

# St. Alexander Catholic Church

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LO, THE DAY IS COMING,  
BLAZING LIKE AN OVEN,  
WHEN ALL THE PROUD  
AND ALL EVILDOERS  
WILL BE STUBBLE.

MALACHI 3:19

**THIRTY-THIRD  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

NOVEMBER 13, 2022

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## Mass Intentions

<b>Monday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 14—Weekday</b> People of St. Alexander Parish
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 15—St. Albert the Great, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</b> Ronald Kostro
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 16—St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin</b> Karen Jorn
<b>Thursday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 17—St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</b> Thomas & Anne Jones
<b>Friday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 18—The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter &amp; Paul, Apostles; USA: Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin.</b> People of St. Alexander
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00p.m.	<b>Nov. 19—Weekday</b> Robert Perez, Jr./Marian & Peter Kurasz, Sr./Clara Fiedler (1st Anniversary)/Nima Haag (1st Anniversary)/Pat & Bill Griesbaum/Dorothy Kadzielawski/Jerry & Yolanda Lullo/Bob Velasquez
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 a.m.  10:30a.m. 6:00 p.m.	<b>Nov. 20—Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Cece Meier/Carole Maltese/Urban Baker/Clare Stralko/Int. Mike & Jenny Gatz Ann & Mickey Sangiacomo Spanish Mass—People of St. Alexander Parish

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — There will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays (Malachi 3:19-20a).

**Psalm** — The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice (Psalm 98).

**Second Reading** — Paul speaks of his hard work among the Thessalonians (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12).

**Gospel** — Jesus foretells the destruction of Jerusalem, the persecution of his followers. But their perseverance will be their salvation (Luke 21:5-19).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday:** Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday:** Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday:** Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;  
Lk 19:41-44

**Friday:** Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103,  
111, 131;

Lk 19:45-48 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31;

Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

**Saturday:** Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;  
Lk 20:27-40

**Sunday:** 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20;  
Lk 23:35-43

## Facilities Schedule

### Mon. 11/14:

RCIA Fr. Tuan Room 6:00pm

### Tues. 11/15:

Music-Children's Choir Church 6:00pm

Fishers of Men Fr. Tuan Room 6:30pm

Music Ministry-Chancel Choir Church 7:00pm

### Wed. 11/16:

Bible Study—The Way, The Truth Fr. Tuan Rm/Library 9:30am

Faith Formation-Sacramental Catchup Library 6:00pm

Music Ministry—Joystirs Maguire Room 6:45pm

Music Ministry-Witness Choir Church 7:00pm

Bible Study-What we Believe Fr. Tuan Room 7:00pm

Music Ministry-Spanish Choir Library 7:00pm

### Thurs. 11/17:

Mittens for Mary Knitting Group Sister's Room 9:30am

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive Fr. Tuan Room 12:00pm-6:00pm

### Sun. 11/20:

Faith Formation classes Multiple Rooms 9:00am

Hospitality Gathering Space 8:00am-10:00am



## Reconciliation

### St. Alexander:

Tuesdays from 5:00—6:00pm

Saturdays from 4:00—4:45pm

or by appointment 630-833-7730.

**No confessions Tues., 11/15/2022.**

### St. John the Apostle:

Mondays from 5:00—6:00pm

or by appointment 630-279-7404

## Gospel Reflection

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### THE WORK OF DISCIPLESHIP

It is easy to go through life non-reflectively, living the routines of our days and weeks without giving much thought to the larger questions of meaning, purpose, and calling. We may know we need to change but put it off, thinking we'll love, serve, and care more in the future. We may face trial personally and be weary of trying to live as we know we should. We witness discord, violence, and division and it may feel that it is the end of the world. Today's readings urge us to put laziness, fear, or distraction aside and get about the work of discipleship with the assurance that the Lord will provide what we need as we do so.

### THE SUN OF JUSTICE WILL ARISE

It may seem as though Jesus is talking directly to us in today's Gospel. While it is always true that the Gospel speaks across time and space, today's message feels particularly appropriate as we near the end of another year that has been filled with pandemic, political division, international tension, and economic concerns. Christ reigns over all these things, and as Christians, we hold firm in the belief that we will as well. We must take the long view—the truly long view of eternity—as we meet the challenges of our time. The sun of justice will arise. All will be well.

### NOT A HAIR ON YOUR HEAD WILL BE DESTROYED. PERSEVERE.

The message of the Gospel is not abstract, nor are we distant hearers of its message. We face choices every day about how we will live, what we will or won't do, how seriously we will take Christ's call to live the truth of the gospel. At times, the choices we face seem inconsequential: will we sit on the sofa night after night, or choose to spend time with family or serve in our parish? Will we get up for Mass on Sunday morning ready to praise God and be part of our faith community, or drag ourselves there, grumbling every step of the way (or not go at all)? Choices such as these are of consequence of course, not only because each decision matters, but the patterns we establish in our lives are rooted in the cumulative weight of the choices we make. We may be called upon to make harder choices and must be prepared to do so. Jesus tells us to persevere. By doing so, we will secure our lives.

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Psalm 98:5–6, 7–8, 9  
2 Thessalonians 3:7–12  
Luke 21:5–19

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## Parish/Diocesan News

"Create  
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**clean heart,**  
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within me."  
Psalm 51:10

There will be no Reconciliation on **Tuesday, November 15, 2022** due to a meeting Fr. Rosenbaum will be attending.

We have confessions on Saturdays from 4:00pm—4:45pm and St. John's also has confessions on Mondays, from 5:00-6:00pm.



**We are inviting children ages 6 and up to come and sing!** There will be rehearsals on Tuesdays 6pm-7pm in the church starting on November 15th. These rehearsals will be in preparation for Christmas Eve Mass. If you are interested in joining, please contact Alexia Flores at [ialexiagarcia@gmail.com](mailto:ialexiagarcia@gmail.com)

**Do you love to sing? Do you play an instrument? Want to get involved at St. Alexander Parish?** St. Alexander has many wonderful choirs that you can join to sing or play an instrument in at the weekend Masses. If you are interested in joining us, we have several choirs that will meet your needs: Chancel, Joystirs, Witness, Resurrection or Coro Fe y Esperanza. Choirs are welcoming new members. For more information or to join, please contact Alexia Flores at [ialexiagarcia@gmail.com](mailto:ialexiagarcia@gmail.com).

Thank  
you 

Thank you to everyone who donated Christmas cards and stamps for the Prison Ministry.

It is very much appreciated.

God Bless You, Pat Ivanauski

## Seminarian Education Collection

**Please respond generously to our second collection for seminarian education**

This weekend, our parish is taking up a second collection for the ***I Will Give You Shepherds*** campaign. Your gifts will support the formation of seminarians preparing to serve as our parish priests.

The Diocese of Joliet currently has been blessed with 23 men discerning vocations to the priesthood through seminary formation. Gifts to the ***I Will Give You Shepherds*** campaign are being invested in a new endowed fund to ensure the diocese can balance the cost of seminarian education — \$50,000 a seminarian per year — with other ministries essential to the Church's mission.

Please show your gratitude for those who have answered the Lord's call and prayerfully reflect on how you can best help support their formation with a gift to the ***I Will Give You Shepherds*** campaign. You may place your completed second collection envelope in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office.

To learn more about this campaign or make a gift online, go to [jolietdioceseappeal.org](http://jolietdioceseappeal.org).



**You are all invited for hospitality and fellowship!!!** Parish Council will host hospitality 4 times a month at one of the Masses, unless there is something else going on..

### Here is the schedule:

- 1st Weekend: 6:00pm Spanish Mass
- 2nd Weekend: 5:00pm Mass
- 3rd Weekend: 8:30am Mass
- 4th Weekend: 10:30am Mass

# Faith Formation/Parish/Diocesan News

Director Faith Formation: Kathy Halloran—stasfaithform.dre@gmail.com

## St. Alexander Fishers of Men

Meets on Tuesdays 3 times a month  
in the St. Alexander Fr. Tuan Room @ 6:30pm

The men's group gathers for prayer, fellowship,  
various outings, and occasional guest speakers.  
If you are interested or want more information,  
contact Ron D'Amico 630 279 8022

## EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

There is an early bulletin deadline for the  
November 27, 2022 bulletin.

**Bulletin Date:** November 27  
**Articles Due Date:** Wed. 11/16/22 @ 9:00am

Please submit articles to:

[bulletin@stalexanderparish.org](mailto:bulletin@stalexanderparish.org)



## St. Alexander's Surviving Spouses

For those who have lost their  
husband or wife, please join us.

Join us for lunch  
Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm  
Tae Fu Restaurant  
312 E. St. Charles Road, Villa Park

RSVP by Nov. 12 to Carol Nash @ 630.834.8152



We hold our military personnel and their  
families in our prayers. To add a name to  
the Military Prayer List, please email:  
[bulletin@stalexanderparish.org](mailto:bulletin@stalexanderparish.org) or call  
the Parish Office @ 630-833-7730.

**Tony Amore** (son of Joe and Betty)  
**Dan Burgess** (grandson of Marilyn Hannon)  
**Terry Connelly** (son of Sue Connelly)  
**John Cooper** (nephew of Joyce Splan and Patrick Belling)  
**Tom Crilly** (son of Joseph & Kim Crilly)  
**Saverio D'Alessandro** (son of Sue & Tom D'Alessandro)  
**Dustin Hayes**, (grandson of Kevin & Mary O'Connor)  
**Eric Iftner** (brother of Megan Iftner)  
**Matthew and Steven Kuhl** (nephews of Phyllis Oliva)  
**Joshua Lapso** (grandson of Clara Fiedler)  
**Cameron Littleson** (son of Ann & Scott Littleson  
and son-in-law of Greg and Terry Maher)  
**Joseph McNulty** (nephew of Kathy McNulty)  
**John Mikita** (nephew of Frank Gill)  
**Adam Montana** (Son of Christine & Dennis Montana  
and big brother of Jeremy Montana)  
**Michael O'Hara** (son-in-law of Sue Connelly)  
**Alexander Reiland** (Great-Nephew of Ann Campbell)  
**Luke Russell** (son of Annmarie Baughman)  
**Trina Savageau** (niece of Don Oliva)  
**Luc Stanicek** (nephew of Mary Flynn)  
**Lauren E. Wallace** (daughter of Laurie & Kevin Wallace)  
**Jeremy Williams** (nephew of Maureen Schmidt)  
**Kimmy Zimmerman** (niece of Clara Fiedler)



## Food Pantry Donations

St. Alexander Parish recently received a very nice and complimentary thank you note from the Outreach House, formerly the Lombard/Villa Park Food Pantry, thanking us for the food contributions that the parish is making. Outreach House tracks the number of bags of groceries that we donate.

Outreach House is now located at 805 S. Main Street, Lombard, IL. It serves 180-200 families every week. We have 9 dedicated volunteers who take the parish food donations to Outreach House every week.

Food donations should be placed in the bin by the west entrance to the church. Please feel welcome to call **Bob Baker at 630-408-0728** if you have any questions. Thank you and God Bless you for your continued support of the ministry.

# Parish/Diocesan News



What better way to experience the spirit of Christmas and the joy of giving than with the **Giving Tree Ministry**. This year more than ever there is a great need in our community. The Giving Tree "Sign Up Genius" is now active. The Genius will be open from November 12th through November 20th. Check our website, [www.stalexanderparish.org](http://www.stalexanderparish.org), for the Sign Up Genius link.

The recommended donation is a \$50 family gift card and a \$25 gift card for an individual child. Please consider signing up for one or two! Remember our motto, "No tears at Christmas."

For more information, please contact Betty Martin @ 630-346-0177 or Barbara Colby @ 630-725-8425.

A state-wide effort to **Fast & Pray on Fridays** for our State of Illinois. This initiative was started by a group of Catholics from the Joliet Diocese in response to the reversal of *Roe v Wade*. Their goal is to reach every Catholic parish throughout the six dioceses in our state.

## FAST and PRAY for ILLINOIS



"But this kind is not cast out but by prayer and fasting." Mt 17:21

Heavenly Father, You have given us great hope by gifting us with the reversal of *Roe v. Wade*. Bless the State of ILLINOIS with good and holy leaders to guide and place us on the right path. We offer You our prayers and fasting in thanksgiving and for this intention.

**PRAY & FAST every Friday for the CONVERSION of ILLINOIS.**

(Clip out this prayer & keep as a reminder)

## Fall Blood Drive



American Red Cross



The Knights of Columbus, St. Joseph the Worker men's group, St. Alexander and St. John the Apostle parishes will sponsor another blood drive on November 17<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to 5:00 pm. This drive will be held at St. Alexander parish in the Father Tuan room. Our summer blood drive was a great success with 31 units donated. We hope to exceed that level in our fall drive. Please consider donating, the need has only increased since our last drive. You can sign up using the QR code or web page link below.



<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=StAlexanderVP>

## St. Alexander's Council of Catholic Women would like to send out a huge



to all those who baked and donated to our Bakery Table at our recent Craft Fair. There were enough baked goods to fill two tables with record breaking sales collected. In addition, we extend our gratitude to Elaine Jimenez for her delicious soup, Rhonda Kollman, for making the sloppy joes, and the Willowbrook Key Club for assisting in the Snack Shop. And we can't forget those who helped with the Tootsie Roll Raffle, the Faith Formation students who helped with cleanup and everyone else who assisted in some way. Our volunteers helped make the day enjoyable for all.

**We truly appreciate each and every one of you!**

# Prayer Intentions



## November 2022 Prayer for Vocations

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

14. Sr. Barbara Kwiatkowski OSF, Sr. Suzanne Lesniewski OSF, Sr. Leo Marie Luecke OSF
15. Fr. Reynaldo Treyes, Fr. Michal Twaruzek
16. Dcns. John Sebastian, John Shea, Daniel Simmet, Patrick Skelly, James Sossong, Anthony Spatafore
17. Sr. Jane Nienaber OSF, Sr. Teresa Noser OSF
18. Dcns. John Spiezio, Douglas Starasinich, Dennis F. Stolarz, Frederick Straub, Robert Sullivan
19. Sr. Rita Mandella OSF, Sr. Mary Lou Marchetti OSF, Sr. Joanne Marusa OSF
20. Fr. Julian von Duerbeck O.S.B., Fr. James Flint, O.S.B.

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

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## Eucharistic Adoration



The Adoration Chapel is open:  
**Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:00pm—8:00pm.**  
*The Chapel is located in the Kennedy Center building*



## 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.

**Rita Angelopoulos, Bob Brunton, Michael Castino, Dcn. Lou Cason, Phil Coleman, Sister Julia Davies, Elivra Deporte, Maureen Donovan, Barb & Matt Doyle, Timothy Erlenbaugh, Blair Fetenhal, Dennis Finegan, Joe Frank, Gary Froenewold, Frank Gill, Julie Guth, Joan Hayes, Sarah Hoff, Sue Jansen, Lynn Jones, Joe Killgallon, Colleen Lane, Dr. Eugene McArdle, Ted McAvaney, Sue Mecklenburg, Peter Maney, Hannah Medow, Karen Mocarski, Georgene Oplawski, Don Phelan, Jim Rohrich, Barb Soundheim, Rita Spearman, Ruben Stortzum, Susan Strickland, Jude Suffin, Bob Valasquez, and Kevin Wallace**

We continue to pray for all the names listed on our online prayer page for the sick. Please visit our website : [www.stalexanderparish.org](http://www.stalexanderparish.org)

## Rosebud Program

*“Please pray for the following who have requested prayers of CCW’s Rosebud Program.”*



### CONGRATULATIONS!

Laura and Josh on the birth of their daughter, Rosalie Nancy.  
Paul and Alexa on the birth of their daughter, Maria Louisa.

George & Patricia due 12/2022      Kristen & Taylor due 3/2023

### 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	Cin	

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



## 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

**Nicole Zabel, Josephine (Saporito) Santisi, Greg Pasieka, Carl Cesarone**

# Stewardship

Sunday Collection: 11/6/2022.....	\$11,506
Online Giving (WeShare) 11/1–11/8/2022	\$3,832
Weekly Goal.....	\$9,000
YTD Actual Sunday Coll .....	\$157,557
YTD Goal Sunday Coll—52 weeks.....	\$459,000
Major Maintenance 11/6/2022.....	\$250
Major Maint. Online Giving 11/1–11/8/2022	\$80

**October 2022 Weekly Envelope Giving:**  
**\$24,851**

### October 2022 Online Contributions

Sunday Collections .....	\$11,425
Major Maintenance .....	\$220
Miscellaneous .....	\$590

*(Adoration Chapel,  
Faith Formation Tuition Assistance,  
St. Vincent de Paul, World Mission Sunday)*

**Thank you for your support  
of St. Alexander Parish!**

# Parish Registration

## Why register with St. Alexander Parish?

**Faith is a Journey, not a Destination.** Registering with the parish is a commitment to your Faith Journey and St. Alexander’s would like to walk with you.

### Benefits to registering as a Parishioner:

1. Registration helps you stay connected with the parish, builds community and helps the parish stay connected with you.
2. Other parishes (*including St. Alexander*) often request verification of a person’s status as a practicing Catholic, attendance at Mass, sacraments, etc., when that person has been asked to be a **Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor**. Without registration, no such verification can be made.
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!

We are blessed to have you with us today—and every weekend! Our liturgies are enhanced by your presence and participation. We hope that you find the experience here at St. Alexander’s to include a warm and inspiring celebration of the Eucharist and the faith that we profess.

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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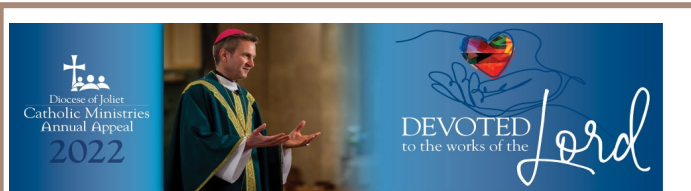
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[ ] New Parishioner                      [ ] New Address

[ ] New Phone Number



## PLEDGE REPORT: Nov. 6, 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.

<b>Parish Goal:</b>	<b>\$46,300</b>
<b>Amount Pledged:</b>	<b>\$45,249</b>
<b>Amount Paid:</b>	<b>\$42,113</b>
<b>Remaining Balance:</b>	<b>\$3,136</b>
<b>Donor Count</b>	<b>215</b>




**Parish Center:** 630.833.7730  
**Fax Number:** 630.833.3127  
**Office Hours:**  
 Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 12:00 Noon  
 1:00 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.  
 Friday 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.  
**Church Website:** www.stalexanderparish.org  
**Parish e-mail:** office@stalexanderparish.org  
**Bulletin e-mail:** bulletin@stalexanderparish.org  
**Mass Schedule:**  
 Monday - Friday: 8:45 a.m.  
 Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
 6:00 p.m. (*Spanish Mass*)

**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.*  
 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month @ 12:15 p.m.  
**Spanish Baptisms:**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**Eucharistic Adoration Chapel**  
**Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 3:00pm-8:00pm**  
**Pastor:** Reverend Mark Rosenbaum  
**Mass Assistants:**  
 Rev. Brian Henden/Rev. Nhan Van Tran SVD/  
 Rev. David Medow/Rev. Johnus Cherunilath  
**Permanent Deacons:**  
 John Boyle, Emeritus/Christopher Cochran/  
 Julio Jimenez/James Krueger/Mark Ranieri, Jr./  
 Matthew Tretina  
**Music Coordinator:** Alexia Garcia  
**Office Administrator:** Sue D'Alessandro  
**Parish Registrar:** Rita Matthews  
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