

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 31, 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.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Friends,

What a wonderful and full month August has been here at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish!

We kicked off with some exciting progress on our playground refresh project, which was ready just in time for the school year. While the playground is a place of fun for the whole parish and community, it's also a vital space for our school and Religious Ed curriculum throughout the year. I'm so grateful that this project is being largely funded by grants and generous donations—including hard work from Mrs. Ellefson, one of our preschool teachers, our Annual Catholic Appeal rebate, a community GoFundMe (\$1,000), and another \$1,000 raised through our online parish drive. Thank you to everyone who has supported this effort!

On August 8–9, parish and school leaders gathered for a two-day Summit to launch our new pastoral year: Companions on the Journey. It was a joy to see so many reconnecting, meet new friends, and dream together about how we can live out our theme in daily parish life. One simple but powerful idea from our Summit—recognizing anniversaries at Sunday Mass—is already bearing fruit.

We also welcomed the Redemptorists of the Denver Province, raising \$3,800 for the Missionary Cooperative Appeal. We celebrated the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and were reminded so beautifully by Fr. Paul that Mary's Assumption—body and soul into Heaven—is the ultimate "thank you" from a Son to His Mother.

Meanwhile, school is back in session! I loved celebrating my very first school Mass with our students and families at our new time of 1:40 p.m. on Tuesday, August 19. I couldn't be prouder of our young people—their love for Christ shone through in their responses and their singing. And yes, I've even gotten in a few pickup basketball games at lunchtime—I'm told the students have enjoyed them just as much as I have!

As your new pastor, I've been grateful for the chance to meet with many of our leadership teams and to walk with you into this new year. Please let us know how we're doing—if you have a story to share, reach out to me, Fr. Paul, Mr. Andersen, or any member of our staff or leadership team. We'd love to hear from you!

Stay tuned—in my September introduction, I'll highlight the many events and ministries already in motion, some of which began even while we were on "summer break." God is truly at work here, and I can't wait to see what He has in store for us next.

Blessings, Fr. Art



2025 Playground Refresh



Pickup basketball with Fr. Art at lunchtime!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 9:00am (SJE)	September 1 + Petra Falk
Tuesday 8:15am (QR) 1:40pm	September 2 All Souls in Purgatory School Mass (All are invited)
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	September 3 + Alice Morand, + Joyce Cairns
Thursday 8:15am (QR)	September 4 + Barbara Burke
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	September 5 + Peter & Dorothy Shianna
Saturday 8:15am (QR)	September 6 + Donald Neslund, + Bob Krist
5:00pm (SJE)	+ Tommy DeLorenzo, + Raymond Jakimczyk, + Harry & Elaine Taraszka, + Mary & John Nolan & John Nolan, Jr., + Virginia & George Bellis, + Rita Sherman
Sunday 8:00am (QR)	September 7 For the people of the parish
9:15am (SJE)	+ Deceased members of Newcomb & Quilici families
10:30am (QR)	+ Brent Lindorfer



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	September 1 Happy Labor Day! No School and Parish Office Closed.
Tuesday 7:00pm	September 2 Rosary Prayer (SJE)
Wednesday 8:15am 9:30am 3:00pm 7:00pm	September 3 Adoration begins with daily Mass (SJE) Bible Study (SJE Shea Hall) Divine Mercy Prayer (SJE) Reconciliation (SJE) Bell Choir Practice (QR) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday 6:30pm	September 4 Summer Supper (SJE Shea Hall)
Friday 8:15am 7:30pm	September 5 Adoration begins with daily Mass (SJE) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Saturday 8:15am Noon	September 6 First Saturday devotions begin with daily Mass (QR) Reconciliation (QR)



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

September 6/7

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm Fr. Art	Bill Piscitello	Ray Bauer Virginia Vogt Ron Mattey
8:00am	Wade Axberg	Julie Beesley Patricia Childress Mary Duffy
9:15am Fr. Art	Kathy Casterton	Deacon Jerry VickiLynn Gilman Vicky Lucki
10:30am	Charles Glomski	Chris Schiffer Dan Schiffer Diane Ambrose

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

September 7

Sunday

Rosemary Beatty, Mary Berry, Richard Conrad, Bonnie Costa, Marilyn Foss, Eileen & Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Michael Grear, Victoria Grzesiakowski, Erin Huels, Edward Lang, Ray Marquez, Paul Morse, Mary Murphy, Debbie Novoryta, Kim O'Connor, Randy Olsen, Mary Ann Piasecki, Nydia & Jesus Rodriguez, John Schneider, William Seiwert, Thomas Smith, Mary Beth Tomaso, Jackie Vrtis, Marge Yackem

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!



National Day of Remembrance for Unborn Let's unite in faith and love to pray a Rosary for Life ahead of the 5pm Mass. When: Saturday, September 13 | 4pm Where: St. Julian Eymard Church Prayer aids will be provided. Our Sign of Hope

Join us on a special parish pilgrimage to Our Lady of Champion on Monday, October 13! For just \$20 per person (plus free-will gratuity for the driver), enjoy transportation, lunch, time for Confession, exploring the grounds, the gift shop, and praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet together at 3pm. As a Jubilee Year of Hope site, pilgrims can also receive a plenary indulgence—come share this beautiful day of faith and fellowship!

Discover more and reserve your seat: signupgenius.com/go/10C0548AFAA2AA2F4C25-57682270-ourlady#/

FAMILY RESOURCES & EVENTS

Gospel in Focus: September 7, 2025
Jesus teaches that we must deny ourselves to follow Him. "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."
—Luke 14:27

Discussion Questions

In this Gospel Jesus tells us we must do many hard things in order to follow Him. What are some of those actions we must take?

Have you ever had to give anything up to follow Jesus? What was it?

What cross is God asking you to carry?

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





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Sponsorship Opportunities Available: events.golfstatus.com/event/94ac431f-

PARISH SCHOOL—QUEEN OF THE ROSARY SCHOOL



What a Start It's Been!

The school year is off to a bright and bustling start! Students, teachers, and staff are falling into a wonderful rhythm—living their faith, sharpening their minds, and building friendships that last a lifetime. Hallways are buzzing with learning, laughter, and love as we settle into another year of faith-filled academics.

Beyond the classroom, the excitement keeps growing! Registration for Fall sports and Robotics Club is underway, and our students are already showing off their Cougar pride. Families recently joined us at Sunday Mass to promote the Fall Cougar Classic and sell Grand Raffle tickets—thank you for your support! Together, let's celebrate another year of excellence in faith, fellowship, and academics at our Queen of the Rosary School. Go Cougars!

Don't forget to mark your calendars for even more faith, learning, and community!

SEPTEMBER

- 10 First Parent Club Meeting
- 13 Mother/Daughter Event (open to all, registration required)
- 20 Hometown Parade (please bring bags of candy to the school or parish office to pass out)
- 28 Family Fall Fest (open to all)
- 30 Cougar Classic Golf Outing (open to all)

OCTOBER

- 4 Pet Blessing
- 8 Parent Club Meeting
- 17 Junior High Dance (open to all)

Have questions or want to learn more about our Queen of the Rosary School? We'd love to connect! Visit us online at **QRSchool.org** or call the school office at (847) 437-3322. We're always happy to help.

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 Goal	\$10,000
Weekly Offertory August 24, 2025 (Sunday Attendance: 921)	\$8,852.00
GIFT Fund (Endowment supporting ministry)	\$120.00
School Annual Fund	\$290.00
Stole Fees (Baptism, Wedding, Funeral, Etc.)	\$300.00
Votive & Vigil Candles	\$346.00
Poor Box	\$134.00
2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (<i>Projected Rebate \$25,000</i>)	\$86,224.00



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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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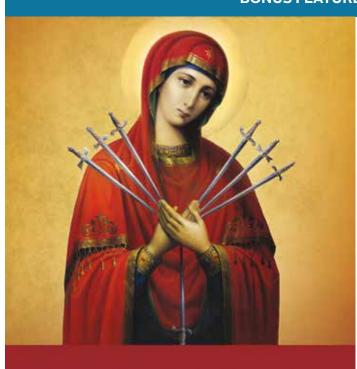
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BONUS FEATURE: LOOKING AHEAD



September is dedicated to the Seven Sorrows of Mary.

November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory.



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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