SUNDAY IN ORDINARY INE Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - Jn 2:4

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Love and Service to Others 779 S. York Street • Elmhurst, IL • 60126 • www.visitationparish.org Daily Mass: Monday-Friday, 6:15 AM, 8:15 AM Saturday Reconciliation: 3:00-3:45 PM Regular Saturday Mass Hours: 8:15 AM, 4:00 PM (Vigil) Regular Sunday Mass Hours: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 6:00 PM VISITATION PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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We'd love to have you join our flock! To register with Visitation Parish, just go to our website at www.visitationparish.org and click on the sheep.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please keep these parishioners in your prayers, and all the sick and their families:

Fr. Miroslaw Stepien, Christina Wallace, Alice Walent, Beth Brown, Kevin Larson

If you or a member of your family is ill or hospitalized and would like to be placed on our Prayer List, please call the Rectory office and let us know. The sick will be listed here, and prayed for by name at Sunday Mass. Names of the sick will remain on the list for two weeks, unless notified.

FLAMES OF FAITH

Candles will burn perpetually this week before the Blessed Sacrament in the *Adoration Chapel of Our Lady, Mother of the Eucharist*, for the following intentions:

- For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life
- In thanksgiving for favors granted

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JANUARY 17 CRHP	7:00 PM	PC
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18 Adult Choir	7:00 PM	С
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19		
Faith Study	9:30 AM	PC
Prayer Quilt Ministry	1:00 PM	MP
Children's Choir	3:00 PM	С
SPRED	5:30 PM	MP
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20		
Prayer for Priests	8:45 AM	С
ENDOW	9:00 AM	PC
St. Peregrine Prayer Meeting	7:00 PM	С
School Board Meeting	7:00 PM	PC
FRIDAY, JANUARY 21		
School Mass	1:10 PM	С
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22		
RE 1st Reconc. Retreat Sun. A&B	10:00 AM	C, MP
RE 1st Reconc. Retreat Wed. A&B	1:00 PM	C, MP
SUNDAY, JANUARY 23		
Boy Scout Troop Meeting	1:00 PM	MP

Don't Be Afraid, It's a Team Effort



We happen to have the best adorers around! They show up on time, stay the full hour, cover for each other, and get their own substitutes because they love Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and wouldn't think of leaving Him alone. When the snowbirds leave for the winter, there is always someone ready to step up and fill in a needed hour. When the snowbirds return and the younger families take off for the summer, the Chapel is always covered.

Many hours are covered by more than one person. Several of our Adorers, because of their schedules, can't commit to Adoration every week, but Registered knowing that with other Adorers

present during their same time slot, there would always be someone with Jesus and they wouldn't feel guilty. That's what it's about, a TEAM EFFORT!

Because it's a TEAM EFFORT, don't hesitate to sign up. DO IT NOW! Know that there is always someone ready to help if you can't make it every week.

Join the TEAM! Currently, there is one empty hour, Thursday 4-5 am. We currently are trying to strengthen the following hours with partners: Tuesday Midnight-1:00 am Thursday 9-10:00 pm Friday 4-5:00 pm & Friday 8-9:00 pm Saturday 5-6:00 pm & Saturday 7-8:00 pm

The Adoration Chapel is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. To sign up for an hour please email us at <u>VisitationAdorationChapel@gmail.com</u> or contact Joan Taylor at 630-530-8963 or Owen & Gail Hilding at 630 573 0033 to register.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

6:15 AM Souls in Purgatory 8:15 AM +Julie Cotterill

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

6:15 AM +Leo Carr 8:15 AM Norene O'Donnell

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

6:15 AM +Richard and Carmella Kapraun 8:15AM +Dorothy Phillips

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

6:15 AM +Daniel O'Rahilly 8:15 AM +Carla Tinebro Intentions of Lucille Dominguez

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

6:15 AM +William and Eleanor Fahey 8:15 AM +Dolores Vanco

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

8:15 AM Intentions of the Don and Winnie Micks Family 4:00 PM +Charles Lindblade +Anna David +Eileen Hunt

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

7:30AM Souls in Purgatory 9:30AM +Julie Cotterill People of Visitation 11:30AM +Kyle Johnson +Carla Tinebro 6:00PM +Helen A. Sirovy

Mass Intentions

Our priests will offer a Mass for several reasons: in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul.

To have a Mass said, please stop by the rectory or call $630\ensuremath{\text{-}834\text{-}6700}$

The CCW Presents The Annual



Friday February 11th, 2022

Join us for some special Daddy Daughter time in the Valentino Center. There will be pizza, drinks, dessert, photography, and a DJ to play all your daughter's favorite music.

Cost \$13.00 per person Please Make Checks Out To Visitation CCW Please send reservation and payments no later than February 4th, 2022

To: Lindsay Cibelli % Gia Cibelli Room 125 Or 928 S Cambridge Ave. Any Questions Please Contact <u>Inzcibelli@gmail.com</u> Cash, check or Venmo@Nikki-Crancer

No Walk-Ins Due To Gym Capacity

Please Print: Last Name_____ Dad's Name:_____ Phone Number_____ Daughter(s) Name(s)_____

Please Provide The Following Information for Pictures:

____Visitation School ____Religous Education Oldest Daughter's Grade/ Room#_____ Please Circle Sunday / Wednesday Room#_____

Just For Kids



At a wedding party, Mary said to Jesus, they have no more wine. Help them. Even though it was not time for him to perform miracles, Jesus honored his Mother by changing the water into wine. When you obey God by honoring your mother's wishes, you turn ordinary things, like opening a door, emptying trash, or making the bed into a gift Of love. This love makes your mother and God smile.

PRAYER

Lord, help me turn chores for my family into gifts for you.

ARMED FORCES PRAYER LIST



We remember and pray for the protection of our military as they serve in our Armed Forces.

Forces. U.S. Air Force MSGT Kevin M. James (Andrews AFB, MD) SrA E4 Jacob Neimanas (Travis AFB, CA) U.S. Army PFC Michael Perrone (Germany) MAJ Patrick Leen (IL.) 1 LT Joseph D. Frost (Ft. Knox, KY) CPT Nicholas Keller (Ft. Knox, KY) **1 LT Thomas J. Diwisch** (Fort Bragg, NC) **SPC Stephen J. Taylor** (Incirlik AB, Turkey) 1 LT Francesca Cervone (Fairbanks, AK) 1 LT Nathanial A. Greenberg (Ft Leonard Wood, MO) CPT Kathleen M. Donofrio (Fort Sheridan, IL) U.S. Armv National Guard PVT Christopher J Slowinski (Ft. Leonard Wood, MO) MAJ Joseph Doyle (ID) CPL James Kotowski (Afghanistan) U.S. Coast Guard **CPO Patrick Kirby** (TX) U.S. Marine Corps **PVT Nicholas Acevedo** (CA) CPT Kurt P. James (Okinawa) SGT David Byrne (Sicily) PVT Dominic Tosto (San Diego, CA) **PVT Skylar Stafford** (Parrish Island, SC)

United States Navy

LCDR Robert Aranha (United States)

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Please pray for all of those who have died, especially

Eileen Brophy, Kenneth Surdell and James Hoey

"Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them."

BAPTISMS

ATLAS WILLIAM son of Kurt and Natalie (Foreman) Walker

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

In Memory of: Robert Campagnolo John Korpan

YTD Sunday	Collection
January 9,	2022

	4.00	
Mass	4:00	\$5,069.03
	7:30	\$7,684.00
	9:30	\$2,021.00
	11:30	\$2,612.00
	6:00	\$2,168.00
TOTAL COLLECTIO	ON MASS	\$19,554.03
e-Giving		\$8,520.34
TOTAL		\$28,074.37
Weekly Budget		\$29,750.00
YTD Budget		\$833,000.00
YTD Collection		\$799,593.70

Your gift to the CMAA makes a difference

	2021	2020	Inc/Dec	2020 (Final)
Goal	\$136,300	\$136,100	\$200	\$136,100
Amount Pledged	\$170,227	\$147,033	\$23,194	\$147,033
Amount Paid	\$170,177	\$146,583	\$23,594	\$146,583
Balance Due	\$50	\$450	(\$400)	\$450
Donor Count	384	380	4	380
2021 Rebate	\$23,714			

Our parish's goal for the 2021 CMAA is \$136,300, with 70 percent of any amount we raise over this goal returned to us for our use. Please prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's CMAA and return your pledge card or envelope, make a gift online at jolietdioceseappeal.org or text DONATE to (815) 205-1949. Thank you for considering the most generous pledge possible to this year's annual appeal.



ST. PEREGRINE PRAYER MEETING

Please join us in the Church on Thursday, Jan 20th from 7PM to 7:30PM.

Deacon Mike O'Ryan, assisted by Tim Koch, will lead the group in praying for those suffering from cancer and other chronic illnesses. All are welcome.



For more information about Visitation RE please contact Renee Gianni (RE administrative assistant) at 630-279-7058 x 501 or renee.gianni@visitationcc.org



"11th Annual Bags for Wags" Bean Bag Tournament Saturday, February 12, 2022

Cost:	\$100 per team (Two Players Per Team) Register on-line via hi-lit link below
Location:	Visitation Valentino Center 851 S. York Rd, Elmhurst, IL. 60126
Time:	6:00 PM (On Site Registration & Sign-In: <u>4:45 PM -5:45 PM</u>)
Participant Age:	16 and up
Winners:	Cash prizes for the top teams. Prize amounts will be announced on the day of the tournament.

Please visit our website for Rules and Registration http://BrianEWagnerFund.org

Junior High and High School students are encouraged to volunteer. Contact <u>traceydegnan@hotmail.com</u> and provide your: Name, Phone # and Hours of Availability for SAT. 2/5/2022

> Complimentary refreshments for all registered teams Mama Maria's Pizza and Soft Drinks

General Admission for Spectators (Covers the Cost of Food/Drink for Whole Evening) Age 16 and Older= \$10 Under Age 16= \$5



Tis the season of giving!

The Visitation Gala is just around the corner. Please support our biggest and most important fundraiser of the year. Join us for dinner, cocktails, dancing, CASH raffle, class raffle baskets, a live auction and an online silent auction. Our goal is to raise 10% of our annual operating budget to help fund repairs and updates to the school, financial aid, as well as keeping tuition costs lower.

WHEN: February 26, 2022 | WHERE: Hyatt Lodge Oak Brook REGISTRATION FOR SILENT AUCTIONS*: https://VisGala2022.givesmart.com OR Text VisGala2022 to 76278

We need your help! Please consider a contribution to the Silent Auction

• Buy-In Parties • Host a Class Party • Donate Professional Services • Sports Tickets • Theatre Tickets Vacation Home Rental
Round of Golf
Gift Card Donations
Class Basket Donations

Contact Kristen Tenaglia at kristentenaglia@gmail.com or 708.805.9116 with any donations or ideas you would like to contribute this year!

If you already registered with GiveSmart, you do not have to register again. But, please make sure your log-in works and all of your information, including credit card information, is up to date.

FOLLOW THE CALL OF THE DISCO BALL...



I am so grateful for the friend who persuaded me to attend a CRHP weekend. It has been a life changer for me! I feel so much closer to God and much more involved in my faith.

I am also very thankful for all the like minded woman I have met through CRHP.

Since that time, I have connected with so many people, ministries and, really, the whole faith community here at

I have made so many beautiful friendships all the while

It is so beautiful to share my faith and journey with these

knowing that our Catholic faith is the foundation.

women in my own parish community.

In 2015, I attended my first CRHP weekend.

Please consider joining us January 29-30, 2022 for our next retreat weekend.



Visitation's Women's Christ Renews His Parish Renewal Weekend Retreat January 29-30, 2022

CRHP & Chocolate Information Event Thursday, January 20th, 7 - 9 p.m.

Parish Center - Fireside Room



WHAT IS <u>CHRIST RENEWS HIS P</u>ARISH? In the words of our Savior, we too invite you, "Come and you will see." John 1:39

> For more information please contact either Laura (708)-819-0790 or Donna 630-484-6252

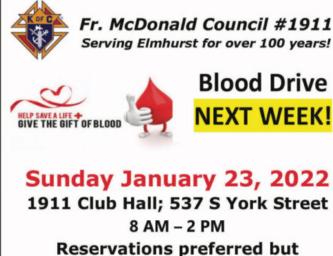
> > "Take Courage, He is calling you!" -Mk 10:49

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blessed!



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Wed. Jan 19th - Thurs. Jan 27th

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Respect Life Mass of Remembrance

Friday Jan. 21st @ 6 p.m.

Join us as we offer this Mass for the sanctity of life and in remembrance of all who have suffered from abortion. Pray with us for all to open their hearts and minds to God's command to cherish life from conception to natural death.



The History of the Papacy --- Article 16

By Matt Pozen - Director of Faith Formation

Last week we explored the final persecution of Christians in the Roman Empire, which began in 303 AD under the emperor Diocletian, and how Pope Marcellinus caved in and sacrificed to the Roman gods in order to save his neck. We also looked at the rise of Constantine as emperor in the west, who defeated his rival in Rome in 312 AD at the Battle of the Milvian Bridge. Though pagan at the time, he later claimed to have had a vision the night before the battle of a Christian symbol (the CHI RHO), so he interpreted his victory as a sign of being blessed by the Christian God. Thus, in 313 AD he issued the famous "Edict of Milan" which ended Roman persecution of Christians and decreed toleration of all religions. In addition, Constantine bestowed favor, resources, and property on the Church, hoping that Christianity would replace paganism as the dominant religion in the Empire and further unify his realms.

Pope Miltiades (311-314 AD) met with Emperor Constantine and established good relations. In fact, Constantine gifted him with the palace of his wife's family in Rome, and this Lateran Palace would be the official residence of the popes until the 15th century, when they moved to the Vatican. Though Constantine may have hoped that the rapidly growing Christian religion would unify his empire, he was immediately faced with the fact that the Church itself was subject to various divisions. Seeing Pope Marcellinus cave in to the pressure of persecution in 304 AD, Church leaders of a more "rigorist" bent in north Africa began to view the Catholic Church as compromised and corrupt. They separated themselves from this Church, formed their own "pure" community, and held that the sacraments were only valid if they were performed by clergy untainted by serious sin. Since the local bishop in Carthage, a man named Caecilian, had been ordained by someone who had lapsed during the persecution, they rejected his ordination as invalid and elected their own bishop, a man named Donatus. These separatist Christians under Donatus came to be known as the Donatists, and they grew in numbers, especially in north Africa.

Emperor Constantine put Pope Miltiades in charge of dealing with the Donatists, not just for religious reasons but also for political ones, since they were causing divisions in north Africa, which was part of Constantine's empire. The pope organized a synod in Rome which ruled that Caecilian was the legitimate bishop of Carthage, and Donatus was excommunicated. At a theological level the synod taught that the validity of the sacraments did not depend on the worthiness of either the minister or the recipient, but rather on the sheer grace of Christ working through his Church. Otherwise, how could one ever trust that they had received a valid sacrament, whether baptism or eucharist, since the state of the minister's soul can never be known for sure. Constantine backed up this synod by ruling that only those bishops in communion with the bishop of Rome would be seen as legitimate and supported by imperial resources. For the Donatists, this only strengthened their position that the Catholic Church was compromised and in cahoots with the Empire, and their movement continued to grow. The Donatist movement would continue to split the Church in north Africa until the 7th century, at which point both Catholics and Donatists were conquered by the armies of Islam.

Pope Sylvester (314-335 AD) reaped the rewards of Constantine's support, commissioning the building of several important churches in Rome. Next to the Lateran Palace where he resided, Sylvester built a large basilica known as St. John Lateran (which is the cathedral of the diocese of Rome). On Vatican Hill, over the shrine of Peter's bones, the Basilica of St. Peter was built. (This basilica from the time of Constantine would last until the 16th century, at which point, under the direction of Michelangelo, it was torn down and replaced with the grand Renaissance basilica that we see today.)

In 322 AD Constantine defeated his co-emperor in the east and thus became sole leader of the whole Roman Empire. Since the city of Rome and its Senate were still predominantly pagan, he decided to build a new capital at the city of Byzantium in the east where Christians were in the majority. There he built a grand palace and funded the building of several churches. In 330 AD this new capital was renamed "Constantinople" and was officially consecrated by both Christian and pagan priests (since he didn't yet want to disenfranchise the "old religion"). Constantine decreed that throughout his whole empire Sunday would be a day of rest. All Christian clergy would be exempt from paying taxes and would be supported by imperial resources. Thus, the bond between Church and Empire seemed to be sealed, to the benefit of both. But with the end of persecutions, which tended to unite Christians in a common quest for survival, various divisions over basic Christian beliefs rose to the surface in this new era of peace. Next week we'll look at these theological divisions and the Council of Nicea which Constantine convoked in 325 AD.

Readings for the week of January 9, 2022

Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-	Wednesday:	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
	22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk	Thursday:	1 Sm 4:1-11/ Mk 1:40-45
	3:15-16, 21-22	Friday:	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
Monday:	1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20	Saturday:	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/ Mk 2:13-17
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28	Next Sunday:	: Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

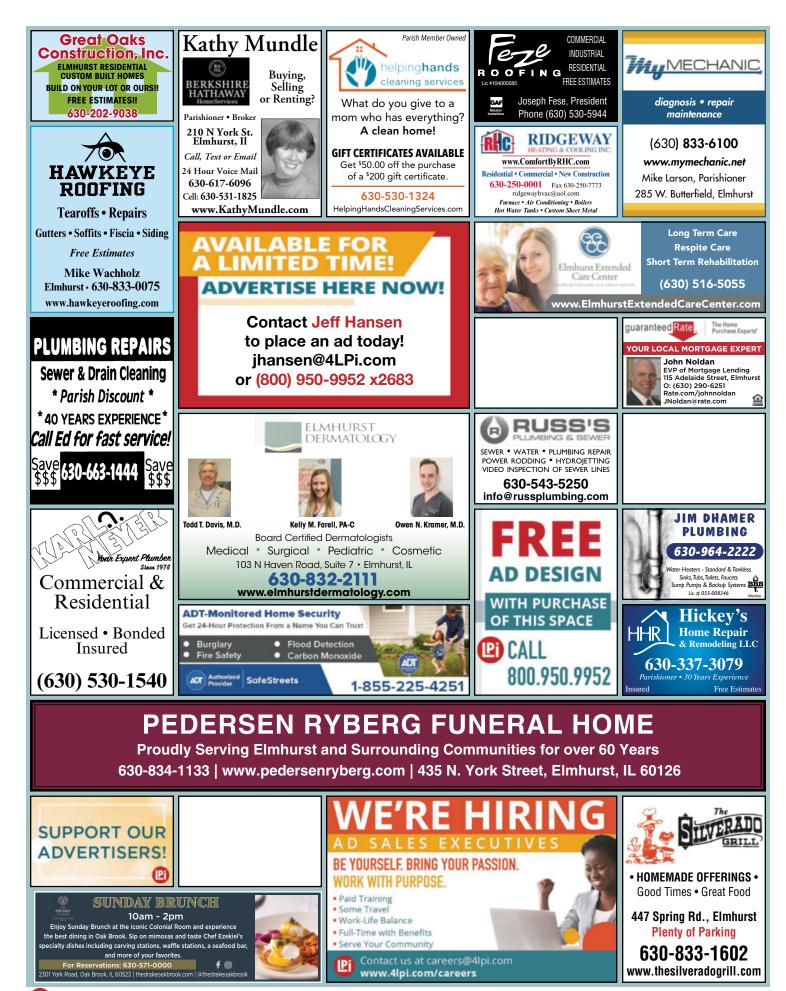


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