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NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
Revival**

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil | 4:00 P.M.  
Sunday | 9:00 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday Daily Mass | 8:00 A.M.

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

\*On the Holy Day | 8:00 A.M. AND 7:00 P.M.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday | 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of the Month\* | 8:30 - 9:30 A.M.

\*UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

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**Sunday, December 31, 2023 | The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

# Bishop Hicks' Column

December 2023

## EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL AND SYNODALITY, TOGETHER



ARE YOU A CUBS FAN? OR ARE YOU A WHITE SOX FAN? If you have any roots in Chicagoland, you instinctively understand that you must declare one or the other. It is common practice to choose one team — one is never a fan of both!

During these past two years, throughout our country and within the Catholic Church, that same principle seems to have been applied to the National Eucharistic Revival and the Synod on Synodality. As you know, the Eucharistic Revival is a three-year initiative of the Church to enkindle a living relationship with Jesus Christ in the holy Eucharist. The Synod on Synodality is an international, multiyear undertaking during which Catholics give feedback and deeply listen to each other — so, as a Church, we can all discern together where the Holy Spirit is leading us.

Curiously, many people seem to be taking sides; they are in favor of one, but not the other.

The week before Thanksgiving, I joined over 250 bishops in Baltimore for a week of meetings hosted by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. We began the meetings with prayer, adoration, benediction, and Mass. The first address to the assembly was given by Cardinal Christophe Pierre, the Papal Nuncio. When it comes to the Eucharistic Revival and the Synod, he encouraged us to move away from an “either/or” approach, and to instead embrace and promote both. The special connections between the Eucharistic Revival and the Synod prevailed through our week of meetings.

At one point, Cardinal Pierre beautifully reflected on the road to Emmaus story from the Gospel of Luke (24: 13–35). Along their journey, the disciples debated their theological points of view while Jesus listened to them. “Listening, corresponds to the humble style of God,” said the cardinal, quoting Pope Francis. “God loves humanity: that is why he addresses his word to them, and why he ‘inclines his ear’ to listen to them.”

You see, *listening* is essential for a synodal Church because it is a dimension of love. Through this Emmaus moment, Jesus accompanies, listens, and discerns with His disciples. Then, their hearts were set on fire because they recognized His true presence in the Eucharist. After this Eucharistic encounter, they go

back to the other disciples and proclaim that Jesus is alive and — with missionary zeal — are committed to sharing the risen Christ with the world.

Cardinal Pierre concluded his presentation with these moving insights: “Our people need us to be adventurers for the Lord. They need us to be united with one another. They need to see how our diversity, harmonized, displays the beauty of the Church and of the Catholic faith. They need to be reminded that salvation comes not from one idea or another, but through a shared encounter with the living person of Jesus, who is love.”

Most of us can agree we are a stronger Church when we both listen *and* keep the Eucharist as our source and summit. Let’s look for ways to stay united with each other and with Christ.

From the onset, I announced that the Diocese of Joliet was going to participate in both the National Eucharistic Revival and the Synod on Synodality. Walking in numerous Eucharistic processions and attending many talks about the Eucharist, I am proud of how robustly our clergy and parishioners have promoted and embraced this Eucharistic Revival. I look forward to participating in our continued celebrations of the Eucharist in the Diocese of Joliet, and will joyfully attend the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July 2024. That event will launch us into the next phase of the revival by enthusiastically taking the Eucharistic Lord into the world and putting our faith into action as missionary disciples.

At the same time, I am also proud of how we have participated in the Synod on Synodality. For over six months, groups gathered throughout every deanery of our diocese to listen intently to each other. The themes from these listening sessions were gathered and compiled into a report sent to Rome. The first half of the synod concluded in the Vatican this October. With faithful hope, we await the next steps for the second half next October.

As a baseball fan, I am fiercely loyal to my team, while politely ignoring the other. Gratefully, that’s not what our Church does when it comes to the National Eucharistic Revival and the Synod on Synodality. Like you, I love Jesus so much — especially in the Eucharist — *and* at the same time — through Him, with Him, and in Him — I desire a *listening* Church that calls us to be on mission! With faith and trust in God, I look forward to walking on this all-connected journey with you ahead.

## DIOCESE OF JOLIET



JULY 17-21, 2024  
INDIANAPOLIS, IN



NATIONAL  
Eucharistic  
Congress

will **YOU**  
be there?



## You Don't Want to Miss This Moment

We know what happens when two or more are gathered in the Lord's name—but what happens with 80,000?! Join us in Indianapolis as we ask him to revive our love of the Eucharist, breathing his life into our dry bones. Then, we will be sent back to our communities to invite others to know Jesus. Our nation and our world will never be the same.

**BE A PART OF HISTORY. SIGN UP NOW!**

[eucharisticcongress.org](https://eucharisticcongress.org)

## We Offer Our Prayers

Grace Stasi	Bob Maurer
Abbie	Mae Maurer
Jennifer Baker	Marite Maurer
Mary Ann Bakes	Dino Mazza
Dion Bernabei	Meghan Menconi
Enzo Bernabei	<b>Yvonne Pelafas</b>
Ali Barton	James Pelletiere
Brent Benedict	Samantha Pelletiere
John Benedict	Olivia Pere Allen
Karen Bijanki	Tino Pere
Jeff Brown	Toni Pereira
Zach Bryant	Kathleen Pervan
Daniel Burns	Raymond Prosperi
Mary Anne Capron	Carol Raymond
Raija Carey	Yvonne Reno
John Cassidy	Jordan Richards
Rosemary Chacula	Danny Riley
Alice Condon	Angela Rinaldi
Annette Cooke	Elsie Rosasco Copeland
Chris Danly	Roseanne
Charlie DeMory	Jack Rudnick
Tony and Sherry DeMory	John Rudnick
Georgianna DeMory	Rose Rudnick
LaVerne DuMond	Carol Sandowski
Mary Lou Fehlen	Katherine Sanford
Ivy Giuseffi	Bobbie Saverino
<b>Luke Halstead</b>	Jennifer Saverino-Bayne
Emily Hand	Mary Pat Schroeder
Baby Penelope James	Wayne Schroeder
Carole Kaczmar	Nibbs Scully
Edward Kane	<b>Tina Sheehan</b>
Raymond Keevins	Dorothy Sledz
Kayla Kenny	Cindy Smetana
Sharon Kestlar	Margo Smetana
Patricia Klein	Billy Southwell
Jaxson Knapek	Danny Tapia
<b>Mary Kohout</b>	Isla Trapani
Scott Landies	Colette Trepes
Gretchen Laska	Gabrielle Urban
Julianne Loboeki	Milan Urban
Gail Lewellyan Johnson	Laurie Valdez
Rick Lewellyan	Josh Will
<b>Mary Lichar</b>	Mary Will
<b>Tony Lindaur</b>	
<b>Woody Lindaur</b>	
Gaye Masnjak	

### Parish Prayer List

If you would like to add a name on this list, please contact Rubi at: [rubi@stjamesge.org](mailto:rubi@stjamesge.org) and provide her with the name. Thank you!

*“Whoever believes in me,  
even if they die, will live.”*



Rosa Jimenez

Kevin Potyen,  
son of Alan and Marilyn Potyen

Rosa and Lottie Will

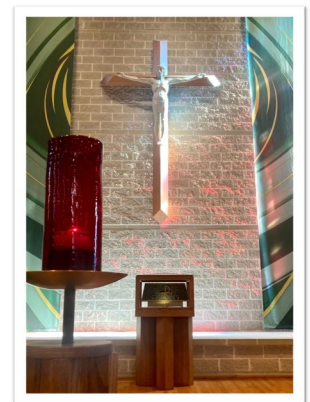
### We Make House Calls!

—Communion for the Homebound—

If you or a loved one are temporarily or permanently homebound and unable to attend Mass, the St. James Ministry of Care can bring Holy Communion to your home on a regular basis. To have a qualified and trained St. James lay parishioner bring Communion to YOUR home, please EMAIL Rubi at the St. James Ministry Center: [rubi@stjamesge.org](mailto:rubi@stjamesge.org)

### Flames of Faith at St. James the Apostle

The red sanctuary lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection.



To inquire about offering Flames of Faith in honor of *Flames of Faith* a loved one's intentions or in their memory, please stop by or contact Rubi at the Ministry Center, [rubi@stjamesge.org](mailto:rubi@stjamesge.org) or call 630-469-7540, ext. 201.

**January 1 - 7, 2024**

This week our St. James Flames of Faith are offered:

In Memory of Rosa Furio/Caputo  
Offered by: Carla Caputo & Family

## Mass Intentions & This Week @ St. James > January 1 - 7, 2023

### JANUARY 01/MONDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Frank Alberto Martinez*

REQ. BY RUBI GARFIAS

*Kevin Potyen*

REQ. BY ST. JAMES ROSARY GROUP

### JANUARY 02/TUESDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Jim Lambke*

REQ. BY LEWELLYAN FAMILY

### JANUARY 03/WEDNESDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Rosa Furio/Caputo*

REQ. BY CARLA CAPUTO & FAMILY

### JANUARY 04/THURSDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Carolyn Cullen*

REQ. BY THE RAYMOND FAMILY

### JANUARY 05/FRIDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

*Anice Moolayil*

REQ. BY FRANCIS MOOLAYIL

### JANUARY 06/SATURDAY

**4:00 P.M.**

*People of the Parish*

*Patsy Verderame*

REQ. BY GERI DESPARROIS

### JANUARY 07/SUNDAY

**9:00 A.M.**

*Tony and Bob Vopenka*

REQ. BY VOPENKA FAMILY

**11:00 A.M.**

*Eleanore Wenzel*

REQ. BY PAUL WENZEL

## This Week@St. James

### **01/MONDAY**

*Daily Mass*

8 A.M. | CHURCH

*A.A. Meeting*

8 P.M. | FL

### **02/TUESDAY**

*Daily Mass*

8 A.M. | CHURCH

*A & E Water Plants*

8:30 A.M. | CHURCH

### **03/WEDNESDAY**

*Daily Mass*

8 A.M. | CH

### **04/THURSDAY**

*Daily Mass*

8 A.M. | CH

### **05/FRIDAY**

*Daily Mass*

8 A.M. | CH

*First Friday*

*Adoration*

8:30 A.M. | SJH1

*A & E Water Plants*

8:30 A.M. | CH/SJH1

*Meeting*

10 A.M. | CH

### **06/SATURDAY**

*Cursillo Mtg*

7 A.M. | SJH2/3

*Reconciliations*

3 P.M. | CH/ALL

*Mass*

4 P.M. | CH/ALL

### **07/SUNDAY**

*Mass*

9 A.M. | CH/ALL

*Mass*

11 A.M. | CH/ALL

*Adult Rec. BBall*

7:30 P.M. | GYM



## Join Us for the Celebration of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

*There is no obligation this year, because the Holy Day falls on a Monday*

**Monday, January 1st**

**8:00 A.M.**

## Worship Ministries and Events

### **Readings for the Week**

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67; Gal. 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1,2-3AB, 3CD-4; Jn 1:19-28  
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 29—3:6; Ps 98:1,2-3AB, 3CD-4; 1 Jn:29-34  
 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1,7-8,9; Jn 1:35-42  
 Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1B2,3,4,5; Jn 1:43-51  
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13,14-15,19-20;  
 Mk 1:7-11  
 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2; 7-8,10-11,12-13;  
 Eph 3:2-3A,5-6; Mt 2:1-12

### **Saints and Special Observances**

Monday: Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary;  
 New Year's Day  
 Tuesday: Memorial of Sts. Basil the Great and  
 Gregory Nazianzen  
 Thursday: Memorial of St. Elizabeth Seton  
 Friday: Memorial of St. John Neumann  
 Sunday: Epiphany of the Lord

# CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY



O Lord Jesus,  
you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth.  
There you grew in age, wisdom and grace  
as you prepared to fulfill your mission  
as our Redeemer.  
*We entrust our family to you.*

O Blessed Mary,  
you are the Mother of our Savior.  
At Nazareth you cared for Jesus  
and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home.  
*We entrust our family to you.*

O Saint Joseph,  
you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary,  
and gave us a model of fatherhood  
while showing us the dignity of work.  
*We entrust our family to you.*

Holy Family,  
we consecrate ourselves and our family to you.  
May we be completely united  
in a love that is lasting, faithful  
and open to the gift of new life.  
Help us to grow in virtue,  
to forgive one another from our hearts,  
and to live in peace all our days.  
Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer,  
diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need.  
May our home, O Holy Family,  
truly become a domestic church  
where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.  
*Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!*



Prayer composed by Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, Supreme Chaplain.

## A Prayer for the New Year

*Remember us, O God:  
from age to age  
be our comforter.  
You have given us  
the wonder of time,  
blessings in days and nights,  
seasons and years.  
Bless your children  
at the turning of the year  
and fill the months  
with the bright hope  
that is ours in the coming of Christ.  
You are our God,  
living and reigning,  
forever and ever. Amen!*

—from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Wishing a Blessed and Happy New Year to You and Yours from Fr. Keith Wolfe, Bishop Conlon, Fr. Bill Cullen, and the entire staff of St. James the Apostle Parish and School!



All are Welcome to Join Us for a  
**FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR**  
Friday, January 5th,  
Immediately following the 8 A.M. Mass

As we continue the Parish Year of the National Eucharistic Revival, we invite you to grow closer to Jesus and His Real Presence in the Eucharist through participating in our Holy Hour.

## Administration Ministries



### End of the Year Giving

Please note that all 2023 Weekly, Christmas and Blue Envelope offerings received in the Ministry Center after December 31st, will be credited to your 2024 parish contribution account. Thank you for your continued generosity!!



### Please Note: Upcoming Parish Office Closures

The parish offices closed for Christmas and New Years on Friday, December 22nd. We will reopen on Wednesday, January 3rd at 8:30 A.M.

Emergency calls for the Anointing of the Sick may be directed to our emergency line: Call 630-469-7540, and press 3 to leave a message.

### 2024 Parish Calendars Available

All parish families are invited to take home a copy of our 2024 Parish Calendar. This year's design celebrates the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Joliet and is full of interesting history, facts and events that will take place in this Jubilee Year. The calendars may be found in the church narthex. We would like to thank Leonard Memorial Home for their contribution towards the cost of the calendars.



## Christian Education Ministries

Happy New Year from the St. James RE



*Religious Education*

*With every new year,  
Christ Himself, who is Love,  
walks with us!  
Happy 2024!!*

## Youth Ministry

*Happy New Year*  
**2024**

Our St. James Youth Ministry program wishes all of you a Blessed & Happy New Year. Our next YM Night will be Sunday, January 7th when our topic is Resolution, Reconstruction, and Reconciliation!! Sign up through Flocknote & we'll see you then!

## Christian Service Ministries

### Did You Get a New PC for Christmas?

Did you get a new Windows 11 PC/Laptop this Christmas? Many old PCs will not support the new win 11, so maybe its time to donate it. If you have a PC that has a I5, I7 label on the PC Win10, we can find a new home for it with local Catholic Charity family.

This is a way to empower a family in need, to connect with information that can help them. Each refurbished PC has links to help students with home work, links to organizations and other helpful information. We request a \$20 contribution come with each PC so that we can include additional memory or printer ink with the transfer. We will clean the hard drive. Please include the operating system windows 10 key to help reduce our transfer costs. If you know of helpful web sites and APPs, send them along also. Contact Chuck Reiss 630-363-1865 or [creiss@ameritech.net](mailto:creiss@ameritech.net)



### Glen Ellyn Food Pantry Top Needs

Non-perishable donations may be brought to the Coat Room of the church or dropped off at the pantry. For more information, visit the website: [glenellynfoodpantry.org](http://glenellynfoodpantry.org)



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Top Needs

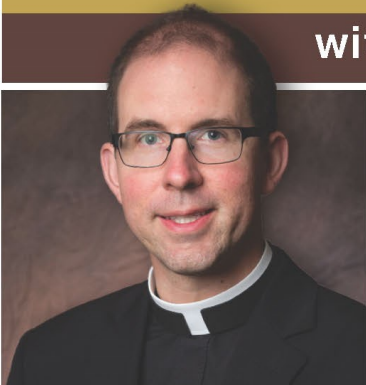
Boxed Pasta	Jarred Pasta Sauce
Flavored Rice	Canned Spaghetti-O's/ Chili/Manwich
Spices: Oregano/Basil/Parsley	Jasmine Rice & Spanish Rice
Crackers	Soy Sauce/ Worcestershire Sauce
Cookies	
Flour/Sugar	

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