thursdays of the month. If you would like to be a part of this wonderful ministry and are unable to come to a meeting or come at that time, or if you would like to learn more; please call Sandy Hubbard at 847.674.0778 or email mahubb35@aol.com. We hope to hear from you, St. John XXIII Prayer Shawl Ministry.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 Are You In Need?

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society is available to our parishioners and our neighbors in need. If you are in need, or know someone who is, please contact us: (847) 868-3796. Leave a message and one of our Vincentians will return your call.

All requests are confidential.

The Mardi Gras Party was a Success!

Dancing, music, food and drink –

St. John XXIII parish put on a great Mardi Gras Party.

More importantly, we worked together to achieve a common goal. As a result, we raised over \$75,000 for our new parish. The final numbers are not yet available, but we are certain that we exceeded our goal. And that takes work, planning, and lots – LOTS – of help!

Want to help plan next year's party? Contact a member of this year's committee. And for those who have yet to donate to this year's party, the sj23party.org website welcomes your donation.

Thank you to St. John XXIII parishioners! The committee members, raffle ticket sellers, greeters, angels and donors, business sponsors, sponsorship solicitors, people who helped with decorations and clean-up, Knights of Columbus, photographers and videographers, and everyone who attended and/or who purchased a raffle ticket. We are all St. John XXIII Parish! Let the good times roll.



Lent and Spiritual Direction

A spiritual director can be helpful in deepening your Lenten journey. Meet with a qualified, trained director to help you focus on the Lenten themes of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, as well as deepening your relationship with God.

To receive a handout with bios and contact info for spiritual directors serving St. John XXIII Parish, contact: Sue Garthwaite (smgart@comcast.net).



Ready to Serve and be served?
Don't delay! Spots are filling fast!
Sign up Priority deadline has passed.
There Are Still A Few Spots Left

Bethlehem Farm Service Trip 2023



ST. JOHN XXIII 2023 SERVICE TRIP TO BETHLEHEM FARM- ALDERSON, WEST VIRGINIA

WHEN: July 29, 2023-August 5th or 6th, 2023

WHERE: Bethlehem Farm, Alderson, West Virginia. For more info see our google site for Bethlehem farm service trip: <https://sites.google.com/view/bethlehem-farm-service-trip-23/overview> and site for Bethlehem Farm <https://bethlehemfarm.net/>

COST: \$325 per person for food, lodging and programming at site. Please contact us to sign up! \$50 non-refundable deposit due on sign up. jmbrabeck@gmail.com, p.trafton@comcast.net, gnwotoole967@gmail.com. If you need scholarship funds, please contact us.

WHO: Participants must be 18 and older and vaccinated.

WHAT: We will work in the local community but Bethlehem Farm is more than a "work camp" for volunteers. We will build community by working, praying, laughing, and loving together. We will learn to live simply, caring for our Common Home. This is not just the opportunity for service, but the opportunity to experience another way of life.



With Lent here and the active threat of Covid growing further and further behind us in the rearview mirror, this is a good time to prayerfully consider becoming a Liturgical Ministry at our St. Mary Church. This might include becoming a Lector, Usher or Greeter, Eucharistic Minister, Cantor or Choir Member. If you want just a seasonal ministry, how about our Art & Environment Team? And if your school aged child is interested in volunteering, they could become an Altar Server.

Don't forget that, despite our St. John XXIII Parish unification with St. Nicholas, St. Mary is still a very active worship site, and we need really want to return to Full, Active and Conscious Masses, so we need your help!

If you're interested, please reach out to me, Dianne Fox, and I'll help you discern what you might want to do and arrange for you to be trained!



Stations of the Cross

Saturdays, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass (English)
Fridays, 7:30 p.m. in the Church (French)



The Transformative Power of Lent, A Morning of Reflection and Renewal
Saturday, March 11, 10:00 a.m. to Noon
In the Gathering Space of St. Mary Church

**If Today You Hear the Voice of God,
Harden Not Your Hearts!**

Breakfast Refreshments Served

Email: kferrell@archchicago.org to register.

We Pray for One Another & the World

Mass Intentions

Every mass is offered for the needs and intentions of someone. You can request that we support you in your intentions and your needs.

Contact the Parish Office to request a mass be offered for someone you know that is in need of prayer, for your own intentions, or for the repose of someone's soul. The stipend is \$10.



Sunday, March 5: 2nd Sunday of Lent

- 5:00 Simpler sustainable lifestyles
- 8:00 Feret Stefan
- 9:30 † Janet Borman
- 11:00 † Phillip Delmos
- 12:30 Haitian Mass

Monday, March 6

- 8:00 For a deeper awareness of our responsibility to be good stewards of God's creation

Tuesday, March 7: St. Perpetua and Felicity

- 8:00 Respond to the cry of the poor

Wednesday, March 8: St. John of God

- 8:00 Respond to the cry of the earth

Thursday, March 9: St. Frances of Rome

- 8:00 That we develop an ecological spirituality

Friday, March 10

- 8:00 That we develop ecological education

Saturday, March 11

- 8:00 For a deeper awareness of our responsibility to be good stewards of God's creation

Vigil Mass for Sunday, March 12

3rd Sunday of Lent

- 5:00 † Peter Kelley



We pray for those who are sick, especially ...

Kelsey Wolfe

We pray for those who have died, especially ...

Larry Reinwald Lynn Mapes-Riordan
Janet Borman, mother of Michel Borman
Aaron Forman, son of Teresa Forman
Peter Kelley, brother of Mark Kelley

If you have someone whose name you'd like added or removed, contact Dianne Fox, Director of Music dfox@archchicago.org



We Join Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, In Prayer

The Holy Father has designated March as a month to pray for victims of abuse.

"We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church, may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering."

Join the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network: popesprayerusa.net which addresses the challenges facing humanity. We pray and work to meet the challenges of the world identified by the Pope, while walking a spiritual path called the "Way of the Heart."



We pray for those who serve and for peace

- ◆ 1st Lieutenant Patrick Benn, U.S. Marine Corps, son of Kathy & Adrian Benn
- ◆ CDR Edward Carlton, U.S. Navy, son of Caroline & Frank Carlton
- ◆ 1st Lieutenant Henry L. Clark, U.S. Air Force, son of Gayle & Dan Clark
- ◆ Airman Lindsey Foley, U.S. Air Force, niece of Chris Foley
- ◆ Lt. Daniel Kozicki, U.S. Navy, nephew of Linda O'Dwyer