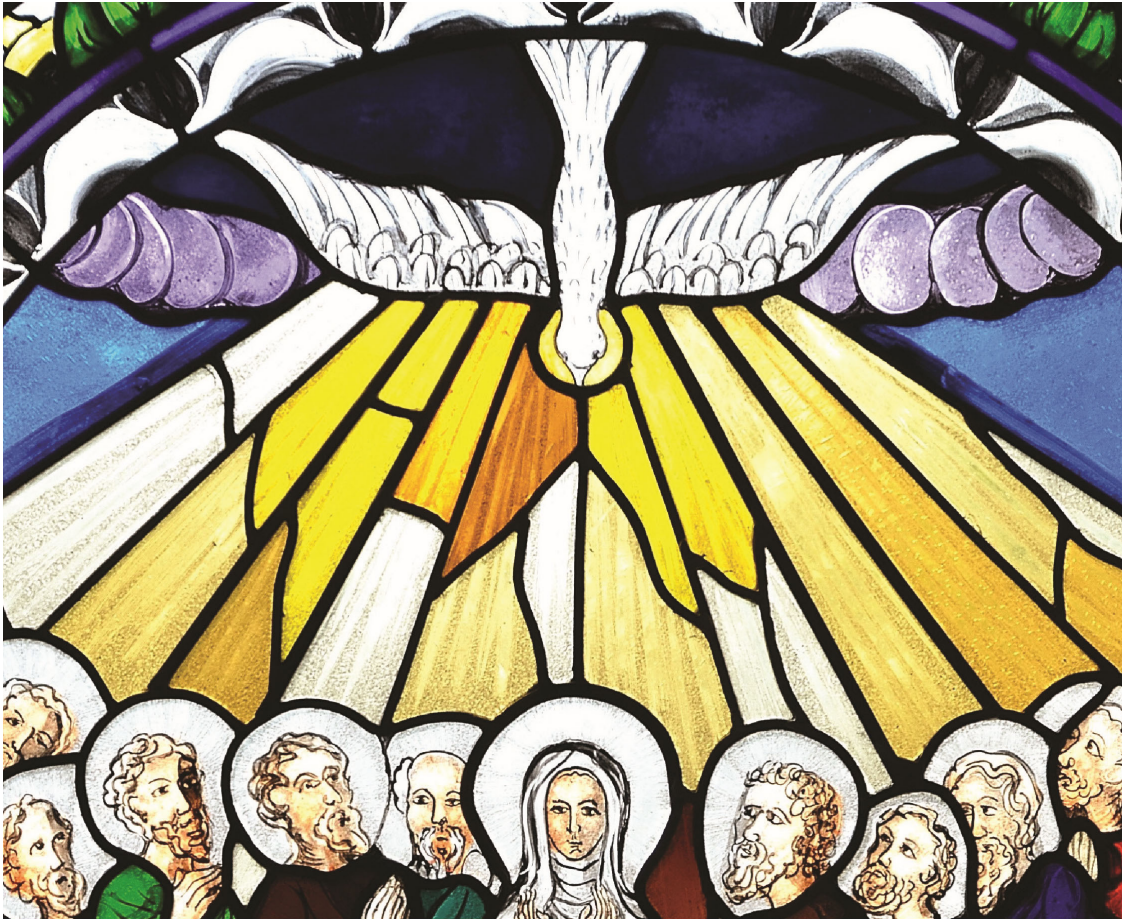


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JOHN 20:22-23

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JUNE 5, 2022

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:45a.m.	June 6—The Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of the Church Don Liss (20 th Anniversary)
Tuesday 8:45a.m.	June 7—Weekday Mary Gibbons (16 th Anniversary)
Wednesday 8:45a.m.	June 8—Weekday Joyce Maxse
Thursday 8:45a.m.	June 9—St Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church John Terkowitsch
Friday 8:45a.m.	June 10—Weekday Warren Warren
Saturday 5:00p.m.	June 11—St. Barnabas, Apostle Brothers & Sisters of DeRose Family/Int. Francis Frank/ Sam Militello
Sunday 8:30 a.m. 10:30a.m. 6:00 p.m.	June 12—The Most Holy Trinity Julio Jimenez, Sr./Cathy Sewell Ann & Mickey Sangiacomo Spanish Mass—People of St. Alexander Parish

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or Romans 8:8-17.

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) or John 14:15-16, 23b-26.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;
Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4:2-5, 7b-8;
Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2ab,
4, 5ab, 8, 11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Ps 65:10-13;
Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14;
Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 16:1b-2a,
5, 7-10; Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5;
Jn 16:12-15

FACILITIES SCHEDULE

Mon. 6/6:

Rental-YMCA	Hall/GYM	6:30am
CCW-Prayer Blankets	Gathering Space	6:30pm
RCIA	Fr. Tuan Room	6:30pm
Scout Troop #199	Hall/Gym	6:45pm

Tues. 6/7:

Rental-YMCA	Hall/GYM	6:30am
Rental-Lions Volleyball	Hall/Gym	5:30pm
Fishers of Men Prayer Group	Fr. Tuan Room	6:30pm
Music-Chancel Choir practice	Church	7:00pm

Wed. 6/8:

Rental-YMCA	Hall/GYM	6:30am
Rental-Lions Volleyball	Hall/Gym	5:30pm
Spanish Ministry-Choir Practice	Library	7:00pm
Music Ministry-Witness Choir	Church	7:00pm

Thurs. 6/9:

Rental-YMCA	Hall/GYM	6:30am
Rental-Men's Basketball	Hall/Gym	7:30pm

Fri. 6/10:

Rental-YMCA	Hall/Gym	6:30am
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Sat. 6/11:

CCW selling flowers for Dad's Day	Gathering Space	After Mass
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Sun. 6/12:

CCW selling flowers for Dad's Day	Gathering Space	After Masses
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Reconciliation

St. Alexander:

Tuesdays from 5:00—6:00pm
or by appointment 630-833-7730.

**In addition to Tuesdays, we now
have confessions on Saturdays from
4:00pm—4:45pm**

St. John the Apostle:

Mondays from 5:00—6:00pm
or by appointment 630-279-7404

Gospel Reflection



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GOD'S ONGOING WORK

In today's Gospel Luke, the author of Acts, links the "time of Pentecost" to the Jewish Feast of Weeks. This was a harvest festival, fifty days after Passover. The feast became a celebration of God's gift of the Torah, the law of Moses, remembering Exodus 19. Luke suggests that just as the Feast of Weeks was a culmination of Passover, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit was a culmination of the Resurrection. In both Passover and Easter, God's extraordinary saving action rescued God's people from oppression and death. Because of these actions, the stage was set for the gift of Torah, and similarly for Christians, the gift of the Spirit. The ongoing presence of the Spirit sustains us to face life's burdens gracefully. The Spirit also challenges us daily to mature in our capacity to love, and to take part in God's ongoing work to rescue all God's people.

WHAT GOD IS UP TO

The Christian community gathered in the Upper Room, awaiting the Holy Spirit, has long stirred the Christian imagination. In our own time, when the Church has a long history of Christian faith but now faces many challenges, we might return to this image. Like the first disciples, we often don't know what to do next. What used to work for us doesn't work as well. We need to stay together, honor diversity, reflect upon the roots of our faith, and remain rooted in prayer. Yet there is more. Pentecost has happened and is happening. The Spirit has already burst out into the world, already stirring among those who are confused about God. The Book of Acts tells the story of a Church continually pushed out by the Spirit, to join in what God was already up to, out in the world. We too are invited not only to remember our unity and our roots, but to pay acute attention to how the Spirit is working in our local communities.

VARIETY OF GIFTS

In today's second reading, Saint Paul wrote to the Church in Corinth, a community encountering tensions and divisions over spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that the Spirit shares a variety of gifts; none is better than any other, and all are needed by the whole Church. The Spirit is revealed in the diversity of gifts offered by individuals and by distinct groups. The Spirit desires that the Church live as an interdependent, cohesive whole, as the Body of Christ.

A parish can be a collegial partnership where parishioners, clergy, and ministry staff can confidently share God's gifts. Gifts from persons and groups of diverse backgrounds can be honored. Gifts that tend to be less visible, such as in finance, custodial work, or administration, can be celebrated as much as those in preaching and music. May we notice God's grace in this diversity

Today's Readings:

Acts 2:1-11;
Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or
Rom 8:8-17;
Jn 20:19-23 or
Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

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PARISH/DIOCESAN NEWS

Father's Day Collection for Infirm & Retired Priests

June 2022

Dear Friends,

Many of you know that Father Jim Lennon was called home on May 8 after a long and fruitful life. Father Lennon was so beloved that Joliet city officials in 2006 named the portion of Willow Avenue next to St. Patrick's Church – his final assignment before retirement in 2006 – "Father Jim Lennon Way."

Father Lennon also happened to write a popular article in June 2019 highlighting the annual Father's Day Collection for Infirm and Retired Priests. In honor of Father Lennon and the upcoming second collection taking place the weekend of June 19, we are reprinting his article below in its entirety. Well said, Father Lennon, and thank you.

Paz y bien,

Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks, Bishop of Joliet



How Can We Thank You?

By Father Jim Lennon

June 2019, *Christ is our Hope*



At the time of my ordination on June 7, 1958, little did I realize the love, support, care and friendship of so many Catholic parishioners in the parishes I have served throughout the Diocese of Joliet.

Now after 61 years of priesthood, I still love my ministry, and thank God that I am able to serve in the Joliet area. When I visit our young priests, I tell them how blessed they should be to touch the hearts and souls of so many of God's people. I continue to be convinced of the prayers of so many people for their priests, present and former parishioners, religious men and women, retired and infirm priests, parish shut-ins and (the list could go on), sustaining both active and those of us in the senior-priest category (far from retired).

Hopefully, all our priests remain committed to caring for the elderly and infirm, for one day we will likely be in the same position.

As a priest ages, like all of us, we too often need care and special attention. We have retired and senior priests living at St. John Vianney Villa in Naperville and Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home in Joliet. There are also senior priests living on their own. I might add that our St. John Vianney Villa is home to nine priests and is capably administered by the Oblates of the Sacred Heart. We are indeed blessed to have Sister Teresina and Sister Karen Marie making the villa home for our retired priests.

A significant number of our senior priests assist on a regular basis in parishes celebrating Masses, hearing confessions and filling in on a temporary basis. The assistance also enables priests serving in our parishes to take their vacations and occasionally get away for a little rest and relaxation. Father Dan Stempora, Father Marty Gabel, and Father Tony Taschetta are

out on ministry assignments almost daily, while others fill in as needed. Father Bill O'Shea lives in Chicago and assists at Old St. Patrick's Church and returns often to teach religion at All Saints Catholic Academy in Naperville. Father Charlie Wheeler lives at Ss. Mary & Joseph in Chebanese and is ministering on a daily basis in the Kankakee region. I am blessed to assist at several parishes in Joliet, as well as offering Mass at several retirement and nursing homes in the area.

However, to maintain a quality of life in our "golden" years is where we rely on your continued generous financial help. Your senior priests are well aware of the rising costs of medical care and the ordinary living expenses.

The Father's Day Collection taken up each June for the Fund for Diocesan Infirm and Elderly Priests is to meet the needs of our diocesan elderly, infirmed and retired priests. This year, that collection will take place at parishes throughout the diocese on Father's Day weekend, June 18-19.

Old age, senior status or whatever you want to call it, is a graced time to encounter God in new and wonderful ways. As we senior priests have more time for prayer, silence and stillness, you – our faithful and loving parishioners of the Diocese of Joliet – are remembered daily in our Masses and other prayers. As we have tried to be Good Shepherds to you over many years, we now appreciate your continued care and financial generosity as we draw closer to the promised reward for all those who have loved and served our God.

All of our senior priests express their deep appreciation and sincere gratitude for your love and tremendous generosity.

Faith Formation/Parish/Diocesan News

Director Faith Formation: Kathy Halloran—khalloran@x-town.com

Summer Blood Drive – July 19th 12:00-5:00 pm



American Red Cross



The Knights of Columbus, St. Joseph the Worker men's group, St. John the Apostle and St. Alexander parishes will be hosting a summer blood drive on **July 19th from 12:00pm—5:00pm @ St. John the Apostle**. We would like to thank those parishioners who have already signed up for our Blood Drive. Now is the time to sign up if you wish to donate. You can sign up online through the Knights of Columbus website and choose the best time that fits your schedule. Signup at:

<http://kofc8365.org/>

If you are unable to schedule an appointment, we will be glad to add you to schedule. Contact one of the people below if you need assistance.

Email contact information:

St. John the Apostle: Al Forester (foersteralvin@att.net)
St. Alexander: Joe Neilly (joe.neilly@gmail.com)

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(Seniors and Law Enforcement Together)

Seniors: Join the VP Police Dept. at their quarterly community meeting.

When: Wednesday, June 8, 2022

Where: Wildwood Community Center
320 East Wildwood Avenue, Villa Park

Time: 10:30 am—coffee and donuts
11:00 am—Presentation
Luncheon to follow presentation

Officer Bregman will be speaking about crime prevention, neighborhood watch and C.E.R.T.

Update Membership Information

Does our Church database have YOUR family membership record correct?

Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven't already done so).

It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

Have you changed your phone number? Have you disconnected your landline and only use a cell phone? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published?

If you have not already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct.

The Church Office number is 630-833-7730 or email: office@stalexanderparish.org.

Thank you for your help!



**'In old age they will still
bear fruit'** Psalms 92:15

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PARISH/DIOCESAN NEWS



FATHER'S DAY CARNATION SALE

The Council of Catholic Women will be selling carnations to be displayed on the altar steps on

Father's Day, June 19th,

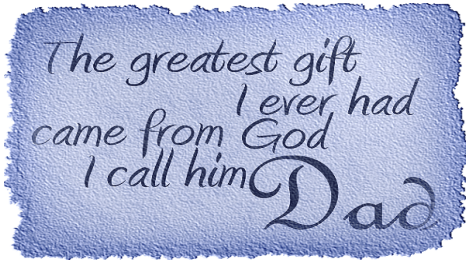
honoring our Fathers, living and deceased

Carnations will be sold in the Gathering Space

following all Masses on the

weekends of June 4/5, and June 11/12.

The cost of a carnation is \$2.00.



**A new session begins
Thursday, June 9 @ 8:00pm**

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Question? Reach out to the Eastern DuPage Marriage Ministry Team at: easterndupagemem@gmail.com

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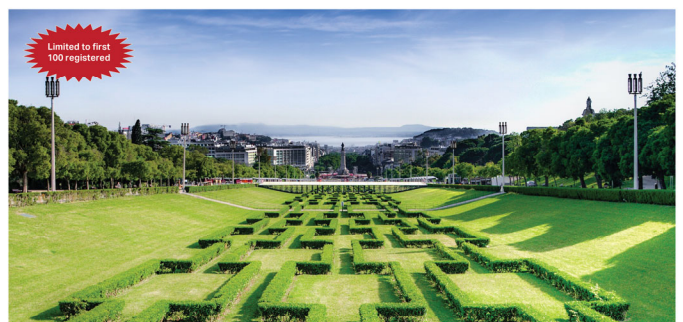
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PRAYER INTENTIONS



May/June 2022 Prayer for Vocations

Remember these religious men and women from the Diocese of Joliet in your daily prayers .

6. Sr. Colette Murawski, Sr. Maria Murphy PCC
7. Dcns. Robert Kaminski, Lawrence Kearney, James Kelly, Chang Kim, Paul Kolodziej
8. Seminarian Deacon Jeremy Leganski
9. Dcns. Paul Kelly, Darrell Kelsey, Patrick Kenny, Kevin Koster
10. Seminarian Peter Thuong Nguyen
11. Sr. Agnes Ortiz, Sr. Mary Regina Ouellette, Sr. Bernardine Siebenaler PCC
12. Mother Dorothy Urschalitz PCC

Rosebud Program

"Please pray for the following who have requested prayers of CCW's Rosebud Program."



CONGRATULATIONS!

Matthew & Ellis on the birth of their son John Creighton
 Jamie & Andy on the birth of their twins Patrick & Connor

Patrick & Anna due 9/22

Kristin & Tim due 10/22

Special Intentions for:

Tracey & Bob	Maria & Bobby	Carl & Terrie
Tony & Andrea	Amy & Sam	Amanda & Scott
Rose & Eleodoro	Mary Frances	Bob & Cyndy
Mary	Julie & Rus	Jason & Leah
Lisa & Jim		

Please call Michele if you have any questions or would like to add a name or update: 630.564.8423.



Sick

We pray for those who have recently been added to our prayer list for the sick. Names will remain in the bulletin list for 1 month.

**Mary Campagna, Tim Carroll,
 Michael Castino, Maureen Donovan,
 Blair Fetenhal, Joe Frank, Frank Gill,
 Joan Hayes, Joe Killigan, Judith Koller,
 Julie Guth, Charlie MacKinnon,
 Karen Mocarski, Ron Murray,
 Gene Niewoehner, Roy Robinson,
 Zanon Saldana, Edward Sopala,
 Betty Weir, Nicole Zabel,
 and for the People of Ukraine**

We continue to pray for all the names listed on our online prayer page for the sick. Please visit our website : www.stalexanderparish.org



*It is in Baptism that one is welcomed into a community of faith.
 As a parish community,
"WE WELCOME YOU."*

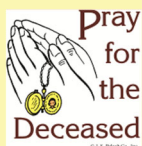
Franco Jared Sanchez Valladares, son of Olbin Sanchez and Sindy Lopez



Vocations Cross (3rd Sunday of the Month @ 10:30 Mass)

Recognizing the importance of praying for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life, the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) is asking one family a month to pick up the Vocations Cross at Mass and pray for an increase of vocations that month.

If you are interested, please contact Judy Emerson @ 630-620-1425 to sign up for the Vocations Cross.



Our Faithfully Departed

Saul Ayala, Martin Pianovski, Cheryl Corum, Fr. Daniel Hessling, Donald Staunton, Deacon Tom Nolan and for the people who died in the Texas school shooting

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection: 5/22/2022.....	\$7,995
Sunday Collection: 5/29/2022.....	\$5,422
Online Giving (WeShare) 5/17—5/31/2022	\$4,299
Weekly Goal.....	\$8,530
YTD Actual Sunday Coll	\$383,389
YTD Goal Sunday Coll—52 weeks.....	\$435,000
Major Maintenance 5/22/2022	\$202
Major Maintenance 5/29/2022.....	\$40
Major Maint. Online Giving 5/17—5/31/2022	\$75

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PLEDGE REPORT: May 29, 2022

Thank you to all those who have made pledges. Please continue to make your **2022 CMAA** pledge payments. **Once** we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Parish Goal:	\$46,300
Amount Pledged:	\$37,909
Amount Paid:	\$32,246
Remaining Balance:	\$5,663
Donor Count	197

PARISH REGISTRATION

Why register with St. Alexander Parish?

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3. Census numbers may determine how many priests are assigned to a parish and how many Masses and enrichment programs are planned and scheduled.

Welcome to St. Alexander!

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If you are not registered at St. Alexander's or are registered and need to make changes, please complete the form below and place it in the offertory basket or mail it to the Parish Office at 300 S. Cornell Avenue, Villa Park, IL 60181.

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Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Tuesday: 5:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m. (Eng/Span)
 Saturday 4:00 p.m. — 4:45p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism
Attendance at a pre-Baptismal class is required for both English and Spanish Baptisms. Pre-registration is necessary prior to class.
 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month @ 12:15 p.m.
Spanish Baptisms:
 3rd Sunday of the month @ 12:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Marriage
 Arrangements must be made **AT LEAST SIX (6)** months in advance before making other arrangements.

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Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 3:00pm-8:00pm
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