



Saint Paul
the Apostle
SEPTEMBER 28, 2025



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad.” - Lk 16:25

Dear SPA Family,

It is not wrong to have wealth, possessions acquired in this world, which we have earned honestly. Jesus, using such images in his parables, does not so much criticize wealth, the possibility of possessing the goods of the world, but rather shows what happens to a person who disposes them badly. The awareness of possessions, the awareness of our wealth and independence from other people, can make us creatures focused only on having, and having more and more.



But all this is not everything. It can also make us 'non-human' who will not see anyone except ourselves and what we have. The other person will not be of greater value to us... unless he is perceived as an 'opportunity' to gain even more from him, earn some extra money, or possibly to show off... let them admire.

As you read these words, you will probably think to yourself: look what kind of imagination Fr. Chris has! Yes, it's true, but look at the world in which you and me, the people of the 21st century, live. It seems that we live in times of abundance and incredible opportunities. A world so colorful, almost perfect, because that's how it is portrayed by marketing and sales specialists. Ask yourself: what value do you have today as a human being, as a person? Do not view yourself through the prism of the education you have, the amount you have, or the achievements you have made in your life. But look at yourself through the prism of something more basic - the value that is the human person ...

Jesus, assuming the human form, enters this world very imperceptibly, as a poor person. Why? On one side, He wanted to show closeness to people, but on the other hand, He desired to emphasize the value of a human being as a person. To emphasize that in His eyes everyone is important and each has its own value. And going to the poor, He turns the eyes of the rich to the true wealth to the true value that every human being has - not a thing, but a human person.

A scene from two thousand years ago, the scene of Lazarus and a rich man, is so relevant for us today. Let's get off our 'comfortable couch of life', go to the streets of our towns, and we will see and understand what Jesus is talking about today, both to me and to you.

Reading this parable, I wonder what am I doing with what I have received from God? How do I manage it? To what extent what I have opens me to other people, and to what extent it closes me, making me blind to their needs.

Have a blessed week, Fr. Chris

To read Mary Penich's Something to Think About...
please visit our website, click "Media" on the homepage, then click "Mary's Reflection"

YOUR SUNDAY WORSHIP AID

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION



I am embarrassed to admit that I frequently find myself dining and socializing with people who have millions and sometimes billions of dollars. I've eaten more caviar, lobster and wagyu steak than most people on the planet. I justify it by saying it's part of my job. But I have seven pairs of nice jeans and expensive shoes.

So it is rather uncomfortable to hear Our Lord say: "My child, remember that you received what was good in your lifetime, while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented" (Luke 16:25). Fellow rich people (and if you're American, you're rich), do we not vehemently though quietly object to this parable's karmesque reward system? Why bless the rich man just to curse him later? And curse Lazarus just to bless him later? So Americans go to hell, while Burundians and Afghans go to heaven? What is going on?

One clue is that the condemned rich man doesn't complain of injustice. Rather, he simply begs to help his brothers to repent. Of what? We don't know exactly. Perhaps another clue is that the rich man now seems more like the downtrodden Lazarus. He knows what it is to be hungry and thirsty, to be wounded in the gutter; that he deserved that, not fancy meals and clothes. Maybe the rich man finally understands how to receive true blessings, but it is too late for him. But not for me. Not for us.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

MASS HYMNS

Opening Song: **Spirit & Song #309 Here I Am to Worship** by Tim Hughes

At Sunday 5:00pm: **Spirit & Song #166 Sing Hosanna** by Josh Blakesley

Gloria: **MASS OF RESTORATION** by Josh Blakesley and Grae McCullough

Responsorial Psalm: **Praise the Lord, My Soul** by Sarah Hart

Gospel Acclamation: **MASS OF THE DESERT** by Tom Booth

Preparation Song: **Who You Say I Am** by Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

At Sunday 5:00pm: **Remember Me** by Sarah Hart

Eucharistic Acclamations: **MASS OF RESTORATION** by Josh Blakesley and Grae McCullough

Communion Songs: **A Place at Your Table** by Ben Walther

At Sunday 5:00pm: **King of Kings** by Brooke Ligertwood, Scott Ligertwood, and Jason Ingram

Closing Song: **Go Into the World** by Tom Booth

At Sunday 5:00pm: **May Your Kingdom Come** by Steve Angrisano, Sarah Hart, and Curtis Stephan

READING I

AMOS 6:1A, 4-7

Thus says the LORD the God of hosts:
Woe to the complacent in Zion!
Lying upon beds of ivory,
stretched comfortably on their couches,
they eat lambs taken from the flock,
and calves from the stall!
Improvising to the music of the harp,
like David, they devise their own accompaniment.
They drink wine from bowls
and anoint themselves with the best oils;
yet they are not made ill by the collapse of Joseph!
Therefore, now they shall be the first to go into exile,
and their wanton revelry shall be done away with.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

READING II

1 TIMOTHY 6:11-16

But you, man of God, pursue righteousness,
devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.
Compete well for the faith.
Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called
when you made the noble confession in the presence
of many witnesses.
I charge you before God, who gives life to all things,
and before Christ Jesus,
who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for the
noble confession,
to keep the commandment without stain or reproach
until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ
that the blessed and only ruler
will make manifest at the proper time,
the King of kings and Lord of lords,
who alone has immortality, who dwells in
unapproachable light,
and whom no human being has seen or can see.
To him be honor and eternal power. Amen.

GOSPEL

LUKE 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

“There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments
and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day.
And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus,
covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill
of the scraps that fell from the rich man’s table.

Dogs even used to come and lick his sores.

When the poor man died,
he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham.
The rich man also died and was buried,
and from the netherworld, where he was in torment,
he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off
and Lazarus at his side.

And he cried out, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me.
Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool
my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.’
Abraham replied, ‘My child, remember that you received
what was good during your lifetime
while Lazarus likewise received what was bad;
but now he is comforted here, whereas you are
tormented.

Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is
established to prevent anyone from crossing who might
wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to
ours.’

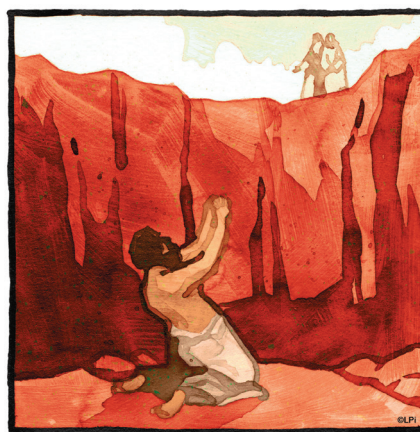
He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, send him to my father’s
house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them,
lest they too come to this place of torment.’

But Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the
prophets.

Let them listen to them.’

He said, ‘Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from
the dead goes to them, they will repent.’

Then Abraham said, ‘If they will not listen to Moses and
the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone
should rise from the dead.’”



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GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the Glory of God the Father.
Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 (458)/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24

WEEKDAY PSALMS

Monday: Psalm 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5
In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Tuesday: Psalm 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7
God is with us.

Wednesday: Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6
Let my tongue be silenced if I ever forget you!

Thursday: Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11
The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Friday: Psalm 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9
For the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.

Saturday: Psalm 69:33-35, 36-37
The Lord listens to the poor.

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday

Monday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Tuesday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Wednesday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: The Holy Guardian Angels

Saturday: St. Francis of Assisi

Next Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

5:00pm: Gerry & Chuck Suhling | John Carter Bennett | Gerena O. Monis | Martin Polit | Thomas J. Minich

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

7:30am: Victor Peccioli

9:30am: Marcella Rutell | Winston Casis | Howard Klemann | Craig Nielsen | Kinga Szymoniak

11:30am: Terry Burke

5:00pm: Isabel Ramos Gonzales

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

7:30am: Maribeth Hilo Nash

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

7:30am: Our Parish Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025

7:30am: Scott Kohler

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2025

7:30am: Marion Henderson | Ireen May P. Orian | Adorable Serrano

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2025

7:30am: Judy Russell

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025

5:00pm: Gerry & Chuck Suhling | Loida Buse Pehlps | Edward Skowron | Walter & Emily Macrowski | Frank & Vera Bena | John Carter Bennett | Gerena O. Monis | Nancy Martin

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025

7:30am: Kevin Reinhardt | Michael Kinahan

9:30am: Robert Chester Buttrey | Mark Ofenloch | Arleen Moriarty | Patrick Gibbons | Craig Nielsen

11:30am: Vera & Bill Bohdanowicz | Don & Joan Meersman | Bud & Bea Tebbetts

5:00pm: Jose Lao | Toni Redden

DONATIONS SUMMARY

Week of September 22, 2025

Sunday- \$11,593

Sharing- n/a

SVdP- \$1,117

Seminary Education- \$2,892

People of Gaza- \$471

Online Sunday- \$11,147

Online Sharing- \$307

Online SVdP- \$391

Month to Date - September

Sunday- \$52,711

Online Sunday- \$31,397

Sharing- \$140

Online Sharing- \$1,423

SVdP- \$1,598

Online SVdP- \$1,121

Seminary Education- \$2,945

People of Gaza- \$4,459



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emily Meyer	Brian Smolicek
Laura Hopkins	Roberto Movilla
Rosa LaBellarte	Shani Stahnke
Ruben Querubin	Abby Swygard
Rachel Ciullo	Rod Reyes
Patricia Freeman	Betty Falotico
Toni Lynn Mengarelli	Keith Kellogg
Shannon Bremmer	Lisa Mischke
Karen Swazas	Linda Smith
April Grandgeorge	David Zilligen
Alma De Torres	Eduardo Perez
Stephanie Rappe	Maria Domitila Zambrano de Polanco
Vicki Shafer	Rafael Gloria
Ruth Blood	Collen Wishall
Maria Delannoy	Silvia Pinedo
Tom Asma	Consuelo Vargas
Karla Arce	Juan Miguel Currea
Jeanne Sypien	Gloria de Cardenas
Glenn Garamoni	Helena Sznicer
Daniel Schmelz	George Lawrence
Russell Yanow	Michael Miller
Victoria Sofia	Cynthia D. Caudell
Luquez Mogollon	Daniel Pawlak III
Kinga Szymoniak	Glaflra Bunsen
Chris Lucy	Jackie Herrera-Giron
Donna O'Brien	Gino LaBellarte
Norilyn Querubin	Dianne Scirri
Rey Querubin	Pat Wilson
Obdulia Elizalde	Kimmy Cozart
Jovita Menes	Mark Wilson
Reginald Dulaca	Pat Gundrum
Melody Cook	

Please know that we pray for all of the sick at every Mass. However, if you would like your name or that of a sick loved one to be included in the list above, please email or call

Catherine in the Parish Office:
info@sapa.church or 847-918-0600



In loving memory of our recently deceased parishioners. May God's perpetual light shine upon them.

Bernice Middlestedt

Hector B. Brual, Jr.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

8:30AM BCBP MEETING
11:00AM RECONCILIATION
1:00PM WEDDING - LOMIBAO/PATEL
5:00PM MASS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

7:30AM MASS
9:00AM OCIA
9:00AM FF | SUN K-6
9:30AM MASS
11:30AM MASS
1:00PM ANIMAL BLESSING
1:00PM BAPTISM - GWALTNEY
1:30PM BAPTISM - JACHYM
4:00PM TEEN CHOIR REHEARSAL
5:00PM MASS
6:00PM LIFETEEN NIGHT: LIFENIGHT

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

7:30AM MASS
10:00AM CHOSEN SEASON 5

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

7:30AM MASS
8:00AM HOLY HOUR
5:00PM KID'S CHOIR REHEARSAL
6:30PM HANDBELL ENSEMBLE
6:30PM SPRED
7:00PM CURIOUS CATHOLIC - FR. DAVID MOWRY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025

7:30AM MASS
9:30AM BIBLE STUDY - AM
3:00PM GRIEF SUPPORT
6:30PM BIBLE STUDY - PM
7:00PM LIFETEEN CORE TEAM MTG
7:00PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2025

7:30AM MASS
8:00AM HOLY HOUR
6:00PM CHOSEN SEASON 5
7:00PM BAPTISM PREP CLASS
7:00PM K OF C OFFICERS MEETING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2025

7:30AM MASS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025

8:30AM BCBP MEETING
11:00AM RECONCILIATION
1:00PM WEDDING - STILSON
3:00PM WEDDING - LAYTON
5:00PM MASS
6:00PM YAM LAKE COUNTY JEOPARDY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025

7:30AM MASS
9:00AM OCIA
9:00AM FF | SUN K-6
9:30AM MASS
11:30AM MASS
1:00PM BAPTISM - RICE
3:30PM CF 1-2-HS & SCU2
4:00PM TEEN CHOIR REHEARSAL
5:00PM MASS
6:00PM LIFETEEN NIGHT: LIFENIGHT

OCTOBER 4/5 | LITURGY SCHEDULE

	USHERS	LECTORS	COMMUNION MINISTERS		GREETERS	PRESIDER
SATURDAY 5:00PM	A. Rusnak T. Rusnak G. Johnson K. Gaston L. Miller J. Miller	Lura Johnson Larry Kolaczowski	Balmes, Pam Boswell, Tia Gorajski, Karen Johnson, Greg	Kati, Warren Wicinski, Carol Wicinski, Ed	P. Balmes J. Wedell	Fr. Martin Dn. Bob
SUNDAY 7:30AM	J. Siegel T. Burns P. Mikols S. Bilas T. Shurtleff R. Dizon	Michael Beaudoin Bob O'Brien	Burns, Tim Calendo, Karen Holland, Lorraine Kurien, Elsa	Mumm, Dennis Nieman, Doug Pieper, Mary	M. Pieper P. Bland	Fr. Martin Dn. Ivan
SUNDAY 9:30AM	M. O'Keefe N. O'Keefe P. Mengarelli T. Mengarelli B. Kibitlewski D. Scheffler	Beth Penfold Claress Pettengill	Anderson, Carolyn Bautista, Jeff Beaudoin, Michael Gbur, Ron	Klemman, Mary Lou Moriarty, Patrick Pratscher, George	R. Pratcher G. Pratcher	Fr. Chris Dn. Mike
SUNDAY 11:30AM	P. Watson C. Haines R. Cuasay R. Terrazas S. Fragassi OPEN	Danny Castro Conchita Manalo	Denecke- Dattalo, Terry Fernandes, Melissa Hilo, Maribeth Hortelano,	Nichola Mozny, Tom Richardt, Annelise Stahl, Andrea	W. Manila S. Lechowiz	Fr. Chris Dn. Brent
SUNDAY 5:00PM	B. Marchioni JJ Plamoottill C. Johnson OPEN x 3	Christine Crow Teen or Lector I	Bertke, Cassie Crow, Christine Gayton, Marisol	Marino, Joe Plamoottill, JJ Robb, Tom Wattlett, Ana- Marie	T. Marlowe Open	Fr. Joe Dn. Andy

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

JOIN US FOR
REHEARSALS ON TUESDAYS
5:00PM - 6:00PM

Register today on our website!



FIREPLACE TALKS

FR. DAVID MOWRY

Priests! What Do
They Do?

TUESDAY - 7PM - 9.30.25

All adults are invited to Fireplace Talks this Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Gathering Space. Our speaker will be Fr. David Mowry who will speak about the life of Priests and what they do. Fr. Mowry is an Assistant Professor and the Waud Chair of Homiletics at Mundelein Seminary. Wine and snacks will be served.

GRIEF JOURNEY MINISTRY

"What we have once enjoyed deeply, we
can never lose. All that we love deeply
becomes a part of us."
-Helen Keller

You are invited to join with us as we
gather with others who have lost a loved
one. Here you will find support and
encouragement in abundance.

The next meeting is
October 1, 2025 at 3pm.
Sandy Gbur, Certified Grief Educator
sgbur@spa.church, 708-217-2209

All is confidential; facilitated by a professional counselor

BAPTISM PREP CLASS



The **Baptism Preparation Ministry** prepares parents for their children's baptisms by reflecting upon the Sacrament of Baptism, parents' and godparents' roles after children are baptized, and the family's place in our faith community. First-time parents are requested to attend before their child's baptism.

THE NEXT CLASS IS
OCTOBER 2, 2025
AT 7PM IN THE CHURCH.

REGISTER ON
OUR WEBSITE



The
CHOSEN
LAST SUPPER

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FAITH SHARING

will resume meetings on
Tuesday, October 7th,
in Room 32 of the church
from 2:00pm to 3:30pm.





BLESSING of ANIMALS

In celebration of the
Feast of Saint Francis
of Assisi, Deacon
Mike will bless pets
and animals of every
kind, Sunday,
September 28,
at 1:00 P.M.
on the west side of
the church.
Please join us as we
continue this
heartwarming
tradition.

Senior Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025

11:00AM-1:00PM

COME FOR FOOD, FELLOWSHIP AND FUN
FATHER PAUL WACHDORF
WILL BE OUR GUEST SPEAKER

RSVP TO MARY JO URQUHART

BY OCTOBER 12TH

MURQUHART@SPA.CHURCH

847-816-8677

FREE WILL DONATIONS
ACCEPTED AND
APPRECIATED

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From Wednesday, September 24th, through
Sunday, November 2nd, you're invited to join other
Christians for 40 Days for Life –
40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.
You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray
during a 40-day vigil, 7 AM to 7 PM daily
in the public right-of-way outside
Waukegan Planned Parenthood, 1601 N. Lewis Ave.,
Waukegan, Illinois, and also to help spread the
word about this important community outreach.
If you'd like more information – and especially if
you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact:
Leslie at (847)951-1064 or hazfam6@comcast.net.

Please see our website:

www.40daysforlife.com/waukegan



Got Junk? OOPs – We Meant Treasures?

SVdP Trailer Collection Event

Saturday – October 11
(9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) and
Sunday, October 12
(9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

Donation Collection

They say . . . One person's trash is another's treasure! Let us help you clean out those closets, basements and garages! AND help others in the process too!!!

St. Paul the Apostle's Society of St. Vincent de Paul ministry will be collecting your treasures that you wish to recycle. We will have a trailer parked in the west end of the church parking lot on the days above (or until the trailer is full.) Just pull your car up near the trailer and someone will assist you in unloading your donations and provide you with a receipt.

As always, your support is greatly appreciated!

All donations are tax-deductible. If you have any questions about this event, leave a message on our hotline at (847) 347-0832.

Items we accept:
Baby items, backpacks and purses, books, CDs, vinyl albums, DVDs, clothing, shoes, slippers, household items, lamps, draperies, lines, drapes, blankets, jewelry, accessories, kitchenware, knickknacks, office supplies, rugs, school supplies (new and used), small furniture, suitcases, tools, toys.

Items we do not accept:
Baby cribs, bassinets (over 1yo), car seats (over 2 yo), electronics and large appliances such as cameras, cell phones, computer/laptops, hard drives, keyboards/mouse, printers/scanners, speakers/stereo equipment, telecommunications equipment, TVs (tube or flat screen) or VCRs, bedroom furniture, ink/toner cartridges, mattresses/box springs, sleeper sofas/futons, networking equipment, pianos and organs.

Any large items can be dropped off at the thrift store located at 168 Peterson, Libertyville.

Circle of Women



We, the Circle of Women, are women rooted in faith, called to share our faith with one another. The group meets monthly on Saturday mornings, from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M. at St. Paul's lower level. **The next meeting is on October 11 th.**

Each month is a different topic, each session is separate so consistent attendance is not required. Come as you are, share with us, or just listen if that is what you need. Our cornerstones come from the word saint: safe, accepting, inclusive, nurturing and trust. Our space is sacred and what we share at Circle of Women stays at Circle of Women. All women are welcome—bring your friends!



KnightsCorner



St Paul the Apostle Parish, Knights of Columbus, Divine Mercy Council 11112 has received the distinction of Star Council for the 2nd year in a row, the international organization's top award for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, sponsorship of faith formation programs, service-oriented activities, and promotion of fraternal insurance benefits.

To achieve this award, Divine Mercy Council 11112 worked closely with St. Paul the Apostle Parish to promote Catholic values and support worthy organizations throughout our local community. The council supports several organizations, including SPRED and Warren Special Recreation Association (WSRA), through our three Tootsie Roll (ID) Drives for individuals with intellectual disabilities. For the past two years, we have supported six seminarians with their personal expenses through the Vocation Raffle program. Council brothers participate in the 40 Days for Life – Waukegan mission throughout the year to pray for the sanctity of life. For over 30 years, our council has sold Christmas trees and other decorations with our Cub Scout troop to "Keep Christ in Christmas" and support all our different programs. We welcome men 18 years or older to join our council. Can you imagine what more our council could achieve if we had another brother or two in our council? Please contact a member of our council or scan the QR code.

Additionally, for the month of September, our Council Tootsie Roll ID Website is available for donations. Use the QR code below. Please consider donating to the Intellectually Disabled Children!



Vivat Jesus, Steve Bilas
Grand Knight, Divine Mercy Council #11112



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS



IT'S TIME TO REGISTER! CLASSES BEGINNING SOON!

*Are you, or do you know someone,
interested in becoming Catholic?*

*Do you, or someone you know, desire to receive
any or all of the sacraments of initiation:
Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist?*

*Have you been away from the Church and feel
the need to be refreshed in the teachings and
practices of the Catholic Church?*

*Are you a fully participating cradle-Catholic who
might want to serve as a witness and mentor to
others who are on their journey of faith?*

**THEN OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation
for Adults) IS FOR YOU!**

Please register for St. Paul the Apostle OCIA program at
www.saintpaultheapostle.church.

Weekly classes will be held on Sunday mornings from 9-11:00am beginning
late September and run until April 4, 2026 when the sacraments will be
received at the Great Easter Vigil.

Contact Deacon Bob Birck with any questions at deaconbob@spa.church.

Wednesday BIBLE STUDY

We will be doing an 8 week
course on *MARY: A Biblical Walk
with the Blessed Mother*, filmed
on location in Nazareth with Dr.
Edward Sri. There is a Workbook
cost of \$25 payable at class.

**TWO IDENTICAL CLASSES START ON
WED, SEPT 10TH, 9:30 AM AND
6:30 PM AT THE PARISH HOUSE.**

Also, we will have 3 short classes on
WHAT is in the Catechism and HOW to
navigate it. Many people own one and
don't use it, and if you don't own one,
you'll want to after this introduction! It is
a powerful reference tool and will answer
all your questions about our faith. Don't
have time for Fr Mike Schmitt's
Catechism in a year? Come to these
3 weeks and get started on your own!

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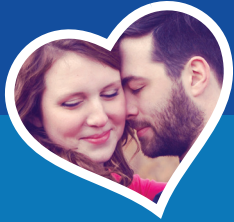


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