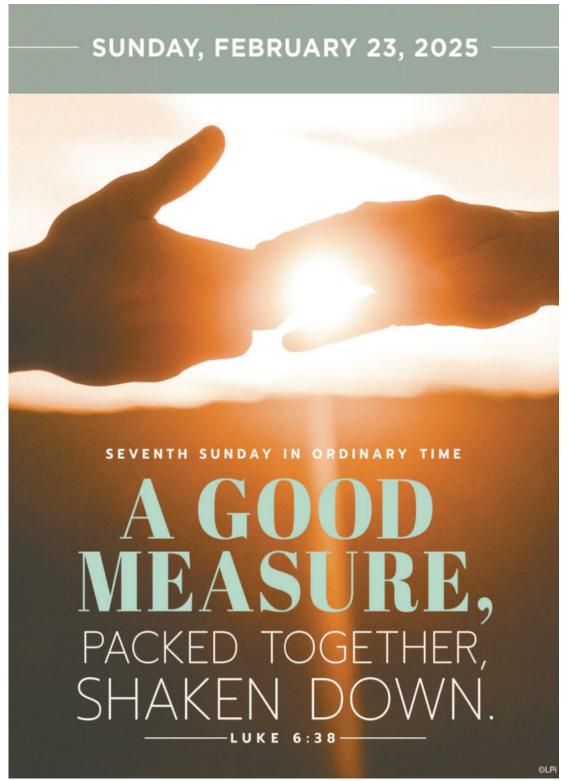
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Mass Intentions

Monday Feb. 24—Weekday 8:45am Piedad Torres Tuesday Feb. 25—Weekday 8:45am Daniel Torres, Sr. Wednesday Feb. 26—Weekday 8:45am Andres Torres

Thursday Feb. 27—St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

8:45am Intention of Antoinette Kosydar

Friday Feb. 28—Weekday 8:45am Intention of Michael Rood

Saturday Mar. 1—Weekday

5:00pm Marty Swiertz/Helen Taylor/Shirley Sanders **Sunday Mar. 2—Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am Joyce Maxse/JoAnn Doyle

10:30am David Wyrobek

6:00pm Jose Fererico Medina Nieto/Angela Hernandez/

Maria Guadalupe Medina

Weekly Facility Schedule

Mon. 2/24: OCIA Sons of Thunder Young Adults Scout Troop 199 meeting	Fr. Tuan Rm Library Hall/Gym	6:00pm 6:30pm 6:45pm
Tues. 2/25: Legion of Mary Music—Chancel Choir practice Rental—Lions Volleyball Parish Council Lenten Bible Study	Fr. Tuan Room Church Hall/Gym Sisters Rm Gathering Space	9:00am 1:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm
Wed. 2/26: Rental—Lions Volleyball Music—Joystir Choir Practice Music—Witness Choir Practice Music—Spanish Choir	Hall/Gym Sisters Rm. Church Fr. Tuan Rm	6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm
Thurs. 2/26: Rental—Lions Volleyball Music practices for Easter Vigil Sat. 3/1:	Hall/Gym Church	5:00pm 6:30pm
Scout Troop set up for dinner	Hall/Gym	6:00pm
Sun. 3/2: Faith Formation Classes Eucharistic Holy Hour Scout Troop Spaghetti Dinner Hospitality	Multiple Rooms Church Hall/Gym Gathering Space	8:30am 2:00pm 11:30am—6pm after 6pm Mass



Mospitality 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



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

EVENTS:

- 1. **Feb. 22, 2025**—Dinner Dance
- March 15, 2025—CANCELED Feed My Starving Children
- 3. **April 26, 2025**—Dorothy Stang Mass & Speaker
- 4. May 3, 2025—9am Mass for St. Alexander, Patron Saint
- 5. May 17, 2025—Living Rosary after 5pm Mass
- 6. July 12, 2025—Alumni Picnic
- 7. **Sept. 7, 2025**—St. Alexander Festival
- 8. October 18/19, 2025—Closing Mass Wknd.

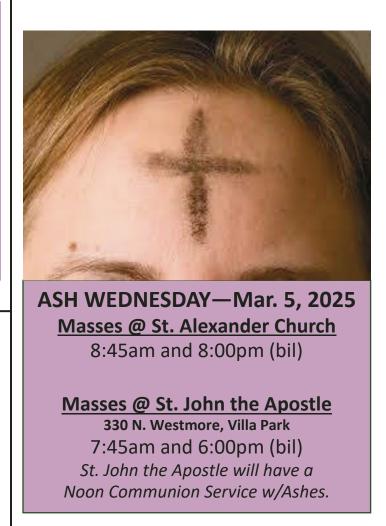


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Catholic Education
Scholarship
2025-2026 School Year

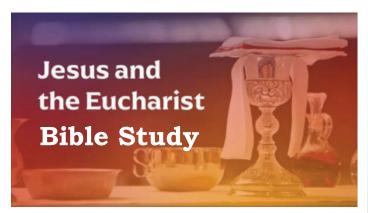
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Applications will be available on our website or in the Parish Office starting February 15, 2025. Please return them to the Parish Office, attention Sue D'Alessandro.







Each session is full of rich theological content, powerful testimonies, and unique and timely messages from individual bishops across the country. This is a great opportunity to dive more deeply into the richness of our Eucharistic faith.

The Bible Study will run Tuesday, February 25th – Thursday, April 10th* from 7-9pm in the Gathering Space at St. Alexander Parish. There is no fee for this bible study.

We hope you will join us! Scan the QR Code on the right with your phone to sign up.



Deacon Mark Ranieri mranieri@stalexanderparish.org

FEBRUARY 2025 PROJECT OUTREACH

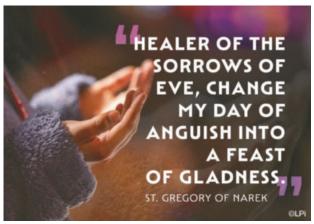
Thank you for your support of the Food Pantry at the Outreach House! Our Knights delivered carloads of foods and toiletries during the month of January.

As we move into February, we ask that you bring in

CANNED MEALS (like chili, stews, hearty soups) or WARM GLOVES. You are not limited to our suggestions, though. Anything you drop off is a help!

Thank you for your support of those less fortunate in our community. Together, we can make a difference!

Linda Krause & Linda Lagon Parish Council





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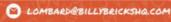




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To have your order donated back to the organization, mention the fundraiser at the register, show this flyer, or write "St. Alexander Parish Fundraiser" in the Order Notes section before checking out your online order.





Donation Requests for Prison Ministry

The Prison Ministry will be collecting the following for the "2025 Mother's Day Project":

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

Postage stamps and reams of colored paper (not construction paper) also needed.

Please drop off items at the Parish Office by February 26 at Noon. **Thank you!** Pat Ivanauski (630-941-8592)



It is in Baptism that one is welcomed into a community of faith.

As a parish community,

"WE WELCOME YOU."

Madelyn Ann, daughter of Matthew and Kimberlee Chrysokos, nee Keck



ARK, ILL

Almighty Father, in celebration of our Parish Centennial Year, we praise You for the many blessings You have abundantly granted St. Alexander Parish.

We offer heartfelt thanks to You Lord God, for all of those who founded our parish, those who tirelessly preserved our parish, and those who continue to engage in Your graces in our parish family.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, continue to strengthen us to do the Holy Works of the Church,

and to support one another in faith, through our prayers, our presence and our perseverance. Guard and protect our hearts and lives in Your love and will.

Keep us holy, safe and healthy.
Continue drawing new members into our parish to know of Your eternal love for them.

Through Christ Our Lord, Amen. St. Alexander, pray for us.



RENE MINO

Please help us celebrate **RENE MINO**, our Head of Maintenance, on **Saturday, March 8**, **after the 5 pm** mass. Rene has worked tirelessly this past year to get our church and grounds in beautiful shape for our 100th anniversary celebration.

Parish Council will host a hospitality for Rene after the 5 pm mass where you will have a chance to thank him personally as well as meet his family.

Feel free to bring a small snack to this hospitality. Let's show Rene how much we appreciate his hard work and dedication to our parish!

Joanne Jones Meehan Parish Council



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Parent Meeting: Thursday, March 6 6:30pm—7:30pm Gathering Space

Chaperones: Deacon Mark Ranieri Kathy Halloran





Ennie Hickman Host Father Mike Schmitz Priest

Maggie Craig Speaker Lisa Cotter Speaker Michael Gormley Speaker

Sonar Worship Feat. Aly Aleigha

Prayer Intentions



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

- 24. Sr. Patricia Hottinger, Sr. Margaret Nimbley, Sr. Catherine Tighe SH (HHS)
- Francesca-Cynthia Riddick, Margaret M. Trepal, CON VIRN
- 26. St. Lucina Aguilera, Sr. Maria del Rocio G. Castillo, Sr. Judith Perez, Sr. Maria Teresa Gonzalez HJ
- 27. Dcns. William Crane, Michael Crowell, Daniel Culloton, Gregory Cummins, Terry Cummiskey
- 28. Fr. William Dewan



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.

Christine Bazon, Lee Burton, Patti Cain,
Marge Caliendo, Joseph Frank, Bruce Howat,
Tom Grover, Alan Jones, Chuck Killian,
Toni Kosydar, Peter Maney, Mark Mason,
Hannah Medow, Bonnie Haskins Moreland,
Linda Morton, Margaret Novak,
Shirley Reese, Donna Sidor, Alice Stek,
Susanne Strickland, Joann Swan,
Jane Tadelski, Dan Weber & Cindy Zarhn

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
Robert McKeague

Eucharistic Adoration

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



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

Rosebud Program

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



CONGRATULATIONS!

Melissa and Eric on the birth of their son, Theodore Andrew.

Mary and Jared due in 5/2025

Special Intentions for:

Maria & Bobby	Carl & Terrie
Amy & Sam	Amanda & Scott
Mary Frances	Bob & Cyndy
Julie & Rus	Jason & Leah
Cin	Kristin & Tim
	Amy & Sam Mary Frances Julie & Rus

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

Sunday Collection: 2/16/2025	\$5,944.73
Online Giving (WeShare) 2/12-2/18/2025	\$2,630
Weekly Goal	\$8,654
YTD Actual Sunday Coll\$	328,013.73
YTD Goal Sunday Coll—52 weeks	\$450,000
Major Maintenance 2/16/2025	\$22
Major Maint. Online Giving 2/12-2/18/20	25 \$20

Thank you for your continued support of St. Alexander.

*Please note: St. Alexander Fiscal Year is July 1—June 30.



The 2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

Your gift to the CMAA makes an impact!

The Opening Report for the 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) in today's bulletin reflects how as Christians, we are called to Open our hearts to God's goodness in service to our brothers and sisters in need.

Through the CMAA, we show generosity toward the most vulnerable members of our community. We also benefit, as a parish, from the many ministries the CMAA supports, that touch our own lives and the lives of our fellow parishioners. Ministries that include vocations, Catholic education, and faith formation.

Our parish goal for the 2025 CMAA is **\$48, 200.** The diocese will return 70% of any amount we raise over our goal to us, to be used fruitfully within our own parish. Please review the materials you received in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal. Thank you!

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 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.

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Name:			
Address:			
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How did you hear about St. Alexander?			
[] New Parishioner	[] New Address		
[] New Phone Number			

Deanery/Diocesan News

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS



On February 21-23, our Holy Father will be remembering in prayer and celebrating with Deacons. These men have been given to the Church to minister to the needs of the people of God. They assist in our parishes in many ways and are available to serve parishioners in whatever manner may be required. They are a gift to us for which we are most grateful, and we truly appreciate their service to us. Let us ask God's blessings upon them on these days and every day, as they have become the face of God in our lives.

William Coble is a pianist at our funeral Masses. He will be playing at this Special Music Event at Ascension of our Lord in Oak Brook Terrace on February 27th. See below.



SPECIAL MUSIC EVENT

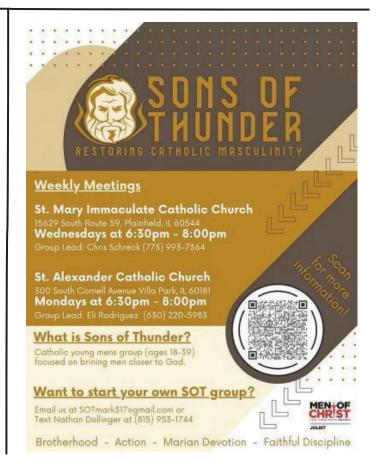
Come enjoy a concert of sacred music and classical songs on Thursday evening, February 27th at 6pm in Ascension of Our Lord Church. Tenor Jay Morrisey will be our guest along with pianist William Coble. Composers include Brahms, Beethoven, and Coble.

The concert is free!
Free will offerings will be accepted.

William Coble is a composer/musician who has had his works performed by the top six orchestras in the country. He is currently director of music and liturgy at Saint Joseph Dyer Catholic Church Dyer Indiana.

Jay Morrissey is a tenor that studied at Roosevelt University in Chicago and the University of Notre Dame. His vocal achievements include various operas as well as sacred music and concerts.

JOIN US FOR A WONDERFUL EVENING!



Parish Center: 630.833.7730

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 12:00 Noon

1:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m. 4:30p.m.—7:30p.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.

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. Johnus Cherunilath/Fr. Philip Danaher

Permanent Deacons:

Christopher Cochran/Julio Jimenez/James Krueger/

Mark Ranieri, Jr./Matthew Tretina

Office Administrator: Sue D'Alessandro
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