



ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD

JOSHUA 24:15

January 21, 2024 | THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Artwork by Stephen Vavra



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Upper Church

Monday - Friday

6:25 am

8:30 am

Saturday

8:30 am (*weekday Mass*)

4:30 pm (*vigil*)

Sunday

7:30 am

9:00 am

10:30 am

12:00 pm

MONTHLY FAMILY MASS

2nd Sunday @ 10:30 am

Holy Family Chapel

UPCOMING TEEN MASS

Sunday, Feb 18th @ 12:00 pm

Upper Church

CONFESSION

Upper Church

Monday - Friday

8:00 am - 8:15 am

Saturday

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

closed from 12-1 pm for lunch

Saturday

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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January 21, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Schedule

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Upper Church

Monday through Friday 6:25 am
8:30 am
Saturday (weekday Mass) 8:30 am
Saturday (vigil) 4:30 pm
Sunday 7:30 am
9:00 am
10:30 am
12:00 pm

MONTHLY FAMILY MASS

Holy Family Chapel

2nd Sunday Family Mass 10:30 am

TEEN MASS (open to the public)

Upper Church

Sunday, Feb 18th at 12:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

in vestibule of Upper Church

Monday through Friday 8-8:15 am
Saturday 3-4:00 pm

FUNERALS

Monday through Saturday Morning

WEDDINGS

Friday and Saturday

BAPTISMS

Saturday and Sunday

Baptisms

JOHN DOMINICK GOBBO II

son of Dominick Gobbo
and Megan Hardy

CLAIRE LORETTA CATINO

daughter of Nick Catino
and Samantha M. Nelson



Wedding Banns

II JOSEPH A. GIBBONS

& RACHEL M. KNAPP



Pray for our Sick

names remain for two months

Delaney Bartz

Vince Ferraro

Jaime

Rose

Gerry McDonald

Carole Zachary

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the souls
of the faithful departed
in our SPC community.
Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them.

William J. Burgis

Liana Pini

About the Cover Artist

Stephen Vavra works in the Prepress
Department for a local printing
company and works part-time
Maintenance here at St. Paul of the
Cross. He has a degree in Art and
likes to lift weights and exercise.

Stewardship Report

WEEKLY OFFERING (January 7th-13th)

Envelopes	\$24,933.00
Loose	\$9,703.15
Electronic Giving	\$14,625.72
Total Weekly Offering	\$49,261.87

ADDITIONAL COLLECTION (through January 13th)

Christmas	\$184,724.84
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ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL DATA

2023 Annual Catholic Appeal (through Dec 19th)(goal: \$142,718)	\$181,874 paid (127%) \$183,389 pledged (128%)
Sunday Giving FY24 Year to Date (July 1st through January 13th)	\$979,174.39
Sunday Giving FY24 vs. Budget (July 1st through December 31st)	+\$85,674.74

Readings for the Week

SUN, 1/21: Jon 3:1-5, 10 / Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a) /
1 Cor 7:29-31 / Mk 1:14-20

MON, 1/22: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 / Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 /
Mk 3:22-30

TUE, 1/23: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 / Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 /
Mk 3:31-35

WED, 1/24: 2 Sm 7:4-17 / Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 /
Mk 4:1-20

THU, 1/25: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 / Ps 117:1bc,
2 / Mk 16:15-18

FRI, 1/26: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5 / Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3,
7-8a, 10 / Mk 4:26-34

SAT, 1/27: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 / Ps 51:12-13,
14-15, 16-17 / Mk 4:35-41

SUN, 1/28: Dt 18:15-20 / Ps 95:1-2, 6-7,
7-9 (8) / 1 Cor 7:32-35 / Mk 1:21-28



Letter from a Pastor to his People



Dear Parishioners,

There seems to be a lot of talk these days about what the Chicago Bears will do with their quarterback, head coach, and upcoming number one draft pick. [Disclaimer, as of me composing this letter, no decision has been made.]

Will the Bears get rid of their quarterback Justin Fields and,

presumably, with him the head coach, and use their number one overall pick in the NFL draft to take a new quarterback? Or, will the Bears keep Fields (and the coach) and trade the number one pick to obtain a whole bunch of other picks and improve the rest of the team? There is no clear-cut answer. Good arguments could be made both ways.

Now, I'm no football expert. And I'm not going to contribute to the debate by saying what the Bears should do with the overall draft pick. If I were advising the McCaskeys, as well as the President and GM of the Bears, here's what I would tell them: pray about it.

Before you scoff, especially if you're a Packers fan, remember what I say time and again in my preaching... we should pray about *everything*. There might be more important things in life than sports, but it doesn't mean it's not worthy of prayer. I'm not telling *you* to pray about the Bears – there's nothing we can do. I'm telling the decision-makers to pray.

Why? Because the McCaskeys, the President, and the GM have souls, and their salvation depends on their ability to pray about what is going on in their life. A big football decision is what is going on in their life, hence they should pray about it. God isn't a Bears fan. God won't give them the answer or miraculously give them success. What praying will do is help these folks ensure they are doing *the Lord's will*. Praying will put them in relationship with God, and that's what matters.

No one is going to write articles or have opinions on the decisions you have to make in your everyday life – what school to send your child, the difficult conversation with your parent with Alzheimers, what stocks to invest in – but, make no mistake, God cares and it's as important as the Bears draft dilemma. You should pray about it.

God doesn't work in the abstract. He works in the concrete. I think this is eventually why Simon, Andrew, James, and John were able to drop their fishing nets and follow Jesus. They prayed specifically about their fishing careers. In doing so they fell in love with Jesus. They received the fulfillment of their desires.

A Bears Super Bowl would be nice, yes. But heaven would be even better. And I want everyone to get there, from the fan to the player to the executive.



We are excited this week to be celebrating **First Reconciliation** for our children. There will be a service on Monday, January 22nd and Tuesday, January 23rd, both at 7pm in the Holy Family Chapel. Congratulations to our students and their families. We next look forward to their First Communion in a few months.

Our **Wednesday Scripture Seminar** resumes this week, Wednesday, January 24th at 9am in the Holy Family Chapel. There's no need to have attended previous sessions (or to commit to future sessions!).

Finally, I'd like to take a moment to announce a **few changes on the parish staff**. We are delighted to be welcoming to the staff Mr. Mark Hutchinson as our **new Director of Communications**. Mark has a great love for our faith, in addition to a passion for writing and photography, not to mention a wealth of experience with communications. Mark will now be managing the bulletin, website, social media, and exploring other ways to take us to the next level of outreach and evangelization.

With the addition of Mark to our staff, I have promoted **Nick Testa**, previously our Campus Manager and Director of Evangelization, to our overall Director of Operations. **Sandy Labouvie**, previously our Director of Operations, will now be our Director of Finance.

Yours in Christ,

Community Reflections



Have you ever felt that a punishment wasn't severe enough? I felt that way after watching *It's a Wonderful Life* for the first time. The resolution at the end of the movie was so satisfying, but I remember thinking: shouldn't we see Mr. Potter get punished for all his manipulation, greed, and corruption? Apparently, I

wasn't alone in that feeling – SNL had a ridiculous bit a few years back imagining just that scenario.

The prophet Jonah experienced something similar. The first reading leaves it out, but after he preaches to Nineveh the Ninevites repent and are pardoned by God, and Jonah is upset. He wishes God would have punished them. He can't bring himself to rejoice in God's mercy. Our desire for justice is good but fulfilling it can never simply be up to us. We can correctly judge some things, but at the end of the day, only God has the wisdom and insight into reality to bring about true justice.

Living with that can be hard and feels unsatisfying sometimes. It requires from us the humility of the Psalmist who says, "Teach me your ways, O Lord" (Ps 25). But surrendering our desire for justice on our own terms is also an expression of hope, an affirmation that our life on earth is temporary and that this life is not our final destination – "For the world in its present form is passing away" (1 Cor 7:31). Exercising this supernatural virtue gives us the detachment we need to follow Jesus in freedom, to drop our nets like James and John and give ourselves to Him and His mission for us.

Lord, teach us to hope in you so that we might grow in freedom and make more space for you in our hearts.

Have a great week!

God bless,

Martin Nyberg

Deacon Martin Nyberg, *Fourth Year Seminarian*

Adoration Chapel

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

COME SPEND SOME TIME WITH JESUS!

Our Adoration Chapel is open from 5 am until 11 pm.

Our current adorer schedule is pictured below. Red boxes indicate where there are no committed adorers. We need at least two committed adorers for each slot before we can reopen during the night. Yellow slots are when we have only one committed adorer; additional commitments are needed to fortify the schedule. Green indicates two or more adorers are present.

If you would like to sign up for a timeslot, please call the parish office at **847-825-7605** or email adorationchapel@spc-church.org

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Mass Schedule

FEAST DAY	TIME	PRESIDER	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	MASS INTENTIONS
MON, 1/22 Weekday	6:25 am UC	Fr. James	 <p><i>As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord</i> - Joshua 24:15</p>		Blessings for Skowron, Krafft, Mitchell and Vargas Families
	8:30 am UC	Fr. Nick/MN*			Max Diaz, Mark DuBrock, Roy Ott, Jean Roche, Marita Cunningham, Louis Glunz
TUE, 1/23 Weekday	6:25 am UC	Fr. Nick/MN*			Mary Gormley
	8:30 am UC	Fr. James			Jason Mitran, Neil Damasky
WED, 1/24 Saint Francis de Sales	6:25 am UC	Fr. James			Dorothy Jason
	8:30 am UC	Fr. James			Casimir Witek, Philomena O'Laughlin, Louise Sottile, Marie Valentinas
THU, 1/25 The Conversion of St. Paul	6:25 am UC	Fr. Nick			Francis Kenealy
	8:30 am UC	Fr. Nick			Dominic Morris, Helen and Ziggie Beckman Sr., Beatrice Aguina, Blessings for Emma
FRI, 1/26 Saints Timothy and Titus	6:25 am UC	Fr. James			Holy Souls in Purgatory
	8:30 am UC	Fr. Nick			Shirley McCormick, Sharon Petersen, Birthday Blessings for Abigail Koeller
SAT, 1/27 Saint Angela Merici	8:30 am UC	Fr. Nick			Birthday Blessings for Cyrus, Birthday Blessings for Joanne
	4:30 pm UC	Fr. James	Brianna Santucci, Gail Wilkening	Suzanne Kirkland, George Kirkland, Pat Lawlor, Vincent Santucci	Mrs. Joanne Mackey, Ronald Mitrovich, Patrick J. Walsh, Sharon Skowronski, Tommy Stritzel, Healing and Blessings for John Ahern, Healing and Blessings for Laverne Barh
SUN, 1/28 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:30 am UC	Fr. Nick	Carol Scanlan, Frances Johnson	Michael Angelini, Eugene Cooney, Kathy Jarosch, alex jasinowski 2	Birthday Blessings for Joanne Stewart, Peace to Overcome the Evil in Ecuador
	9:00 am UC	Fr. James	Anne Scialabba, Debby Usher	Randy Bull, Donna Donovan, Sandra Hernandez, Elly Lamacchia	Eugene DiVito, Barbara Dunlavy, Birthday Blessings for Joanne Stewart
	10:30 am UC	Fr. Nick	David Dempsey, Jimmy Johnston	Patty Beaudet-Frances, Kathleen A. McMahon, Gloria Peisker, Margaret Teich	Gerald Schorr, Krystyna Plewa, Rosemary Canney, Mark Forrest, Karen Schremp, Lucille Stangel, Helen and Andrew Beaudet, Vincent Daly
	12:00 pm UC	Fr. James	Patti Nowak, Joni Haley	Josephine Gullo, Amy Kladis, Katie Johnston, Joan Keefe,	Nancy Panek, Annina Neri, People of the Parish

* **LEGEND:** /MN = Deacon Martin Nyberg preaching

Events this Week

DATE / TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, January 21st @ 8:30 pm	Parish Life Center Gym	Men's Pick-up Basketball
Wednesday, January 24th @ 9:00 am	Holy Family Chapel	Scripture Seminar
Wednesday, January 24th @ 9:45 am	Kinane Center	Fun, Faith & Music
Thursday, January 25th @ 7:30 pm	Upper Church	Candlelight Rosary
Thursday, January 25th @ 7:30 pm	Kinane Center	Praying with Scripture (Lectio Divina)

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Annual Second Collection - January 28, 2024

The Collection for the Church in Latin America is an opportunity to support our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean. You may give via check or online at givecentral.org/location/133/event/18858. **Thank you!**

Opportunities at St. Paul of the Cross

SCRIPTURE SEMINAR *with* FATHER JAMES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24th

9:00 am

Holy Family Chapel

Please join Fr. James at the next

SCRIPTURE SEMINAR

on Wednesday, January 24th at 9:00 am in the Holy Family Chapel. The group will discuss and pray over a scripture passage, and try to use the sacred text to deal with some questions we all may have. Sessions are not dependent on one another, so attend at your leisure. No fee or registration or prior knowledge of the Bible required.

SCRIPTURE  **STUDY**

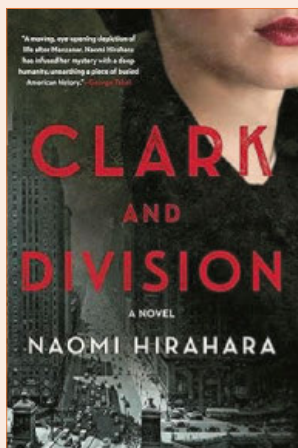
BOOK CLUB

MONDAY, JANUARY 29th

7:30 pm

Parish Life Center AB Room

Please join us for our next book club meeting where we will discuss **CLARK AND DIVISION** by Naomi Hirahara



All are welcome!

FAMILY MASS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11th

10:30 am

Holy Family Chapel



Our next Family Mass will be held February 11th. Children will assist with the readings and ushering at this Mass. Everyone of all ages, of course, is welcome to attend the HFC Mass. If you are interested in being involved, please contact

Jennifer Waters at

jenwaters13@gmail.com

*Special thanks to
Hannah Jaconetti for photo*

TEEN MASS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18th

12:00 pm

Upper Church



Please join Fr. James for our next

TEEN MASS

on February 18th.

While the Mass will be simple and catered to teenagers, we have opened this Mass to the general public.

We hope to see you there!

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

Lectio Divina

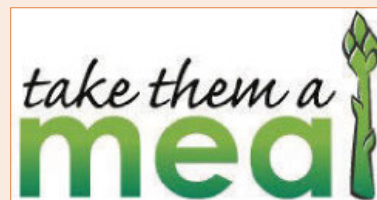
THURSDAYS at 7:30 pm

Kinane Center (1st floor)

Come join us as we let the Holy Spirit guide us through meditation and reflection on Sacred Scripture. If you would like to join, please email beshare@hotmail.com.



*No experience necessary.
All are welcome!*



Thank you for helping feed our priests!

Here's how to sign up online:

1. Go to www.takethemameal.com
2. Under Find a Meal Schedule, enter **rectory** and password **4949**
3. Click on the word *Take* for the date you'd like
4. Enter your name, email address, phone number, and what you will be making for dinner
5. Click *Sign Up!*

**Don't have a computer
or have questions?**

Contact our front office at
847-825-7605

Additional Opportunities

CANDLELIGHT ROSARY

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25th

7:30 pm

Upper Church



We invite you to join us for a beautiful 30-minute service accompanied by music and candlelight. Whether you've never learned the Rosary and would like to be introduced to this peaceful form of prayer, or you pray the Rosary regularly, please come and be inspired!



RESPECT **LiFE** COMMITTEE

ST PAUL OF THE CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 2024

Save the Date!!

Sunday, March 24, 2024

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

The Holy Family Guild will be coordinating the parish's Blood Drive on Palm Sunday with Vitalant. The date is **Sunday, March 24, 2024 from 8am-2pm**, so mark your calendars! We are getting the word out now so you can plan ahead since **donors must wait a minimum of 8 weeks** between whole blood donations.

Watch the bulletin for more information. If there is a particular appointment time that you prefer, please contact the Blood Drive Coordinators:

Christine Perille: 847-494-5150 or

Eileen Kaczmarek: 847-533-7952

vitalant. 



Meet Mark Hutchinson, Communications Director



Greetings St. Paul of the Cross community!

As you know, we've had to navigate much change over the past several years at St. Paul of the Cross. COVID thrust that upon everyone in ways we could never anticipate. We also experienced a myriad of staffing changes, including unanticipated ones and ones that, although anticipated, made for bitter sweet goodbyes. Yet those goodbyes opened doors for new people and fresh energy to launch St. Paul in new and different directions, all under the banner of God's good graces. Our parish has thrived in new ways, and continues to do so, thanks be to God! Our committed volunteers and ministry leaders have relaunched our programs in significant ways since COVID brought many of them to a halt. And our dedicated staff have generously filled gaps in ways beyond expectation, and God has blessed us richly through it all. Over the past few years, we have been working to right-size

our staffing model to best meet our needs while also balancing our workloads in healthier ways. When I first came to St. Paul, we had three different people creating messaging for different communications channels. This has been streamlined over time to allow for efficiency and consistency in our messaging. Hiring a full-time Director of Communications to oversee this important function is the final step in taking St. Paul to the next level in utilizing our communications function to not only reach those within our flock, but also those beyond our walls. In that vein, I am excited that one of my final duties as Director of Operations is to introduce our newest staff member, Mark Hutchinson, as our Director of Communications who will be joining us on January 29th. Mark brings with him a wealth of experience in design and communications coupled with a genuine passion for the faith which will allow us to utilize our communications functions to grow our outreach. **Please give Mark a very warm welcome!**

As for me, I will continue to support St. Paul in a more limited capacity as our Director of Finance. When Fr. James and I first discussed this change, he asked me to retain these responsibilities, saying I am good at it! From the time I was young, I've always loved working with numbers and am so happy to still be able to serve St. Paul in this capacity while I can devote more time to caring for my mother in Montana after my father's passing.

Thank you all for your wonderful support of me and the many hats I've worn at St. Paul over the years. Oversight of our operation is left in Nick Testa's very capable hands. Nick has been serving our parish for nearly two years now and has a heart as big as his skill set. We are so blessed to have him! Please keep all of us in your prayers during this time of transition. You remain in mine.

Gratefully yours,
Sandra Labouvie

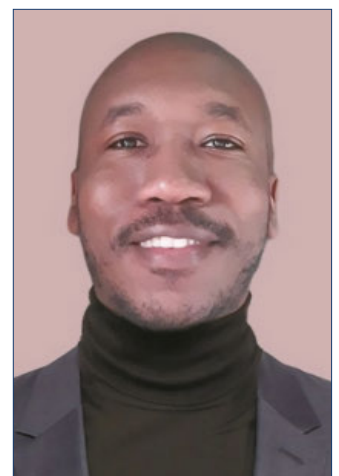
MARK HUTCHINSON

Director of Communications

Mark Hutchinson, St. Paul's of the Cross' new Director of Communications, is currently in RCIA to become a member of Old St. Mary's Catholic Church in Chicago. His conversion to the faith was inspired by the profound writings of G.K. Chesterton, a revered Catholic philosopher.

With a decade of experience in graphic design, he is excited to use his skills to reflect the profound beauty of the Catholic faith. Beyond being graphic designer, Mark also has acquired years of marketing and communication expertise from diverse industries such as publishing, promotions, and social services. All this experience will serve him well in his new role at St. Paul.

Mark is originally from Jamaica and enjoys playing soccer and going to the gym. Please pray for him as he walks a path of discovery, where faith and art converge in a harmonious celebration of Jesus.



Social Service Ministry Corner

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Thank you so much to the many parishioners who faithfully supported the parish food pantry in 2023! I hear from our clients all of the time about the different ways the monthly food support directly helps their families' lives. St. Paul of the Cross Church is truly making a difference.

I'm often asked by parishioners which items we like to receive because they are most often requested by clients. While I'm always happy to suggest some items that are in high demand, the start of a new year is a great time to update donors about which items are **not** a good fit for the food pantry. Donors who keep the "No, Thank You" list in mind when shopping for the pantry help our volunteers to maximize product turnover so that a product doesn't sit on the shelf until it expires.

Thanks for helping the parish continue to feed the hungry who come to us each month!

Lisa Muench

Food Pantry Manager, Social Service Ministry



YES, PLEASE!

- ✓ Plain, white rice (1-3 lbs bags or boxes)
- ✓ Canned fruit, especially pineapple chunks or slices
- ✓ Peanut butter
- ✓ Strawberry jelly
- ✓ Mac & cheese
- ✓ Spaghetti noodles
- ✓ Pasta sauce
- ✓ Cookies
- ✓ Boxes of crackers
- ✓ Boxes of granola bars
- ✓ Brownie and cake mixes
- ✓ Pancake mix & syrup
- ✓ Cold cereal
- ✓ Canned soup
- ✓ Canned black, garbanzo, or white beans
- ✓ Canned vegetables
- ✓ Canned tuna and canned chicken
- ✓ Canned beef stew, chili, or Spaghetti-type products
- ✓ Salad dressing
- ✓ Ketchup
- ✓ Olive, canola, or vegetable oils
- ✓ Paper towels and toilet paper
- ✓ Toothpaste



NO, THANK YOU...

- * Jumbo or commercial sized products
- * Canned yams
- * Canned pumpkin
- * Quinoa
- * Couscous
- * Bottled or canned water
- * Potato products (au gratin, mashed, etc.)
- * **ANY** special dietary items
 - No gluten free pastas, mac and cheese, crackers, pretzels, etc.
 - No chick pea pastas
 - No whole grain pastas
 - No plant-based meat substitute canned chili, stew, etc.

Food support from the pantry helps clients who may need special dietary items to use the money they save from using the pantry to purchase specialty items that they need.

- * Baby care products: food, diapers, etc.
Please share these items with either:

Catholic Charities' Food Pantry
1717 Rand Road,
Des Plaines, IL 60016

or:

The Women's Center
5116 N. Cicero, Chicago, IL 60630

2024 SPC Roundball

2024 SPC ROUNDBALL TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY, MAR 3rd thru SATURDAY, MAR 9th



The SPC Roundball Tournament is open to all students of good academic and behavioral standing in sixth through eighth grades. A school tradition since 2013, the ongoing success of the Roundball Tournament

requires the combined efforts of the school, the Alumni Association, the Roundball committee, and the St. Paul of the Cross Men's Club.

The SPC Roundball Tournament consists of two separate basketball tournaments for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade boys and girls. Our high school-aged SPC alumni return to their alma mater to coach the teams. More than 80 alumni participate each year and have just as much fun and friendly competition as the SPC students!

The tournament also features a "Future Stars of Roundball" game for 5th grade basketball players.

SPC Men's Club members serve as announcers, and professional referees officiate. Awards include Mr. and Mrs. Roundball, Spirit Awards, and a \$1,000 Alumni Scholarship for a Roundball coach (only high school seniors are eligible).



To learn more about the tournament, visit:
www.spc-school.net/students/clubs/roundball-students

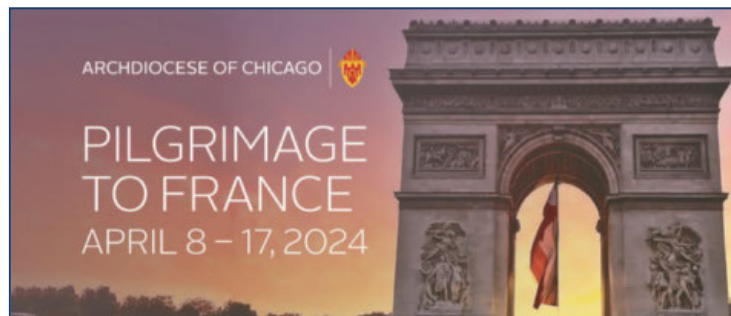
Please sign up online at the appropriate link below:

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COACHES: forms.gle/fZBMEwfLs2Ls3Mny9

SPONSORS: forms.gle/yhkXyxKsNR9fPUbf8

VOLUNTEERS: forms.gle/L3CASKXnzjKQe1w47



ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE APRIL 8 – 17, 2024

Join us for a 10-day tour which includes visits to Ars-sur-Formans, Shrine of St. John Vianney, Chartres, Lisieux, D-Day beaches, Paris and more! Hosted by Vocation Director Fr. Timothy Monahan.

CARDINAL
CUPICH
JOINS US
APRIL 12



Cardinal Blase Cupich will join us April 12 for the remainder of the pilgrimage.

Cost is \$4,269 per person, based on double occupancy (\$879 supplement for a single room).

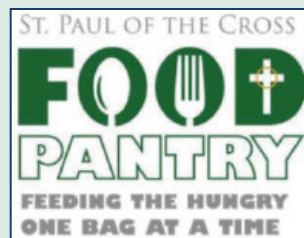
For more information about what is included, visit vocations.archchicago.org/events/pilgrimage-to-france. The inquiry form is at bit.ly/3qrcGWS.



Food Pantry

Our food pantry is currently in need of the following items:

- Cereal (please no Cheerios or similar)
- Boxes of crackers
- Toothpaste
- Strawberry jelly



All young adults in their 20s and 30s...

SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, January 31st

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Harp & Fiddle

110 Main Street, Park Ridge
(bar area by the fireplace is reserved)

A gathering just for you, hang out with other young adults from Chicago and Milwaukee along with Fr. James and some of his fellow priests.

Free appetizers all evening



Questions?

beshare@hotmail.com

Giving Options

IS IT TIME TO REVISIT YOUR GIVING METHOD?

ONLINE GIVING: To register with GiveCentral, start at www.givecentral.org/location/133/allevants, Login (near the upper right on the navy blue banner) and Register. Any questions, please contact **Sandy Labouvie** at sandylabouvie@spc-church.org or **847-825-7605 x2249**.



ACH GIVING: To register with our Automatic Bank Debit Program, please contact **Sandy Labouvie** at sandylabouvie@spc-church.org or **847-825-7605 x2249**.

QCD: To make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) gift from your individual retirement account, contact **Krystina M. Campbell**, Planned Giving Officer, at kcampbell@archchicago.org or **312-534-5404**.

ENVELOPES: To receive or discontinue envelopes, please contact **Marianne Armstrong** at mariannearmstrong@spc-church.org or **847-825-7605 x2235**.

Whichever method of giving you choose, we are so very grateful for your contributions!

We'd love to feature your art on our bulletin cover

CALLING ALL ARTISTS *and* PHOTOGRAPHERS!

**SUBMIT YOUR ARTWORK OR PHOTOS
FOR CONSIDERATION FOR AN UPCOMING BULLETIN COVER**



ARTWORK should be roughly 7-7/8" long by 5-1/4" wide with a slight border that could be cropped if necessary. Artwork should also be inspired by a particular gospel/reading for the week it is submitted (submit inspiration verse).

PHOTOS should reflect our SPC campus and/or community.

If you have any questions or are interested in submitting your original artwork, please email sandylabouvie@spc-church.org.

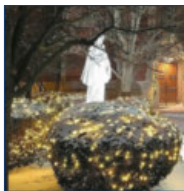
It is important that you reserve your Sunday before creating your piece.

We look forward to featuring your talent!

Archive Corner *with Mark Miller*

LET IT SNOW!

One thing inevitable about Chicago winter is snow! At this time of year, the Archive Corner usually posts photos of our campus covered in snow. Although it might not be as easy to deal with getting around, it does add a beauty to our campus only seen at this time of year.



Kids' Corner

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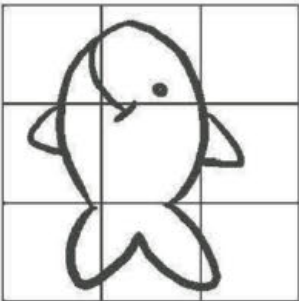
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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 1:14-20

Kids' Corner (continued)



GOSPEL



Jesus will teach you to catch others for him. You can catch fish by putting food in front of them. People need soul food to be close to God. People want to go to heaven with God. Tell them that Jesus loves them and died on the cross for them. Tell them he wants everyone to do good. Then people will gladly come into his net. They will be at peace because Jesus will give them everything they need.

PRAYER

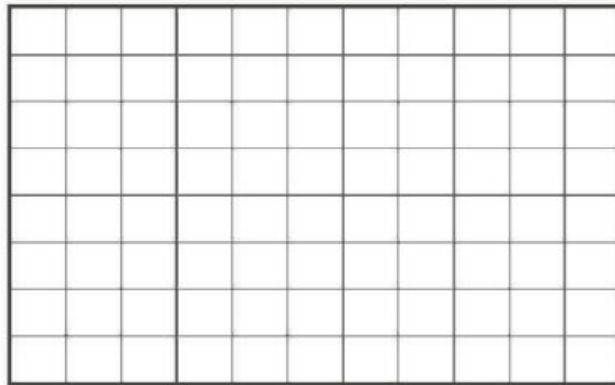
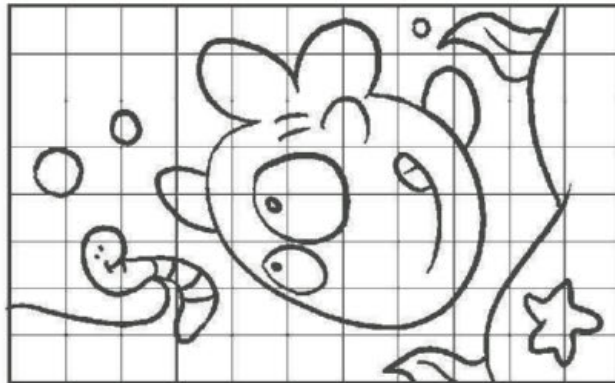


Lord, help me stay hooked on you.

PUZZLE



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MISSION



Jesus wants you to come to his home in heaven. Make a party invitation from Jesus to you. Use this invitation as a bookmark in your Bible.

Ministry Corner



ADORATION

How can anyone look at this picture and not feel drawn to spend time with our Lord? *This is the picture on a wall in the hallway before you go into the Adoration Chapel.* Many of our parishioners have been committed adorers for years! We need those who have not given this opportunity a chance to rethink it. You truly will not be sorry. You may go in feeling the weight of various problems, but when you leave, He will have taken the weight away.

We often hear the phrase, "I am too busy!" But remember, He has never been too busy to comfort us, to listen to us, to give His life for us! Everything we have is from Him. We are all busy, it really does not matter our age. For the older people, everything takes longer since we tend to move much slower. For the younger, healthy ones, they can accomplish so much because they aren't hindered in any way. For those with health problems, they too have a lot to overcome. And for the parents who bring their children to the Chapel, God bless you. What a beautiful practice to instill in your children.

Please consider committing to one hour a week! Those who have already committed to an hour know what a wonderful feeling it is to truly talk to God for help, consolation, and to give Him thanks!

**God wants us to visit Him,
be with Him, talk to Him!
He loves Us!**

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8:30 am*

Saturday 8:30 am* - daily Mass

4:30 pm* - vigil

Sunday 7:30 am

9:00 am

10:30 am*

12:00 pm

* Livestreamed services. Our 10:30 am Sunday Mass is also simulcast to our Upper Church vestibule and Holy Family Chapel

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