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Mission accomplished! Deacon Paul arrives safely at Santiago de Compostela.

May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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Spring 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

May is a month to remember and celebrate the mothers and mother figures in our lives. These women-on whom all generations depend-are essential to the fullness of God's plan for human life.

May is also the month when we celebrate the important work of our Catholic Charities. Helping mothers in need is core to our Catholic faith and a cornerstone mission for Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Whether they be single mothers, mothers of children with special needs, foster mothers, or mothers who are migrants, we help them and their children.

Your generous donation to the Mother's Day Collection for Catholic Charities enables this urgent work. Catholic Charities was founded more than a century ago by the Archdiocese to help those in need in Cook and Lake counties. As the largest provider of human services in our region, Catholic Charities serves nearly 400,000 people annually. This tremendous reach of services is only possible through your generous support.

Each year I call on our parishes to support Catholic Charities, and so I encourage you to be generous by contributing, either:

- In-person during the second collection on Mother's Day weekend, May 11-12
- Online at catholiccharities.net/donate
- By mail to Catholic Charities, P.O. Box 8275, Carol Stream, IL 60197-8275.

Thank you for your on-going support and partnership. May Mary, our Mother whom we honor in May, continue to inspire us to take up the mission of her Son with joyful enthusiasm.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

BLESSING OF OUR WELCOMING MOTHER STATUE



Join us on **Sunday**, **May 12**, following the 9:30 am Mass, as Bishop Jeffrey Grob will bless our new **Welcoming Mother** statue.

We will gather at the newly landscaped Grotto area on Park Street between the Rectory and Church portico entrances.

An honor guard will be provided by the Knights of Columbus.



OUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



Sunday Collection for April 28, 2024

	This Week	Budget	Variance
Sunday Masses	\$9,458		
Mail and Walk-up	\$4,862		
eGiving	\$9,842		
Total Sunday	\$24,162	\$34,135	(\$9,973)
	This Week	YTD	
Easter	This Week \$455	YTD \$88,505	
Easter School Support			

Thank you for your generosity!



As I Love You By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



This week my children were learning about energy. We set up an experiment with toy cars — one was placed in front of another, and a third was pushed into the two stationary ones.

The forward motion caused the front car to move, but not much. "Most of the

energy goes into the car in the middle, not the car on the end," my daughter concluded.

I asked her why she seems to have so much energy, and I seem to have so little.

"Because you're old," she replied confidently.

Most days I feel like that first car, barreling at life with all my energy and love and good intentions, only to have it almost entirely absorbed by the proverbial middle car. It's so easy to be discouraged. The devil so badly wants us to feel discouraged.

But the law of love is not unlike the law of conservation of energy. Love is neither created nor destroyed. It is only transferred from one form to another. And yes, sometimes it certainly seems like it disappears. It appears to get lost between my hands and the plate of dinner that goes uneaten or evaporates off of my lips as words I fear are never heard. It is spat upon as a commandment the world would prefer I do not keep.

But we are not called to simply love one another — to love when it seems effective and productive and appreciated. We are called to love as Christ loved: recklessly, selflessly, and yes, even without logic. We are called to love with a love that doesn't give up and is never withdrawn. A love that doesn't fear death or the world's hatred. A love that stands willing to argue, to be reviled, to be dismissed.

We are called to be that first car, hurtling ourselves against a world that isn't ready to accept or understand us. And we trust that, even when we can't see how, the love that seems to disappear simply changes forms.

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you." — John 15:12

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Saturday, June 8th, 6-10 pm School Parking Lot

Live music by A Sure Thing

Pre-sale food & drink tickets and volunteer opportunities soon!

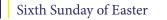


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JULY 12, 2024 12:30 SHOTGUN START OLD ORCHARD COUNTRY CLUB



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PRIZES, DINNER, AND FUN

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May 5, 2024

PILGRIMAGE UPDATE



After 12 days; 240 kilometers (149 miles); 403,788 steps (no, I didn't count them, my iPhone did); daily Rosaries and Chaplets of Divine Mercy; numerous Divine Office Morning and Evening prayers; several Masses; one case of tendinitis (+more ibuprofen that you could shake a stick at)—AND with God's direction and mercy—I arrived at Santiago de Compostela on 17 April, 2024 (that's how they say the date in Europe).

Through your prayers and support, I dutifully offered up each and every one of your prayer intentions, which I personally carried throughout my pilgrimage. These prayer intentions were heard by our Heavenly Father, through the intercession of St. James, to whom I personally delivered your intentions.

In offering up your intentions, I asked our Heavenly Father to answer them as requested. And, once answered, I prayed that those asking give thanks to God and glorify His name. But, if such prayers were not answered at this time as requested, I requested that God give those asking a greater understanding of His will. That they be graced with the Holy Spirit's wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and fortitude to better understand and accept God's will, whatever it may be. Like you, I thanked the Lord for hearing our prayers. I too pray that we take the time, the place, and the space to see how the Lord is moving us in cooperating with His grace.

—With love, Deacon Paul

YOUR PRAYER INTENTIONS ON THE CAMINO





Keep a look out in upcoming bulletins, as Deacon Paul intends a future talk to share the details of his pilgrimage!

Pray with us. OUTDOOR FAMILY ROSARY TUESDAYS in MAY @4:00 pm Mary Grotto on Park Street

Our Lady of Unity Food Collection: May 12

On **Sunday, May 12** we will have our monthly food drive for Our Lady of Unity (formerly St. Mark's) Parish. Drop off non-perishable food at the parish garage from **between 9 am and noon.**

Most-needed items include:

- pasta noodles & sauce
- canned tuna & chicken
- canned vegetables
- soup
- cereal
- chili
- mac & cheese
- bagged sugar
- dry white beans

important ministry.

- "Alms are an inheritance and a justice which is due to the poor and which Jesus has levied upon us."
 - ~St. Francis of Assisi

OUR LADY OF UNITY FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

REP 2024-2025



Sixth Sunday of Easter

2024 Grandparents & Special Person Day

Thank you for your past and future generosity in this

Non-perishable food is now being accepted during the

week in the lobby of the Parish Center.

Classroom Visits, Mass, ‡ Refreshments

> Thursday, May 9 8:30–11:30 am

Arrive in the Gathering Place by 8:30 am

For more info, email Maureen Henry, **mhenry1120@gmail.com** or Anne Hodits, **annehodits@ gmail.com.**





Respect Life Leaders Gather at Wayside

Our Lady of the Wayside's **Respect Life Ministry** recently hosted representatives from Respect Life Ministries in other Vicariate I Parishes to a morning of sharing and fellowship. Fourteen attendees from five parishes plus the Archdiocese attended. Each shared how their ministry operates, where they have success, and where they have opportunities. Raymund Pingoy, Senior Coordinator for Respect Life at the Archdiocese of Chicago, added broader insight and encouragement in the discussion. All present spent time learning from each other and brainstorming different ways to help each other in the future. **For more info about OLW's Respect Life Ministry, email respectlife@olwparish.org**













WILL YOU BE AN USHER?



The Parish needs members that can help with Usher duties. Scan the QR code to register for a spot using Sign-Up Genius.

You can also download the app on your phone so you can check in often when you are available.



If you have any questions, please reach out to **ushers@olwparish.org**.

Thank you for considering this opportunity!

JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER AT RAISING CANE'S!

Mention the fundraiser at the register and Cane's will donate 15% of sales to:

Our Lady of the Wayside

DATE & TIME:

May 16, 2024 from 04:00 PM - 10:00 PM

LOCATION:

1420 Golf Road, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008 +1 847-227-0170



VBS June 10-14, 2024 9:30am - 11:45am



Grades: Incoming Kindergarteners - 5th Grade

VBS Camper Registration Form: https://forms.gle/nUzxUuT8kBGZ5gCF8



Middle School and High School volunteer sign up coming in May! Bible Study In Person & Online / Friday Morning 9:30



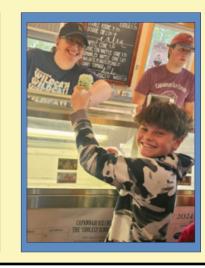
Join us for lively discussion of next Sunday's readings:

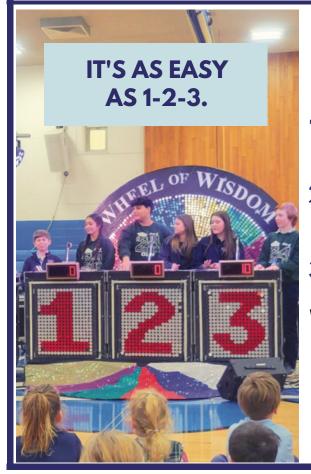
Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23 Ephesians 4:1-13; Mark 16:15-20

Join us in the Cabrini Room of the Parish Center or email **biblestudy@olwparish.org** for a sign-in code. For a sample video, visit: **https://bit.ly/3w3tmXu**

Coolest School and Coolest Parish! Thank you to everyone who came to support us at Capannari Ice Cream.





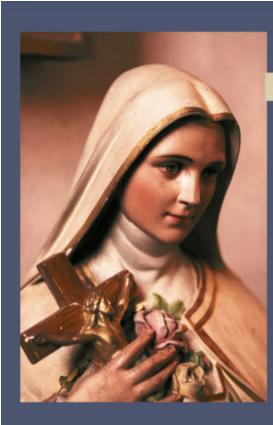


IMAGINE THE IMPACT TO THE SCHOOL IF MORE PEOPLE INQUIRED ABOUT MATCHING GRANTS!

- Any donation you make to OLW School during #GivingTuesday, to Rebek Fund, or a designated or any cash donation - is eligible
- 2 Ask your employer if they have a matching gifts program. We are considered an Educational Institution for K-12 (EIN 36-2275598).
- **3** Contact Danielle Kenney for help via dkenney@olwschoool.org.

We have received matching gifts from CNA Insurance, CVS Health, Gewalt Hamilton, First Midwest Bancorp, Grainger, Morgan Stanley, Motorola, Nordstrom, Northrop Grumman, Parker Hanifin, Rust-O-Leum, True Value, Tyson Foods, William Blair.

MANY COMPANIES HAVE SOME MATCHING GIFTS PROGRAM. DON'T WAIT. ASK TODAY!





Empowering Women with God's Love

JOIN enKindle FOR A TALK BY FR. MICHAEL GRZESIK ON ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

5.8.24 | 7:00 PM | IN THE CHURCH REFRESHMENTS AFTER IN THE **GATHERING SPACE**

EVENT IS OPEN TO MEN AND WOMEN

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Contact: Maria marigold1272@yahoo.com

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH **AWARENESS MONTH**

JOIN US

Pray for people with a mental illness and for their families.

PRAY THE ROSARY On May 15th - the Feast of St. Dymphna. Join in solidarity to support those who are experiencing mental health concerns using the meditation booklet found at the Chicago Archdiocesan Commission on Mental Health Website. (See below)



NOVENA FROM THE USCCB

Pray a novena during May developed by the USCCB. Each day reflects on a theme to prayerfully approach the topic of mental health. (See resource information below)

Find the prayer resources using the QR code or at the website below. www.catholicmhm.org/prayer-resources



The Association of Catholic Mental Health Ministers



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KATHY O'NEILL, R.N. 👽 COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL HEALTHCARE

7 Ways to Support a Loved One's Mental Health

You've likely been there – or could be in the future – where a friend or family member shares with you what's troubling them, but you're not sure what to say. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than 1 in 5 U.S. adults live with a mental illness. When someone you know is struggling with their mental mindset, it's best to create space for them to talk openly and honestly about how they're feeling.

Dr. Gene Carroccia, a clinical psychologist and vice president of ambulatory behavioral health services for Advocate Health Care and Aurora Health Care, offers seven ways to better support a loved one with a mental health concern:

1. Become more comfortable talking about mental health

The topic of mental health is often taboo, so it can be easier to avoid or minimize it. While it takes courage to start a conversation with a loved one about their mental health, if it's done in a caring and non-threatening manner, it may

open new doors for them. We are in a national mental health crisis together now, and we are challenged to stretch our comfort zones.

2. Learn more about mental health challenges

I recommend researching your loved one's mental health symptoms and issues. Learning more about the topic can also increase your comfort level. You can visit helpful online resources, like the National Alliance on Mental Health, to become more knowledgeable. The more comfortable you are with the subject matter, the better you can be there for a struggling loved one.

3. Listen to convey empathy and concern



Sometimes your loved one just wants you to listen while they vent about what is troubling them. While they may need professional assistance, not everyone needs this during difficult times. Being heard is an important human need, so work on really listening when they open up to you. Ensure it's during a time free of distractions and avoid taking over the conversation with your personal experiences or beliefs.

4. Use "I" statements and not "you" statements

Saying 'I'm worried about you' or 'I've noticed you haven't been yourself lately' can provide a sense of support and safety. Expressing 'you' statements such as 'You need to let that go' may sound harsh and unsupportive.

5. Don't assume

When a loved one shares their mental health concerns with you, try not to judge. We shouldn't assume we know how others feel. To combat stigma, it's helpful to avoid blame and be sensitive, compassionate and patient.

6. Encourage them to speak with a professional

Don't put all the burden on yourself to help others feel better in their time of need. Trust your gut if you have concerns and encourage them to speak with a mental health professional. Help them obtain a first appointment, if necessary. If you feel stuck and work for a company that has an Employee Assistance Program (EAP), you can reach out for their support. EAPs are typically free, confidential, and can offer guidance and referrals.

7. Prioritize time for yourself

It can be easy to neglect your well-being when supporting someone else with their significant struggles. Set healthy boundaries for yourself and carve out time for self-care.

Please stop by the Mental Health resource table in the Gathering Place foyer for free resources. For additional mental health resources, visit our website: <u>https://bit.ly/3w0e31P</u>

Article contributed by: Amber Thompson



Invest time each week to expand your vocabulary and deepen your faith.

05 May 2024

WORD OF THE WEEK

Ascension \a-,sen(t)- shan\

The act of **ascending**, or rising upward. The final earthly manifestation of the Risen Lord after the Resurrection. Jesus is lifted up and taken from view, transferred to the realm of the divine.

Pronunciation: https://tinyurl.com/Take5-ascension

CONTEXT

In the Scriptures, many ancient holy figures were said to be taken up to heaven, especially Enoch and Elijah.... Thus, **ascension** to the heavens came to be expected of holy and great persons; it indicated divine approval of them as well as their accession to heavenly power.

—Father Jerome Neyrey, S.J.

The **ascended** Christ, far from being absent, fills the whole cosmos in a new way. —*Sister Brid Long, S.S.L.*

His **ascension** is our glory and our hope. —*Saint Augustine*

WHY IT MATTERS

The **Ascension** establishes the christ's universal rule and the church as the visible Body of Christ, equipped with the power and courage for mission. It assures us of our destiny to be with Christ now and on the last day. As Saint Augustine says, "While in heaven, he is also with us; and while on earth, we are with him."

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 667): Jesus Christ, having entered the sanctuary of heaven once and for all, intercedes constantly for us as the mediator who assures us of the permanent outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

RELATED WORDS

Assumption | Resurrection | Pentecost | Epiphany

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What is Christ's Ascension?

Ascension seems like a feast designed to resolve a mystery: after Easter, where did Jesus go? Answer: back to his Father. Yet **Ascension** stories don't exactly provide a snapshot of Jesus leaving town. Luke says Jesus was removed to heaven from Bethany on the day of his Resurrection. Acts of the Apostles reports this event 40 days later, from the Mount of Olives. Mark agrees that it happened on Easter—but while Jesus was at table with his disciples. Houston, we have a problem.

Or maybe not. Saint John Chrysostom insisted **Ascension** simply conveys the final exaltation of Christ after the humiliation of the cross. Saint Augustine viewed the **Ascension** as the glorification of us all: where Jesus went, we too might go. Theologians distinguish between "passive" assumptions and the active **Ascension** of Jesus. Another unique element of the **Ascension** is that while Jesus is physically gone, he remains present in a new way. The church becomes the visible Body of Christ on Earth, bearing his Spirit and sharing his Eucharist. In short, Jesus lifts up the church to where he is.

-Alice Camille, from Questions Catholics Ask http://tinyurl.c om/QCA-ascension

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (MAY 12)

Unlimited energy supply

All is not lost when Jesus leaves the disciples. In fact, nothing is lost because his Spirit remains—his essence, his energy, the fullness of his love for God and for us. Jesus is with us always through the power of the Holy Spirit. Each day, in every moment no matter what the circumstance, that power is yours to draw on. You are never alone. Nothing can separate you from the love—or the power—of God.

READINGS: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20 (58 https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/051224-Ascension.cfm). "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you."

FAITH IN ACTION

Don't waste energy trying to go it alone. Draw on God's power—it's free and totally renewable.

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MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY:

5:00 pm Saturday, May 11, 2024 Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Deacon Jerry Brennan

7:30 am Sunday, May 12, 2024 Presider: Father Gilbert Mashurano

9:30 am Sunday, May 12, 2024 (Grotto Blessing) Presider: Bishop Jeffrey Grob & Deacon Jerry Brennan

11:30 am Sunday, May 12, 2024 Presider: Father Gilbert Mashurano

6:00 pm Sunday, May 12, 2024 Presider: Father Arthur Marat

GOSPEL MEDITATION:

May 5, 2024 6th Sunday of Easter

Once a man came to the Vatican and asked to see Pope John Paul II, claiming that they had been friends in Poland. When told of the man, the Pope said, "He is mistaken about our friendship. I don't recall ever having suffered with him." As it turned out, the man had never known the Pope. Now, I'm not sure if the story is totally factual. But doesn't the juxtaposition of *suffering* with *friendship* sound exactly like JPII? He understood that the deepest and most lasting friendships are forged in the fires of shared suffering. No suffering, no friendship. Amazing.

This week we hear Jesus say to the apostles and to us, **"You are my friends if you do what I command you"** (John 15:14). In Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, God entered the world of human suffering and transformed it into an avenue of friendship with Himself. Following His command — to love, to lay down our lives for others — will always entail suffering. But this suffering only deepens our friendship with Him. His suffering is ours; ours is His. We have become friends of God.

This week, how might you share your suffering with the Risen Jesus? How might he be sharing his suffering with you, in the lives of those around you? Be attentive to that, and you'll find that you are indeed a friend of God, because you've suffered together a great deal.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



Pray for the Sick

Gloria White Bonomo, Bill Brewer, Susan Cardinale, Marie DeSanto, Donna Hames, Theresa Hansen, Baby Dominic Leoni, Valerie Lund, Mary Mader, Delores McCloy, Patricia Murray, Frances Pitzer, Marianne Saas, Fr. John Topper, Nick Tsikretsis

Pray for the Deceased

William Kretz, Girard Schuessler

SACRED LITURGY:

Monday, May 6, 2024

8:30 am – Bruce Ventura, Stephen Scampini, Vince Scampini, Anita Scampini, Angela Saviano Sander

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

8:30 am – Rosemary Cataldo, Stanley Nowakowski6:00 pm – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

Wednesday, May 8, 2024 8:30 am – Mary K. McCabe

Thursday, May 9, 2024 8:30 am – Nick Tischer

Friday, May 10, 2024 8:30 am – Florence Bendel, Lois Kedzior

Saturday, May 11, 2024

8:30 am - Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

5:00 pm – Diane Mischke, Donna Cunningham, Eileen Piurici, Greta Saelens, Mary & William Battelli, Delores Bruce

Sunday, May 12, 2024

- 7:30 am John Weck, Marge Malarski, Marge Colsant, Honorata Klimuszko, Jackie Wedall
- 9:30 am Joan Smith, Arlene Prosser, Rosemary Cataldo, Sheila Behrens, Greta Saelens, Stanley Nowakowski
- 11:30 am Kathy Freiburger, Irena Miron, Grace Lois Simpson, Danielle Czyzewski, Dolores Baechle
- 6:00 pm For the Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 5, 2024

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/ Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20





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Phone: (847) 255-0050 FAX: (847) 253-0543

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE: Phone: (847) 398-5011

WEEKEND EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am and 6:00 pm

DAILY EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES Monday through Saturday: 8:30 am

Daily and Saturday Vigil Masses are livestreamed on the parish YouTube and Facebook pages.

Mr. Bud Trunk Chairperson, Parish Pastoral Council

Mr. Neal Loughery Chairperson, Parish Management Council

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Our Lady of the Wayside

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays at 9:00 am – following 8:30 am Mass.

Tuesdays Together (Through May 30, 2024) 6:00 pm – Mass Adoration & Confession (immediately following Mass)

Holy Communion for the Homebound & Hospitalized Please contact Kathy O'Neill at the parish office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith in order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation, please call the parish office.

Pray the Rosary

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 am – preceding 8:30 am Mass.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Homebound or ill wanting to receive this Sacrament and the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Deacon Peter LeTourneau at the parish office to schedule a baptism. A baptismal preparation session is required for your first child.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months prior to a preferred date for necessary preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9:30–10:30 am. Or, contact the parish office to schedule a time.

