

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 16, 2025

Under Mary's mantle, and with the guidance of the Holy Trinity, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament seeks to share God's love by celebrating the sacraments, proclaiming the gospel, and serving the needs of all His children.

LESSONS IN LOVE BY BILL & KAREN VANCE

We agreed to contribute to the articles on marriage in the February bulletin before actually reading what was wanted, and that was, "Share your love story."

Well we have been married for almost 64 years and our love story would have to be very long, and could be slightly tedious for the reader, and maybe also for the writers (us). So instead, we've decided to share a few lessons that we have learned during the past 64 years.

Marriage is made up of **mountains and valleys**. Just when you think you will be a permanent resident at the top of the mountain, you slide down into a valley. Luckily your experiences on the mountains help you get through the valleys.

Good **communication is key** to a successful marriage. A few lessons we've learned, sometimes the hard way, are the following:

- It is not so much what you say, but how you say it.
- Don't underestimate the power of a compliment or the damage of continual criticism.
- Don't procrastinate having difficult conversations. Waiting just makes the problems fester.
- Affirm each other's strengths. Ignore their flaws.
- •The time for a serious conversation is not when you are tired. A good night's sleep often can turn things around.

Keep priorities straight: God, spouse, children, job or hobbies. If these are out of order, your marriage is out of order.

Two things you should be able to share with your spouse are **prayer and laughter**. The prayer part might feel uncomfortable at first, but give it time and effort and it will grow. The old adage "laughter is the best medicine" can be very true.

Traditions are treasures. Every family's traditions are different, but they can be like glue that holds the family together.

There is **no such thing as a perfect marriage**, but whether you have been married one year, twenty five years, or sixty four years there is always something you can do to make it better. Yes, we are still reading "How to Improve Your Marriage" books.

Marriages have to be fed and what we discovered that fed ours is faith, family, friends and fun.

Our parish has played an essential role in the nourishment of our marriage. We joined this parish in 1964 and we both have been active in numerous organizations and ministries that have helped us grow in our faith. We feel the greatest gift we receive from the parish is the opportunity to go to mass and receive the Eucharist daily.

No one prepares you for the retirement or "growing old" season of life. We feel incredibly blessed that we have each other to navigate these challenging years together with God's help.

About the Authors

Bill and Karen Vance have been **married since 1961**. They have 7 children and 20 grandchildren. Bill was a system analyst for Sears Roebucks. Karen taught at Queen of the Rosary School for 25 years. They have been members of the parish since 1964.

Over the years they have been involved in many organizations and ministries. Karen's favorite was preparing second graders and their families for First Communion. Bill's favorite was driving people to doctor's appointments and being a communion minister at the hospital and hospice.

Currently, Bill serves as a **Lector** and part of the **Finance Council**, heping to count the offertory on Mondays. Karen is an **Extraordinary Minister of Communion** for the parish and active in the **Ministry of Care**, bring the Eucharist and the loving presence of Christ to the sick and homebound in our parish.





MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	February 17
8:15am (SJE)	+ Ken Krzywicki
Tuesday	February 18
8:15am (QR)	Fr. Louis Mboe & Parish
Wednesday	February 19
8:15am (SJE)	+ Dr. Gary Ochwat
Thursday	February 20
8:15am (QR)	+Regina & Leon Raslavicius
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	February 21 Kim O'Connor , + Ricardo Amarra, + Romeo M. Casiple
Saturday	February 22
8:15am (QR)	+ Peter & Dorothy Shianna
5:00pm (SJE)	For the people of the parish
Sunday	February 23
8:00am (QR)	+ Marcelina Mercado Luis
9:15am (SJE)	+ Tony & Elena DiCrescenzo
10:30am (QR)	+ Felix & Josephine Zabinski, + Kazimir & Anna Rozewicki, + Frank Castillo, + Diane Schuldt

MINISTRY & EVENTS



7:45am 8:00am 8:45am 2-5:00pm	Mon-Sat: Morning Prayer (Tele or App) Mon-Sat: Divine Mercy Prior to Mass Mon-Sat: Rosary Follows Mass Tue-Fri: Teen Center Hours	
Monday 6:30pm 7:00pm	February 17 Youth Ministry (Victory Centre) AFC Family Holy Hour (QR)	
Tuesday 7:00pm	February 18 Rosary Group (SJE) Choir Rehearsal (QR)	
Wednesday 8:15am 3:00pm 7:00pm	February 19 Adoration begins with daily Mass (SJE) Divine Mercy Prayer (SJE) Confessions (SJE) Bell Choir Practice (QR) AA (SJE Ministry Center)	
Thursday 7:00pm	February 20 Adult Education (SJE Rooms 11/12) Parish Council Exec (SJE Shea Hall)	
Friday 7:30pm	February 21 AA (SJE Ministry Center)	
Saturday 8:15am 12:00pm	February 22 Adoration begins with daily Mass (QR) Reconciliation (QR)	
Sunday 9:15am 6:00pm	February 23 Children's Liturgy of the Word (SJE) OCIA (Virtual)	



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

February 22/23

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm	Bob Lester	Linda Fink Rich Bellis Ron Mattey
8:00am	Kevin Colgan	Ray Bauer Elizabeth Luong Judi Necek
9:15am	Joe Wozniak	Deacon Jerry VickiLynn Gilman Vicky Lucki
10:30am	Jim Styka	Carol Styka Norene Koziatek Larry Zabinski

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS



Bonnie Costa, Helene Dvorak, James Edfor, Marilyn Foss, Tamera Garrity, Eileen Gascon, Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Bobbye Knief, Gordon & Carol Lah, Kim O'Connor, Randy Olsen, Bill Piscitello, John Schneider, Anne Schmid, Daniel Showalter, Irene Steck, Mary Beth Tomaso, Jackie Vrtis, Wermuth family, Marge Yackem, Fay Zalecki, Jenny & Baby Lily, Baby Zoe

Please contact the parish office at (847) 979-0901 to continue to have sick relatives or friends included here.

GRANT UNTO THEM ETERNAL REST

May God bless them and keep them...

Brent Lindorfer

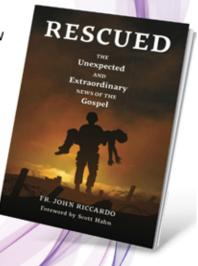
Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

DON'T MISS OUT!

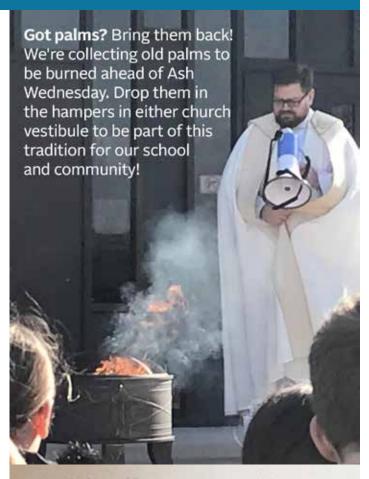
Using Fr. John Riccardo's powerful book, Rescued: The Unexpected and Extraordinary News of the Gospel, let's start meaningful discussions about seeing the world through God's lens and discovering our role in His good plan.

Scan the code below to sign up to be a Lenten Small Group facilitator!









March for Life

March 25 | Springfield, Illinois bus departs from SJE at 8:30am

Let's stand for a culture that honors life from conception to natural death at this



Scan the code to save your seat on the bus!

FAMILY RESOURCES & EVENTS

Gospel in Focus: February 23, 2025
Jesus teaches His disciples how to treat their enemies. "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you."
Luke 6:27

Discussion Questions

Today's Gospel says to lend to others and expect nothing back. Does this challenge the way you have behaved with others in the past?

Jesus says to "stop judging and you will not be judged." Have I ever judged others unfairly or harshly? How does it feel when I have been judged myself?

What is the difference between mercy and judgment?

52 Week Mass Guide for Families: olbsegv.org/prayer-life/#MassGuide

Stations & Supper

3/7/25 | 5 | 6 | 6:30pm QR
Parents Club Pasta Dinner Fundraiser Seatings at 5pm and 6:30pm (Gym)

"For you are dust, and to dust you shall return." (Genesis 3:19)

2025 Ash Wednesday Schedule Wednesday, March 5th (w/distribution of Ashes)

6:30am Word Service at QR

8:15am Mass of the Day at SJE

11:00am to 1:00pm Drive-Up in front of Tasty Catering (1900 Touhy, Elk Grove Village)

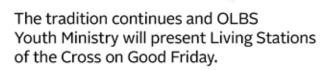
12:15pm Word Service at SJE

4:00pm Evening Mass at SJE

7:00pm Evening Mass at QR

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Good Friday, April 18, 2025 | 7pm St. Julian Eymard Church



Rehearsals begin **March 9, 2025** and will continue **on Sundays at 3pm** at St. Julian Eymard until April 13th.

Questions? Please contact Mr. Van at (847) 979-0901 x1006 or MrVan@olbsegv.org.

PARISH SCHOOL—QUEEN OF THE ROSARY SCHOOL



A Look Back at Super Sunday! Last weekend at the 10:30am Mass, our first graders and their amazing teacher, Mrs. Minard, led us in worship so beautifully! With an assist from parent readers and upperclassmen altar servers, it was truly a team effort—faith in action at its finest!

On Super Bowl and World Marriage Sunday, we celebrated faith, teamwork and love—the ultimate winning combination. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make all of our Sunday Masses so special!

Don't forget to save these dates to join us in March: Stations & Supper Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser (3/7); Casino Night Spring Fundraiser (3/8); 2nd Grade Class Mass (3/9)!



HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Get Your Tickets! Purchase individually or grab your crew and reserve a table for a full house of fun.

Donate to Wine 'n Dine! We're collecting bottles of wine and restaurant gift cards (\$25+ value) to up the ante on our raffles. (Drop off at the school or parish office.)

Be a Sponsor! Own a business? Know someone who does? Sponsorships come with big perks! Scan the code to signup or discover more!



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Your Stewardship Treasure returned to God for the support of our Parish ministries and His Church.

Thank you for your generosity.

Weekly Offertory February 9, 2025	\$8,861.00
2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (You should have received mail-in envelopes. Commitment weekend is 2/23/25. Thanks for your generosity!)	\$





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Worship Sites

Queen of the Rosary Church (QR) 750 W. Elk Grove Blvd, Elk Grove Village

St. Julian Eymard Church (SJE) 601 Biesterfield Road, Elk Grove Village *Office Hours*

M/W 9am-5pm; Tu/Th 10am-6pm; F 9am-Noon

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BONUS FEATURE: LOOKING AHEAD





BONUS FEATURE: MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



Young Adult Ministry

If you're 18-39, find faith, friendship and fun through community events and spiritual growth!

Scan the code or contact the parish office to discover more. (847) 979-0901 or info@olbsegv.org.





Book Club

Dive into engaging discussions on faithfilled and inspiring reads-let's share stories that uplift!

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Grounds & Environment

Help Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament shine. Let's create an inviting, prayerful space—from the parking lot to the altar.

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Women's & Men's Groups

Build friendships and community with fellow parishioners. Come as you are and make it your own!

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Care Ministry

Bring Christ's presence through the Eucharist and compassionate visits to homebound parishioners.

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Walk with grieving families, offering compassion and guidance while planning funeral liturgies.

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Journey of the Heart

Be a beacon of hope for the bereaved, helping them discover God's love through their grief.

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Respect Life

Pray, advocate and witness for the dignity of all human life, from conception to natural death.

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Proclaim God's Word, distribute the Eucharist or assist at the altarserve with joy and purpose!

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Prayer Shawl

Knit, crochet and craft comforting shawls, blankets and more wrapping others in warmth and prayer!

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Grow deeper in faith through Bible studies, Scripture discussions and more spiritual learning opportunities!

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God's Work, Our Hands

There's something for everyone! Don't see your calling? Let's talk and explore how we can invite others to Christ-together!

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