

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 6, 2024

# St. John the Evangelist

*Roman Catholic Parish*

502 S. Park Blvd. Streamwood, IL 60107 630-837-6500

## *Liturgies*

Weekdays: 8:45 AM

Wednesday: 8:45 AM & 7:00 PM

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM  
9:00 AM  
11:00 AM  
1:00 PM (Polish Mass)  
6:00 PM



## *Parish Mission*

### *Statement*

The Community of  
St. John the Evangelist  
accepts as our mission:  
To know our Faith,  
To serve God and others,  
and to Spread the Gospel  
Message by Word,  
Witness and Deed.

## 27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?"  
They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce  
and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of  
your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning  
of creation, God made them male and female." - Mk 10:3-6

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502 S. Park Blvd. , Streamwood, IL 60107

Parish Office: (630) 837-6500

## Parish Office Hours:

Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 5:00 pm, Sun. CLOSED

Website: [www.mystjohns.org](http://www.mystjohns.org)

Parish School: 630-837-6500 Ext. 200

513 Parkside Circle, Streamwood, IL 60107

Religious Education: 630-837-6500 Ext. 152



## Liturgies

**Saturday:** 4:30 pm

**Sunday:** 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 6:00 pm  
1:00 pm (Polish language)

**Monday - Saturday:** 8:45 am

**Wednesday:** 7:00pm (rosary at 6:30 pm)

**Holidays:** 9:00 am Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, & Thanksgiving Day.

## Our Priests

Fr. Gregg Gorczyca  
*Pastor*

Fr. Brendan Guilfoil  
*Associate Pastor*

Fr. William Moriarity  
*Pastor Emeritus*

## Our Deacons

Dcn. Mike Benoit

Dcn. Tim Davidson

Dcn. Jim Furey

Dcn. Joe McCain

Dcn. Jozef Mika

Dcn. Bob Pasdiora

Dcn. Larry Rybicki

## Our Staff

### Operations Director

Deacon Tim Davidson

### School Principal

Joe Quinlan

### Director of Lifelong Faith Formation

Mary Thon

### Director of Music

Michael Myers

### Youth Minister

Jeannine Bukowski

### Bulletin Editor

Cathy Tampir

## Membership

**New Parishioners** If you are seeking a church home, we welcome you into our parish family. Please call the Parish Office for more details.

**Moving?** Please contact the Parish Office with your new address.



**Confessions** Daily on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday, from 8:00 AM to 8:40 AM. On Wednesday, confessions are from 7:30AM to 8:40AM and from 5:30PM to 6:50PM.

**Baptisms** Parents must attend one reflective session on the meaning of Baptism at least three weeks in advance of the Baptismal date. Attendance before the birth of the child is suggested. Please contact the Parish Office.

**Marriages** To allow enough time for adequate marriage preparation, arrangements for weddings should be made at least 9 months in advance.

**Ministry of Care to the Sick** Ministry of Care brings the Eucharist to the sick & homebound. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for a minister to bring the Eucharist to you.

**Anointing of the Sick** Please make arrangements through the Parish Office.

**Funerals** Please make arrangements through the Funeral Director.

## Parish Services

**Loaves & Fishes Ministry** collects donations in the Gathering Space for the food pantry the second weekend of the month after all the Masses.

**Sharing Ministry** was created to assist registered parishioners in times of financial crisis. Please call the parish office at 630-837-6500 if you need assistance.

## Religious Education

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Do you feel a call to learn more about the Catholic faith? Are you an adult who has not been Baptized? Are you a Catholic, but have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation?

For more information, contact Deacon Tim Davidson at [tdavidson@mystjohns.org](mailto:tdavidson@mystjohns.org) or 630-837-6500 x130.

**Youth Education** For those children who attend public schools, religious education is offered for grades Kindergarten through Eighth. For further information, call the Office of Faith Formation.

## GiveCentral

GiveCentral is the easy way to make church donations online.



If you need assistance getting started, contact Cathy Tampir at 630-837-6500 x122.

## Church Bulletin

Submissions to the Bulletin must be made at least 5 days prior to the date requested. All submissions are subject to approval. Send submissions to [ctampir@mystjohns.org](mailto:ctampir@mystjohns.org).

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## Archdiocese News

For news from around the Archdiocese of Chicago, visit [www.archchicago.org](http://www.archchicago.org).

## Mass Intentions

Monday, October 7

8:45 AM † Richard Dahlke

Tuesday, October 8

8:45 AM † Paula Vachon  
† Wanda Majcher

Wednesday, October 9

8:45 AM † Francisco & Valeria Vibar  
† Joan Marx  
† Walter Hickman

7:00 PM † Carole Tripicchio  
Anniversary Blessings for  
David & Danuta

Thursday, October 10

8:45 AM † Walter & Olivia Paslawski  
Birthday Blessings for  
Casey Gonzalez

Friday, October 11

8:45 AM † Carl Robst  
Healing for Zuzia K.

Saturday, October 12

8:45 AM Blessing for Newly Ordained  
Deacon Ken Konetzki

4:30 PM † Barbra Jazdzewski  
† Claudia Weber

Sunday, October 13

7:30 AM † Marie Louise Cuellar  
† Gustave & Rose Caparros  
Healing for Maryann Hart

9:00 AM † Marilena Presta  
† John Locke  
† Zuzanna & Piotr Pasuga

11:00 AM † Rev. Norman Czajka  
† Deceased Members of the  
Alpers & Becker Family  
† Claudia Weber  
Birthday Blessings for Roza

1:00 PM Mass in Polish

6:00 PM † Tadeusz Chwil



## Eucharistic Adoration

Please join us for  
adoration on Mondays and  
Thursdays 3:00 - 7:00 PM

All are welcome to attend.



## Nothing Compares to Being There

*Wedding Banns*   
**Laryssa Zarate**  
**Sebastian Kieruzal III**

*May God bless this marriage with  
hope that is sure, with faith that is  
steady and with love that endures.*



## Baptisms

We welcome with joy and  
support these newly baptized  
children along with their  
parents, Godparents, and family  
members. May they grow to  
believe that they are loved.

*Yukio Kenzo Iwase*  
*Brian Faustyn Makowiec*  
*Wyatt James Niemann*  
*Adrielle Noreen Tongson Reyes*  
*Marzia Lena Caringella*  
*Kamila Marlena Hadala*



## Daily "Our Father" in honor of St. John the Evangelist

During a vision in which St John the Evangelist appeared to St. Gertrude the Great, Our Lord told her that the Apostle was appointed by Him to be her advocate in Heaven. Grateful for this favor, St Gertrude said to Our Lord: "Teach me, my dear Lord, how I can show my gratitude to him." Our Lord answered: "If any person says a Pater Noster (Our Father) daily in honor of this Apostle, reminding him of the sweet fidelity with which his heart was filled when I taught this prayer, he will not fail to obtain the grace of persevering faithfully in virtue, even to the end of his life."

## Readings for the Week October 6, 2024



St. Justina of Padua

Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-  
2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/Lk  
10:25-37

St. Nestor

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:  
1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-  
15/Lk 10:38-42

St. Denis and St. John Leonardi

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps  
117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

St. Francis Borgia

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70,  
71-72, 73-75/Lk 11:  
5-13

St. John XXIII

Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-  
2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:  
15-26

St. Seraphinus

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:  
2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk  
11:27-28

St. Edward the Confessor

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:  
12-13, 14-15, 16-17  
(14)/Heb 4:12-13/  
Mk 10:17-30 or 10:  
17-27

## 2024 Parochial “*Christifideles Award*” goes to Monica O’Neill!

Every year, at Holy Name Cathedral, the Archbishop of Chicago honors faithful and active parishioners from around the Archdiocese with the *Christifideles Award*. This award is bestowed upon Catholic laypeople who demonstrate the personal and ministerial renewal called for by papal exhortation, *Christifideles Laici*, calling the laity to the vocation and responsibility for the Church’s life springing from the gift and mission of their baptism by participation in parish life.

Individual who receives this award is a practicing Catholic who manifests an understanding of the teachings of the Church and has been graced with a life formed in the Catholic spiritual tradition. The nomination for the award is advanced by the pastor of the parish is affirmed by the respective Bishop Vicar.

This year Cardinal Cupich presented this award to Monica O’Neill, who has truly used her God given talents to deepen the life of the Church and has served in our parish of St. John’s for so many years in an extraordinary way by her presence and involvement in many, if not all, ministries and aspects of the parish life. Congratulations Monica and thank you for all your faithful service. Well done! May God bless you.



*Pictured is Monica receiving the award from Bishop Casey and with her husband, Jay.*

*Congratulations!*

Dear Parishioners,

Last week on September 29<sup>th</sup> we celebrated the feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels and on October 2<sup>nd</sup> we celebrated our Holy Guardian Angels. The existence of angels is a dogma of our Catholic Faith and is abundantly documented in Sacred Scriptures and Catholic Tradition. There are nine choirs of angels, and three hierarchies. These choirs and hierarchies are: first hierarchy - Angels, Archangels and Principalities; second hierarchy - Powers, Virtues and Dominions; and third hierarchy - Thrones, Cherubim and Seraphim

An angel is a spiritual creature, superior to human beings, with a three-fold mission: to praise God, to act as His messengers, and to watch over mortals. *"What is man, that thou art mindful of him? ... For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor"* (Psalm 8:4-5).

The name "*angel*" is from the Greek "*angelos*" meaning "one who is sent" or "messenger". Though purely spiritual, they can show themselves to men in human form as in the story of Tobias.

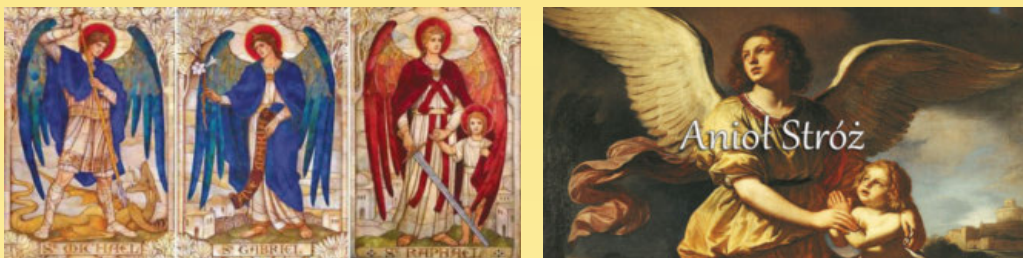
Passages in Scripture point to the existence of an angel specifically assigned to each human being to help, guide and protect him or her through the journey of life: “Behold I will send my angel, who shall go before thee, and keep thee in thy journey, and bring thee into the place that I have prepared. Take notice of him, and hear his voice” (Exodus 23:20)

And in the words of Our Lord Jesus Christ speaking of children: “See that you despise not one of these little ones: for I say to you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father who is in heaven.” (Matthew 18:10).

So, each day let us take a little extra time to remember our guardian angels. In every difficulty, danger and temptation let us invoke our Guardian Angel. Let us ask them to offer our prayers to God with us and for us, and to help us know and live God's will in our lives. Let us also ask them to help us follow their example in constantly adoring God and caring for each other.

God bless,  
Fr. Gregg

## Informacje parafialne



Aniołowie to istoty stworzone na obraz i podobieństwo Boże, które promieniają tym Bożym podobieństwem w wyższym stopniu od nas, stworzeń ludzkich. Jako duchy czyste, wolne od materii, nie są tak jak nasze dusze, uwiązane ani ograniczone przestrzenią. Poruszają się z szybkością myśli. Jako istoty duchowe nie są widzialni, więc mogą być przy nas w wielkiej ilości. I choć nie możemy ich dotknąć czy zobaczyć, to odczuwamy ich obecność, moc i opiekę.

W kalendarzu liturgicznym (29 września) wspominaliśmy przebywających w bliskości Boga Archaniołów: Michała - walczącego z szatanem obrońcę Izraela, Gabriela - przekazującego Boże orędzie oraz Rafała - opiekującego się chorymi i podróżnymi. Wszyscy trzej dani są nam ku pomocy w drodze do nieba, przez nich Bóg okazuje nam swoją potęgę i troskę. Jako chrześcijanie jesteśmy przeznaczeni do świętości, która jest ich udziałem, abyśmy wraz z nimi oddawali chwałę Bogu, wypełniając Jego wolę.

### **Modlitwa do św. Michała Archaniola**

*Święty Michale Archaniele, wspomagaj nas w walce, a przeciw niegodziwości zasadzkom złego ducha bądź naszą obroną. Oby go Bóg pogromić raczył, pokornie o to prosimy, a Ty, Wodzu niebieskich zastępów, szatana i inne duchy złe, które na zgubę dusz ludzkich po tym świecie krążą, mocą Bożą strąć do piekła. Amen.*

### **Modlitwa do św. Rafała Archaniola**

*Święty Rafale Archaniele, który czuwasz przed majestatem Bożym i z polecenia Stwórcy, byłeś przewodnikiem w niebezpiecznej wędrówce Tobiasza. Czuwaj nad drogami naszego życia, ostrzegaj przed niebezpieczeństwami jakie nas zgubić mogą. Ty odpędzałeś demony i uzdrawiałeś mocą Bożą. Broń nas przed uległością złu, a gdy zdrowie i życie nasze zagrożone będzie, wstawiaj się za nami u Boga, przedstawiaj nasze sprawy i bądź nam pomocny. Amen.*

### **Modlitwa do św. Gabriela Archaniola**

*Święty Gabrielu Archaniele, który byłeś zawsze zwiastunem dobrej nowiny, dopomagaj nam do spokojnego przyjmowania wszelkich wieści. Byśmy nigdy nie ulegali panice, a zawsze umieli zaufać Bogu, którego łaską jesteśmy umocnieni. Przyczyniaj się także do tego, aby oznajmiana nam prawda stawała się dla nas jasna i zrozumiała, byśmy umieli przyjąć to, co Bóg w swej dobroci nam objawia. Amen.*



2 października, obchodziliśmy wspomnienie świętych Aniołów Stróżów, istot duchowych, które posłane przez Boga, nieustannie nam towarzyszą. Według teologii opieka Anioła Stróża rozpoczyna się z chwilą narodzenia człowieka, a kończy z chwilą jego śmierci. Oni otrzymali misję, aby nas prowadzić, ochraniać, upominać, pomagać w nawróceniu, wspierać w wykonywaniu powierzonych nam zadań, bronić w momentach niebezpieczeństw i pokus. Nasz Anioł Stróż jest uosobieniem Opatrzności Boskiej w stosunku do każdego z nas osobno. Od pierwszej chwili naszego życia na ziemi do niego należy przewidywanie i usuwanie rozlicznych niebezpieczeństw, które zewsząd nam zagrażają, a które mogłyby nam przeszkodzić w osiągnięciu celu, dla którego zostaliśmy stworzeni. Zanoszą nasze modlitwy do Boga i wstawiając się za nami, przyczyniają się do naszego zbawienia. Przyzywajmy więc wytrwale i z ufnością każdego dnia naszych Świętych Aniołów Stróżów.

### **Modlitwa do Anioła Stróża**

*Aniele Stróżu mój, którego otrzymałem od Boga, abys był mi towarzyszem w całym moim życiu, ratuj mnie dla wieczności i pełnij Twój obowiązek wobec mnie, który wyznaczyła Ci miłość Boga. Wstrząśnij mną w mojej obojętności, wzmacniaj mnie w mojej słabości, zagródź mi każdą niewłaściwą drogę, otwórz oczy dla Boga i krzyża, a zamknij mi uszy na pokusy złego ducha. Czuwaj nade mną w czasie snu i dozwól, abym został Twoją radością i nagrodą w niebie. Amen.*



***We are looking for new Altar Servers! If you are in 4th, 5th or 6th grade and you would like to serve the church in this special ministry, we would love to have you!***

The Altar Server Ministry is an ancient tradition in the Catholic church that continues on today. Altar servers assist the priests and deacons with sincere devotion and decorum in the spirit of the Liturgy for Eucharistic celebrations.

Typical duties of the server are to carry the processional cross, the processional candles, the incense and boat, to assist with the Roman Missal and other liturgical books used in the liturgy, and to assist in preparing the altar.

To participate in this ministry, an altar server must have received First Communion and a willingness to serve at the Mass. There are 6 sessions held on Mondays from Oct. 14 thru Nov. 18, 7:15pm to 8:30pm.

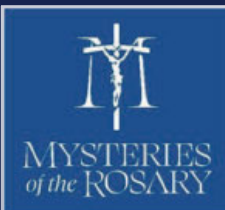
If you are interested in joining this ministry, **use QR code to enroll by Oct. 7th or contact Deacon Bob Pasdiora at [AltarServers@mystjohn.org](mailto:AltarServers@mystjohn.org) for more information.**



***By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary.***

***On Monday, October 21, at 7:30 pm in the church, Mary's Millenium Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary will have a Rosary and Prayers for the State of Our Country Seeking Our Blessed Mother's Guidance.***

***All parishioners are welcome to pray with them.***



**We are happy to announce that we will begin the 3<sup>rd</sup> Series in the Mysteries of the Rosary Program - The Glorious Mysteries**

All parishioners (of any age) are invited to participate in a special 7-week program each Wednesday after the 7:00 Mass beginning October 16, 2024 in the Parish Center.

This program is being sponsored by Paradisus Dei and features over 20 guest speakers and this year's program will be focused on the Glorious Mysteries. Each week, we will be transported to Rome Lourdes, Fatima and Paris, witnessing the lives of the Apostles.

To find out more about this program, you can scan the QR code at the bottom of this invitation. We will start each week immediately following the 7:00 Mass with a short period of fellowship and refreshments, followed by a video, and then break out for some small group discussion.

We will close each session by praying one decade of the Rosary aligning with that week's Mystery.

Won't you come and join us as we draw closer to Jesus through this marvelous journey.



## NEWS FROM YOUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND LADIES AUXILIARY

### Ladies Auxiliary Rosary Holy Hour of Prayer

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Mary's Millennium Council #12801 Ladies Auxiliary invites all parishioners to join them in praying the Holy Rosary on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. The prayer service will begin at 7:30 PM in St. John's church (following the conclusion of adoration).

**Pope Benedict XVI in an address at the Basilica of St. Mary Major where he prayed the rosary with the faithful said:**

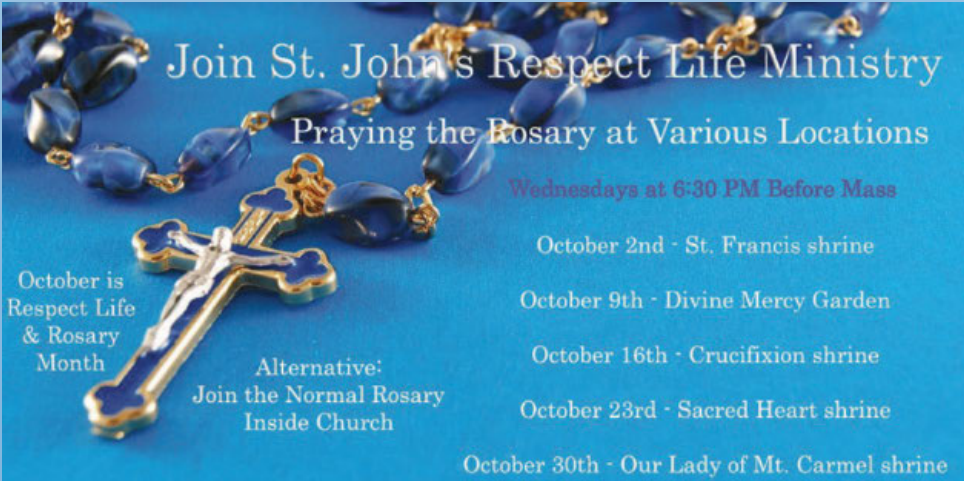
Today, together we confirm that the Holy Rosary is not a pious practice banished to the past, like prayers of other times thought of with nostalgia. Instead, the Rosary is experiencing a new Springtime. Without a doubt, this is one of the most eloquent signs of love that the young generation nourish for Jesus and his Mother, Mary. In the current world, so dispersive, this prayer helps to put Christ at the centre, as the Virgin did, who meditated within all that was said about her Son, and also what he did and said. When reciting the Rosary, the important and meaningful moments of salvation history are relived. The various steps of Christ's mission are traced. With Mary the heart is oriented toward the mystery of Jesus. Christ is put at the centre of our life, of our time, of our city, through the contemplation and meditation of his holy mysteries of joy, light, sorrow and glory. May Mary help us to welcome within ourselves the grace emanating from these mysteries, so that through us we can "water" society, beginning with our daily relationships, and purifying them from so many negative forces, thus opening them to the newness of God. The Rosary, when it is prayed in an authentic way, not mechanical and superficial but profoundly, it brings, in fact, peace and reconciliation. It contains within itself the healing power of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, invoked with faith and love at the centre of each "Hail Mary".

### The Mysteries of the Rosary

Until about the 15th century hundreds of mysteries were part of the Rosary devotion then the 15 mysteries that we know today were definitively fixed as "the Mysteries of the Rosary." Pope John Paul II, in his encyclical, *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, in 2002 added the five Luminous Mysteries.

Through the meditations of the complete Rosary, one recalls and has impressed on his mind, the Popes tell us, "the chief mysteries of the Christian religion," "the mysteries of our Redemption," "the great mysteries of Jesus and His Mother united in joys, sorrows, and triumphs." The twenty mysteries are divided into four equal groups, known as "The Joyful," "The Sorrowful," "The Glorious," and "The Luminous Mysteries."

To learn more about what we do visit the Knights & Ladies website ([kofc12801.org](http://kofc12801.org)). Visit our donation site <https://kofc12801.square.site> to donate to our current charitable causes.



Join St. John's Respect Life Ministry  
Praying the Rosary at Various Locations

October is Respect Life & Rosary Month

Alternative:  
Join the Normal Rosary Inside Church

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM Before Mass

- October 2nd - St. Francis shrine
- October 9th - Divine Mercy Garden
- October 16th - Crucifixion shrine
- October 23rd - Sacred Heart shrine
- October 30th - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel shrine



# Pancake Breakfast



*Thank You So Much for all the support to our Fall Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale, St. John's Parish Community! A HUGE THANKS to all our Mary's Millennium Council #12801, Brother Knights and Ladies Auxiliary Sisters who volunteered to this worthwhile fundraising event. God bless you all!*







TLC Pregnancy Services provides free medical, spiritual, emotional and material support to many local women in unplanned pregnancy situations.



Your help will give them much needed hope and tangible help to start off this year in a new life direction for themselves and their young children.



### New Beginnings start with change Baby Bottle Campaign

Will you collect change to help moms & babies?

This Fall, we hope you'll join us in giving thanks for the abundance in our lives: the abundance of salvation, for family, friends and even the material things we have.

TLC Pregnancy Services offers free services to many local women and teens in unplanned pregnancy situations each month.

#### Your change will help provide free services for moms & babies in need, including:

- Pregnancy testing
- Ultrasounds
- Diapers, baby clothing and other 'must haves'
- Counsel and parenting classes

TLC also leads dozens of women to salvation in Jesus Christ through these services each year.

#### How do I Start?

Participating is easy! All you need to do is:

- Take a bottle home.
- Fill it with change.
- Return the bottle to the church.



Your church can make a big impact with small change!

It's easy:

1. Pick up a baby bottle
2. Fill it with change
3. Return it to St. John the Evangelist & help save lives!

The change you give will affect families now and for generations to come...

TLC Pregnancy Services offers support, hope and the gospel to local women in need who are experiencing unplanned pregnancies.

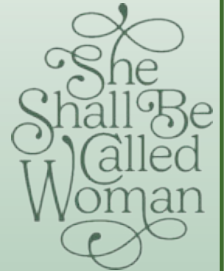
TLC Pregnancy Services 625 Dundas Ave. E., #128 847-422-1238

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## SEASON ONE MASTERPIECE of CREATION

To truly understand the way the Lord views femininity is to live as one who is fully alive. In a world that often speaks in clichés and labels, God desires to reveal who He is through a greater understanding of who we are. This season will not only unpack the wealth of celebration of what Saint John Paul II called "The Feminine Genius" but will also give real advice on how to combat the mental, emotional, and spiritual challenges we, as women, face every day.

- 10/5: Session 4 | Unveiling the Feminine Heart
- 10/12: Session 5 | Finding the Extraordinary in the Ordinary
- 10/19: Session 6 | Crown Jewel of Creation
- 11/16: Session 7 | Divine Design
- 11/30: Session 8 | Fight Like a Girl
- 12/7: Session 9 | The Paradise of God



### Saturday Mornings

St. John the Evangelist Parish Center

9:30 Breakfast

10:00 Presentation

10:30 Small Group

11:00 Dismissal

### Registration:

For more information, please call the parish office at (630) 837-6500 or email [she@mystjohns.org](mailto:she@mystjohns.org). Scan the QR code to register! This program is flexible and free for all women!



If you haven't experienced TMIY yet, your opportunity is here! The program started in September, but it is never too late to start. The men who have attended in the past have truly become a band of brothers and want to offer you the opportunity to join us each Saturday to begin your weekend in a positive way.

This year's program is entitled: "Apostles for a New Springtime," and the people at Paradisus Dei have put together a wonderful collection of renowned speakers that will share their thoughts on the role of men in society today.

We will once again be serving our fantastic breakfasts beginning at 7:00. Many delicious casseroles, baked treats, donuts, fresh fruits, and other special concoctions have adorned our tables. After breakfast, we watch a short video presentation, and then break out into small groups for discussion. As most attendees will attest, the discussion is the best part of the day, and a great way to start your weekend. We conclude each week by 8:30, so you can get on with your day.

The beauty of this program is that you do not need to have attended previous years, and while the program runs for 2 semesters, (Fall and Spring), of 13 weeks each, you do not need to make a commitment to attend every week. You come when you can and are welcomed back by all the men in attendance. There is no cost to participate and all men over the age of 18 are welcome to join us.

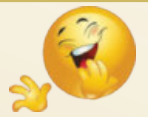
If you have any questions about these opportunities, or anything related to TMIY, please feel free to contact either Joe Quinlan at [jquinlan@mystjohns.org](mailto:jquinlan@mystjohns.org) or Adam Kanyuh at [tmiy@mystjohns.org](mailto:tmiy@mystjohns.org). God bless you and we hope to see you soon.



**Thank you to St. John's parishioners, Council members, family and friends who came out to participate in this very worthwhile cause. Special Thanks to Sir Knight Tom Witt for coordinating this event.**

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