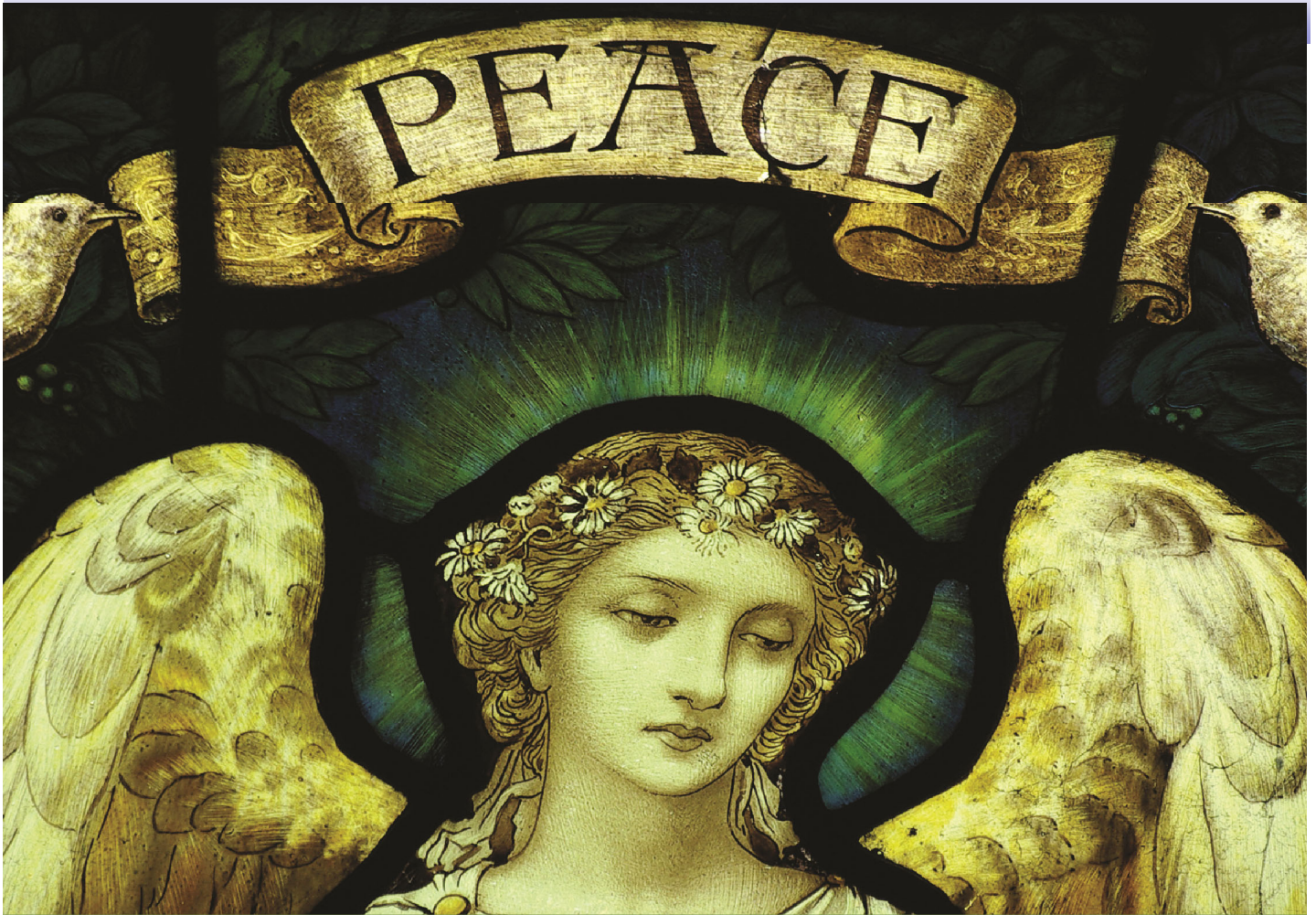


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PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU;
MY PEACE I GIVE TO YOU.

JOHN 14:27

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 22, 2022

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine,

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." And, because of his love for us, Jesus gave us the gift of the Holy Spirit to teach us and guide us in loving one another as Jesus himself loves us.

We live in Christ's love when we keep his commandments. But, to truly love as Christ loves means often going beyond keeping the commandments; it means sacrificing and going beyond our obligations to the commandments. Today's Gospel emphasizes the link between love and obedience. Jesus calls for a love that is as self-sacrificing as his own. Obedience to God's commandments is not a requirement for love; it is the end result of loving as Christ loves us.

Just as the disciples were motivated by Christ's love and so they respond to Jesus in obedience, so if we call ourselves followers of Christ we must practice that same kind of love by being obedient to God's commandments, but, also reach out to others and going beyond what the commandments expect of us.

Fr. Tom Cabala

Taize prayer

will be held Wednesday, June 1, 6:30 -7pm.

Let us continue to pray for peace for ourselves and the world.

SAVE THE DATES

June 4 & 5th– Ministry Weekend

June 5th– Breakfast after masses (KOC)

June 6th– Women's Club "Ladies Night Out"

June 13th– Calendar Meeting



The COURAGE Annual lottery brought in 17,280.00! After paying printing/ mailing costs and awarding the prize money, COURAGE made a profit of \$11,373.00.

Congratulations to Mike Gricus who won the \$2,000.00 Grand Prize; to Mary Byrnes who won \$1,000.00 and to the four \$500.00 winners: Mary Carmody, Terri Shine, John and Janet Konopko and COURAGE (ticket purchased by Eileen Molloy). As always, many thanks for the support of the great people of Our Lady @ St. Germaine!

*All parishioners invited
to come and pray the rosary
for Peace in our World
Saturday May 28
12 noon Outside Shrine at Church*



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Grant, almighty God,
that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion
these days of joy,
which we keep in honor of the risen Lord,
and that what we relive in remembrance
we may always hold to in what we do.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

2022 Mass book is open and has plenty of availability. Please call the office at 636-5060 x200 to request a mass. Sympathy, healing, birthday, anniversary and special intentions.

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, May 23-Easter Weekday**

8:30 AM Mass:
Steve Lestinsky

Tuesday, May 24-Easter Weekday

Frank Kita

Wednesday, May 25- St. Bede, St. Gregory, St. Mary Magdalene

8:30 AM Mass :
Theresa McGrath, Emily Jachera

Thurs, May 26-Ascension of the Lord

8:30 AM Mass:
Marion Krucek

Friday, May 27-St. Augustine

8:30 AM Mass:
Jean Foley, Mary Ellen & Jack Doyle,
Richard Chruszczyk

Saturday, May 28-St. Christopher

8:30 AM: Deacon John Flanagan, Patricia Ward
4:00 PM: Thomas O'Connor, Lisa Geraghty,
John F. Sloan

Sunday, May 29-Ascension of the Lord

7:30AM- William Farrell
9:30AM- Rev. Jordan Rooney O'Carm, Sue Heda
11:30AM-Robert & Jean Foley, Richard Bukowski,
Cecelia Ebokam, Michael & Marie Lynch,
Felix & Andy Pilny

REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

Edward Wild

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

David Akai, Brian Bednarski, Chris Benjamin, Virginia Bovilsky, Elaine Bridgeman, Baby Nolan Burby, Gerry Campanio, Pat Cesak, Geri Chaput, Taylor Collard, Mary Connolly, Alexandra Connor, Matthew Connor, Ann Contorno, Elizabeth Czajka, Jericho Jeffrey DeVivo, Emily DiPierro, Dolores Dorman, Adriana Elgas, Paige Epstein, Karen Finn, Walter Furtner, Patsy Galecki, Giblin Family, Lynn Groebe, Gerardo Gonzalez, Pearl Goworowski, Peg Hansen, Betty Hedderman, Kaitlyn Hedderman, Debbie Heitz, Cathy Hinz, Gina Jakelski, Robert "Mitch" Jones, Liz Kapovich, Dennis Kelsch, Garry Keller, Alvina Kita, Richard Kita, Frank Klutcharch, Joe Kress, Judith Lasky, Kim Lewis, LaVerne Lewandowski, Frank Lopez, Ray Lynch, Eileen Carroll Lynch, Rita Martin, Eugene Martyn, Michael Mattaliano, Raimonda Miknius, Dean Ojeda, Raul Osornio, Katherine Pape, Matt Pender, Maggie Powers, Colleen Ritter, Nicolas Rossio, Frank Roti, Guadalupe Martin Ruvalcaba, Marty Safstrom, Sharon Safstrom, Norma Salas, Audrey Schmitz, Monica (Ranalli) Schuberth, Mary Schwappach, Phillip Scropp, Jayme Shipman, Ellie Smith, Ryan Smith, Joe Smyth, Joseph Smyth, Kayla Smyth, Carol Spero, Michael Stupay, Rita Daniels Suchor, Jay Szewczyk, Patty Tapia, Kimberly Thielen, Dorothy Trop, Mary Ann Trop, Ethan Trusk, Zach Trusk, Pat Walker, Casey Wiedenski, Susan Zak, Gussie Zawaski

Ministers' Schedule for Next Weekend May 28-29, 2022

	SAT 4:00 PM	SUN 7:30 AM	SUN 9:30 AM	SUN 11:30 AM
Proclaimer	J. Pender	K. Kettelson	K. Kleczkowski	S. Postregna
Eucharistic Ministers		C. O'Hare K. Kobiernicki	S. Rosenbaum S. Rosenbaum	M. Murphy M. Powers

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wed: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53 (for Ascension); otherwise
Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20;
Jn 17:20-26 or (for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;
Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

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 Parish Center or call 636-5060 to request one.



Religious Education and Formation Registration is Open!

If you would like to register for the 2022-2023 REF Program, please email jstazak@archchicago.org or stop by the Parish Center between 9am-2pm Monday through Friday.

Classes are for children entering Preschool through 8th Grade.

If you have any questions, call 636-5060.

CALENDAR MEETING MONDAY, JUNE 13th @ 7pm

If your group is planning events from July 2022 through June 2023, start coming up with tentative dates and descriptions.

Any organization that would like to plan an event is asked to attend.



Adoration Chapel is in need of scheduled adorers for the following days and times

Tuesdays 3-4 and 4-5pm, Wednesdays 4-5pm, Thursdays 2-3pm

Please contact Fran Barba at 708-567-6119 or Parish Center 708-636-5060

Please take a few minutes to read some of the reasons our adorers choose to Adore Our Lord in the Our Lady of St. Germaine Adoration Chapel.....

Why I choose to adore Our Lord in Our Lady of St Germaine Adoration Chapel each Thursday

It took me awhile to make the commitment and during my discernment period I substituted and visited at random times. It's been years since I became an adorer, and I can't say enough about how my life has changed. That one hour each week is the most special of my week. Most days I say a Rosary and do some spiritual reading. Other days I just sit quietly and spend time with the Lord. There is no special requirement on how to spend your time. I suggest you give it a try. It's bound to change your mind and ultimately your life.

Why I choose to adore Our Lord in Our Lady of St Germaine Adoration Chapel each week

Given me an hour to spend in quiet reflection thinking about God in my life & to pray.
Mary Therese Lora

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

MAY 15, 2022

Sunday:	\$8,249.00
Sunday (GIVE CENTRAL):	\$2,237.50
SUNDAY TOTAL:	\$10,486.50
*AID ED(GIVE CENTRAL):	\$30.00
Easter:	\$3,175.00
Food Baskets:	\$120.00
Mothers Day Collection :	\$1,485.00
Ascension:	\$55.00

*GIVE CENTRAL & ACH ARE IN ADDITION TO REGULAR COLLECTION

Women's Club News.....

All women are invited to **"Ladies Night Out"** sponsored by the Women's Club which will be held on Monday June 6th in Goedert Hall at 6:30 PM. We will be playing Bunco and reconnecting with friends that we have not done since COVID took over our lives. There will be great prizes, fun, laughter, refreshments, and split the pot. Feel free to bring any treats you would like to share. Any questions or to reserve a table, call Paulette at (708)227-0342 or Liz at (708)2697032.



Attention all St. Germaine Alumni Class of 1972

Please join your fellow classmates from 1972 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of your graduation from St. Germaine. If you are one of these people or know of someone from this class, please reach out to Mike Fox at mjimpfox401@hotmail.com with your contact information/email address. Further details will follow. Thank you. The Class of St. Germaine 1972 Reunion Committee

Split The Pot Drawing



Last week envelope #154 was drawn and did not participate in the drawing. The amount of **\$3,015.00** will be added to next weeks pot.

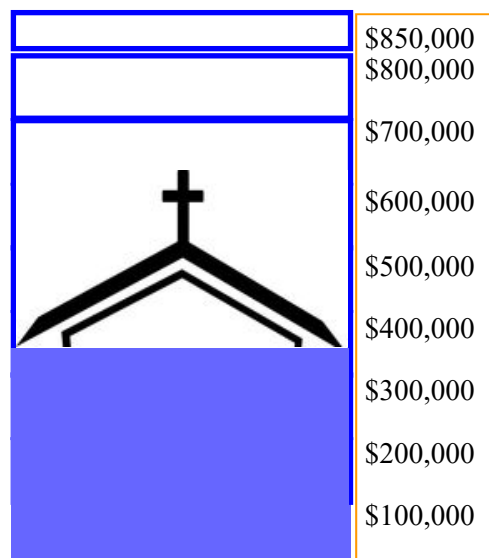
Don't forget to put your regular Sunday envelope and your orange envelope in for your chance to win!

Good Luck!

Thank you to the **253** donors who have started off our **Raise the Roof** campaign pledging **\$351,176.00!**

We continue to receive pledge cards in the mail daily 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?



The Queen is coming back soon!!

WILL YOU...



FIND HER?

Stay tuned for details....

Athletic Association News

Do you have a child in School or Religious Education who like to be part of a sports team?



*Did you know we offer soccer from Preschool through 8th grade?

*Did you know we offer basketball and volleyball for girls and boys 3rd through 8th grade?

We would love to have your child(ren) be a part of the team!!

Girls basketball sign ups for girls entering 3rd through 8th grade next year, will be starting this month.



If your child(ren) would like to play a sport, please email jstazak@archchicago.org



to be placed on the email list to find out all the important dates!!

As we look forward to the next school year, we are starting to plan for sports for the next school year. The first sport that will kick off with the new school year will be Girls Basketball. The season usually starts right when school starts, with practices starting over the summer. Due to the timing of the season, we will need to start signups now.



Signups

We will be holding signups for Girls Basketball online, with in person dates for payment and uniform sizing. Below are the details:

Registration will be handled online.

Registration will be open online from now until June 6th.

Please use this link for signups: <https://bit.ly/2022SGGirlsBBallSignups>

Uniform samples will be available for try on. Sizes will also be listed online.

In person payment dates and uniform sizing will be:

Fri May 20 6-7:30

Sat May 21 9-10:30

Sat May 28 9-10:30

Mon June 13 6-7:30

Fees

The following fees, established by the Athletic Association, will be required once the season is given clearance. Fees will be due before the first practice date.

4th - 8th Grade

\$150 league registration fee per player

\$400 family participation fee, **which can be recouped** for work in the concession stand, front door, or gym supervisor. This will be a separate check for this fee.

Uniform fee - All new players must order a uniform. Returning players may wear the previous year's uniform. Each player should have a full uniform in good condition; this includes both a team jersey and uniform shorts. A complete basketball uniform costs \$75.

3rd Grade - \$60 fee. This will cover the league fee and a uniform T-Shirt.

There will also be a mandatory parent & player meeting before the season starts at a date and time TBD. The meeting will cover the season details, parent participation, and sportsmanship.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Larry Shipman, Girls Basketball Coordinator.

Larry Shipman

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St. Germaine Family School Association

Search for the group on Facebook using this key phrase:



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...and while you are there don't forget to follow our page @StGermaineFSA

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Book Drive

Mercy Sister Carol Mucha is conducting a continuing used book sale. These items can be dropped off at the main entrance of Mercy Circle any day of the week. She counts on the generosity of those who want to dispose of books in good condition of all genres including magazines, children's books, also CD's, DVD's, music, and small electronics including cell phones. Proceeds from the sales are used for Mercy Ministries. A cart is available at the reception desk if needed. For more information, please call Sister Carol at 708-297-4232.

Fall House Crawl



AUGUST 27, 2022

5:30PM

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FOOD PANTRY

Some needs this month....

Laundry Soap

Toilet Paper

Cereal

Powdered drinks

Chips

Gift cards to buy perishables

THANK YOU FOR
ALWAYS HELPING US
HELP OTHERS

The Athletic Association is always looking for help; next year, we are looking for help in the following areas:

Coaches/Assistant Coaches – Speak to any of the current coaches or athletic board members about the time commitment and other responsibilities.

Gym Supervisors – The gym supervisor is an adult who is willing to be responsible for supervising activities in the Activity Center on a rotating basis. A schedule is established at the beginning of each season. Shifts are approximately 3 hours long. Gym supervisors are not responsible for coaching, but rather for the physical environment of the Activity Center such as set up of equipment and clean up. This is a position that we are lacking volunteers in. So, if you are interested, please speak with someone.

Fundraising Events – The Board continues to look for new ideas for fundraisers and for volunteers to carry out these events.

If you feel that you would be able to help with any of these tasks, please contact any members of the Athletic Board or call 708-636-5060.

Brother Rice High School will be offering the following academic camps this summer:

"I Hate Writing Essays" Summer Camp

If you hate writing, but know that you need to write better essays, sign up for the "I Hate Writing Essays" summer camp this summer. Brother Rice freshman English teacher Becky Pacetti will show you how to write essays without all the pain and procrastination. Camp will be held Monday-Friday, June 20-23, from 12:45 to 2:00 P.M. This camp is co-ed and open to 6th-8th graders. See the Brother Rice website for more information: <https://www.brotherrice.org/summercamps/>

Jr. Journalism Summer Camp

BR Journalism teacher Ms. Becky Pacetti will show you how to write sports, feature, and editorial stories along with photography skills that you can use to write stories for your own school. Campers will need a camera/cell phone. Camp will be held Monday-Friday, July 11-14, from 12:45 to 2:00 P.M. This camp is co-ed and open to 6th-8th graders. See the Brother Rice website for more information: <https://www.brotherrice.org/summercamps/>

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