Our Lady at St. Germaine

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September 3, 2023

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24b-25



A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine,

God is not finished with creation. Through our labors, and guided by the Spirit, the Lord continues to bring creation to completion. God is not finished with us either. Through Jesus, our Savior, God labors to make us holy, reflections of Christ's goodness and holiness.

This work of the Lord, as the saying goes, "is a labor of love." It is a labor in which we have all been chosen to participate. It is not always easy work to form ourselves and others into images of Christ. But, we believe this work, of building up the kingdom, is the foundation and reason for all our other work and labor.

Thank you for all your labors at Our Lady at St. Germaine. Only through your sacrifice and hard work are we able to fulfill our mission to bring the good news of Christ to our families and community.

That good news is that Christ makes a difference in our lives, because your willingness to labor for the Lord makes a difference. Only when we first take care of each others' earthly needs, can we bring the love of the Lord into the lives of our families and neighbors.

Sincerely,

Bar. Phomos S. Cabala

Adoration Chapel is open during the following days and times:
Tuesdays 9am-6pm
Wednesdays 9am-7pm
Thursdays 9am-7pm

If you are interested in volunteering to be an adorer, please call Fran Barba at 708-567-6119 or the Parish Center 708-636-5060.

Choir News

Our first Adult Choir gathering will take place on Wednesday, Sept 6, after the 6:30pm Taize Prayer. We will discuss upcoming events; rehearsals etc. and socialize after the summer.

New members are always welcome! See you on Wednesday, Sept 6!

Taize Prayer Save the Date

Please join us at the next

Taize Prayer Service

Wednesday, September 6th at 6:30pm
in Our Lady at St. Germaine Church.

All are Welcome!!

Offertory Collection

Reminder, 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 back of church.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 4-Labor Day

8:30AM Mass: Rita & Tom Moran

Tuesday, September 5-Weekday 8:30AM Mass:

Michael Foley, John A. Madigan, Bill Dunne, Victor Gruzlewski

Wednesday, September 6-Weekday

7:00AM Mass: Siegfried Genutis (healing), Frances Gruzlewski 8:30AM Communion Service:

Thursday, September 7-Weekday

8:30 AM Mass: Virginia Gibbons

Friday, September 8-Nativity of the Blessed **Virgin Marv**

8:30 AM Mass:

Gerald O'Hare, Bridie O'Connor

Saturday, September 9-St. Peter Claver

8:30 AM: Festividades& Ezeguias Espejo, Roger Still, Brian Adams 4:00 PM: Mary Nolan Cannon, Donald Johnson

Sun, Sept. 10-23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM- Elizabeth Hiskey, Alice & William Munno, Donna, Mary & John Forbes 9:30AM-Gary Lassandrello, Kolodzey Family 11:30AM-Mary F. Rice, Gary F. Lassandrello, Margaret Gbar

REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

Dorothy A. Degasso

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

David Akai, Kathe Anhalt, Michael Anhalt, Baby Leo Baker, 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, Elizabeth Czajka, Jericho Jeffrey DeVivo, Marie Dillon, Emily DiPierro, Adriana Elgas, Paige Epstein, Patty Fadden, Karen Finn, Walter Furtner, Patsy Galecki, Bill Geegan, Giblin Family, Lynn Groebe, Gerardo Gonzalez, Pearl Goworowski, Peg Hansen, Kaitlyn Hedderman, Debbie Heitz, Cathy Hinz, Gina Jakelski, Robert "Mitch" Jones, Liz Kapovich, Dennis Kelsch, Garry Keller, Alvina Kita, Richard Kita, Joe Kress, Charles Lee, Kim Lewis, Ray Lynch, Eileen Carroll Lynch, Stas Maciasz, Rita Martin, Eugene Martyn, Michael Mattaliano, Raimonda Miknius, Dean Ojeda, 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, Adrienne Wild, Susan Zak, Gussie Zawaski

Readings for the week of September 3, 2023

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27 Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11 Thursday:

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23 Friday:

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Ministers' Schedule for September 9 & 10, 2023 **SUN 7:30 AM SUN 11:30 AM SAT 4:00 PM SUN 9:30 AM** Proclaimer B. Zakes K. Kleczkowski S. Chimera Eucharistic B. Zakes K. Kobiernicki K. Kleczkowski Ministers G. Pacetti K. Mikutis L. Stawczyk Altar Servers

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SELLER OF GRAND PRIZE TICKET—\$500

DONATION \$20 EACH OR 6 FOR \$100

PRIZE DRAWING SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

EARLY BIRD WINNERS WERE RITA B. AND LAURA S.

THANK YOU FOR ALL WHO HAVE PURCHASED YOUR TICKETS ALREADY! WE STILL NEED HELP SELLING TICKETS, IF YOU CAN SELL TO YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, REMEMBER THERE IS A \$500 PRIZE TO THE SELLER OF THE GRAND PRIZE TICKET.

IF YOU NEED MORE TICKETS, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 708-636-5060.



We're coming to a city near you!

A few weeks ago, we announced the topic of our annual fall Ground Zero tour:

"Changing the Tide: Understanding and Responding to Abortion Tourism in a Post-

Roe Illinois." And the positive response was OVERWHELMING!

Starting next week until the end of October, Mary Kate Zander, Executive Director Illinois Right to Life will be presenting our 2023 Ground Zero Tour topic at 14 locations. See the list below to find a tour stop near you!

Thursday, September 7 at 7PM Southside Pregnancy Center - Evergreen Park, IL

Thursday, September 21 at 7PM St. Damian Catholic Church - Oak Forest, IL

Wednesday, September 27 at 8PM St. James at Sag Bridge - Lemont, IL

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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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

August 20, 2023

Sunday: \$6,147.00

Sunday (GIVE CENTRAL): \$2,148.00

SUNDAY TOTAL: \$8,295.00

*AID ED(GIVE CENTRAL): \$30.00

Food Baskets: \$100.00

Aid to Education: \$52.00

Assumption: \$495.00

Sharing (Gove Central): \$90.00

*GIVE CENTRAL & ACH ARE IN ADDITION TO REGULAR COLLECTION

Split The Pot Drawing

Last week envelope #76 was drawn and did not participate in the drawing. The amount of \$2,600.00 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!

FOOD PANTRY

Needed this month....CEREAL, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pasta-Roni, Rice-a-Roni, Pasta, Soup, Ramen, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit, Chili, Stew, Granola Bars, Fruit Snacks, Crackers, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Cleaning Supplies and Gift Cards

We Appreciate You!!
THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS
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SOCIAL SUNDAY

Sunday, September 10th

12:30pm (following 11:30am Mass)
Activity Center

Join us for food and live music.

\$20 per Adult *(RESERVATIONS NEEDED)* \$10 per child

Catered meal, pop, water & coffee included Cash bar.

Tickets can be purchased at Parish Center or call 708-636-5060.

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 throughout the summer from 9:00am until 12:00pm in the school office on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. The office will be closed the week of July 4th. 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.

"Education isn't something you can finish."

~Isaac Asímov

Renaissance Chicago NFP at St. Xavier University invites those 55+ to continue learning, sharing, and enjoying life.

There will be 6-week terms in fall, winter and spring, first starting October 10. Classes are held in the afternoon at SXU on Tuesdays and Thursdays and on Zoom on Wednesdays.

Some fall topics include: Women Athletes; Happiness; News & Views; Birds; Artificial Intelligence; Life in the 21st Century; Saul Alinsky; Short Stories; The Novels You Weren't Ready for in High School; and Sam Adams—Revolutionary.

For a fee of \$180 per year, members can take 1-3 courses per term, enjoy luncheons in winter and spring, have access to some SXU spots (including the track on T and Tr), and attend two Speakers' Forums with noted presenters.

Registration will be held online from September 8-15.

For more information:

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Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School's Class of 1973 is celebrating their 50th Reunion Friday, October 13th at the school, 3737 W. 99th St. in Chicago. Cheers to 50 years!

The Planning Committee is asking classmates to please contact McAuley's Alumnae Office to ensure your snail mail and email addresses are current. Call (773) 881-6565, or email the Alumnae Coordinator, Maria,

at mmccormack@mothermcauley.org.

THANK YOU ... THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to everyone who donated to Christmas in July. We collected money and gift cards to help provide families with back to school expenses, bills and groceries.

The family of Our Lady at St Germaine is always so generous. Without you we could not help those in need.

God bless you all!!

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Bereavement Program—Adult Grief Support Group

OSF Little Company of Mary Medical Center will be hosting a 6-week adult grief support group. The sessions will meet on Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Evergreen Park Library, 9400 South Troy Avenue, Lower Level, in Evergreen Park, Illinois.

Losing a loved one can be especially difficult. Whether the loss was recent or sometime ago, the feelings of grief can be overwhelming and intense. The grief support sessions will be designed to offer support and encouragement in an environment of respect and compassion. Adults who have lost a loved one and are in need of support are welcome.

Session 1 - August 24, 2023

Session 2 - August 31, 2023

Session 3 – September 07, 2023

Session 4 - September 14, 2023

Session 5 – September 21, 2023

Session 6 - September 28, 2023



Registration is requested one week prior to the first session. To register, please call Sheila, the Bereavement Coordinator, at (708)-229-4299

OUR SCHOOL!



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WHAT'S GOING ON AT SCHOOL?



Our School Board's tradition continues!! All of our new students were welcomed with a balloon, note, and yard sign to show off their Germaine pride! This year we welcomed 48 new students and 33 new families boosting our enrollment to 214 Trojans! Welcome all!



2023 8TH GRADE GIFT



Wow! Thank you so much 8th graders for the new bike rack!! What a lovely going away gift! Thank you to Mr. Shawn for helping put it together and secure it outside!

ALUMNI TALENTS!





WELCOME BACK!



We are happy to announce that we are partnering with P2G Fitness to help support our athletic and fitness goals for our sports teams at Germaine!

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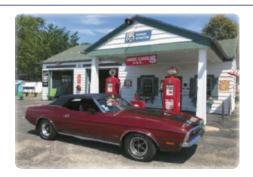
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Please submit payment upon ordering - all checks made payable to St. Germaine FSA & can be dropped off at the school office. Distribution will be TBD the week of September 25th.

	Orange/Bronze Mum	Red Mum	Yellow Mum	
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Questions? Email the Family School Association (FSA) - GermaineFSA@stgol.org or text Anne 708.254.2665





Car Show

The Knights of Columbus Council #14553 is having its 2nd Annual Car Show on **Saturday, September 16th, 2023**, at Our Lady at St Germaine Rain Date will be September 23rd, 2023.

This is a judged show, trophies will be awarded.

Fee: \$20.00

Check in time 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Judging starts at 11:30 AM

Show Time 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Awards given at 2:00 PM

Free spectator admission. Food and beverages will be available for sale.

Proceeds will go to Knights of Columbus charities including intellectually disabled people, food for homeless & single parent families in need.

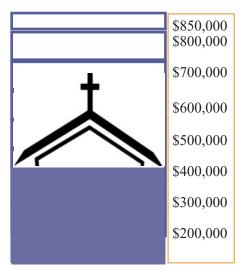
Car show chairman Mike Waters For more information call Darin Widmer at (708) 297-7626

Thank you to the **291** donors who have started off our *Raise the Roof* campaign pledging *\$409,053.31!*

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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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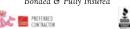
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