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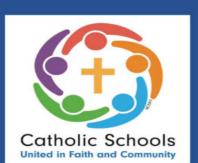
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A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine,

What makes you anxious? Is it monetary worries, health worries, or worries about your relationships with family, coworkers, or neighbors? You may not even know what the cause of your anxiety is.

What ever it is that makes you anxious, Jesus says to all of us," Quiet! Come out of him!" Listen to my voice, trust in me, and I will show you the way to peace and calm.

But there are so many distractions, noises and other voices making us anxious that do not hear the voice of the Lord speaking to us. There are voices calling to us as consumers, voices calling to us as voters, voices calling to us from the entertainment and sports world, all sort of media voices, editorial commenters' voices calling to us from all four corners of the earth. These tend to be loud, bold, opinionated, and boisterous voices.

But Jesus' voice is a tender, loving and compassionate voice. His authority comes from his heart and his love for us. As Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit to come out of the man in the synagogue, I imagine it as a gentle, calm, and soft-spoken voice. He did not need to shout out; because he knew that his power and authority to heal came from the Father.

We must not let all those other loud and noisy voices, which surround us, keep us from hearing the voice of Jesus. He speaks to us through the Church and the Scriptures. Sometimes, his voice comes to us through the poor, the weak, and sick. Often it comes to us through family members or friends, and sometimes from the most unexpected of voices. But they all tell us the same thing, don't worry about the things of the world, but work at forming a loving relationship with God and neighbor that will bring peace and calm to all our hearts.

Sincerely,

Bur. Phomos S. Cabala

SAVETHEDATE

St. Germaine Men's Club 15th Annual St. Patrick Party Saturday, March 2 *More details to follow* WHERE THE ROSARY IS RECITED THERE WILL BE DAYS OF PEACE AND TRANQUILITY. -ST. JOHN BOSCO

2024 Mass book is open. Please mail in, drop off a list or call the office at (708)636 -5060 to request your 2024 masses.

Offertory Collections

Our Lady at St Germaine does not "pass the basket" at the offertory. Instead, please drop your contributions in the collection boxes located near the exits of church.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 29-Weekday 8:30AM Mass: Aaron Campbell, Rebecca Cohen, Valerie Melia (healing)

Tuesday, January 30-Weekday 8:30AM Mass: David Swan

Weds., January 31–St. John Bosco 7:00AM Mass: John Jachera 8:30AM Communion Service:

Thurs., February 1-Weekday 8:30AM Mass: Ken Tribikc, Susan Rooney, William O'Brien

Friday, February 2-Presentation of the Lord 8:30AM Mass: Eileen McNamara, Patrick O'Connor

Sat, February 3–St. Blaise, B.V.M.

8:30AM: Members of Our Lady at St. Germaine 4:00PM: Chris Szarza, Eileen McNamara, Josephine Flasch, Susan Rooney, Josephine Vanick

Sun., Feb. 4–5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30AM: Leonard Adduci, William Stone 9:30AM: Gino Pacetti, Eileen McNamara 11:30AM: Philip Chaput, Sue Rooney

REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

Marie Dillon

Please pray for those who are sick, their families & caregivers, including:

David Akai, Kathe Anhalt, Michael Anhalt, Patricia Aruldoss, Michael Barry, Brian Bednarski, Chris Benjamin, Virginia Bovilsky, Catherine Cotter Brady, Donna Burica, Diane Cernivivo, Pat Cesak, Geri Chaput, Taylor Collard, Mary Connolly, Ann Contorno, Tom Coti, Janine Coughlin, Elizabeth Czajka, Sue Daniels, Emily DiPierro, Adriana Elgas, Paige Epstein, Patty Fadden, Karen Finn, Sara Fox, Walter Furtner, Patsy Galecki, Bill Geegan, Giblin Family, Lynn Groebe, Gerardo Gonzalez, Tom Hamilton, Peg Hansen, Kaitlyn Hedderman, Debbie Heitz, Gina Jakelski, Robert "Mitch" Jones, Dennis Kelsch, Garry Keller, Alvina Kita, Richard Kita, Joe Kress, Charles Lee, Kim Lewis, Eileen Carroll Lynch, Stas Maciasz, Rita Martin, Eugene Martyn, Michael Mattaliano, Raimonda Miknius, Dean Ojeda, Francine Opas, Raul Osornio, Katherine Pape, Nicolas Rossio, Frank Roti, Guadalupe Martin Ruvalcaba, Marty Safstrom, Sharon Safstrom, Norma Salas, Devin Sanchez, Audrey Schmitz, Monica (Ranalli) Schuberth, Mary Schwappach, Phillip Scropp, Ellie Smith, Ryan Smith, Joe Smyth, Kayla Smyth, Carol Spero, Georgie Stupay, Michael Stupay, Rita Daniels Suchor, Jay Szewczyk, Patty Tapia, Kimberly Thielen, Charlene Thomson, Mary Ann Trop, Vickie Vertucci, Casey Wiedenski, Susan Zak, Gussie Zawaski

Ministers' Schedule for February 3 & 4 , 2024					
	SAT 4:00 PM	SUN 7:30 AM	SUN 9:30 AM	SUN 11:30 AM	
Proclaimer	Linda Vorderer	Jim Antos	Celia Murphy	Jim Maughan	
Eucharistic Ministers	Terry Vorderer Joan Tiffy	Fran Genender Marty Dwyer	Maureen Panaralla Eileen Akroush	Gina Maughan Guy DiBenedetto	

Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28 Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20 Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43 Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6 Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13 Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34 Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39



Parish Mission

Sunday, February 4th

at All Masses

ReflectionOn the Gift of the Eucharist
&&Holy HourTuesday, February 6th
at 6:30PM
Hospitality to follow.

Leading us in prayer and reflection Sister Stephanie of the Franciscans of the Eucharist from The Mission of Our Lady of the Angels in Chicago

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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Please be generous in your support of our parish ministries and services.

January 21, 2023

Sunday:	\$6,983.00
Sunday (GIVE CENTRAL):	\$2,243.00
SUNDAY TOTAL:	\$9,226.00
*AID ED(GIVE CENTRAL):	\$30.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$10.00
Initial Offering:	\$40.00
Food Baskets:	\$195.00
Final Christmas	\$52,656.03

*GIVE CENTRAL & ACH ARE IN ADDITION TO REGULAR COLLECTION



HELP NEEDED Please help restock our shelves . Some things Needed this month are....

Noodle Soup, Tomato soup, veggie soup, beef stew, canned tomatoes, pasta, pasta sauce, jelly, peanut butter, rice or pastaroni, boxed or pouches of potatoes, oatmeal, coffee, cereal, mac & cheese, pudding cups, canned fruit, cookies, crackers, canned meats, canned ravioli, cooking oil, coffee, tea bags, Ziploc bags, garbage bags, toilet paper, paper towels, cleaning supplies, toiletries, laundry detergent & Gift cards to buy perishables.

THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS HELPING US, HELP OTHERS!!

Split The Pot Drawing



Last week envelope **#333** was drawn and did not participate in the drawing. The amount of **\$3,175.00** will be added to next weeks pot.

Don't forget to put your regular Sunday envelope and your orange envelope in for your chance to win! Good Luck!

2023 Tax statements are available by request. Please call 708-636-5060

AA Meetings in Our Lady at St. Germaine Basement (For Location Confirmation Follow OLBB Signage)

Sunday - 7:00 pm – Closed Meeting (Alcoholics Only)

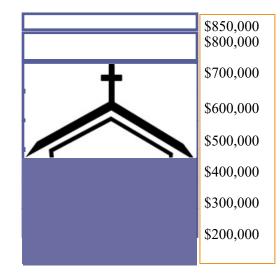
Thursday - 7:30 pm – Open Meeting (all are welcome)

Thank you to the **300** donors who have started off our *Raise the Roof* campaign pledging <u>\$424,994.11</u>.

We continue to receive pledge cards in the mail and will keep you updated on how successful this campaign is.

Thank you for your sacrifice and generosity.

Can you help us raise the roof?



WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS



Valentine's Day Bake Sale February 10th & 11th

AFTER ALL THE MASSES. COME AND PICK OUT SOME SWEETS FOR YOUR SWEETIE. WE WILL ALSO HAVE TREATS TO PURCHASE ON MOST FRIDAYS DURING THE FISH FRY.

2024 CALENDARS ARE HERE

The 2024 calendars are now available. Please take one home with you. They have lovely images and all the important dates in the liturgical year.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Many blessings are crocheted and knit into what we make through the prayers we say for every shawl. We have come to realize that there are endless possibilities for the use of Prayer Shawls. Whether there is a serious need or a special celebration the one common factor is that the comfort and healing power of prayer is sent with every shawl.

Stop in the Parish Center or call 636-5060 to request one.



NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 7th, 10AM-12PM IN THE PARISH CENTER DINING ROOM

Donations of yarn, and new members are always welcome! If you would be interested in helping, please contact Eleanor at 708-422-3643.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NEWS—KEEPING TEEN RELATIONSHIPS HEALTHY AND SAFE

Parents, guardians, and grandparents, of junior high and high school teenagers, as well as school personnel and interested adults are encouraged to attend a presentation on Teen Dating Violence at **7:00 PM on Tuesday, February 6, 2024**. The program will be offered by the staff of A New Direction and is sponsored by the Domestic Violence Awareness Committees of Christ the King, St. John Fisher, St. Cajetan, St. Christina and St. Barnabas. It will be at **Christ the King Church. 9345 S Hamilton Avenue. Chicago**.

Ericka Swanson and Rita Ryan of A New Direction will define abuse, show patterns of abuse in relation to Teen Dating Violence, and will introduce scenarios and helpful resources. Learning about healthy relationships at this age can go a long way towards stopping the cycle of Domestic Violence, and can set youth on a better path for future relationships.

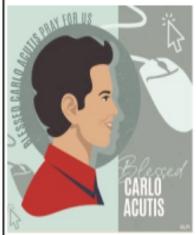
For more information on the Teen Dating Violence presentation, on February 6, 2024, at 7:00 P.M., please contact Donna Dalton - <u>donnadalton1951@gmail.com</u> Linda Villalobos - <u>lvilla46@yahoo.com</u> Nancy North - nancy.north@comcast.net

St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish 10621 S. Kedvale Eucharistic Miracles of the World Blessed Carlo Acutis February 10 & 11 and 17 & 18

Carlo Acutis had a deep devotion to the Eucharist from the first time he received Jesus in the Eucharist at age 7. He wanted



everyone to know Jesus and he created a website to tell the story of Eucharistic Miracles. Carlo died in 2006 at the age of 15. Pope Francis declared him venerable in 2018 and his beatification was celebrated in 2020. Please come to experience a deeper awareness and love of our



Lord's Real Presence with us in the Holy Eucharist. The exhibit will be in the church vestibule before and after all the weekend Masses. The Mass times are Saturday at 4:00pm and Sunday at 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:30am, and 6:00pm.



The COURAGE Christmas Gala 2023 brought much joy to our COURAGE families. Many, many thanks to the great people of Our Lady at St. Germaine for all the wonderful gifts and donations that helped to make for a very, Merry Christmas for over 300 moms and children!! May you all have a Happy and Healthy 2024!!

A good school provides a rounded education for the whole person. And a good Catholic school, over and above this, should help all its students to become saints.

POPE FRANCIS | CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

carloacutis-en.org

HAVE YOU TRIED THE MANNA PROGRAM?

The Manna Program is one of the school's most successful fundraisers. Families that participate purchase gift cards from local vendors who rebate a portion of the purchase price to the school. For example, if a family purchases a \$100 Jewel card, they receive the full \$100. Jewel rebates about 4% to the school (\$4.00). So that rebate of 4% then gets split between the



school and the family. That can be used for tuition for School, Religious Education or high school tuition. Even if you try using it for groceries and gas, it would help out! The beauty of the program is that is provides "free money" from sources outside of the parish with no extra expenses to anyone. During the 2022-2023 school year, the total rebates from all vendors was \$25,860.00.

Manna certificates are sold weekdays in the school office. The program is open to everyone in the parish and provides a huge support to the school budget. For more information, contact the school office at 708-425-6063.

There is a Manna order form on the website that you can fill out, drop and church with a check and schedule a pick up.

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2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

Together at the table



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17th Annual Fish Fry

Friday's; February 16th through March 22nd



Dear Friends,

We are pleased to announce Our Lady at St. Germaine will be hosting our seventeenth annual fish fry in the Parish Hall. We are so excited to be back!! In the past years, our fish fry served over one thousand people who live and shop in the nearby areas.

We are offering you the opportunity to place an ad for \$10.00 a week on our placemats. The ad will run for 6 weeks, with the total cost of \$60.00. Space is limited so get your ad today!

We thank you in advance for supporting us and helping us make this event a memorable and lasting tradition for our Parish and community.

Send us your ad or business card with payment to: OLSG (Samples) 2" x 2.75" section Attn: Fish Frv Best wishes to 9711 S Kolin Ave Go Trojans!! Joe Smith 10321 S. Oxford Oak Lawn IL 60453 Chicago Ridge, IL 60415 *The Class of 2024* 555-1111 Love. Any questions, please call Jen @ 708-636-5060. We carry custom Mom, Dad & Thanks for all your support!!!! bean bag sets! Katie IT'S TIME FOR THE FISH FRY! Friday, February 16th will kick off our 17th Annual Fish Fry. Once again, the Fish Fry will be hosted by the Athletic program and the Men's Club. We look forward to another successful year. Anyone who is interested in helping out should fill out the form and return it to school or parish center. This year in addition to the normal help, we are also looking people, individuals or families to help with some of the behind the scenes work. We can use help on Fridays after school for set up and prep. We are also looking for anyone who may be interested in helping with weekly shopping as well. And as usual, we have Friday time slots 4:45 pm \sim • 8:00pm that will be divided into kitchen, bar, serving and bussing. Cleanup/breakdown time slots will begin at 7:30pm. This is the perfect opportunity for this year's 7th graders to begin working on service for Confirmation next year. • We can use high school kids to help also. Please mark down your availability of dates. We look forward to meeting new people and we will do our best to schedule everyone for at least one time slot. Thank you in advance for your help. ~ Greg Kirwan, Jim Ruzich & Jen Stazak _ -NAME Cell (a)Email Address Interested in helping with set-up and prep on Fridays Interested in helping with shopping (please availability and time preference) Friday, February 16th 4:45pm ~ 8:00pm Clean up Friday, February 23th 4:45pm ~ 8:00pm Clean up Friday, March 1st 4:45pm ~ 8:00pm Clean up Friday, March 8th 4:45pm ~ 8:00pm Clean up Friday, March 15th 4:45pm ~ 8:00pm Clean up Friday, March 22nd 4:45pm ~ 8:00pm Clean up

• If you can help any time, please let us know!!



BEDS Plus is providing help... and hope...for the homeless right here in the Burbank-Oak Lawn area!

We have opened a full-time shelter at the former Aloha Motel located at 8515 S. Cicero Avenue in Chicago. This facility will provide homeless individuals an opportunity to meet with our case managers regularly to find solutions to their homelessness.

And you can help! Right now, we really need volunteers to help us with meals at the shelter. We will be serving 21 meals each week and that takes work. You can volunteer to prepare meals, serve meals, or greet and help our guests. Give as little as 3-4 hours a month. Share the meal prep (church groups, friends, family) or bring a friend or two to serve meals. If you are looking for a way to help the homeless population, this is it. Call Bill Burke at 708-831-2237 or email at <u>burke@beds-plus.org</u>. We have shifts to match whatever is convenient for you. Please consider this opportunity to help those who need it most.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP Adult Bereavement Program

OSF LITTLE COMPANY OF MARY HOSPICE WILL BE HOSTING A WINTER BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP. THIS 6-WEEK GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP WILL MEET AT THE EVERGREEN PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY (9400 S. TROY AVE) ON WEDNESDAYS IN 2024: JANUARY 24TH & 31ST, FEBRUARY 7TH, 14TH, 21ST & 28TH YOU WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONNECT WITH OTHERS THAT ARE GRIEVING AND YOU WILL BE BLE TO SHARE IDEAS AND RECEIVE SUPPORT. TO REGISTER, PLEASE CALL JESSICA, MSW, AT (708)229-6913

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WEEKDAY MASS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 8:30AM Mass Wednesday: 7:00AM Mass, 8:30AM Communion Service

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday: 4:00 PM; Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

RECONCILIATION: Saturday from 2:45-3:30 PM

ADORATION CHAPEL:

Tuesdays 9-6pm, Wednesdays 9-7pm, Thursdays 9-7pm

Welcome to Our Lady at St. Germaine Parish!

To register in the parish, or for information about any of our organizations, ministries, services, or educational opportunities, please call the Parish Center at 636-5060.

BAPTISMS- Call Parish Center to schedule.

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