



ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2025

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'"
- Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

The Fourth Sunday of Lent—March 30th

DIRECTORY

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Monday/Lunes 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Saturday/Sábado 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Parish Website: www.stjohnvillapark.org

Deanery: www.easterndupagedeanery.org

MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Community of St. John the Apostle Parish commits to live out the teachings of Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, guided by the Holy Spirit and rooted in prayer. Together we continue the mission of Christ through Evangelization, Discipleship and Charity.

La Comunidad Católica de la Parroquia San Juan Apóstol se compromete a vivir las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, alimentada por la Eucaristía, guiados por el Espíritu Santo y con raíces en la oración. Juntos continuamos la misión de Cristo a través de la evangelización, discipulado y Caridad.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST. As a parish family, we at St. John the Apostle pray for all the members of our parish. We especially pray for our parishioners and their relatives who are currently on active duty in the military:

- Staff Sgt, DeWitt
- Staff Sgt. Adam Griswold
- Pvt. Aren Menor
- Pvt. Joseph Aguayo-Ludvik
- USMC Joseph Ciesla
- 2nd Lt. Colleen Corcoran
- Spc. Thomas
- AIC Darren Menor
- A1C Ryan Pemberton
- Sgt. Andrew J. Peterson
- Sgt. Donald J. Peterson
- A1C Anthony Pieroni—USAF
- Pvt. Jeremy Schumacher
- Spc. MP Catherin R. Stover/Peterson
- Corp. Robert Stover
- Pfc. Stephen Winter.
- E3-Yesenia Vivero
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(submit name and branch of service so that he or she can be

RECTORY / PARISH OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS / HORARIO DE OFICINA

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Friday: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Saturday 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS

Saturday: 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM en Español

Weekdays: 7:45 AM except Thursday at 7:00 PM

Baptisms / Bautizos

Baptism Preparation / Preparación para el bautismo

Contact the parish office to register.

Contacte la oficina parroquial para registrarse.

Confessions / Confesiones

Mondays 5 - 6:00 PM—or by appointment / o con cita.

Weddings / Bodas / Quinceañeras

Contact the parish office to schedule.

Contacte la oficina parroquial para programar.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK:

If you would like your name added to or removed from this list for prayers, please call the parish office.

Ginger Herring
Leslie Huzak
Mary Szabo Linder
Liz May
Pat Murrin
Hannah Medow
Tom Schuch

All names will remain on this list for 60 days then the name will be removed. If you want to continue on this list please call the office.

Collections

Sunday, March 16th-\$2,940.00
By Mail-\$110.00

TOTAL: \$3,050.00

Thank you for supporting the good work
of St. John the Apostle Parish!



**HOSPITALITY WEEKEND
APRIL 6TH
9:00-12:00 pm
IN THE LIBRARY**

By His Wounds We are Healed
ENTERING INTO THE PASCHAL MYSTERY
WITH CHRIST

Women's Day Retreat
Saturday, April 12, 2025
9 AM - 3:30 PM retreat
For women 18 and up

Hosted by the
Franciscans of the
Eucharist of Chicago

at the Mission of
Our Lady of the Angels
3814 W. Iowa St.
Chicago, IL 60651
olamission@gmail.com

Includes: light breakfast,
lunch, talks, panel with the
Franciscans, Adoration,
Confession, & opportunities
for prayer and discussion
No cost- free will
offerings accepted

Link to RSVP
tinyurl.com/olaretreat2

Events For The Week

Monday, March 31st

Reconciliation-5:00-6:00 PM/Church
Parish Council Meeting-7:00 PM/Rectorly

Tuesday, April 1st

CCW General Meeting-7:00-9:00 PM/Library

Wednesday, April 2nd

Unity Prayer Group-St Alexanders-6:30 PM
Spanish Legion of Mary-7:00-9:00 PM/Library

Thursday, April 3rd

Spanish Bible Study-5:00-6:45 PM/Library

Friday, April 4th

Seton 1st Friday Breakfast-7:30-10:00 AM/Vestibule
Stations of the Cross-2:00-2:30 PM/Church
Family Rosary/Stations-6:00-7:00 PM/Church

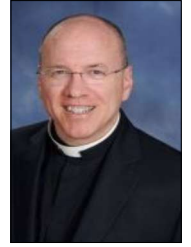
Saturday, April 5th

Baptism Prep Class-11:30-12:30 PM/RE Classrooms

Sunday, April 6th

CCW Mass-9:00 AM/Church
CCW Hospitality Sunday-9:00-12:00 PM/Library

Blessings in the Lord!!!



I wanted to share the good news that the diocese has informed me that I will remain pastor of St. Alexander for the foreseeable future. I would like to thank all of you who wrote letters or signed the petition to keep me as pastor. This act of love is very humbling to me and fills my heart with great gladness. Bishop Hicks did listen to you on this request and responded accordingly to your wishes. I give thanks to God daily for being the pastor of John the

Apostle and St. Alexander.

May the Lord continue to bless us all as we move forward as one

Family in Christ.

Prayers and Blessings

Fr. Rosenbaum

Bendiciones en el Señor!!

Quería compartir la buena noticia de que la diócesis me ha informado que seguiré siendo párroco de San Alejandro en el futuro previsible. Me gustaría agradecer a todos los que escribieron cartas o firmaron la petición para mantenerme como pastor. Este acto de amor es muy humillante para mí y llena mi corazón de gran alegría. El Obispo Hicks le escuchó a esta petición y respondió en consecuencia a sus deseos. Doy gracias a Dios todos los días por ser párroco de San Juan Apóstol y San Alejandro.

Que el Señor continúe bendiciéndonos a todos a medida que avanzamos como una familia en Cristo

Con oraciones y bendiciones,

el Padre Rosenbaum

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the week of March 30, 2025

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 *Scrutiny:* 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

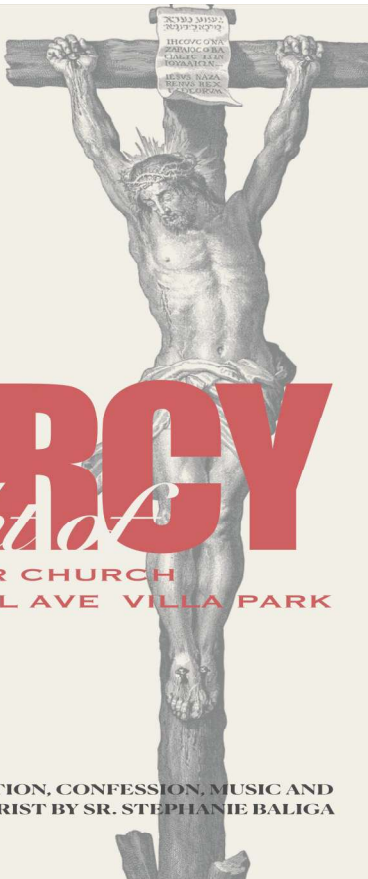
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 *Scrutiny:* Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

EARLY BULLETIN SCHEDULE
FOR EASTER

For **April 13th** –April 7th For **April 20th** –April 8th
For **April 27th**-April 14th



APRIL 11 | 6 PM

MERCY

Night of

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ADORATION, BENEDICTION, CONFESSION, MUSIC AND
A TALK ON THE EUCHARIST BY SR. STEPHANIE BALIGA

**2025 Bishop Blanchette Scholarship
Applications**

Applications for The Joliet Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Bishop Blanchette Scholarship are now available to any student in Grade 8-11, with a financial need, wishing to attend a Joliet Diocesan Catholic High School for the 2025-2026 school years. Any interested family should contact Mary Maderak, CCW President, by e-mail at: marymaderak@yahoo.com or by phone at: **630-432-4723** to obtain the application.

Are you a Roman Catholic? 7 Hours of Confession

When was the last time you received Reconciliation? Was it recently? In the past year?

The priests of Eastern DuPage County will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Forgiveness of Sins! Saturday, April 5, from 8am until 3pm There will be select times when the Sacrament will be offered in Polish and Spanish. All are invited to receive God's grace

**Immaculate Conception Church 132 Arthur St. Elmhurst, IL
630-530-8515**

"The Chosen"—Season 4

"The Chosen" - season 4 will be shown at St. John's beginning March 31st at 6:30 PM in the library..

There will be one episode shown each evening followed by a group discussion. All parishioners of St. John's and St. Alexander's are invited to join us.



Easter eggs are so much fun.

*They represent new life begun.
On Easter we have a giant celebration.
Because of Jesus we have salvation.*

All children ages 10 and under
are invited to the
CCW Annual Easter Egg Hunt
Holy Saturday, April 19th
Parish grounds

The Easter Egg Hunt begins promptly
at 10:45 AM.

Bring your basket to collect your eggs.

Meet and Greet the
from 10:00-10:30 AM.

Easter Bunny



This Sunday is Laetare Sunday

(Lat., Laetare, "rejoice"), the fourth Sunday of Lent, so-called from the first word of the Introit (the antiphon of the Roman Gradual). Laetare, taken from the Latin translation of Isa 66:10, sets a tone of joyful anticipation of the Easter mystery, as do the permitted rose-colored vestments.

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH—VILLA PARK

Date	Intention	Requested by
Sunday, March 30th 9:00 AM	1. Nicholas Alejandro (+)	Norman Jean & Roberto Williamson
11:00 AM	1. Carol Colby (+)	Terry Bode
12:30 PM	1. Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	
Monday, March 31st 7:45 AM	1. John & Marjorie Morris	Peggy Butler
Tuesday, April 1st 7:45 AM	1. Roger Janowski (+)	Tita Tan
Wed. April 2nd 7:45 AM	1. Roger Janowski (+)	Peggy Butler
Thur. April 3rd 7:00 PM	1. Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	
Friday, April 4th 7:45 AM	1. Roger Janowski (+)	Peggy Butler
Saturday, April 5th 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	1. John & Alberta Mueller 1. Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	Peggy Butler
Sunday, April 6th 9:00 AM	1. Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	
11:00 AM	1. Carol Colby (+)	Gerry Manners
12:30 PM	1. Rita Garcia	The Family

30 de marzo de 2025

4º Domingo de Cuaresma

Todos, quizá en algún momento de nuestra vida, hemos tenido la experiencia de jugar el papel de hijos-hijas buenos en la vida familiar. Pero, también hemos jugado el rol de no ser tan buenos como se esperaba. Entonces, esta parábola del hijo pródigo nos cae como anillo al dedo. ¿Qué sentimientos o recuerdos afluyen a tu mente al escucharla? ¿Sientes que el Padre es injusto con su hijo mayor? ¿Crees que ha consentido demasiado al menor de sus hijos? Cualquiera que sea nuestra respuesta, nos debe llevar a una reflexión profunda del amor incondicional de Dios para con sus dos hijos. Sin embargo, no perdamos el punto de vista de que Jesús cuenta esta parábola a publicanos y pecadores, y de cómo los fariseos y escribas criticaban a Jesús porque comía con ellos.

“Con la parábola del hijo pródigo Jesús nos cuenta que Dios nos espera siempre, igual que el padre, que espera el regreso de su hijo. Él nos deja libres, deja que nos equivoquemos y aprendamos, y de esta manera volver, al igual que lo hizo el hijo pródigo” (Papa Francisco). El Papa Francisco nos da la clave que debemos de llevar a cabo, aprender a volver cada vez que nos alejamos. No claudicar, seguir adelante y pedir perdón es de valientes. Aprender de los errores vividos y regresar para volver a un nuevo comienzo, pero bien acompañados de la gracia de Dios. Sentir fortaleza al escuchar: “Tú estás siempre conmigo y todo lo mío es tuyo” (Lucas 15:31).

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