The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

1 CORINTHIANS 10:16–17
The date was June 22. That was the day our daughter, Maria, was born. I remember how frightened she was and how she was crying at the top of her lungs. But when I began to speak to her, she recognized my voice and, despite her fear, she quieted down. It made me understand how safe, secure, and loved she felt just hearing the sound of my voice. I thought, "So this is what being a father is..."

I soon realized that fatherhood was much more than holding my daughter in my arms and comforting her. I learned that the meaning of fatherhood can be summarized in one word — love. Saint Paul tells us what it really means to love in his First letter to the Corinthians. "Love is patient; love is kind, love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things" (1 Cor 13:4-7).

I know I have a lot to learn. It is going to be difficult to be patient when my daughter becomes older and I have to keep asking her to do her chores or straighten her room. It is also going to be difficult not to be self-seeking when I have a thousand things I need or want to do, but my children are also demanding much of my time and attention. How will I not become angry when my children have disobeyed me? And I know it will sometimes be difficult to love them unconditionally when they have not always treated me with respect. I have to admit that I may fall short from truly loving my daughter the way God is asking me.

I thought it was time to ask the greatest human father, Saint Joseph, for guidance. He made it obvious to me that a father’s role is not to provide only for the physical needs of the children, but to play an active role in forming them physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. A father must help provide for his children’s physical needs, but being a father doesn’t stop there. Fatherhood also means spending quality time with your children — from caring for them as babies, to playing games with them, to attending their sporting events and other activities. It means being there for them when they have problems with friends or schoolwork. It means praying daily with them, as well as praying daily for them. Saint Joseph provided all these needs for Jesus. He was a humble carpenter, a tireless worker, and a loving father; and he was always willing to help Jesus and his family in any way he could.

One thing that I have learned about love is that it requires sacrifice. In today’s world, children are too often looked upon as burdens, as cramping the lifestyle we desire for ourselves. It is no wonder that some parents are unwilling to give the sacrifice that parenthood demands. But God gives us our children as tremendous gifts. God allows us to be co-creators in bringing new life into the world. And then God entrusts that life to our care, asking that we teach, and love, and ultimately lead our child to heaven. What an incredible thought — we are preparing our children for eternity! Every act of love we do now, even the smallest, is bringing them and us closer to heaven. Today, as our children honor us, let us also honor our heavenly Father for the gift of fatherhood.

Mr. Perry Citrowske
This week we celebrate the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). Just as many children have questions about this mystery of our faith, parents sometimes struggle to explain the Eucharist. It helps to understand the Hebrew meaning of “flesh and blood” as an expression of the whole, living person. The Eucharist is Jesus, the bread of life.

We need earthly food (meat and milk, fruit and vegetables) to sustain our bodies; we need spiritual food (the Eucharist) to nourish our souls and to enter the life of God, a life that is everlasting. The word Eucharist means “thanksgiving.” We are thankful for the life of Christ in us.

Just as the Eucharist brings us God’s life and love, we must radiate God to those we meet each day. The Eucharist is not reserved for Sundays; it is a sacrament we live and share with others in our words and actions. As a community of believers, we can bring our experience of the Eucharistic meal into our homes by sharing with and caring for our families.

**FAMILY DISCUSSION**

- How do I live the Eucharist?
- Where do I find support and nourishment? When do I provide others with support and nourishment?
- Should I consider becoming a eucharistic minister?
Among the compelling Eucharistic themes proclaimed in today’s readings is the notion of “participation” as found in Saint Paul’s letter to the Corinthians. Good stewards are part of a Eucharistic family: loving, welcoming, serving. An important part of living as a steward comes about in the many ways we can participate in the life of the Church. No matter how much time we have to give, no matter what our skills or interests, no matter what our level of commitment, there is a way to participate as a good steward to enrich our lives and the lives of others to build up the Body of Christ. How do you participate in the life of your parish?

**Stewardship**
Smiling Faces—Volunteers—You’re Invited to help as we return to Downers Grove—Rotary Grove Fest—June 23rd, 24th, 25th.

We made an impact! Others noticed our hospitality and they shared our story nationally.

St. Mary of Gostyn Parish will sponsor a booth for our second time at the Grove Fest on June 23rd, 24th, and 25th. SMG will be sharing our proud Catholic heritage in our community.

We are inviting our parishioners to join in the fun with enthusiasm for our parish and our faith:

- Smile, Greet, Welcome others to our booth at the fest
- Offer free SMG giveaways to others
- Share stories and info about St Mary’s parish, school, religious education, and ministries.
- It’s fun for the entire family! Our parish organizations will be represented.

The SMG Evangelization Committee will be providing direction and info to our volunteers. To get involved we are using Sign-up.com:
1) Click this link to see our Sign-up on: [http://signup.com/go/CGwvmfD](http://signup.com/go/CGwvmfD)
2) Pick a spot. Times are flexible, too. Organizations will also have representation.

Thank you! Others will remember how you made them feel!
Tom Strolia - tom12336@comcast.net or cell 630-253-0663 Evangelization Team member
MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017
6:15 AM - The poor souls in purgatory req. Bob Gordon
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased
8:00 AM - David Craven req. Nancy Rodgers
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased

TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2017
6:15 AM - Steve Janetka req. JoAnn Zidek
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased
8:00 AM - Erwin Burton req. Mary Ann Dion
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2017
6:15 AM - Ronald Rodi req. Esther Byrne
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased
8:00 AM - John Fitzgerald req. Noreen Fitzgerald & Joanie Kilbride
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased

THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017
6:15 AM - Eleanor & Frank Villis req. Cynthia Villis
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased
8:00 AM - George L. Metzger req. Family
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2017
6:15 AM - Rev. William T. Cullen
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased
8:00 AM - Patrick McNally req. Mike & Mary Signer
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017
8:00 AM - Deceased Members of the Toner, Buckley, Newton & Hadank Families req. Hugh & Maureen Toner
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased

Wedding
2:00 PM - Abbigail Diehl & Kevin Downey
4:30 PM - Charles Miriani req. Jan Miriani
    Freddie Sadrakula req. Family
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased

SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2017
8:00 AM - Jim Maley req. Barb & Jim Holmes
    Corey Walgren req. Cathy Cosgrove
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased
10:00 AM - Dennis Hearne req. Doyle Family
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased
12:00 PM - People of the Parish
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased
6:00 PM - Loretta Paciga req. Kathy Ranft
    For All Fathers Living and Deceased

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We are ONE in the BODY & BLOOD of the LORD
Employment Opportunity

We are currently in the process of hiring a new Youth Minister.

For a complete job description visit our homepage at www.stmarygostyn.org

ALTAR FLOWERS

Are you celebrating an anniversary or special occasion? Would you like to memorialize a loved one?

Why not consider donating flowers to enhance our altar during Ordinary Time? Please call Pat Noonan, 964-4529, at least 2-3 weeks prior to your special event so an acknowledgement can be placed in the bulletin.

A Warm Welcome

We welcome:
Jeffrey & Clarissa Bogen
Raymund & Colleen Castro
Carey Robin
Scott & Lauren Sherman
Mark Tatara
Jessica Warmbir

who registered at St. Mary of Gostyn Parish recently.

St. Mary of Gostyn Parish Family welcomed the following children to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism recently:

Emily Jean Smeaton, daughter of Richard & Julia Smeaton
Mia Jane Villanueva, daughter of Jose Villanueva & Katrina Elliston

A New Beginning

Practical and pastoral support for those desiring a new beginning after loss through divorce.

~ Are you seeking information about the annulment process? ~

To learn more about “A New Beginning—Annulment Support Ministry” join us for an Information Night, along with refreshments, on Thursday, June 29, 2017, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Gathering Place.

If you are interested in attending, please R.S.V.P. to Diaconate candidate Steve DeSitter at contactanewbeginning@gmail.com. Please indicate how many will attend. You may leave your first name only if you would like. Please feel free to pass this information on to someone you know who may be interested. We welcome all who would like to learn more about annulments and the annulment process.

St. Mary of Gostyn Ministry to the Homebound

Do you have a homebound family member, friend, or neighbor who would like to receive the Eucharist on Sunday mornings?

If so, please have them contact Deacon Bob at the Parish Center at 630/960-1063, ext 244. A Minister to the Homebound will be happy to visit them. First Friday visits are also offered.
Dear Parishioners,

We have some exciting summer projects taking place. Below is a brief summary of each!

**New Website Launch:**
- By Thursday, June 29 we will be live with our new website for the parish and school! What may appear at that time may not be the final product, but it will be amazing enough to launch with since every website is always a work in progress.

**Meeting Spaces:**
The current "Parish Library" space will become the new home of the "Deacon Office". Deacons Al and Bob will be moving to that space sometime the last week of June. In the meantime, the room is getting "refreshed". Deacons Al & Bob will keep the same phone extensions.

The "Old Chapel" will be reconfigured. All of the current furnishings and liturgical appointments will remain in that space, but it will be downsized to accommodate the conference table from the Library so it can be used as a meeting space as well. A dual space is the best use of this space based off of the Facilities Strategic Plan that was completed last summer.

Kelly Johnson our Adult Faith Formation Coordinator will be moving upstairs as well as the new Youth Minister when one is hired. This will allow all of those involved in faith formation to be together on the same floor.

**Parish Calendar:**
I'm excited to announce that we will be moving to an online calendar reservation system which will be in real-time! This calendar will be live 24/7 on the parish website for individuals to check for meeting spaces in advance as well as to sign-up for reminders of events or to even refer individuals to.

We will also move to an online form for room reservations. LeAnne Brown and I will give an update as we move forward.

**Playground:**
With the help of our Buildings and Grounds Committee, we will be moving forward with the installation of a playground set this summer in the "wood chip lot"!

**Fence:**
Once a plat of survey is completing, we will be applying through Downers Grove for a fence to be installed at the eastern end of our parking lot, part of a safety and security measure with our school.

**Key Fobs:**
The Parish Center, GP, and Rectory will be moving to a keyless system! Staff will be issued a FOB as well as different ministry and group leaders. Each FOB is programmable to only work at certain times and days. There will be more to come on this in the weeks ahead.

Thank you all for your continued stewardship of this wonderful parish. It is because of your generosity that we are able make these enhancements.

May God bless you in all that you do this week.

*Vince Zaprzal*

Operations Director
Prayer Requests

The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

- Nicholas T. Almeida
- Kathy Berg
- Felicia Bubula
- Jessica Davy
- Rion Goyette
- Donna Karlinski
- Doreen Lehner
- Spencer Mehr
- Rob Noonan
- Cynthia Petro
- Yoshie Snider
- Laine Van Houton
- George Durante
- Cecile Grant
- Audrey Waechtler
- Lois Bach
- Sharon Binter
- Ann Clark
- Dennis Finn
- Gen Hadamik
- Joseph Karlinski
- Robert Lehner
- Dolores Mendoza
- Fr. Ernie Norbeck
- Char Ryan
- Joey Stefka
- Loretta Wies
- Jerome Kawka
- Mary Ann Papievis
- Frankie Colonna
- Anna Bandur
- Frances Boland
- Margaret Corbett
- Becca Gorman
- Darlene Hammer
- Kenny Kern
- Diane Main
- Kate Moss
- Ken Norman
- Tom Salansky
- Joan Tagglionia
- Ashley Wolfman
- Anthony Acosta
- Sal Madonia
- George Young
- Gabriella Beirne
- Bill Brown
- Helen Czulak
- Mark Gowgiel
- Robert Hayes
- Ken Krupp
- Virginia Mates
- James Murawski
- Daniel Oliver
- Kay Selfridge
- Sharon Tallerico
- Bernie Doucette
- Robert Brown
- Art Stadtlcr
- Vince Tonissen
- Abby Beranek
- Tom Brown
- Frank Davis
- Diane Goyette
- Bobby Johnson
- Mary Ann Lang
- Eddie Mayerik
- Andrea Mutton
- Eleanor Pecka
- Eliza Skipworth
- Hugh Toner
- Bertha Bohanon
- Rosa Hudson
- Doris Hanlon-Kenny
- Eileen Steed

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to the families of
Henry J. Russo, father of Suzette Rickert

Pray for our Military

Let us pray for all of our military personnel, especially the men and women of our parish who are serving in harm’s way:

- Jason Weeks
- Kevin Braasch
- Michael Martel
- Natalya Brechlin
- John Svoboda
- Christopher Fountain
- Nathan Kijowski
- Josh Cruz
- Bob Lang
- Zachary Frana

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Anyone with reason to believe that a child has been abused or is being abused should report their suspicions to civil authorities. Contact: Illinois Department of Children and Family Services: 1-800-25ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) or the local police.

The Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help victims/survivors of child sexual abuse by a cleric, employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church. The Victim Assistance Coordinator will report to Bishop Conlon and coordinate efforts of pastoral support and outreach to assist in the healing process. The Victim Assistance Coordinator can also assist in making a report to civil authorities. Contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-815-263-6467.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

An AED (Automated External Defibrillator) is in the Ushers Closet located next to the Narthex entrance, along with a First Aid kit. AED’s are also located in the Gathering Place (North wall) and in the School kitchen.
May Religious Education Dates
Please pay attention to the following dates on your calendar.

- June 30  RE Registration Closes
- July 15 & 16 Opening Packets available for all registered RE Families.
- July 17  Phase III RE Registration begins. Remaining slots will be available on first come first served basis.

Attention Adults

Confirmation Retreat
Monday, August 21

Coming up in August, St. Mary of Gostyn Sacramental Program is hosting our annual Confirmation Retreat for our parish eighth graders beginning their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. We expect about 100 students, and this requires a number of adults to help out. Consider how you might help:

- Small group leaders (10-12 needed)
- Meal/Snack helpers (5-6 needed)
- Outdoor Recreation Team
- Liturgy Team

If you may be interested in joining the team, please call the Religious Education Office at 630-960-3565 ext. 219 and speak with Mary Jane.

TOTUS TUUS
SUMMER CATECHETICAL YOUTH PROGRAM

Thank you to all who housed, cooked, volunteered and took part in our marvelous summer program. Before you know it we’ll be planning for next year!
## Presider Schedule for Saturday, June 24th & Sunday, June 25th

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**Interested in a Ministry? Want to become more involved in parish life? We would love to hear from you!**

Contact Deacon Bob Miciunas at 630-969-1063, ext. 244 or e-mail him at deaconbob@stmarygostyn.org to find out more about volunteer and ministry opportunities here at St. Mary of Gostyn!
Traveling Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

- Our Lady calls you by name.
- Bring Her into your home for one week.
- Pray the Rosary together every day or evening.
- Invite family, neighbors, or friends.
- Receive Her into your home and witness the many blessings and graces that She brings.

We will bring Our Lady to your home from Saturday to Saturday and provide the Rosary materials. Please call Diana @ (630) 971-1026 and reserve your week with Our Lady.

MEMORIAL GIVING CARDS

Attending wake services can be a very stressful time for all parties concerned. As visitors, we generally try and buoy the emotions of the family that lost a loved one by sharing stories, experiences, and anecdotes about how much the deceased had touched our life. We genuinely celebrate the impact the departed made in the success of the organizations they worked at or participated in. You want to be comforting, but words fail. You want a remembrance that is lasting, but flowers wilt.

Often times, funeral announcements will convey family wishes that, in lieu of sending flowers, those inclined to such a gesture be given the opportunity to support a cause near and dear to the heart of the person who has gone on to his/her eternal reward. Examples include the American Cancer Society, St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital, or a local Hospice organization. In addition, families often designate a school or parish to receive such funds.

We are pleased to announce that if you choose to honor a loved one to whom St. Mary of Gostyn Parish or School has been major influences in their life, our local funeral homes now have cards available to carry out those wishes. We have met with officials from Ad ams, Winterfield, & Sullivan, Toon, Hallowell & James, Modell, and Knollcrest Funeral Homes. All you need to do when making arrangements for a loved one is tell them you prefer St. Mary’s Parish or School be the recipient of monetary expressions of grief.
COME AND SEE - VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT
JULY 28 - JULY 30, 2017
An opportunity for Catholic men between the ages 18 to 45 years to discern how God is calling them while participating in the monastic life at St. Procopius Abbey. During the retreat, presentations are given about the Benedictine monastic life and there are opportunities for discussions and questions, silent prayer, reading and reflection.
Contact Fr. James Flint for more information or to reserve a spot at vocations@procopius.org

WIDOWED?
Wondering: How long it takes before things begin to look better? How to move forward with your life?
Then consider attending one of the retreat/workshops being held this Summer for widowed men & women.
July 1 & 2 - St. Julie's - Tinley Park
July 22 & 23 - Holy Family - Inverness
August 12 & 13 - Mary Queen – Elmhurst
Ph: Joyful Again Widowed Ministry 1-708-354-7211
Email: joyfulagain7211@gmail.com
www.joyfulagain.org (short video on website)

SCHOOL AND TUTORS ON WHEELS
School and Tutors on Wheels is a suburban organization supporting immigrants with English literacy education and citizenship assistance. Over 300 volunteer tutors currently provide one-on-one tutoring to 650 English-language learners.

A June 28th benefit – A Celebration of Cultural Unity – will be held at The Community House in Hinsdale to fund the work of School and Tutors on Wheels. Cocktails and an international buffet dinner will be served. Diversity Consultant Dr. Robert Rodriguez will speak. Tickets at $100 are online at: http://www.schoolandtutorsonwheels.org/

Founded in 1993, School and Tutors on Wheels, a 501(c)3, is a sponsored ministry of the Congregation of St. Joseph of LaGrange Park. For more information, contact Constantine Bitsas, executive director, at 708-609-0945.

MOTORCYCLE RIDE FOR CHARITY
SATURDAY, JUNE 24
This event will benefit the homeless, veterans, and others in need within our community through programs offered by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet.

Ride starts and ends at Skooter's Roadhouse in Shorewood. Route map will be provided on site.
$25 driver/$15 passenger
Sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact Marianne with any questions: mmelcher@cc-doj.org

2ND ANNUAL CAREER FAIR:
NEW VENUE - MORE OPPORTUNITIES
Monday, June 19, 2017, 10am-2pm
College of DuPage Student Resource Center
Glen Ellyn, IL (new location!)

Bring your resume and dress to impress. This year’s fair will feature more than 30 employers looking to hire, more than double the amount of employers over last year.

Free admission and parking; and open to the public!

NEW BEGINNINGS SELF HELP SUPPORT GROUP
New Beginnings is a weekly meeting designed as a self-help support group for widowed, divorced, or those going through a divorce as they adjust to their new roles as singles again. We meet every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. (arrive at 7:15 p.m.) at St. Raphael’s Church, 1215 Modaff Road, Naperville although for several dates in July we will be at St. Margaret Mary in Naperville.

Be one of the first to visit our brand new website at http://www.newbeginnings-naperville.com and see how others have taken small steps forward. See and hear the videos for divorced or widowed experiences.

Our rotating schedule includes discussing the book “Suddenly Single,” a speaker night, or a social evening. We also offer a social event on Saturdays for those who have been to the Tuesday meeting. Come see if we can be a part of your future.
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This Week

Monday / 19
  6:30 PM  Rosary Church
  7:15 PM  Prayer Group Living Room

Tuesday / 20
  6:30 PM  Legion of Mary Small Conf. Rm.
  6:30 PM  Prayer Group Chapel

Wednesday / 21
  6:30 PM  6:00 PM Choir Church
  6:30 PM  CRHP #33 - Women Underground

Thursday / 22
  1:15 PM  Small Christian Communities Living Room

Friday / 23

Saturday / 24

Sunday / 25
  1:30 PM  Baptism Church
  4:30 PM  6:00 PM Choir Church

Not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the LORD.

— Deuteronomy 8:3b
NEW PARISHIONERS: We are happy to welcome new members to our community, and encourage you to register either in person at the Rectory, or register online through our website, www.stmarygostyn.org.

BAPTISMS: St. Mary of Gostyn offers baptismal preparation sessions on a monthly basis. If this is your first child or it has been more than five years since you attended a baptismal preparation session at St. Mary’s or another parish, you will need to participate in a session before you can receive a date for your baby’s baptism.

Parents are the first and primary educators in the practice of the Faith. Godparents play an important role in the faith life of your child. While considering godparents for your child, be aware that at least one must be a baptized and confirmed Catholic who is active in his/her faith. Please call the parish office at 630-969-1063 to register for a preparation class and to schedule a baptismal date.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of welcoming and preparing adults for the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation - for full membership in the Catholic Church. Unbaptized adults, adults baptized in another Christian faith, and baptized Catholics with little or no formal religious education are invited to participate. Please call the rectory for further information.

ANNULMENTS: We are available to help anyone who is in need of information about how to apply for an annulment. Please contact the rectory at (630)969-1063.

LITURGY of HOURS: Morning Prayer (Lauds) is prayed Monday through Saturday following the morning liturgies.

SACRAMENT of ANOINTING: The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available at regularly scheduled liturgies throughout the year, or by appointment. You may ask the presiding priest before any Mass for an anointing. Communal Anointing Masses are held on the 1st Saturday of the month in August, November and April at the 8:00 AM Mass.

The Eucharist will also be brought to those who are ill, upon request. Please notify the Rectory if members of your family are in the hospital or homebound.

FUNERALS: Arrangements are usually made by the Funeral Home or by a family member. A member of our Bereavement team will meet with you to plan the Funeral Liturgy. Eulogies can be given at the Wake Service, Interment at the Cemetery or at the Funeral Luncheon, but not at the Mass of Christian Burial.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance to provide ample time for preparation of this sacrament.

PRAYER GROUPS: Monday evenings at 7:15 PM in the Parish Center; Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center chapel.

ROSARY DEVOTION: Monday through Saturday, 7:30 AM in the church; Rosary will begin at 6:30 PM on Monday evenings in the church.

RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30 PM in church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available by appointment. Please call the Rectory (630-969-1063) to arrange to have your confession heard by a priest.