SECOND SUNDAY OF Lent

FEBRUARY 25, 2018

From the cloud came a voice:
“This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.”

Mark 9:7
ALL YOU CAN EAT
FISH FRY

You Will Get:
Battered fish served with coleslaw, fresh chips, sweet corn nuggets and a drink. Cheese pizza available as a non-fish option.
Prepared by St. Mary of Gostyn’s very own Knights of Columbus.

FryDays
MARCH 2nd and 9th
5:30 - 8:00 PM
Stanley Hall Gym
St. Mary of Gostyn
440 Prairie Ave.
Downers Grove, IL 60515

Pricing:
$10 / Adult (High School and above)
$8 / Senior
$7 / Child

More info: https://kofcknights.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=16062

ST JOSEPH’S TABLE

MONDAY, MARCH 19TH 4:30 - 8:00 PM.
ST. MARY OF GOSTYN - GATHERING PLACE
TWO SITTINGS: 4:30 PM AND 6:30 PM
$5.00 A TICKET AVAILABLE AFTER MASS (DATE TBD) AND AT THE DOOR

Volunteers needed.
Consider donating baked goods.

More information is available at the KOC website:
https://kofcknights.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=16062

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Free will donation for our Lenten project will be accepted at the door.
There’s an Arabic proverb that says that the farther you go into the desert, the closer you come to God. Indeed, the desert often leads the seeker—whether a hermit, a mystic, or a whole people—deeper and deeper into itself. Following the Exodus, the Israelites took what seems the longest way to get across the Sinai peninsula. They were led this way in order to reach a mountain, a mountain of encounter with the divine: Mount Sinai. To learn about the God who wanted them to know him, God led them to a place beyond and above human concepts of civility, society, and religion.

This is why the Ceremonial of Bishops can state, “the annual observance of Lent is the special season for the ascent to the holy mountain of Easter.” Only in journeying the edge of the abyss in the desert can we ascend the mountain of the Christian drama: The God who is unknowable becomes known to us in the Word spoken to us in Jesus, in whom the hidden God is shown and in whom what is shown is God’s hidden majesty.

Entering the desert strips us to the bare essentials, even to the point of being asked to offer our hopes and dreams for our own future in order that they may be consecrated in a sacrifice of what is dearest to us. It may not literally be our firstborn, but other possessions and securities upon which we think the future hinges: “I left behind the created world and everything that can be known in it; I left behind every intellectual pursuit, and then I found, in faith, the One I love” (Saint Gregory of Nyssa).

As Jesus is transfigured and comes to know the sacrifice the Son of Man is called to make, so we who desire to walk up the mountain with him must be ready to come back down with him, realizing what we, in turn, are called to believe and to leave behind. Following the Transfiguration, the disciples wondered about their faith in Jesus and his Passover. Obviously, Mark wants us to consider the same, asking each of us, “What do you make of all this?”

This is what Martin Luther King, Jr. made of it the night before he was murdered: “Well, I don’t know what will happen now. We’ve got some difficult days ahead. But it doesn’t matter with me now. Because I’ve been to the mountaintop. And I don’t mind. Like anybody, I would like to live a long life. Longevity has its place. But I’m not concerned about that now. I just want to do God’s will. And He’s allowed me to go up to the mountain.”

**OUR LIFE IS NOT OUR OWN; we belong to God. God created us for no other purpose than to love us....Only by trusting God and opening ourselves to his love can our deepest longings be fulfilled.**

Hans Christoffersen

**MEDITATION MOMENT**

One morning a mother was enjoying breakfast with her family. Her children were laughing and talking, and her husband was playing with the little one. She became choked up with joy; watching and listening to her family. Psychologist Abraham Maslow calls such an experience a “peak moment.” Peter James and John experienced such a “peak moment” at the Transfiguration. During such moments we experience a kind of heaven on earth for a few minutes.

For reflection—

When have I experienced this kind of moment? How do I explain it?

People see God every day. They just don’t recognize him.

Pearl Bailey, Singer, Actress
The Gospel story of the transfiguration of Jesus holds many lessons; the most prominent being the transformation of Jesus from simply being perceived as a wise and gifted prophet to the one who has fulfilled the sacred traditions of the Mosaic law and the hope of the prophets, the Messiah, the Christ. The Lord calls his stewards to participate in His redemptive activity. Heeding this call requires transformation, being willing to renounce patterns of behavior that draw us away from God. In this coming week of Lent, let us pray for the grace to be transformed, so that by our goodness and generosity, we may walk more authentically in the footsteps of Jesus.
'Trust a God who can redeem what now seems unredeemable'

From a homily delivered last fall by Deacon Greg Kandra, a deacon in the Diocese of Brooklyn, New York taken from The Deacon's Bench, following the shootings in Las Vegas, October 31, 2018:

Just last Wednesday, Pope Francis in his General Audience put it this way: “A real Christian,” he said, “is ... convinced by the power of the Resurrection that no evil is infinite, no night is without end, no person is permanently in error, no hatred is stronger than love.”


St. Paul's letter to the Philippians this morning reminds of something we easily forget, the power of prayer:

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

How much we need that peace of God! How much we need to know that this pain will pass.

Ten years ago, the world was trying to make sense of the massacre at Virginia Tech. It happened just before Easter in 2007, when a gunman opened fire, killing 32 people and wounding 17 others. At the time, it was the deadliest mass shooting carried out by a single gunman in modern U.S. history.

The writer Philip Yancey preached a sermon at the school shortly after the killings. He told the students and families: “Trust a God who can redeem what now seems unredeemable.”

And he explained: “Ten days before the shootings on this campus,” he said, “Christians around the world remembered the darkest day of human history, the day in which evil human beings violently rose up against God's Son...We remember that day not as Dark Friday, Tragic Friday, or Disaster Friday—but rather as Good Friday. That awful day led to the salvation of the world and to Easter, an echo in advance of God's bright promise to make all things new.”

This Sunday, we are reminded that the vineyard can be a place of violence. But we cannot forget: the vineyard is also a place of growth, and potential, and renewal.

For it is the vine that gives us precious grapes, which in time can become the Precious Blood—the real presence of our savior here and now.

As we prepare to receive Christ in the Eucharist, we pray as Paul taught, with trust in a merciful God, without anxiety, seeking consolation for those who mourn, peace for those who suffer, reassurance for those who doubt.

The horror that happened in a place called “The Meadows” cannot deprive us of these certainties: Love endures.

Every life matters.

And hope persists.

What are deacons’ duties?

Can deacons preside at wedding ceremonies? What about baptisms and other duties usually thought of as reserved for priests?

The Catholic Church has two kinds of deacons: transitional deacons, seminarians in the last stage of their studies for the priesthood, and permanent deacons, men who will remain deacons.

Transitional and permanent deacons can baptize, give homilies at Mass, give blessings (for example, the blessing of throats on Saint Blaise’s feast day), perform Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and preside at wedding and funeral services where there is no Mass.

Neither type of deacon can administer the sacrament of reconciliation. They can visit and bless the sick, but they cannot anoint them. Deacons can distribute holy communion, but they cannot consecrate the bread and wine.

Unlike transitional deacons, permanent deacons can be married. If a deacon’s wife dies, he may not remarry except in certain circumstances, for example, if his children are still very young. Unmarried permanent deacons must remain unmarried.

Deacons are vital to the life of the Church. Many permanent deacons have families and full-time jobs in addition to their Church work. We don’t thank deacons and their families enough for the many sacrifices they make for the people of God.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
6:00 PM - Mary Therese Claus req. Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2017
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
8:00 AM - Ivan Buh req. Cantlin Family
Jack Luka req. Groberski Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2017
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
6:00 PM - Mary Therese Claus req. Family

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2017
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
8:00 AM - Ivan Buh req. Cantlin Family
Jack Luka req. Groberski Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2017
6:15 AM - Intention of the Priest
8:00 AM - Carmen Oviedo req. Mary Schramm

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2017
8:00 AM - Robert Noonan req. Patrick & Eileen Noonan
Phyllis Mary Eichhorn req. Gerry & Carolyn Mueller
4:30 PM - Tim O'Neill req. Charles & Donna Golly

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2017
8:00 AM - Robert Noonan req. Patrick & Eileen Noonan
Phyllis Mary Eichhorn req. Gerry & Carolyn Mueller
10:00 AM - Ivan Buh req. Corbett Family
Lillian Glatz req. Corbett Family
12:00 PM - People of the Parish
6:00 PM - Jack Luka req. Ploskonka Family

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading - The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith (Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18).
Psalm - I walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).
Second Reading - God did not spare his own Son (Romans 8:31b-34).
Gospel - This is my beloved Son (Mark 9:2-10).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25
Around the Parish

Reconciliation
“24 Hours for the Lord”

Confessions will be available on
Saturday, March 3rd
at St. Mary of Gostyn
445 Prairie Avenue, Downers Grove, IL
from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Confessions will be available on
Saturday, March 10th
at Sts. Peter and Paul Church
36 N. Ellsworth, Naperville, IL
from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

A Warm Welcome
We welcome:
Thomas & Meggan Sullivan
who registered at St. Mary of Gostyn
Parish recently.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry
Lenten Project

Please help stock the food pantry during Lent with items
that are needed most:
- 2nd Week of Lent (2/25) - Vegetable Oil
- 3rd Week of Lent (3/4) - Laundry Detergent
- 4th Week of Lent (3/11) - Dish Soap
- 5th Week of Lent (3/18) - Coffee

Please place items in the designated
bins at the church entrances.
Thank you for your support!

Medical Missions

On Monday, March 5, 2018 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Gathering Place, we will be
working on creating new lap throws for our homebound parishioners. We have
depleted our inventory of lap throws and we need your help to make more lap throws.
We need lap throws throughout the year as our deacons will take them to our parishion-
ers. If you need a pattern or some yarn to create a throw, we will have yarn and simple
patterns available at the meeting.

I thought that the parish should read how much the lap throws mean to our homebound parishioners. This is
the note that we received from Mrs. Billie DeBruin. “I want thank all of you for the thoughtful lap robes you
provided for the residents of Oak Trace. I want you to know how much I use them.”

We could use more lap throws if you can knit or crochet. Please consider making a lap throw for us. This is a
great way to use up all your extra yarn. It needs to be approximately either 36” by 36” or 36” by 40”. It can
be any pattern. Any questions please call Kay Papineau at 630-963-4617. If you can’t help this month, please
look in the bulletin for our April meeting.

Thank you helping the Medical Missions to help the homebound with a lap throw. Our homebound parish-
ioners thank you.
Our thanks to all of you who attended our Valentine Gala.
The snow did not keep the attendees away.
Thank you for your support of our School.
The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

Judith Abella  Nicholas T. Almeida  Lois Bach  Anna Bandur  Logan Bannon
Gabriella Beirne  Abby Beranek  Kathy Berg  Sharon Binter  Bill Brown
Tom Brown  Felicia Bubula  Ann Clark  Margaret Corbett  Helen Czulak
Jean Dahm  Frank Davis  Jessica Davy  Jim Donovan  George Drobney
Dennis Finn  Becca Gorman  Mark Gowgiel  Diane Goyette  Rion Goyette
Gen Hadamik  Robert Hayes  Erinn Henes  Katie Main Hwan  Bobby Johnson
Donna Karliniski  Joseph Karliniski  Kenny Kern  Doreen Lehner  Robert Lehner
Virginia Mates  Eddie Mayerik  Spencer Mehr  Dolores Mendoza  Kate Moss
James Murawski  Andrea Mutton  Fr. Ernie Norbeck  Ken Norman  Daniel Oliver
Mary Ann Papievis  Eleanor Pecka  Cynthia Petro  Char Ryan  Tom Salansky
Eliza Skipworth  Yoshi Snider  Joey Stefka  Joan Tagglonia  Sharon Tallerico
Hugh Toner  Mark Trout  Laine Van Houton  Audrey Waechtler  Loretta Wies
Ashley Woltman  Lou Hodges  George Hejny  Robert Earley  Breanna Deaton
Robert Hayes  Jaclyn Golly  Georgette Racine  Michael Durkin  Liam Langan
Dick Dibble  Jacques Christiaens  Clara Christiaens  Barbara McCammond  Baby Jackson Ruggiero
Peter Kavanagh  Verine Kavanagh

In Sympathy
Our deepest sympathy to the families of
Helene Mayer
Dean Newey
Nancy Osborne, sister-in-law of Maryann Suareo
Mary Rendek

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:

Kevin Braasch  Michael Martel  Natalya Brechlin  John Svoboda
Christopher Fountain  Nathan Kijowski  Bob Lang  Zachary Frana
Timothy Randazzo  Kyle Ng  Christopher Randazzo  Richard Ciner

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.

Nursing Home/Hospital Visitation
Notify the Rectory, (630) 969-1063, if you or a family member want a pastoral visit while in a healthcare facility. Without such notification, the rectory has no method of knowing who wants visitation.
( Please also see the tables at every church entrance for consent forms for healthcare facilities to notify the rectory of request for visitation).
Attention All Grade 8 Families

Christian Living Journals
Last year all then 7th grade students who are now 8th graders were given a Christian Living Journal to record your service opportunities as well as Holy Encounters. The due date for Grad 8 has arrived. All completed journals are due on or before:

March 1, 2018

Students should be prepared to discuss this during their Confirmation Interview.

Religious Education Dates
Please pay attention to the following dates on your calendar.
- February 28: Regular Sessions with 6-8 Grade Lenten Reconciliation
- February 29 & March 1: Regular Sessions with Lenten Reconciliation. Grade 6-8
- March 1 or before: Grade 8 Christian Living Journals due
- March 5: Confirmation Rehearsal 6:30 pm
- March 7 & 8: RE Sessions w/ Reconciliation
- March 10: Sacrament of Confirmation 1:00 pm, in the Church. Candidates arrive at 12:40 pm
- March 14 & 15: Regular RE Sessions

CRS Rice Bowl Lenten Project. This week we encounter Cesia in Nicaragua, where despite a lack of economic opportunity, young people pursue their dreams by building businesses to better their lives. How can you work to improve the lives of others this Lent? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities?
Visit www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-2 for more on Cesia and how contributing to the Rice Bowl can help!

Confirmation 2018
St. Mary of Gostyn
Celebration of Confirmation will be held on
Saturday
March 10
1:00 pm
Please pray for our candidates!

First Holy Communion Families
This is the first full week of family preparation for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Families are reminded to use this week to complete Chapter 1 of your Encounter with Christ Child and Parent resources. Remember to use the website as well.

Find the website here: sacraments.osv.com/eucharist for the week 2 video.
God speaks in the silence.
Saint Mother Teresa

Away from noise and distractions, is opportunity for guidance and grace, healing and forgiveness, peace and joy.

Eucharistic Adoration

A Life-Changing Study for the Whole Parish!

Week Two — An Encounter with Mercy
Sin always damages our relationships with God and with others, and, depending on the gravity of the sin, it may even rupture these relationships. Jesus calls us to the Sacrament of Reconciliation not only to forgive us and wash away our sins, but also to heal our wounds and the root causes of our sins. We are not defined by our mistakes; we are defined by the Father’s love for us!

This week, login to formed.org and watch A Lent to Remember, Episode 2.

Want to talk about it!
Discussion and reflection on Lent to Remember
An Encounter with Mercy in the Gathering Place, Tuesday February 27th after 6PM Mass

“Those who have a true encounter with Christ find their lives filled with happiness.”
Pope Francis

Tuesday Evenings
Mass at 6:00 pm
followed by
Reconciliation at 6:45pm
followed by

An Encounter with Mercy
February 27th and March 13th
Simple soup supper and reflection on our FORMED.org Lent to Remember Series

God of the Journey
March 6th and March 20th
Simple soup supper Experience CRS Rice Bowl in prayer, fasting and almsgiving

www.stmarygostyn.org Media tab or kjohnson@stmarygostyn.org
Presider Schedule for Saturday, March 3rd and Sunday, March 4th

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Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, and Altar Servers, please consult your online personal schedule and email reminders for assignments.

Place: Ballydoyle Irish Pub
Highlander Room
Times: 7:30 to 9pm, Wednesdays 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21
Details: Appetizers provided
• No RSVP required
• ALL ARE WELCOME

Come join us—and bring a friend!

Here’s what one participant said:
“The L&L experience deepened my connection to the St. Mary’s community. Listening to and learning from Fr. Shaun in the informal Ballydoyle setting renewed my Lenten resolve and strengthened my relationships with fellow parishioners. Fun and formative.”

—Andy Crowe

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!
40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

“Because you were there, I changed my mind. I was looking for a sign from God.” …

…and Baby David was born!

You can be that sign from God. Join us to pray for moms and their babies during a 40 day prayer vigil. Select the same hour to pray each week or different hours whenever you can. Invite a friend to join you as a “prayer buddy” or bring your kids to teach them what is important. Or, if you cannot join us on site, pray and fast from home – you will still make a difference!

When: February 14 to March 25, 7am to 7pm
Location: Access Health Center
1700 W. 75th Street, Downers Grove

MARRIAGE HELP

Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of marriages at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for the April program beginning with a weekend on April 20-22, call 815-246-2080 or email: ret-rovaille@gmail.com or visit the web site at http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Chicago also has a weekend scheduled for July 20, 2018, if couples are unable to attend this date.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER MENTOR FOR FORMERLY HOMELESS FAMILIES

Catholic Charities is sponsoring a one day mentor training for individuals interested in mentoring formerly homeless families in our Transitional Housing program. Once trained, these volunteers will be matched with a family in DuPage County and will mentor along the journey toward self-sufficiency.

Mentor training will take place on Saturday, March 17 from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM at Catholic Charities, 3130 Finley Road (Suite 520) in Downers Grove. Training is free and lunch will be provided. To register, contact Joy Newburn at 630-519-6547 or jnewburn@cc-doj.org. To learn more about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

“DOC” DIAMOND: NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE

Tuesday, February 27th at 1:30 PM
Villa St. Benedict, 5450 Subiaco Dr., Lisle
Enjoy the music and entertainment of “Doc” Diamond. A dedicated Neil Diamond tribute performance that will give you the chance to relive and experience all of his classic hits. Join us in the piazza on the first floor of the Villa Center for a wonderful afternoon of music! Call 630-852-0345 to RSVP

OPERATION ANDREW DINNER

The Operation Andrew Dinner is an informal evening where young men, 7th grade-adult, will have the chance to have dinner with Bishop Conlon and Fr. Burke Masters, Vocation Director for the Diocese of Joliet, and other priests of the Joliet Diocese. At this dinner participants will hear a vocation story, watch a short video on vocations, ask Bishop Conlon and the priests questions and have the chance to meet other young men interested in knowing more about the priesthood. If you are interested in attending the next Operation Andrew Dinner, please register on-line or call the Joliet Vocations Office at 815.221.6141. If under 18, a parent or legal guardian is required to attend.

March 6, 2018
St. Scholastica, Woodridge
Dinner 6 - 8 PM

RETREAT/ WORKSHOP FOR WIDOWED MEN/WOMEN

The Joyful Again! program brings understanding and hope to help you on your new life’s journey. “I felt welcome.” “Found hope.” “Am more at peace.”

Upcoming Dates:
March 3 & 4, 2018 and April 21 & 22, 2018

For more information contact us at Joyful Again!
Widowed Ministry Ph: 1-708-354-7211
Email: joyfulagain7211@gmail.com
Website:www.joyfulagain.org

IMPORTANT: Register early, space is limited.

FREE PERSONAL CHANGE CLASS OFFERED BY CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Are you seeking personal change in 2018? Do you want to understand your gifts and move toward feeling more competent, peaceful and productive?

Catholic Charities is offering a free program to help you achieve personal change. We’ll focus on emerging from poverty, both financially and poverty of the spirit. Discussion within a group setting encourages honesty and focuses on who you are and what you want out of life. It helps untangle unhealthy behavior and feelings that have held you back. We help you set realistic goals and move toward the life you would like to have.

Classes are free and meet weekly on Monday evenings for seven weeks from 6:30-8:30 pm starting March 5th at 3130 Finley Rd., suite 520 in Downers Grove. For more information or to register, call Joy Newburn at 630-519-6547 or email jnewburn@cc-doj.org. To learn more about Catholic Charities, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.
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<td>Small Christian Communities</td>
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<td>Basketball</td>
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<td>Religious Education</td>
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<td>Baptism Prep.</td>
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<td>Knights of Columbus</td>
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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, December 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.