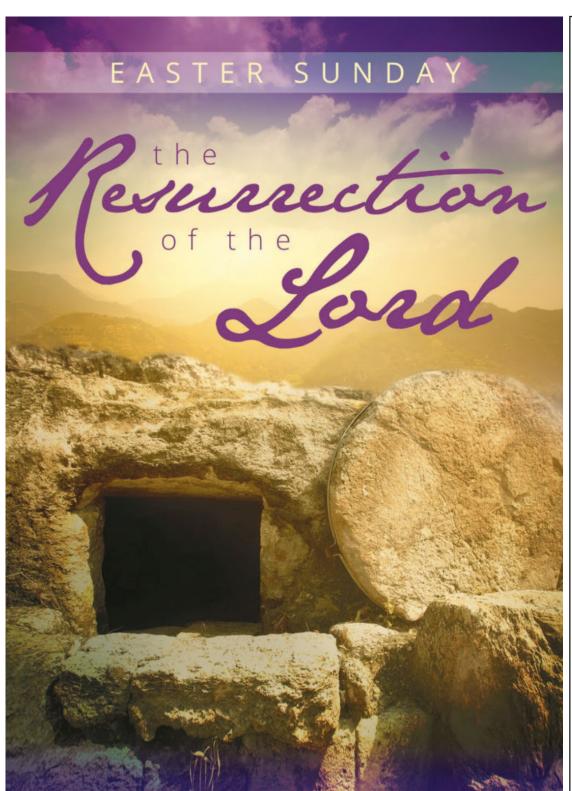
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Mass Intentions

Monday April 1—Monday within the Easter Octave

8:45am Int. Diane Wenck

Tuesday April 2—Tuesday within the Easter Octave

8:45am Deacon John & Mary Gibbons

Wednesday April 3—Wednesday within the Easter Octave

8:45am John McLaughlin

Thursday April 4—Thursday within the Easter Octave

8:45am Karen Mocarski

Friday April 5—Friday within the Easter Octave

8:45am Bill McLaughlin

Saturday April 6—Saturday within the Easter Octave

5:00pm Mary Ellen Erlenbaugh/Anne & Tom Jones/Ralph, Sr. & Camella

DeRose/Int. Marian Kurasz/Int. Peter Kurasz, Jr./Marvin G. Jett

Sunday April 7—Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:30am Theodora & Herbert Zuleger/Int. Jeanean Strickland/

Joyce Maxse/Vittoria Routunno/Thomas Gill

10:30am Helen DiAnza

CCW selling luncheon tickets

6:00pm The People of St. Alexander Parish

The Mass book for 2025 will be open starting the week of April 15, 2024.



Hospitality Sunday

You are all invited for hospitality and fellowship!!! Parish Council will host hospitality 3 times a month at one of the Masses. Hospitality is a time for all parishioners to get together in a casual setting with friends and just to "visit". All are invited to bring a favorite comfort food to share with friends after Mass.

Here is the schedule:

1st Weekend: 6:00pm Spanish Mass

2nd Weekend: 5:00pm Mass

3rd Weekend: 8:30 & 10:30am Mass



Mon. 4/1: CLOSED FOR EASTER MONDAY

Tues. 4/2:

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Legio Rent Faith	on of Mary cal—Lions Volleyball n Formation Fundamentals ers of Men	Fr. Tuan Rm Hall/Gym Library Fr. Tuan Rm	9:00am 5:45pm 6:00pm 6:30pm
Rent Mus Mus	I. 4/3: cal—Lions Volleyball ic—Joystirs ic—Witness Choir ic—Spanish Ministry Choir	Hall/Gym Sisters Room Church Library	6:00pm 6:45pm 7:00pm 7:00pm
Mitto Rent CCW Men	rs. 4/4: ens for Mary Knitting Group cal—Lions Volleyball / Board Meeting r's Cursillo Group hts of Columbus	Sisters Rm Hall/Gym Sisters Rm Church/GS Fr. Tuan Rm	9:30am 6:00pm 6:30pm 6:30pm 7:00pm
Fri. 4 Wed	<mark>1/5:</mark> Iding Rehearsal	Church/GS	5:00pm
	4/6: Iding / selling luncheon tickets	Church/GS Gathering Space	2:00pm After Mass
	<u>4/7:</u> n Formation	Multiple Rooms	8:30am

Gathering Space

after Masses



Reconciliation

St. Alexander:

Tuesdays from 5:00—6:00pm Saturdays from 4:00—4:45pm or by appointment 630-833-7730

St. John the Apostle:

Mondays from 5:00—6:00pm Saturdays from 4:00—4:45pm or by appointment 630-279-7404

Parish News



The Parish Office and meeting spaces will be CLOSED Holy Thursday, March 28

at 1pm thru Easter Monday, April 1. We will reopen on Tuesday, April 2 @ 9:00am.



Spiritual Motherhood of Priests Ministry

For centuries, nuns, living with the great blessing of Eucharistic Adoration continuously available to them, have offered their prayers and sacrifices specifically for the needs of priests. So aware of the importance of this apostolate of prayer for priests, Pope John Paul II founded a cloistered convent in the Vatican, whose members dedicate their entire lives to praying for the intentions of the pontiff.

The idea of spiritual adoption of priests, where a woman adopts a certain priest as her spiritual "son" for whom she promises to pray, was extended to lay women in 2007 with Pope Benedict XVI's approval.

We are inviting all women from St. Alexander's parish to join in this important ministry of praying for a Diocese of Joliet priest. More information will be available at the 5 p.m., 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses the weekend of April 13 & 14 or you can email spiritualmotherhood@shclombard.org.



Dear family and friends of St. Alexander and St. John the Apostle. A Happy and Blessed Easter to you and your families!!! Easter is the highest celebration of the year for us as Catholics. I am certainly over-

joyed again to be celebrating these Sacred mysteries with God's faithful people this year. I give thanks to God for every face I see and that we have weathered any challenges to our faith. As every generation, all of God's children and disciples, has faced challenges in their own time.

Easter is the time that we recall God's faithfulness to His covenant with us, His faithfulness to His love for us, His faithfulness to His relationship with us. Jesus Christ has won the victory, the victory over death. And so, in unison, the Church shouts its communal 'Alleluia', Alleluia' at this time of year. May the Lord continue to bless our perseverance in our faith. Blessings upon those who have returned and I want to thank all who have participated from home as well for our parishes. I will continue to keep you all in my prayers, that the blessings of God be upon us at all times.

Alleluia!!!!, Alleluia!!!! He is Risen, He is truly Risen.

Fr. Rosenbaum

St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in our parking lot **April 13/14** before and after all Masses. Bring your unwanted clothes or small household items. All donated items go to the St. Vincent stores in Addison and are sold. Money from these sales go to help provide assistance to the needy. Bags will be distributed the weekend of April 5/6. Thank you in advance for your donations.



Parish News



Save The Date! Joliet Youth Day Sat., June 1, 2024

9:00am - 5:00pm

This exciting, first-of-its-kind youth event will be held @ Lewis University, Romeoville.

Bishop Hicks will be celebrating

Mass at 4:00 pm.

This one day event is for current 7th - 12th graders. St. Alexander currently has 10 spots reserved. Deacon Mark Ranieri and Kathy Halloran are attending and will Chaperone.

Interested in Attending? Questions?
Please contact Kathy Halloran via e-mail stasfaithform.dre@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Fr. John Barrett Council #8365 Catholic Education Scholarship



The Knights of Columbus Fr. John Barrett Council #8635 is proud to participate in the effort to provide a meaningful Catholic education scholarship for families in need at St. Alexander's and St. John's parishes in Villa Park.

This scholarship will be awarded annually to one family in the amount of \$1,000. Families interested should be parishioners of either St. Alexander or St. John's parishes in Villa Park, fill out an application, as well as apply for aid at the Diocese of Joliet through FACTS Management (https://factsmgt.com/). Applications for the Knights of Columbus Fr. John Barrett Council #8365 Catholic Education Scholarship are available in the Parish Office or on our website. DEADLINE: Please return completed applications
Sue D'Alessandro in the Parish Office or email to office@stalexanderparish.org no later than May 1st.

Donation Requests for Prison Ministry

The Prison Ministry will be collecting the following for the "2024 Mother's Day Project":

Mother's Day cards
Thinking of You cards
Blank note cards

Also needed are postage stamps and reams of colored paper (not construction paper).

All items must be dropped off at the Parish Office by April 3rd. **Thank you!** Pat Ivanauski (630-941-8592)

Mittens for Mary Knitting Group



Are you addicted to yarn? Or would you like to be? "Mittens for Mary" invites all knitters and crocheters to join us in making hats, scarves, mittens and other things for those in need. If you don't know how to knit or crochet - no worries - we will teach you! We meet on the first and third Thursday of each month in the Sisters' Room, after the morning Mass (app. 9:30 am). We also welcome contributions from anyone who cannot attend meetings, but is willing to contribute their work. The projects go to the Franciscan Outreach Mission in Chicago. Any questions?

Contact:

Carol Baker (<u>carolrose4MK@gmail.com</u>), Fran Gilles (<u>francesagilles@yahoo.com</u>), Pat Ivanauski (<u>leonpat1963@gmail.com</u>) or Daina K. (<u>dkojelis@yahoo.com</u>)

Parish News





In Service to One, In Service to All.

Join us in answering the call to help others-give blood!

St Alexander Catholic Church Blood Drive

Homemade cookies for all Donors!

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Father John Barrett Council #8365

300 S. Cornell, Villa Park, IL 60181

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org. and use sponsor code: StAlexanderVP OR contact Al Foerster at foersteralvin@att.net



Scan to schedule an appointment





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Alexander's St. Vincent de Paul Conference serves anyone living within the boundaries of both St. John the Apostle and St. Alexander

parishes. We field calls and meet with clients seeking our help primarily for rental assistance, utility payments, and food. We are looking for people who could give us 1-2 days a month, Monday, Wednesday or Thursday.

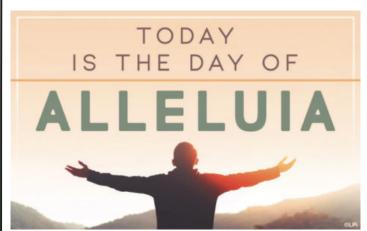
If you would like more information, please call Carre at 630-280-8296 or Collette at 630-947-2903.

SAVE the DATE



SATURDAY
June 22, 2024
FAMILY EVENT
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Fundraiser benefitting the 100th Anniversary Celebration



Faith Formation & Parish News

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

On Sunday, March 17, our Pre-K through Grade 5 classes came together for Holy Week activities. There were 9 stations with interactive activities to help deepen our understanding of Jesus' sacrifice for us on the cross; His Passion for all of humanity.

- 1. Jesus enters into Jerusalem
- 0.
- 2. Betrayal by Judas
 - 3
- 3. The Last Supper
- 4. Agony in the Garden
- 5. The Soldiers Mock Jesus

- 6. Simon of Cyrene Carries the Cross
- 7. Last Words of Christ
- 8. Jesus Buried in a Tomb
- 9. Easter Sunday Morning

Thank you to the parents for bringing their children, staying to help with the activities and helping to clean up after. Wanted to also thank the Confirmation prep students and catechists who volunteered their time. **Students:** Maddie Bousum, Ashley Boynton, Emily Balius, Valentin Valois, Susanna Salgado, Angie Trujillo. **Catechists**: Marlene Brennan, Donna Sidor, Denise Hancock, Laurie Jochum, Jennifer Ranieri, Jen Krichbaum, Lucy Bednar. Special thanks to our photographers, Jim Hancock and Elise Hancock. *Kathy Halloran, Director of Faith Formation*



Prayer Intentions



Remember these men & women in your daily prayers— Priests, Deacons, Seminarians & Women and Men Religious in the Diocese of Joliet.

- Sr. Mary Joanna Brigan, Sr. Joan Marie Curtin, Sr. Rose Cecile Espinos, SSND
- 2. Dcn. Christian Sinclair
- 3. Brs. Philip Johnson, Leo Jones, David Kuebler, Joseph Martin FSC
- 4. Seminarian Gregory Gray
- 5. Sr. Carmen Sanchez, Sr. Carmen Sotelo MSCGpe
- 6. Fr. Sebastian Gargol, Fr Marek Herbut
- Dcns. Robert Lasica, Anthony Lenard, Armando Jaquez, Anthony Leazzo



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. If someone can be taken off this sick list, please let the Parish Office know. Thank you.

Dominic Colontuano, Pete Connelly, Joyce Daly, Michelle Frank, Jamie Jones, Debbie Kosol, Sandra Krutz, Kirk McGubbin, Hannah Medow, Carol Nance, Jim Rohrich, Kelly Steciak, and Teri Sweeny, and Marty Swiertz

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



Our Faithful Departed,

John Ahearn, Judith Bass Sally Trainer

Eucharistic Adoration

The Adoration Chapel is open: Tuesday: 3:00pm—10:00pm Wednesday: 3:00pm—9:00pm Thursday: 3:00pm—10:00pm



The Chapel is located in the Kennedy Center building North of the Church on Cornell Avenue.

There will be Adoration in the Church on Easter Monday, April 1st from 3-4pm.

Rosebud Program



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

CONGRATULATIONS!
Lindsay & Dan on the birth of their daughter Blair Olivia.
Jake & Diana on the birth of their daughter, Evelyn Jean.

Patrick & Anna due 4/2024 George & Patricia due 6/2024 Anne & Rick due 7/2024

Special Intentions for:

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

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.

Stewardship

Due to an early bulletin deadline, donations could not be reported at this time.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Alexander.

Ambit Energy Fundraiser

March Check from Ambit\$157.502024 Total:\$461.50Total Raised Since 2009:\$27,108.25Families Participating:42Accounts (Gas and Electricity):68

Thank you David & Mary Dew for participating since January 30, 2011! Ambit will continue guaranteed savings on gas and electricity for current fund-raiser participants, but is not accepting new participants. Kathy Gilroy (630) 202-3836.

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Parishioner 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.
- 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.

Name:
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Deanery/Diocesan News



EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL TALK

RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST.



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SISTER ALICIA TORRES

Franciscans of the Eucharist of Chicago

6:00 PM Rosary for Vocations

6:20 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:25 PM Sr. Alicia Talk on having a relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist.

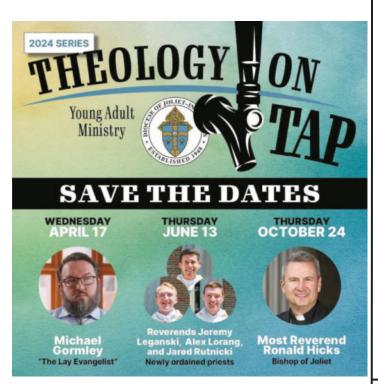
6:40 PM Meditation with scripture guided by Sr. Alicia

6:50 PM Adoration

7:00 PM Benediction and Reposition

7:15 PM Fellowship

Deanery/Diocesan News





Come Learn about the Life of St. Margaret of Castello

> Thursday, April 18 6:00 - Potluck Dinner 7:00 pm - Presentation

> Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church

Ministry Center Social Hall 36 N. Ellsworth St., Naperville



Director of Catechesis and Evangelization, Michael Lewandowski, will present on the life of St. Margaret of Castello. Bom in 1287 in northern Italy to rich and powerful nobles, Margaret's birth was met with her parents' disgust and rejection, as she was born with numerous deformities. Eventually, out of fear of her discovery, Margaret's parents confined her to a cell connected to a church. It was here in the solitude of the mountains that she formed a profound and intimate relationship with God. She was later abandoned by her parents and left to fend for herself in a strange city. She would be taken in by beggars and then by various families. However, her holiness and deep love of God inspired and changed the hearts of those she encountered. She become a lay Dominican and served the sick and the imprisoned until her death at the age of thirtythree.

> For more information and to RSVP, please visit sspeterandpaul.net/cloud

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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.orgParish e-mail:office@stalexanderparish.orgBulletin 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.

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month @ 12:15 p.m.

Spanish Baptisms:

3rd Sunday of the month @ 3:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Marriage

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

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00pm—10:00pm

Wednesday from 3:00pm—9:00pm

Pastor: Reverend Mark Rosenbaum

Mass Assistants:

Fr. Larry Brunette/Rev. Nhan Van Tran SVD/ Rev. David Medow/Rev. Johnus Cherunilath

Permanent Deacons:

Christopher Cochran/Julio Jimenez/James Krueger/

Mark Ranieri, Jr./Matthew Tretina

Office Administrator: Sue D'Alessandro
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