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**WEEKEND MASSES:**  
**SATURDAY 4:00PM**  
**SUNDAY 8:00AM, 10:00AM,**  
**12:00PM AND 6:00PM**  
**WEEKDAY MASSES:**  
**MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:00AM**

**New Parishioners:**  
We are happy to welcome new members to our community, and encourage you to register in person at the Parish Office, or register online through our website, [www.stmarygostyn.org](http://www.stmarygostyn.org)

**Reconciliation:**  
Confessions are heard Saturday, 8:30AM to 9:30AM in church. Holy Hour on Tuesday 7:00PM will also provide opportunity for individual confessions. Please see our website or bulletin for Holy Hour dates.

**Sunday, November 26, 2023 | Feast of Christ the King**

## Mass Intentions



### Monday November 27th

8:00 am  
† James Splawski

### Tuesday November 28th

8:00 am  
† Jim Massura

### Wednesday November 29th

8:00 am  
† Fr. Michael Walsh & Mary Ellen Walsh  
† Amy Alderfer

### Thursday November 30th

8:00 am  
† Ronald Rodi Sr.  
† Charles Molitor

### Friday December 1st

8:00 am  
Fr. Tom Paul

### Saturday December 2nd

4:00 pm  
† Nick Flambouras

### Sunday December 3rd

8:00 am  
† Ronald Rodi Sr.  
† Daniel Karmazin

10:00 am  
† Tom Gowgiel

12:00 pm  
† Carol A. Orseske

6:00 pm  
People of the Parish

## Please Pray

### *Prayers for the Sick*

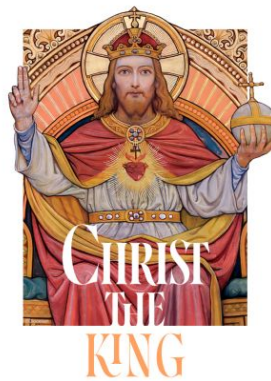
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Baby Cameron	Nicole Moyer
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Pam Stefik	Rosemary Powell
Kenneth Twardzik	Richard Craven
James Bentley	Christina Bronk
Cyndi Smith	James Magno
Dennis Kalins	

### *Prayers for the Military*

Kevin Braasch	Michael Martel
Natalya Brechlin	John Svoboa
Kathleen Halloran	Isabella Czopek
Nathan Kijowski	Jack Culligan
Kyle Ng	Brendan Vrtis
Ben Gartlan	Peter Gartlan
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### *Sympathy*

Our deepest sympathy to the family of  
Jenny Bielawski



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## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

# ADVENT HOLY HOURS



**Journey this Advent** by focusing on Christ. Advent is a time to step back from the hectic routine, slow down and contemplate the Mystery of the Incarnation. The Holy Hour Advent Reflections will help you walk closer and closer to the ultimate goal of preparing for a person, Jesus, and not just a day. The reflection, prayers and scripture will center around the Advent themes of Joy, Being Present, Trust, Being Chosen and Hope.

A Holy Hour of Adoration includes Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction, as well as reflection on topics of faith, silence, and music. Optional opportunity for individual confession throughout the evening. Two Advent Holy Hours, 7PM in Church:

- This Tuesday, November 28th
- Tuesday, December 12th.

## ADVENT BOOKLETS

*They that hope in the Lord will  
renew their strength.*

Isaiah 40:31

**Advent.** The Church in her wisdom gives us space for holy listening. Advent calls us to reflect on the profound reality of who we are and whose we are. In Advent we recognize our deepest desires, as we anticipate something greater to come.

Daily Reflection booklets are available in the Narthex at the Faith Network Desk after all the Masses.

### **Advent: A time for Holy Listening**

Advent is a patient season, inviting us to slow down, ponder and pray. Even though the world around us is full of noise and bustle, Advent invites us to make the most of this time, allowing the slow, gentle joy of the Lord fill us.

**Also available:** Advent for Kids: Learning to Love like Jesus. Daily prayers and activities for children during this Advent season.

## NOURISH FOR CAREGIVERS

# CAREGIVERS NEED CARE TOO

National Family Caregiver Month honors the dedication and support given each day by family caregivers. Did you know:

- There are over 65 million Americans juggling the challenges of life, health, career and caring for an aging, ill or disabled adult or child, whether in town or from a distance.
- 1 in 5 people in our pews at Church are caregivers.
- Family caregivers are the backbone of our national health systems: they provide 90% of all care delivered today, in the home for their loved ones.
- Over five million Americans are caring for a veteran, the brave men and women who were injured, ill or wounded while serving our country.
- It's estimated one in four family caregivers are millennials.

National Family Caregivers Month honors the compassion and care of the unpaid, often unseen and underappreciated, who give so that others are better cared for with love and dignity. See website for resources and caregiver support opportunities.

## OUR FAITH

# EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL



*The sacrament of  
charity, the Holy  
Eucharist is the gift that  
Jesus Christ makes of  
himself, thus revealing to  
us God's infinite love for  
every man and woman.*

Pope Benedict XVI



October 19, 2023

## Get Ready to Party at THE 2024 GARDEN GALA Registration Launches Late November!

Can you feel all that excitement in the air?! Maybe it's the fall weather or maybe it's all the buzz in the air as we gear up for the most fabulous event of the year – The 2024 Garden Gala! While ticket details are right around the corner, we're already rolling up our sleeves to bring you all the juicy tidbits and ensure this Gala will be an absolute *BLAST*.

Our success is rooted in your generosity. The gifts, goods, and services from the SMG, Downers Grove, and surrounding communities provided through sponsorships and other donations are carefully curated into live and silent auction packages. All of these donations, activities and your participation are *vital* for The Gala to be a success.

**How can I help?** Our SMG community wouldn't be complete without wonderful supporters like you! We know you generously gave to the SSEF and THANK YOU for all your support. Right now, we are looking ahead and asking for commitments (theme parties, auction items, and sponsorships) and not actual cash. Here are a few ways you can contribute:

### *Explore Sponsorship Opportunities*

Now's the perfect time to let us know if you're interested in becoming a sponsor for this year's event.

We have some wonderful opportunities to showcase your business and some special perks for you if it's a family sponsorship.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** Sponsors will be invited to a Pre-Gala Champagne reception to start the night right!

Your support is greatly appreciated!

Feel free to **visit the [Sponsorship Page](#)** and check out all the details.

### *Let's Make our Auction Spectacular*

We're on the hunt for incredible auction items!

Your contribution could make a world of difference for our live and silent auctions supporting SMG.

Do you have a connection with:

- Sporting tickets: Bulls, Hawks, Cubs, or Sox
- Concert venues or musical productions
- Vacation getaways
- Gift cards to stores or restaurants
- Sports memorabilia
- Fun themed basket products
- Or a service that you can donate

Ready to make a difference? **Share your offer [here!](#)**

**Let's top last year!** Please consider a business or family sponsorship, an auction donation, or host a theme party with other families. These are super fun & wonderful fundraising opportunities raising \$38,000 for SMG last year.

### **Questions?**

Please email: [gala@stmarygostyn.org](mailto:gala@stmarygostyn.org)

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ST. MARY OF GOSTYN  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



COUNCIL 16062

## *Help Us to Help Others!*

As the St. Mary of Gostyn, KOC Fr. Ernie Norbeck Council 16062, we have been actively involved in the parish, school, and community. Our council over the last few years has supported St. Mary's with the following programs and services:

- Food Pantry Donations
- Nativity House Donations ([www.nativity-house.org](http://www.nativity-house.org))
- Support for Right to Life Organizations
  - Sidewalk Advocates for Life (SMG)
  - Waterleaf
  - March for Life
- Coats for Kids
- Scholarships for Seminarians
- Tootsie Roll Drive for Person with Intellectual Disabilities
- Special Events
  - Passion of Christ
  - Late Night Catechism
  - Score Night with Mark Grote

As you can guess, these programs/services require funding. During this season of thanksgiving and gift giving, we are asking for your help. **We are selling raffle tickets for \$20 apiece** The prize is a **Solo Stove Bonfire 2.0 and Accessories Kit (\$500 value)**.\* Every dollar raised through this raffle will go towards supporting the SMG Knight's charity programs.

**Tickets will be on sale until December 15th or until they sell out. Only 100 tickets will be sold! To purchase your tickets, please use the link below.**

<https://stmarygostyn.org/product/kocraffle/>



**\*Free delivery to the winner within 10 miles of St. Mary of Gostyn.** Otherwise, the winner will be notified as to where to pick up their prize.

Click here for more information on the Solo Stove Bonfire 2.0 and accessories: <https://a.co/d/dTDMGbS>  
<https://a.co/d/7dXQ9Gv>



## Opening Liturgy Livestream

Watch the Opening Liturgy from the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus at 6 p.m. on Monday, December 11, 2023.



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75th Anniversary Series

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## Podcast

The 75th Anniversary podcast series launched in November; new episodes will be released the first Monday of each month. Watch on YouTube or listen on your favorite podcast platform (search "Faith Into Action"):



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# 75th Anniversary Timeline

Visit [diojoliet.org/75th](https://diojoliet.org/75th) for the full list of events and activities surrounding the 75th anniversary



DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	DETAILS
November 6, 2023	Episode 1 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	Guests: Bishop Hicks and Fr. Tom Paul
November 25–December 3, 2023	Novena of Grace	<a href="https://diojoliet.org/75th">diojoliet.org/75th</a>	Featuring excerpts from St. Francis Xavier letters and daily prayers/reflections
December 3, 2023 1 p.m.	Blessing and dedication of St. Francis Xavier statue	Blanchette Catholic Center, Crest Hill	The statue will serve as a constant reminder of the patron saint of our diocese, since its founding in 1948
December 4, 2023	Episode 2 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	Facts about St. Francis Xavier
December 11, 2023 6 p.m.	Opening Liturgy	St. Raymond Nonnatus	Representatives from all parishes and religious institutions
January 1, 2024	Episode 3 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	The St. Francis Xavier statue that will be dedicated on December 3 is modeled after the patron of the diocese in the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus
February 5, 2024	Episode 4 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	
March 4, 2024	Episode 5 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	
April 1, 2024	Episode 6 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	
April 18, 2024	Theology on Tap	TBD	
May 6, 2024	Episode 7 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	Featuring three newly ordained priests (Fr. Alex, Fr. Jared and Fr. Jeremy)
June 1, 2024	Staubenville Youth Event	Lewis University Register: <a href="https://bit.ly/3N44QTB">https://bit.ly/3N44QTB</a>	
June 3, 2024	Episode 8 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	For parishioners in Ford, Grundy, Iroquois and Kankakee Counties
June 13, 2024	Theology on Tap	Blanchette Catholic Center, Crest Hill	
June 22, 2024 4 p.m.	Regional liturgy	Bishop McNamara High School, Kankakee	For parishioners in DuPage County
July 1, 2024	Episode 9 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	
August 5, 2024	Episode 10 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	For parishioners in Will and Kendall Counties
September 2, 2024	Episode 11 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	
September 14, 2024 4 p.m.	Regional liturgy	Montini Catholic High School, Lombard	For parishioners in Will and Kendall Counties
September 28, 2024 4 p.m.	Regional liturgy	Lewis University, Romeoville	
October 2024	Service Day	All parishes and various religious entities will be asked to celebrate a day of service	Featuring Bishop Hicks
October 7, 2024	Episode 12 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	
October 24, 2024	Theology on Tap	TBD	Representatives from all parishes and religious institutions
November 4, 2024	Episode 13 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	
December 2, 2024	Episode 14 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	Representatives from all parishes and religious institutions
December 8, 2024 4 p.m.	Closing Liturgy	St. Raymond Nonnatus	



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