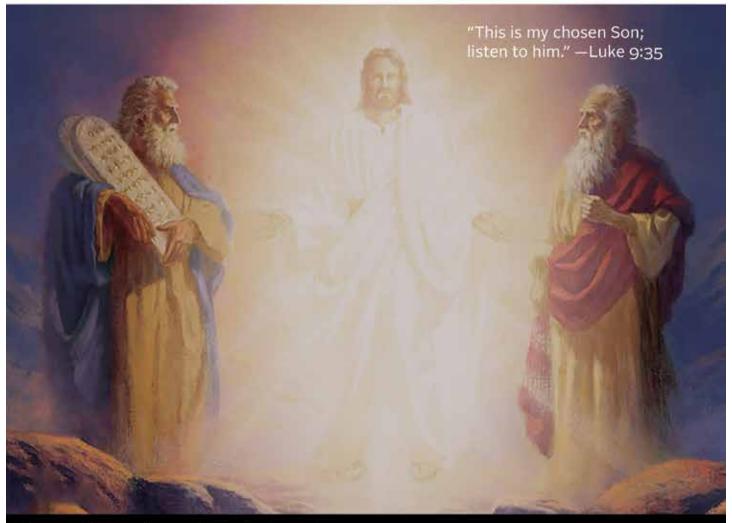
Sat: 5:00pm (SJE) | Sun: 8:00am/10;30am (QR) | 9:15am (SJE) Daily: 8:15am M/W/F (SJE) | Tu/Th/Sa (QR) Reconciliation: Wed 7:00pm (SJE) | Sat 12:00pm (QR) — Check schedule for holy days of obligation/holidays.





# Second Sunday of Lent | March 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.

#### **WELCOMING OUR OCIA CANDIDATES**

On the mountaintop, Peter, James and John got front-row seats to the ultimate heavenly show, Jesus shining in all His glory! This Second Sunday of Lent, as we reflect on the Transfiguration, we're rolling out our own "big reveal" and introducing the Order of Christian Initiation candidates who are stepping up to serve God. Their gifts, talents and call to discipleship light up our parish community, and we can't wait for you to meet them. So, cue the heavenly spotlight—it's time to shine!

Please join us in walking with and supporting our new companions on this journey of faith. Together, let's encourage, pray for and uplift them as they continue to grow in Christ's love!

#### **John Kohler**

I grew up in Elk Grove Village and have practically lived here my whole life, minus about 2 years I lived in Chicago for work. I was Baptized at St. Julian when I was a few months old. I briefly attended CCD and have completed my first communion.



I am married to my wife, Jessica, and we have one daughter, Nora Rose. As for work, I have been a Police officer for 7 years and a detective for the last two years.

#### **Jess Kohler**

My name is Jess. I am 30 years old. I was raised in Berwyn, on the west side, until High School when I moved to Elk Grove Village to live with my father. I was baptized and have completed my first communion. I have been married to my husband, John, for



almost 3 years and together for almost 10 years. We had our first child, a daughter Nora Rose, in September.

#### **Matthew Spanavello**

From a very young age, my journey into religious life began with a deep curiosity about the Passion of Christ. It was my grandmother who played a pivotal role in nurturing this interest. She brought me to church and introduced me to the sacred



rituals that would shape my spiritual path. Growing up on the South Side of Chicago, I took my first Holy Communion, marking a significant moment as I became a person of Christ. This early connection to faith laid the foundation for my lifelong spiritual journey.

Later, my family moved to Argentina, where I attended public schools and, unfortunately, did not participate in the sacrament of Confirmation. While my religious life took on a different shape during this time, the foundation of my beliefs remained strong. After several years, I found a true spiritual home at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, where I have been attending mass since moving back to the United States and was blessed to be part of the music ministry for the past seven years. The love and support I have found here have enriched my faith and deepened my commitment to living a religious life. I am continually grateful for the guidance and community it provides.

#### Vicki Banak

I was born in Chicago, raised in Elk Grove Village.

Fun fact: I'm an avid traveler and have visited 30 countries, adding 3 more in 2025.

What drew me to the Lord on my OCIA journey: After being baptized Catholic, I



have always wanted to complete my sacraments. I feel very blessed and excited to do so as an adult.

#### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday 8:15am (SJE)	March 17
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:15am (QR)	March 18 + Tommy DeLorenzo
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	March 19
Thursday 8:15am (QR)	March 20
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	March 21 + William Grippe
Saturday 8:15am (QR)	March 22 + Peter & Dorothy Shianna
5:00pm (SJE)	For the people of the parish
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00am (QR)	March 23 For the people of the parish
9:15am (SJE)	+ Connie Ann Freda
10:30am (QR)	+ David Grundies, + Gary Maxwell



#### **LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

#### March 22/23

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm	John Finn	Linda Fink Rich Bellis Ron Mattey
8:00am	Kevin Colgan	Mary Duffy Patricia Childress Julie Beesley
9:15am	Judy Lorch	Deacon Jerry VickiLynn Gilman Vicky Lucki
	Charles Glomski	Diane Ambrose Paul Tognocchi Donna Tognocchi





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	March 17 Youth Ministry (Victory Centre) Book Club (SJE Shea Hall) AFC Family Hour (QR)
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00pm	March 18 Rosary Group (SJE)
Wednesday  8:15am 9:30am 3:00pm 7:00pm  7:30pm	March 19 Solemnity of St. Joseph: office closed. Adoration begins with daily Mass (SJE) Bibly Study (SJE Shea Hall) Divine Mercy Prayer (SJE) Confessions (SJE) Bell Choir Practice (QR) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday 7:00pm	March 20 Adult Education (SJE Rooms 11/12) Parish Council (SJE Shea Hall) Choir (QR)
Friday 6:00pm 7:30pm	March 21 Stations & Supper (QR) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Saturday 8:15am 12:00pm	March 22 Adoration begins with daily Mass (QR) Reconciliation (QR)
Sunday 9:15am 6:00pm 6:30pm	March 23 Children's Liturgy of the Word (SJE) OCIA (Virtual) Living Stations Rehearsal (SJE)

#### **SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS**

Bonnie Costa, James Edfor, Marilyn Foss, Tamera Garrity, Eileen Gascon, Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Michael Grear, Elizabeth Juras, Bobbye Knief, Gordon & Carol Lah, Kim O'Connor, Randy Olsen, Bill Piscitello, John Schneider, Anne Schmid, Irene Steck, Mary Beth Tomaso, Jackie Vrtis, Wermuth family, Marge Yackem, Fay Zalecki, Baby Zoe, Pope Francis

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...

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

#### DON'T MISS OUT!

# **Lenten Almsgiving**

This Lent, let's give from the heart!

Our parishwide Lenten Almsgiving project supports Mental Health Awareness through organizations like Catholic Charities. Together, we can bring hope and healing!





## **Parish Lenten Series**

Sacrament of Reconciliation Discussion

Thursday, March 27th | 7pm St. Julian Eymard Church

**Parish Reconciliation Service** 

Wednesday, April 2nd | 7pm

St. Julian Eymard Church

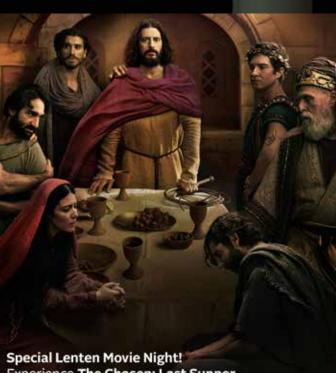
#### **OCIA Scrutinies**

The Scrutinies are three special rites that help prepare the Elect, those participating in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), to enter the Catholic Church. They are associated with three specific Gospel stories on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent:

3rd Sunday, March 23rd The Samaritan Woman

4th Sunday, March 30th The Man Born Blind

5th Sunday, April 6th The Raising of Lazarus



Experience The Chosen: Last Supper Part I on Saturday, March 29th at 7pm at Classic Cinema Elk Grove-a powerful way to prepare for Holy Week! Tickets are on us, but space is limited, so sign up now to reserve your spot!



#### **FAMILY RESOURCES & EVENTS**

Gospel in Focus: March 23, 2025
Jesus shares Words of Knowledge to a Samaritan woman at the well, and changes her life as He invites her to new life in the Holy Spirit... "But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshippers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship Him." —John 4:23

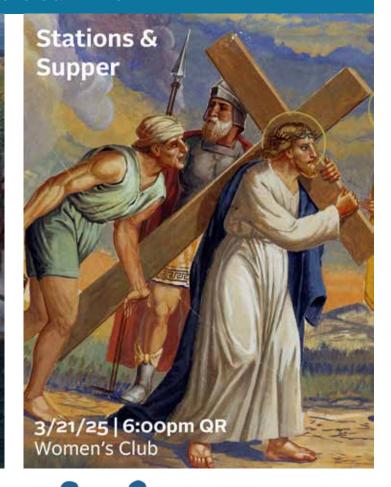
Discussion Questions

What does it mean to worship the Father in "spirit and in truth?"

The woman at the well received Jesus completely. How could she have reacted when He revealed her sins to her?

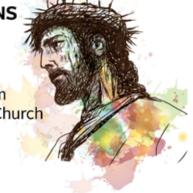
What does it mean to have "hardened hearts?" In what ways are our hearts hardened?

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



# LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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



The tradition continues and OLBS Youth Ministry will present Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

Rehearsals continue on **Sundays at 6:30pm** at St. Julian Eymard until April 13th.

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



CHILDREN

Thursday, April 10th 4:30 - 6:30pm

Parish and QR School Mission Effectiveness Team, Ages 5 & up!

PRAY. FAST. GIVE. LET'S GIVE BACK—TOGETHER!

This Lent, let's put our faith into action! Join Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish/Queen of the Rosary School Mission Effectiveness Team for a hands-on service outing at Feed My Starving Children in Schaumburg. All are invited!

Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10Apr25FMSC#/



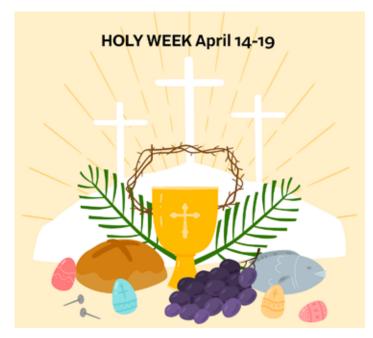
#### PARISH SCHOOL—QUEEN OF THE ROSARY SCHOOL



Our hearts are full—and so were our pews! What a blessing it was to see our churches packed on Ash Wednesday, especially at our school Mass led by our amazing 4th and 5th graders. With joyful reverence, they helped set the tone for this sacred season of Lent. Fr. Paul shared a simple but powerful Lenten reminder: PFA—Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving! Just like a good recipe needs the right ingredients, our Lenten journey thrives when we mix in time with God, small sacrifices and acts of kindness.

Speaking of full houses—our 65th Anniversary Casino Night was a winning hand! Thank you to everyone who went all in on supporting Catholic education and our Queen of the Rosary School. Stay tuned for more from this amazing night!





#### 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 March 9, 2025	\$14,199.00
2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (2025 Goal is \$60,564)	\$11,764.00
Aid for Central & Eastern Europe	\$2,623.00

Our parish goal for this year's Annual Appeal is \$60,564, and every dollar over that comes back to us! This year, we're putting those rebate funds toward an exciting project—updating our playground! Used by our school and parish for Totus Tuus and Pray & Play Sundays, this space is a blessing for students and young families. With a tenttive \$130,000 budget and a \$50,000 grant already secured, our support will help make this dream a reality. Past rebates have funded sound systems, security cameras, vestibule screens and soon, bathroom upgrades—let's keep building up our parish together!



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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

#### OLBSEGV.org | (847) 979-0901 | info@olbsegv.org

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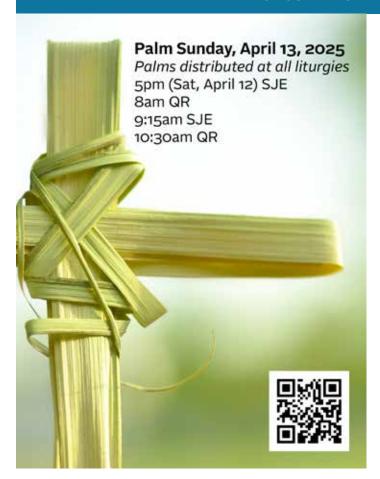
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#### **BONUS FEATURE: LOOKING AHEAD**



Join us for Easter Mass as a family! Celebrate the joy of resurrection and unity on Sunday, March 31st.

We look forward to sharing this blessed occasion with you!



# **Holy Week Schedule**

Daily Mass as usual on Monday (SJE), Tuesday (QR) and Wednesday (SJE) at 8:15am.

On Holy Thursday (QR), Good Friday (SJE) and Holy Saturday (QR) we will have morning prayer in lieu of Mass at 8:15am.

#### Tuesday, April 15

7pm Seven Last Words of Christ, SJE

#### Thursday, April 17

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, SJE 8pm Visitation of 7 Churches departs

#### Friday, April 18

3pm Good Friday Service, QR 7pm Living Stations of the Cross, SJE

#### Saturday, April 18

10:30am Easter Basket Blessing, SJE 7:30pm Easter Vigil Mass, QR

View complete Lent & Easter schedule here: olbsegv.org/easter25/



#### **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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#### **BONUS FEATURE: MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT**



# **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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#### **BONUS FEATURE: MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT**



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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