Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

Sunday, January 8, 2017



Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." - Mt 2:1b-2

Unos magos de Oriente llegaron entonces a Jerusalén y preguntaron: "¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que acaba de nacer? Porque vimos surgir su estrella y hemos venido a adorarlo". - Mt 2,1-2

Mass Times

Weekend: Saturday . . .5 pm Sunday8 am, 10 am Spanish: 12 Noon

Weekdays: Monday......8:30 am Tuesday.....5:30 pm

CONFESSION:

Tuesdays: 5:10 p.m. Saturdays 3:30-4:30 p.m. **BAPTISMS:** Call the Parish Office to make arrangements. **HOLY MATRIMONY:**

Preparations are to be made at least six months prior to the desired date with Father.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: (Anytime) Please notify your pastor promptly whenever anyone in the parish is sick or injured.

Please note: If you are in a hospital or health care facility located outside of Sandwich, you are to call the nearest parish for a priestly visit.

CONFIRMATION : See Religious Education schedule EUCHARISTIC ADORATION <u>1 hour before</u> weekday Masses FIRST FRIDAY: 10:00 am Mass at Willowcrest

11:00 am Communion at Sandwich Rehabilitation (Thursday)

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Bulletin Articles Deadline is Monday noon of week to be published.

Mission Statement

"We, the family of St. Paul Parish, live the gospel message of Jesus Christ through worship, education and outreach to all ages. We strengthen our parish and community, respecting our rural traditions, while welcoming the growth and cultural diversity that awaits."

Vocation Corner: Are You Hungry? Rev. Keith Romke

Last week 21 men from throughout the Diocese gathered for a discernment retreat because their hearts are wide open to the Lord and because they deeply desire to do God's will for their lives. I was amazed at how attentive they were, and as I spoke, it was as if they were hungry to be spiritually fed. This matched up perfectly with one of the talks, which was all about food! I think that all of us would agree that we get hungry sometimes, and that this goes beyond physical hunger. Our souls hunger for love and ultimately they hunger for God. It is so easy for us to bypass the true source of fulfillment and to try to fill our hearts with empty things. For all of us, if we want our hearts to be filled, then we have to listen to Jesus' 3 explicit teachings on food!

- "Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." Mt. 4:4. Here Jesus teaches us that reading scripture will feed our souls.
- "<u>My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to</u> <u>finish his work</u>." Jn 4:34. Our hearts are filled by doing God's will rather than our own.

<u>"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.</u>" Jn. 6:51. The Eucharist fills our Soul with what we truly need.

If we make sure to eat these 3 meals each day (or as much as possible) it is then that we will be fulfilled, and that our hearts will no longer ache from emptiness.

REMINDER: The Pivotal Players will start again this week. Tuesdays January 10th at 9:00 am and Thursday, January 12th at 6:00 pm. Thursday evening both parts of G.K. Chesterton will be studied.

Daily Readings Readings for the Week of January 8, 2017

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12 Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Ps 29/Mt 3:13-17 Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105/Mk 1:29-39 Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95/Mk 1:40-45 Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78/Mk 2:1-12 Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19/Mk 2:13-17 Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34



Lord. Hold our troops in your loving hand. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.



A big thank you to our choirs who did a terrific job for our Christmas Masses this year. Some up to three times.

Also a big thank you to those who decorated and set up the nativity, the altar area and the narthex for Christmas. It is appreciated.

Women's Retreat Discover Your Feminine Genius!

When was the last time you stopped to reflect on who you are and the gifts you bring to the world? Join your sisters in exploring what Pope Saint John Paul II calls our 'feminine genius' and the unique role each woman has in bringing our culture back to focus on humanity. Women can choose to attend this event as an overnight retreat from **January 20-21st**, or as a day retreat on January 21st. This retreat is being presented in partnership by **ENDOW**; Educating on the Nature & Dignity of Women and the Life & Family Evangelization Office at Bishop Lane Retreat Center.

For more information, cost, and registration options, visit **www.RockfordDiocese.org/LiFE** or contat the LiFE Office at (815)399-4300.

You will also learn how you can start your own Endrow group and invite other women to encounter the beauty of their dignity and gift they are to the world.



Bingo Doors open at 4:30 p.m. **Cards** go on sale at 5:30 p.m. **Kitchen** opens at 5:30 p.m. **Bingo games** starts at 7:00 p.m.

<u>CREW 6</u> <u>SUNDAY, JANUARY 8</u>

COMMITTEE: Jay Ciontea, Pete Sprosty, Bill Watgen REFRESHMENTS: Consepcion Rodriguez, Hortencia Arreola, Cinthia Lopez, Becky McGee BAKERS: Jill Miller, Sue Sprosty, Dolly Huhn, Ann Wigton <u>ADVANCED NOTICE FOR JANUARY 15</u> COMMITTEE: Pat Sondgeroth, Scott Powell, Brian Delphey, Mike Botts REFRESHMENTS: Marilyn Ellerby, Susie Hughes, Sarah Kuester, Lena Bjornson

BAKERS: Marilyn Childress, Annette Powell, Chris Dente, Kelly Laszewski, Margaret Schilling

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Sacramental Life

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

DEVOTIONS Thursday mornings at 9:15 a..m. at the Church. **OUTREACH:**

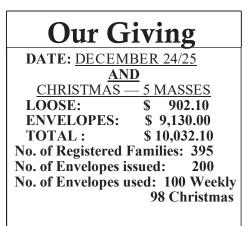
Anyone experiencing unforeseen circumstances contact Donna Botts at 786 -8959.

HOMEBOUND EUCHARIST:

Please call David DeCraene at (815) 786 -8412.

FRIENDS OF THE CROSS PRAYER

MEETING- Meet Thursday at 6:30 pm, at Parish Center. PRAYER BASKET: The basket is by the candle stand for your intentions



Early Bird tickets are available for **Rosary High Schools 16th Annual Candlelight Ball** to be held on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at Pipers Banquets, 1295 Butterfield Rd., Aurora, IL. Candlelight Ball is Rosary's largest fundraiser of the year. This year's event will feature casino gaming tables, a silent auction and live music. Early Bird tickets are now available on line at <u>wwwrosaryhs.com/</u> <u>candlelight.</u> Tickets are \$100 (\$105 on line) before January 15th. Tables of 10 are \$1,000.

<u>Contributions</u> Your contributions for 2016 must be in the office by <u>January 23, 2017</u> to receive credit for 2016. **PRAYER HOT LINE:**

Contact Ann Lessick at 630-803-8488, or Marilyn Childress at 695-5319, to have intentions remembered. CHRISTIAN WOMEN:

We meet the 1st Tuesday of the month with a few exceptions at the Parish Center at 6:30 pm. Call MaryAlyce DeCraene at 815-786-8412.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We meet second Tuesday-7:15 pm at St. John Catholic Parish Center in Somonauk. Call the Parish Office 786-9266 for more information.

FIRST FRIDAY: 7 am Adoration, Confessions-7:45 am; Rosary: 8 am; Mass: 8:30 am; Devotion to the Sacred Heart following Mass.

Decade a Day Members: There is a small gift for you on the shelf in the narthex. Please help yourself to one. Thank you for your continued dedication to the Rosary. Blessings and Happy New Year, Jerry

We are looking for a couple of folks to fill some open Mysteries in our program. If you have "five minutes a day" you could spend saying one Decade of the Rosary PLEASE give me a call. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION, Jerry Fuzak 815-498-1776 or email me at jfuzak@gmail.com



The Baptism of the Lord

After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." *Mt*::16-17

Parish Pastoral Council

Dennis Miller.....Chairperson

Parish Finance Council

David DeCraene.....Chairperson



Jan.11 - Reg. class time Jan. 18- Reg. class time

<u>S.W.A.M.P. Activities 6:30 pm</u> Feb. 1- Numbers Game #1y

<u>Confirmation Class</u> 8th Grade & Freshman Jan. 11- Reg. Class Time Jan 18- Reg. class time

Prospective Families Open House

Parents and children are invited to St. Mary Catholic School (817 N. Center St., Plano) on **Sunday, January 29th. Families** can stop by anytime between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm to tour the school, visit classrooms, and meet its faculty/staff.

Returning for the 2017-2018 school year, receive a \$1,000 tuition discount pER new student registered in grades 1-8. Additional information about St. Mary Catholic School is available at www.smplano.com.



Liturgical Ministries

5:00 PM – <u>Saturday, January 14</u>	
Eucharist	Theresa Moris, Adam Hake, Marie Jewell
Lector	Hal Ament, Marilyn Ellerby
Servers	Aliyjah Campbell
Usher	A. Hake, J. Miller, c. Holtz, T. Dente
8:00 AM -	Sunday, January 15
Eucharist	C. Sondgeroth, A. Quintanilla, ML Kreinbrink
Lector	Dan Wilson, Amy McDowell
Servers	Lily & Mia Geltz
Usher	P. Karns, L. Schultz, R. & J. Hendron
10:00 AM – <u>Sunday, January 15</u>	
Eucharist	M. Oropeza, C. Hanzlik, N. L-Cuny
Lector	Christy Pruski, Marissa Jourdan
Servers	Casey Delphey, Taysha Brown
Usher	D. & MA. DeCraene, J. Beyke, M. Rettig
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If you cannot serve in your ministry please get a replacement.

Our Giving

DATE: <u>DEC. 31/ J</u>AN.1 LOOSE: 514.00 \$ **ENVELOPES:** \$4,192.00 \$ 4,706.00 **TOTAL:** No. of Registered Families: 395 No. of Envelopes issued: 200 No. of Envelopes used: 120



Please help the money counters by noting the amount of your gift on your envelope. Thank you for mailing your Sunday envelope when you are out of town.

Welcome: Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our parish family, whether long time resident or newly arrived in the parish. If you are interested in registering in our parish please fill out form. You may leave this form in the collection basket or mail to the church office.

Name (Mr., Mrs., Ms., M/M)

Address

City

Phone

New to Parish Remove from list Moving

New Phone Corrections

Zip

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7 5:00 p.m. **¹** Suzanne Weinhold (Mark & Mary Weinhold) **SUNDAY, JANUARY 8** 8:00 a.m. PEugene & Kim Paris (Bernadine Paris) 10:00 a.m. ¹ Louis Tepedino (Jim & Mary Foley) SPANISH MASS 12:00 p.m. People of St. Paul's Parish **MONDAY, JANUARY 9 COMMUNION SERVICE** 8:30 a.m. **TUESDAY, JANUARY 10 COMMUNION SERVICE** 5:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11 **COMMUNION SERVICE** 8:30 a.m. **THURSDAY, JANAURY 12** 8:30 a.m. **COMMUNION SERVICE** FRIDAY, JANUARY 13 **COMMUNION SERVICE** 8:30 a.m. **SATURDAY, JANUARY 14** 5:00 p.m. **P** Ellen Cameron (Greg Silagi) **SUNDAY, JANUARY 15**

8:00 a.m. P Roland Sondgeroth

(Charlie & Joanna Sondgeroth)

10:00 a.m. T Margaret Tallent (Joe & Donna Beyke) SPANISH MASS

12:00 p.m. Proly Souls in Purgatory

Please Note: If you pay your donation for a Mass intention by check, we can now include it on your yearend tax statement.

Please Pray For



Margie Shinners Norm L-Cunv **Bob Minnick** JoDene Enck **Samantha** Paris Annette Hinman Jo Fahrlander **Robert** Paulus Bill Wasko Susie Hughes

Joanne Chapin Tony Crumpton Reyna Estrada **Terry Price** Ron Ciboroski Sandy Adams Cecile Ernest Mary Soave Janet Hinman Francia Wilson **Bill Watgen**

Joanna Sondgeroth Sharon Ciboroski MaryLou Kreinbrink Leonard Bjornson **Beth Swanson Ruth Spears Jameson Arnold Caroll Ohligschlager Peyton M. Belline**

And for all special intentions If you know someone who is ill or having surgery, contact the Parish Office at 786-9266.