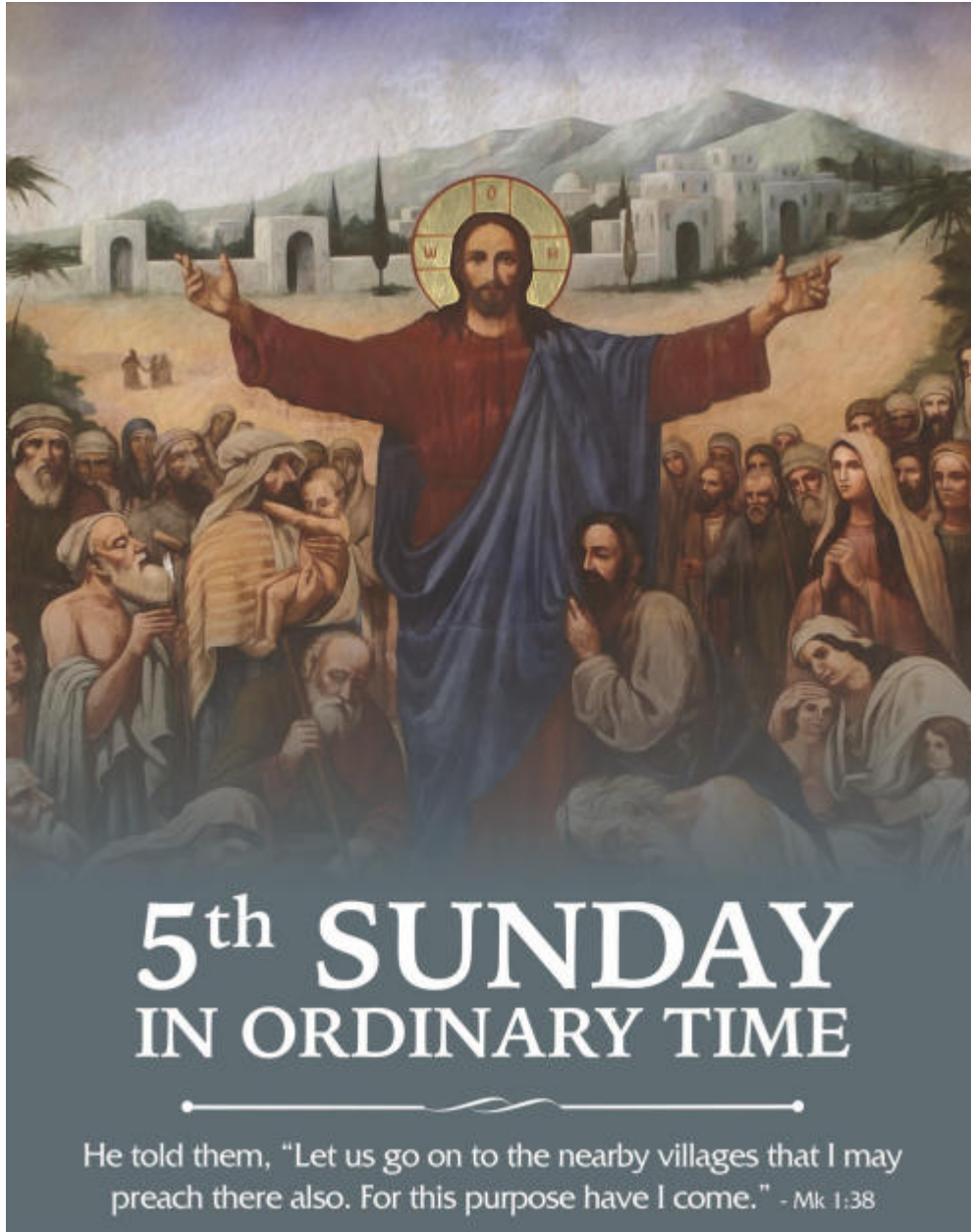
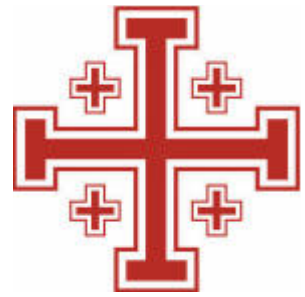


# Holy Cross Catholic Church

February 7, 2021 | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 4:15 pm  
Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am,  
& 11:30 am

## Weekday Mass Times

Mon-Fri 6:30 am, 8:00 am  
Saturday 8:00 am

## Confession Times

Mon-Fri 7:00 - 7:30 am  
Wed 6:00 pm until all are heard  
Saturday 8:30 - 9:15 am &  
3:00 - 3:45 pm

## Devotions

### Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sun 1:00 pm - Sat 11:00 am

### Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Mon-Fri 8:30 am, Sat 4:00 pm

### Rosary

Mon-Fri: 6:00 am & 8:30 am  
Sat: 7:30 am  
Sat: Noon at Peg Bond Ctr

### Healing Service

Wednesday 6:00 pm

### First Friday Holy Hour/Benediction

First Fri. of Month 7:00 pm

### Hour of Prayer/Adoration for Life

First Sat. of Month 8:30 am

### Hour of Prayer/Adoration for Vocations

Third Sat. of Month 8:30 am

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**Parish Office Hours:** Mon-Fri, 9:00 am-12:00 pm and 12:30-4:00 pm

## From our Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every single one of us faces challenges and difficulties in our lives. As a priest, daily, I hear people's struggles. It is so important that we pray daily for each other, especially our family, friends, and fellow parishioners. We never know what kinds of crosses our neighbors are carrying in life. There are personal crosses we face, such as overcoming sins, health problems, finances, relationships, etc.

In the diary of St. Faustina, she recalls a conversation with an elderly nun. She was 84 years of age and had the reputation of being virtuous. On the surface, it seemed that everything must be pleasant for this elderly and peaceful nun. Faustina asks her that surely she is ready to stand before the Lord. The sister stated, "I have been preparing myself all my life long for this last hour (death)." However, "Old age does not dispense one from the combat" (# 517). There are always challenges to face.

One of the mysteries of life is that grace awaits us if we carry our cross in imitation of Jesus. If we deny our cross, we are losing out on the grace God has planned to give us. We ask the question, "Why?", "Why me?" "I didn't deserve this." "Why did God allow this to happen to me?" It is a natural reaction. But we are called to live a supernatural life in Christ, which goes through Calvary before the Paradise in Heaven.

God bless you abundantly through Mary,  
Fr. Parker

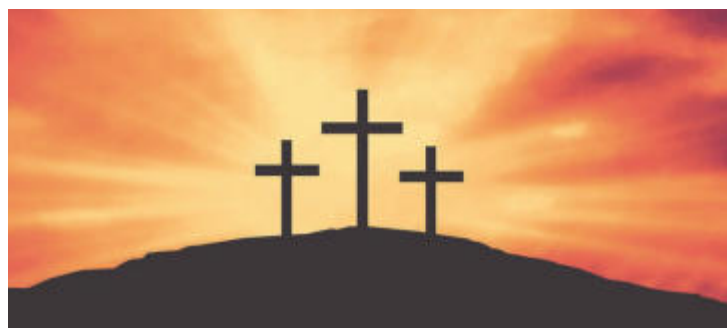
### Important Parish Notes

- Please continue to sign up to attend weekend and weekday Masses in-person.
- Please see the parish website, Facebook, and Flocknotes for the most up-to-date information.

### Save the Dates!

#### Lenten Communal Prayer and Mission Sundays, February 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21

Come together for Lenten Communal Prayer with Fr. Moises and a talk pre-recorded by Fr. Jacques Philippe for our 2021 Lenten Mission! This mission will take place in the church each of the five Sundays of Lent at 7:00 pm with limited seating. Five different talks all on the topic of "peace" will be presented. The sign-ups will be available on the parish website. Each talk will also be available to stream online.



### 2021 LENTEN SCHEDULE

#### ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES, February 17

6:30 am, 8:00 am, 12:10 pm, 5:30 pm, 7:00 pm

#### LENTEN DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon-Fri..... 6:30 am, 8:00 am

Fri.....5:30 pm & Saturday ..... 8:00 am

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent..... 12:10 pm, 6:05 pm

#### PARISH MISSION pre-recorded with Fr. Philippe

Sundays, February 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21

#### LENTEN CONFESSION NIGHTS

Mon, Mar 22 & Tues, Mar 23.....6:00-7:00 pm

#### DAY OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday, March 24 .....11:30 am-7:30 pm

#### HOLY THURSDAY, April 1

Mass of the Lord's Supper ..... 7:00 pm

#### GOOD FRIDAY, April 2

Good Friday Service ..... 12:10 pm

Stations of the Cross/Chaplet ..... 3:00 pm

Confessions .....3:45-5:30 pm

Good Friday Service ..... 7:00 pm

#### HOLY SATURDAY, April 3

Confessions ..... 8:30 am

Blessing of Easter Baskets ..... 10:30 am

Easter Vigil Mass ..... 7:30 pm

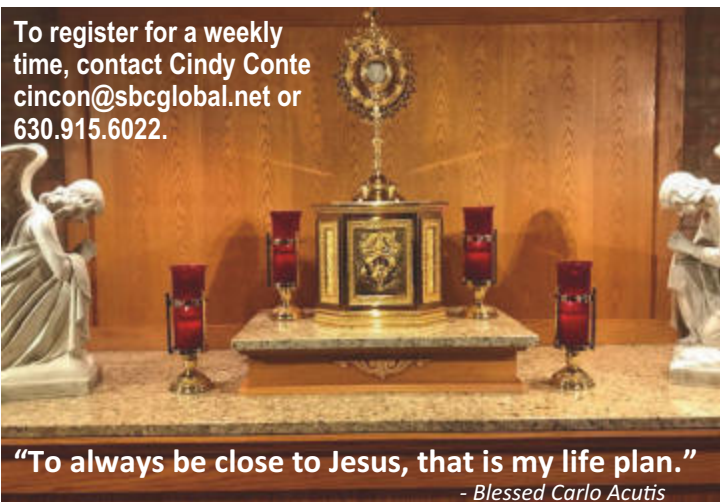
#### EASTER SUNDAY, April 4

7:30 am, 9:30 am, & 11:30 am

#### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, April 11

Regular Sunday schedule and 3:30 pm Mass

Confessions 1:00-3:00 pm; 3:00 pm Chaplet



## Mass Intentions

**Monday, February 8 - Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin**

6:30 am SI Juana Barbosa  
8:00 am † Antoinette Luigi Castiello

**Tuesday, February 9**

6:30 am † Carmine Doddato  
8:00 am † Russell Jacobsen

**Wednesday, February 10 - Saint Scholastica, Virgin**

6:30 am † Karen Pedersen  
8:00 am SI Milly and Matt Miller

**Thursday, February 11 - Our Lady of Lourdes**

6:30 am † Estelle Ann Valenti  
8:00 am † Arthur Doddato

**Friday, February 12**

6:30 am † Estelle Ann Valenti  
8:00 am † Ray Khoury and Tony Khoury

**Saturday, February 13 - Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 am L/D The Fustini and Diderich Families  
4:15 pm † Kathleen Ross

**Sunday, February 14 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am L/D Holy Cross Parish  
9:30 am † Nancy Peyton  
11:30 am SI Sally Studlo

† Repose of the Soul of

SI Special Intentions of

L/D Living and Deceased Members of

**The Sanctuary Presence Lamp**, that burns to let us know of Jesus' Presence in the Tabernacle, will be lit for the intentions of any parishioner or in memory of any of our deceased. **The Sanctuary Presence Lamp will burn in Loving Memory of Martin Warta the week of February 8-14.** The offering is \$10.00 for one week, Monday through Sunday.

**The Adoration Chapel Candles** are lit for the intentions of any parishioner or in the memory of any of our deceased. The offering is \$40.00 for one week, Monday through Sunday.

## Gifts of Treasure

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## 2020 Tax Contribution Statements

The 2020 Holy Cross Tax Contribution Statements have been sent via email. If you have not received yours, please call Karen Moore or send an email to: [kmoore@holycross-batavia.org](mailto:kmoore@holycross-batavia.org)

## Holy Cross Offers Online Giving!

Visit our website to sign up & begin contributing automatically to our parish. This convenient system is very flexible and customizable. We are so grateful that you would consider this option to support our Parish community. Go to "Give Online" at [holycross-batavia.org](http://holycross-batavia.org) to get started today.



## Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please contact the parish office. For those entering Delnor Hospital in Geneva - If you are a patient at Delnor Hospital and wish to have the Sacrament of Communion brought to you during your stay, you must inform the hospital upon registering that you are a Catholic and a member of Holy Cross Church in Batavia. In addition, each evening you must let your nurse know that you wish to receive Holy Communion the following day.

**Please pray for the sick:** Ted and Pearl, Russell Abner, Rose-Anne Aceret, Dave Adam, Lucy Anderson, Mick Andreason, Heather Arrington, Tom Balt, Randall Barkei, Lynn Boland, Anezka Bouz, Bob Brockmann, Mary Ruth Broz, Keith Callaghan, Michael Carani, Ralph Carlson, Janeen Christensen, Jessica Colborn, Damaris Covalt, John and Debra Dail, Terry Dail, Barbara D'Anca, Joe Essling, Frank and Carol Ferri, Sarah Foederer, Michael Fritz, Al Garbarz, Amy Garbarz, George Gawron, Jim Gellar, Mike and Denise Giblin, Lorenzo Guerrero, Mark Herwaldt, Phyllis Holmen, Harry Huss, Dona Joerger, Mark Kennedy, Damien Kindelin, Virginia Kobak, Michelle Kyser, Ryan Lambert, Archie LeGear, Betty Lester, John and Darlene Lohenis, Melissa Dawn Kielion Long, Anton Majcen, Wilma Majcen, Wayne Martini, James McManus, Laura Morse, Arminda Munar, Jim Nass, Georgene O'Dwyer, John O'Dwyer Jr, Tom O'Dwyer, Krista Peterson, Barbora Rainbolt, John Rodgers, Simone Romanos, David Ross, Jenny, Elizabeth, Tim, and Rebecca Russell, Rich Sanzo, Gary Schira, Colleen Schwartz, Carmen and Mary Siciliano, Jane Siegler, Kim Smol, Rosanne Sneddon, Melba Stopher, Mary Ann Striedl, Amber Aurit Thomas, Roseanne Thrall, Kim Ticer, Eduardo Torres, Maria Elena Torres, Tom VonLunen, Mark Walters, Diane Watts, Susan M. Weis, Gwen Westlund.

**Please pray for our men and women in the military:**

Brandon Michael Agee, Capt Nathalia Anderson, Col Ellen Ball, Sgt Mark Briden, HM3 Justin DePergola, 1st Lt Jack Doroff, Maj Craig A. Falk, Mk2 Sam Isleib, Lt Col Edgar A. Jimenez, Sgt James Anthony Konen, Capt David Koscinski, Abraham Moore, 1st Lt Anna Motyka, Lt Col Vinod Naga, SSgt Brock Peio, 1st Lt Thomas Schafer, Lt Col James Studlo, CW2 David Thompson, E7/Sgt 1st Class Michael Thompson.

## Directory

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### Did you Know? By Deacon Larry

#### Gestures and Postures of the Congregation at Holy Mass Liturgy of the Word

- Sit for the Scripture readings.
- Stand for the Gospel at the Alleluia verse.
- When the priest/deacon announces the Gospel, trace a cross with the thumb on head, lips and heart. This gesture is a form of prayer for the presence of the Word of God in one's mind, upon one's lips, and in one's heart.
- Sit for the homily.
- Creed: Stand; bow your head at name of Jesus; bow during the Incarnatus ("by the power of the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man"); on the solemnities of Christmas and the Annunciation all genuflect at this moment.

Is there anything You Want to Know? Send your questions to Deacon Larry  
[lmotyka@holycross-batavia.org](mailto:lmotyka@holycross-batavia.org)

### Enriching Lives Ministry

#### Valentine's Day Card Sending Campaign

Share some love this Valentine's Day! We had such a great response to our request to send Christmas cards to the many lonely people in our area nursing homes. The Enriching Lives Ministry would like to continue the effort for Valentine's Day. Join the Card Sending team in bringing smiles to the lonesome residents this Valentine's Day. For more information and to sign up to help: [cards@holycross-batavia-elm.org](mailto:cards@holycross-batavia-elm.org)/630-879-4750 x321; [holycross-batavia.org/elm](http://holycross-batavia.org/elm)

### St. Vincent de Paul

Please shop at our St. Vincent de Paul Deja Vu stores, the Deja vu Thrift Shop in downtown Geneva and the **Deja Vu Furniture Warehouse & Thrift Shop** in Aurora. The SVDP society provides both direct donations of items and the sale proceeds from their stores help those in need in the surrounding communities. They are staffed with volunteers giving their time and skills. Go to [DejaVuThrift.org](http://DejaVuThrift.org) for hours. Please also consider making a one time or reoccurring donation to aid our mission.





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## February 17 - March 28

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

### Help Save Lives in Aurora!

- **You can protect mothers and children** by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!
- The next **40 Days for Life** international campaign **begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17.**
- **Holy Cross will be hosting** a 12-Hour Rosary Vigil for Life, praying outside the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic in Aurora on Fridays, **February 26 & March 26** from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.
- We will also have an at-home Rosary Vigil for Life throughout the night-time hours, Midnight-7:00 am and 7:00 pm-Midnight on those dates.
- **You are invited to sign up for at least one hour of the on-site vigil or at least one 20-minute time slot to pray the Rosary from home during the night-time hours.**
- **Sign-ups for both the on-site and night-time vigils will be available through Flocknote & the parish website.**

**Local contact:** Beth Doroff (630) 854-1092  
[doroffbeth@gmail.com](mailto:doroffbeth@gmail.com)

## FORMED

### PICK OF THE WEEK

February 7, 2021

### WATCH

#### BERNADETTE

Millions of people each year go on pilgrimage to Lourdes, a place where miracles frequently occur. Explore the origins of this miraculous place of encounter with the Lord in this movie which depicts Mary's apparitions to St. Bernadette.



#### FORMED NOW! HOW AND WHY TO PRAY THE ROSARY

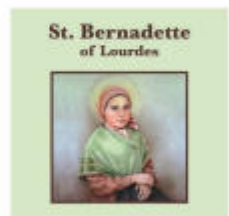
As we celebrate Our Lady of Lourdes this week, we invite you to learn more about the Rosary! Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn as they discuss how they pray the Rosary and how it has changed their lives!

### LEARN

### LISTEN

#### TRUTH TO INSPIRE: ST. BERNADETTE OF LOURDES

This inspiring story depicts St. Bernadette and her encounters with the Blessed Mother. Learn more about the saint who Mary appeared to eighteen times!



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## School, RE & Youth

### HOLY CROSS YOUTH MINISTRY WE'RE GOING TO SUMMER CAMP!

#### Who can Go?

This Camp is for our current 6th-8th Graders! Camp Counselors are teen counselors-we're looking for Sophomores, Juniors, & Seniors who have a desire to serve others.

#### Where will we be going?

We will be going to Lutherdale Camp in Elkhorn, Wisconsin!

#### Some cool things!

We will have Musician/s Leading us in Praise in Worship, a Photographer, and there is a ropes course!

Call Youth Director Grace Filipksi at (630) 879-4750 ext. 111 with questions

## Youth Ministry

**Middle School Students!** We are going to CAMP! Current 6th-8th graders are welcome! Check out the parish website and click on the Youth Ministry Tab and "Summer Camp" for more details! Early bird special still running. God Bless you!

**High School Students!** Still have the ability to apply for Camp Counselor Leadership! Find Details online by clicking the Youth Ministry Tab and "Summer Camp" for more information.

## Religious Education

The next on-site class for 7th & 8th grade RE students is **Wednesday, March 3 at 6:30-8:00 pm.** For the parents of all our Religious Education youth (grades 1-8), Father Parker is recording his monthly teaching and we will send the video link to you by flocknote each month.

**Second grade RE Parents:** The Virtual First Reconciliation Workshop was sent via Flocknote. First Reconciliation for RE second graders will be on Saturday, February 20 at 10:30 am.



### HOLY CROSS SCHOOL SPIRIT WEEK

We have school spirit, and we know you do too! Come in the week of

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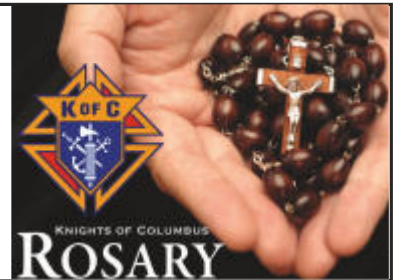
## Family Rosary

**When:** Every Saturday

**Time:** 12:00 pm

**Where:** Peg Bond Ctr  
(downtown Batavia)

**Contact:** Tim Lyons  
630-453-9752



## In and Around the Diocese



## Waterleaf Job Opportunity

Part Time Sonographer Needed Waterleaf Women's Center in Aurora, IL seeks a part time sonographer to join our medical team. Waterleaf provides confidential, no-cost early pregnancy screening that includes pregnancy testing, limited ultrasounds, and consultation. OB-GYN ultrasound experience required, ADMRS preferred. For more information and to apply contact Julie Garofalo at [julieg@waterleafwc.org](mailto:julieg@waterleafwc.org) or 630-701-6270.



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## Sacramental Information

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to schedule baptismal instruction and date. Information is also available on the parish website.

### Sacrament of First Holy Communion/First Reconciliation

Youth participate in the sacramental preparation program during their 1st and 2nd grade years. Contact the RE office for details.

### Sacrament of Confirmation

Youth participate in the sacramental preparation program during 7th and 8th grade and are confirmed in their 8th grade year. Contact the RE office for details.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Only registered parishioners are eligible. Call the parish office at least 6 months in advance to schedule pre-marriage preparation and wedding date.

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office if you or someone you know will be hospitalized or confined at home and would like to be anointed by a priest.

### Sacrament of Holy Orders

If you or someone you know is interested in the priesthood, please call Fr. Kyle Manno at the Diocesan Vocation Office at 815-399-4300, or contact Fr. Parker or Fr. Pavino.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is an experience of learning and discernment for Catholics who want the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation or who want to learn more about their faith, as well as non-Catholics or those not baptized who are thinking of joining the Church. Please contact the parish office at 630-879-4750, ext. 312.

## Outreach

### Funeral Liturgy Pre-Planning Ministry

A member of the Holy Cross Funeral Ministry is willing to meet with any parishioners who would like to pre-plan their Funeral Liturgy. This is a great gift of love for yourself and for your family. If you would like to pre-plan a funeral, please contact the parish office.

### Holy Cross Enriching Lives Ministry

The mission of this ministry is to spiritually and emotionally enrich the lives of the elderly, homebound, disabled, sick, and others needing companionship, love and/or other assistance. For assistance or to join this ministry: 630-879-4750 ext 321 or [holycross.batavia.elm@gmail.com](mailto:holycross.batavia.elm@gmail.com).

### Society of St. Vincent de Paul

If you are in need of financial assistance, we are happy to help. Call the SVDP hotline at 630-879-4750 ext 307.

### Visits to the Sick

Please notify the parish office whenever a homebound family member would like a visit from a Minister of Care.

### Respect Life

If you or someone you know need assistance with a pregnancy, contact any of the following: Waterleaf Women's Center 630-360-CALM, Catholic Charities Maternity Hotline 800-CARE-002, Corbella Clinic 847-697-0200. Project Rachel is a Post-Abortion Healing Ministry: 815-387-3379 / [HopeAfterAbortion.com](http://HopeAfterAbortion.com) / [ProjectRachelRockford@gmail.com](mailto:ProjectRachelRockford@gmail.com)



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