

# St. Alexander Catholic Church

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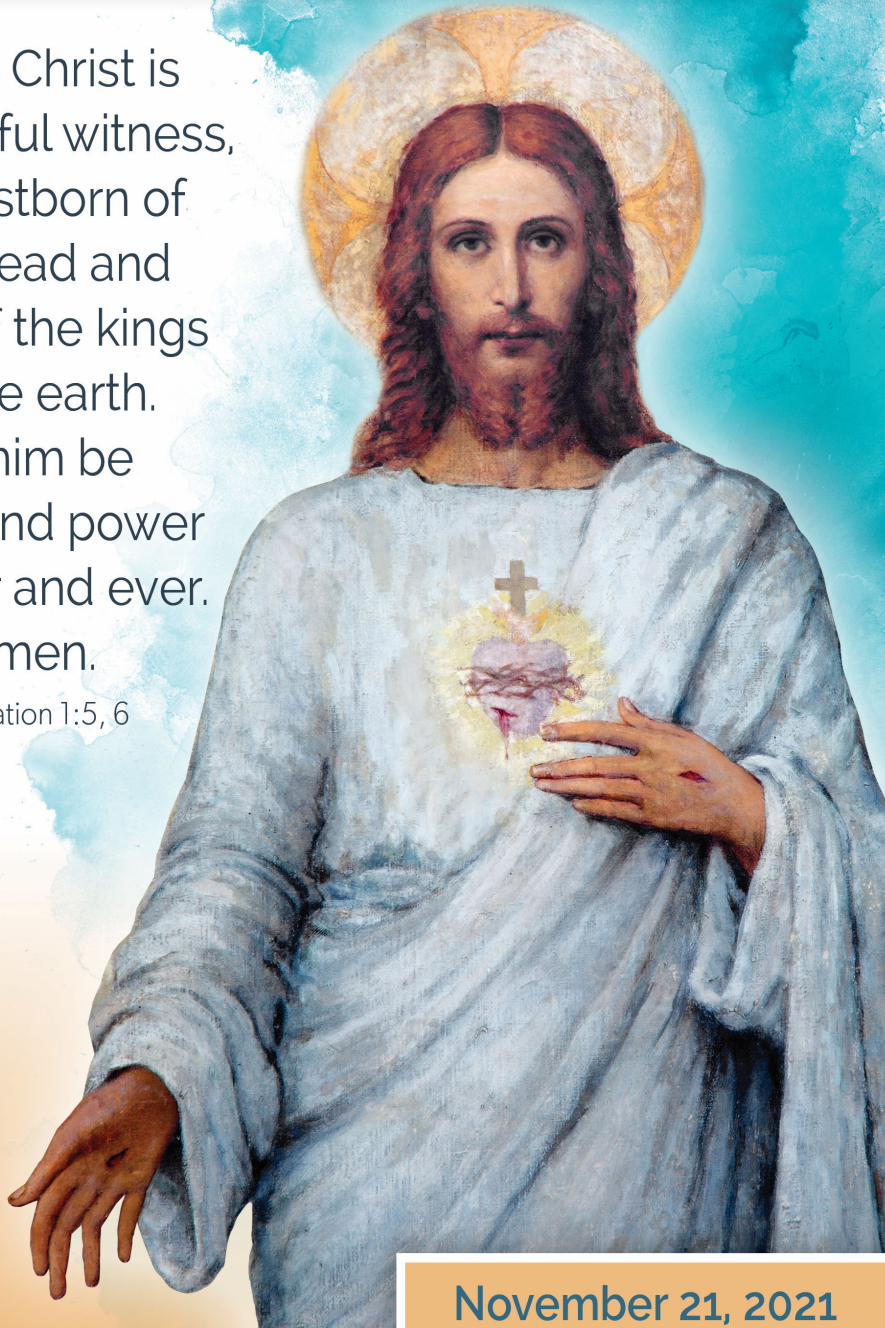
## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Jesus Christ is  
the faithful witness,  
the firstborn of  
the dead and  
ruler of the kings  
of the earth.

To him be  
glory and power  
forever and ever.

Amen.

Revelation 1:5, 6



November 21, 2021

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Thanksgiving Day Mass will be held at St. John the Apostle @ 9:00am on November 25, 2021. There will be no Thanksgiving Day Mass held at St. Alexander.

The Parish Office will be closed November 25/26 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 22—St Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr</b> Ella & Roy Jonsen
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 23—St Clement 1, Pope and Martyr: St Columban Abbot, Usa, Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr</b> Felipe Palomo
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 24—St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs</b> Deceased Members of Clark & DiPrima Families
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00am	<b>Nov. 25—Thanksgiving Day/St Catherine of Alexandra, Virgin and Martyr</b> <i>Mass @ St. John's/Braun &amp; Liss Families, In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered</i>
<b>Friday</b> 8:45a.m.	<b>Nov. 26—Weekday</b> In Thanksgiving for Special Friend Made
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00p.m.	<b>Nov. 27—Weekday</b> John Haag, Barbara Esposito, Brothers & Sisters of the De Rose Family, Tom & Anne Jones & Chuck & Helen Maney, Eleanor Burton
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 a.m. 10:30a.m. 6:00 p.m.	<b>Nov. 28—First Sunday of Advent</b> Jim Cozzi, Marian & Peter Kurasz, Sr Ann & Mickey Sangiacomo, Virginia Miller Spanish Mass—Virginia Jimenez

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Mon. 11/22:

Rental—YMCA	Hall/Gym	6:30am
Rental-ICCP basketball practice	Hall/Gym	3:15pm
Scout Troop #199	Hall/Gym	6:45pm
RCIA	Fr. Tuan Room	7:00pm

### Tues. 11/23:

Rental—YMCA	Hall/Gym	6:30am
Rental-ICCP basketball practice	Hall/Gym	3:15pm
Spanish Ministry-Marian Hour	Barrett Room	6:30pm
Spanish Ministry-Family & Marriage Enrich.	Fr. Tuan Room	6:30pm
Fishers of Men	Gathering Space	7:00pm
Music-Chancel Choir practice	Maguire Room	7:00pm

### Wed. 11/24:

Rental—YMCA	Hall/Gym	6:30pm
Rental-ICCP basketball practice	Hall/Gym	3:15pm
Music-Witness Choir	Library	6:00pm
Rental-Men's Volleyball	Hall/Gym	7:00pm
Spanish Choir practice	Church	7:00pm

**Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday November 25 thru November 28th.**

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).

**Psalm** — The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).

**Second Reading** — Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).

**Gospel** — For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday:** Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday:** Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday:** Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28

**Thanksgiving Day,** Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

**Friday:** Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

**Saturday:** Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36

**Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



## Reconciliation

### St. Alexander:

Tuesdays from 5:00—6:00pm  
or by appointment

### St. John the Apostle:

Mondays from 5:00—6:00pm  
or by appointment

## Gospel Reflection



Jesus Christ is the faithful witness,  
the firstborn of the dead and  
ruler of the kings of the earth.  
To him be glory and power  
forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 1:5, 6

### A KING LIKE NO OTHER

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. It is likely that when we think of a king, the image that comes to mind is of pomp, ceremony, and civic authority. Jesus is a king like no other. He is not bound by the constraints of time or place. His authority is everlasting. He is the one “who is and who was and who is to come.” Jesus does not rule as earthly kings govern. Jesus reigns in humble obedience to the will of God the Father and calls us to do the same. It is by following the truth of Christ’s command and listening to his voice of love that we are made into a kingdom, serving the One whose dominion is everlasting.

### BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST

In the waters of Baptism, we were drawn into Christ, who is priest, prophet, and king and called to be “alter Christus,” “other Christs.” Christ who is priest sanctifies the everyday stuff of life, building a bridge between God and humanity. Christ who is prophet proclaims God’s love and mercy in a world that desperately needs it. Christ who is king rules the universe in loving, sacrificial service. We who are baptized into Christ are called to bring God’s love into our hearts, homes, places of work, and the wider world. We are called to show and share God’s love to others, especially those who most need the care, compassion, and forgiveness that is at the heart of Christ’s eternal message. We are called to give of ourselves beyond what might seem reasonable, in imitation of our Lord and king who gave himself on the cross and who reigns forever.

### CALLED TO LISTEN AND SERVE

Jesus said to Pilate, “Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.” Jesus spoke to the disciples and his voice reaches through the ages in the words of sacred scripture and the tradition of the Church. In prayer, participation in the liturgy, and learning from the saints and the teachings of the Church, we grow in belonging to the truth of Christ’s love. We hear and follow Jesus’ command to wash others’ feet, to love as he loves, to serve as he serves. And while it is certainly our duty to do so, there is more to our service than merely fulfilling the instructions of another. We fulfill Christ’s command as a grateful response to the incredible love of God for us. How will you listen to and serve the Lord? How will you make Jesus the king of your heart and life?

### TODAY’S READINGS

Daniel 7:13–14  
Psalm 93:1, 1–2, 5  
Revelation 1:5–8  
John 18:33b–37

**Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe**

November 21, 2021

# PARISH NEWS



## The Choirs are coming back!

The choirs are now starting to practice again and all former and new members welcome! Contact Alexia Garcia, Music Director, if you have any questions or interested in joining the music ministry.

**ialexiagarcia@gmail.com**

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Have any questions? Contact CCW by e-mail: [lajccw@gmail.com](mailto:lajccw@gmail.com)



### *A Message from Father Rosenbaum.....*

Dear family in Christ,

I just wanted to offer a quick thanks to God for all that we do for our parishes. Seeing more people come back to our Masses continues to embolden my faith and encourages me in my offering as well. I thank all who have stepped up to roles of service. May the Lord continue to send His graces upon us and keep our hearts grounded in thanksgiving for His Eternal love for us. Continue to encourage those who have been away from the Mass, to come back to this offering as a family. I am thankful that no one in our parishes has gotten COVID from coming to our Masses. May God bless you and your families at this Thanksgiving time. Amen.

With prayers and blessings,  
Fr. Rosenbaum

Querida familia en Cristo,

Solo quería agradecer rápidamente a Dios por todo lo que hacemos por nuestras parroquias. Ver a más personas regresar a nuestras misas sigue envalentonando mi fe y también me anima en mi ofrenda. Agradezco a todos los que han asumido funciones de servicio. Que el Señor continúe enviando sus gracias sobre nosotros y mantenga nuestros corazones basados en la acción de gracias por su amor eterno por nosotros. Continúe animando a aquellos que han estado fuera de la Misa a que regresen a esta ofrenda en familia. Estoy agradecido de que nadie en nuestras parroquias se haya infectado de COVID por asistir a nuestras misas. Que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus familias en este tiempo de Acción de Gracias. Amén.

Con oraciones y bendiciones,  
P. Rosenbaum

# Faith Formation News and Parish/Diocesan News

Director Faith Formation: Kathy Halloran—[khalloran@x-town.com](mailto:khalloran@x-town.com)



## COAT DRIVE

We are still collecting coats for the Coat Drive until November 28 that will help Our Lady of Angels Mission. We are in need of sizes for men, women and children. We will take gently used coats as well as monetary donations.




Coats can be dropped off in the Gathering Space. Thank you!

For Men and Women

# BE FORMED

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"I attended Catholic elementary and high school plus 12 years of Bible Study and cannot get over how much I am learning about the meaning of the parts of the Mass! Now when I attend Mass I am aware of the significance of the words and gestures."  
 -Kathy H.




"I have such a greater appreciation and reverence for the Church and for Mass. Participating at Mass has so much more meaning now."  
 - Jim J.

For more information visit: [www.dioceseofjoliet.org/beformed](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/beformed)

Register by December 12th!

**Groups are now forming!**

Sponsored by the Diocese of Joliet  
Office of Adult Formation


## St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Baskets

Thanksgiving is right around the corner! **St. Vincent De Paul** will again be providing a Thanksgiving turkey and groceries to those in need. We will **NOT** be collecting groceries or turkeys as we have done in the past. Instead, we are purchasing complete Dinner Baskets from the Illinois Food Bank thru Catholic Charities. You will find an envelope for St. Vincent de Paul in November's envelope packet. You can also donate **ONLINE** at:

[www.stalexanderparish.churchgiving.com](http://www.stalexanderparish.churchgiving.com)

These donations will help us purchase these Baskets, and continue our work thru the end of the year. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is excited to announce that **IN-PERSON** experiences will be held locally in Chicagoland on the following 2022 weekends: February 11-13, April 9-10, August 12-14! Early registration is suggested due to limited space. For more information or to apply, go to <https://wwme-chicagoland.org>, or call 630-577-0778.

## EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin Date	Article Due:
December 19	December 8
December 26	December 14
January 2, 2022	December 21

Please submit your articles to:  
[bulletin@stalexanderparish.org](mailto:bulletin@stalexanderparish.org).

Attach a Word File to your email and include a contact name and phone number on each article indicating the date(s) you would like the article to run.

*Thank you!*

# PARISH/DIOCESAN NEWS

## Our Flock is not Lost It is Time to Call them Back by Name

During our masses **November 20/21**, we will hold a special prayer event in which all 16 parishes of the Eastern DuPage Deanery will pray for the return of our parishioners. Please think of those who you miss seeing at mass. We will write the first names of all our missed parishioners and pray that they find their way back to church.



The Giving Tree “Sign Up Genius” will be closing soon. Thank you to all those who have already signed up. If you have not signed up yet, here is your opportunity. Please consider signing up for one or two! You will be making a family and child’s Christmas much brighter. The Genius will be open from **November 13th through November 21st**. Here is the link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080f44a4ae2fa1f85-giving1> or go to our website.

The recommended donation is a \$50 family gift card and a \$25 gift card for an individual child. **Return gift cards in envelopes with names on the front the weekends of Nov. 27/28 and Dec. 4/5 to the drop box in the Gathering Space.**

For more information, please contact Betty Martin @ 630-346-0177 or Barbara Colby @ 630-725-8426.

CCW of St. Alexander Invites all women of our Parish to join us for:

## Ornament Therapy



Thursday, December 16, 2021

Time: 7:00 pm

Cost: \$6.00 per person

Registration and prepayment are required.

Bring your holiday cheer and your reading glasses as we will be making not 1, not 2, but 3 different ornaments!



Count me in for the Ornament Therapy Event! \$6 per person.

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Cash and checks will be accepted. If paying by check, make it payable to CCW St. Alexander. We will be collecting after masses on the weekends of December 4/5 and 11/12 in the Gathering Space or drop off during the week in the Blue Drop box marked CCW located on counter in Gathering Space.

# PRAYER INTENTIONS



## November 2021 Prayer for Vocations

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

- 22. Fr. Wolf VK Werling, Fr .Charles Wheeler
- 23. Dcns. Edward Szymanski, Jesus Tagle, Timothy Taylor, Terrence Taylor, Dennis F. Theriault, Thomas Thiltgen
- 24. Seminarian Luis Ron
- 25. Sr. Margaret McGuckin OSF, Sr. Patricia Mitchell OSF, Sr. Mary Jean Morris OSF
- 26. Fr. Anthony Jacob O.S.B., Fr. Jude Randall O.S.B.
- 27. Sr. Elaine Murphy OSF, Sr. Jo Anne Murphy OSF, Sr. Roberta Naegele OSF
- 28. Fr. Philip Timko O.S.B., Fr. David Turner O.S.B, Fr. Kenneth Zigmond O.S.B.

## Rosebud Program

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



### CONGRATULATIONS!

- Alexia & Jorge on the birth of their son Camilo.
- Ben and Collette on the birth of their daughter Eleanor Jane.
- Anthony & Beth on the birth of their daughter Iris Aveline.
- Susan on the birth of her sons Levi William & Lincoln James.

- Tricia & Cameron due in 10/21.      Lindsay & Dan due in 12/21.
- Kelly & Jeremy due in 11/21.      Lily & Tim due in 12/21.

### Special Intentions for:

- |                 |               |                |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Tracey & Bob    | Lisa & Jim    | Carl & Terrie  |
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| Tony & Andrea   | Amy & Sam     | Bob & Cyndy    |
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| Mary            | Julie & Rus   | Kristin        |

**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.

- Emily Bertucci, Nu Bui, Emil Ciardullo, Bob Connell, Garcey DiBella, Walter Dittmer, Barb Doyle, Matt Doyle, Prinda Fabis, Clara Fiedler, Joe Frank, Joy and Gene Gassensmith, Frank Gill, Marge Green, Joan Gnad-Hayes, Judy (McArdle) Heikes, Maria Hernandez, Pat Ivanauski, Nick Jones, Joe Kilgallon, Diane Knudtson, Armon McArdle, Chrissy Kulinski, Peter Maney, Ray Orsolini, Meadow Paulsen, Hailey Wilson Peyer, Jerry Riley, Jon Riley, Roy Robinson, James Rohrich, Andres Villeras Santana, Gary Spearman, Gerry Spearman, Karen Soukup, Allan Sterwalt, Clare Stralko, Linda Toaddy, Judy Travnicek, and all those sick from COVID**

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)



## Pope Francis proclaims “Year of St Joseph” from Dec. 8, 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021

### Prayer to Saint Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church

O GLORIOUS St. Joseph, you were chosen by God to be the reputed father of Jesus, the most pure Spouse of Mary, ever Virgin, and Head of the Holy Family. You have been chosen by Christ's Vicar as the heavenly Patron and Protector of the Church founded by Christ. Therefore, with the greatest confidence I implore your powerful assistance for the whole Church Militant. Protect, in a special manner, with true fatherly love, the Sovereign Pontiff and all the bishops and priests in communion with the See of Peter. Be the protector of all who labor for souls amid the trials and tribulations of this life; and grant that all the nations of the earth may submit with docility to that Church out of which there is no salvation. Dearest St. Joseph, accept the offering I now make of myself to you. I dedicated myself to your service, that you may ever be my Father, my Protector and my Guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me great purity of heart and a fervent love for the interior life.

Grant that, after your example, all my action may be directed to the greater glory of God, in union with the divine Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and your own paternal heart. Finally, pray for me that I may share in the peace and joy of your holy death. Amen.



## Our Faithfully Departed

**Jenny Nazarek, Maria Perez Hernandez and Eleanor Burton and for those who died from COVID-19.**

# STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection: 11/14/2021.....	\$5,304
Online Giving (WeShare) 11/9/21—11/15/21	\$2,537
Weekly Goal.....	\$8,530
YTD Actual Sunday Coll .....	\$176,260
YTD Goal Sunday Coll—51 weeks.....	\$435,000
Major Maintenance 11/14/2021.....	\$361
Online Giving (WeShare) 11/9/21—11/15/21	\$20

*Thank you for your continued financial support of St. Alexander!*

# 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.



**PLEDGE REPORT: Nov. 14, 2021**

Please continue to make your 2021 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:	\$42,100
Amount Pledged:	\$47,060
Amount Paid:	\$45,568
Remaining Balance:	\$492
Donor Count	226
Rebate	\$3,128

*Thank you for your continued support.*

## 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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**Parish Center:** 630.833.7730  
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**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.  
 (English and Spanish)

**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 @ 1:00 p.m.  
**Spanish Baptisms:**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month @ 1:00 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. David Dillon/Rev. Nhan Van Tran SVD/  
 Rev. David Medow/Rev. Tan Nguyen SVD/  
 Rev. Danny Soriano/Rev. Johnus  
**Permanent Deacons:**  
 John Boyle, Emeritus/Christopher Cochran/Julio Jimenez  
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