

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.



OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



*Rise, take the child and his mother,
flee to Egypt. —Matthew 2:13*

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph | December 28, 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.

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Worship Sites – Queen of the Rosary: 750 W. Elk Grove Blvd | St. Julian Eymard: 601 Biesterfield Road
School – Queen of the Rosary School: 690 Elk Grove Blvd | qrschool.org | (847) 437-3322



As we close out the year, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who joined us throughout Advent to light the Advent Wreath candles. Your presence not only at Mass, but also our many parish gatherings—from the beauty of A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols and our Parish Advent Reconciliation Service, to the joyful laughter of Kid's Christmas Film Night and Pictures with Santa & the Grinch—enriches our OLBS community.

As we continue into the Christmas season, we look ahead to the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Jan 1), the Epiphany of the Lord (Jan 4), and the Baptism of the Lord (Jan 11). Please note that we will not celebrate a vigil Mass on New Year's Eve for the Solemnity of Mary this year. For the Epiphany and the Baptism of the Lord, we will celebrate a regular Sunday schedule, see the calendar for more.

Finally, as we close the door on 2025, I invite you to enjoy these reflections from our teens who attended Catholic Heart Work Camp last summer. Though this took place before my time here, I am deeply proud to serve as pastor of a parish rooted in service. To see even our youngest Companions on the Journey living out their faith is a blessing. —Fr. Art



Lola A. Catholic Heart Work Camp is the best week of my summer. I look forward to it all year. Working to help others and build friendships is very fulfilling. Worship time brings me closer to Jesus. We also have so much fun during night program.



Niko M. This was my third Catholic Heart Work Camp now. At all my work camps, I always had fun playing games with my friends and meeting new people. The last two camps I really didn't, I guess, try to really make my connection stronger with God. During this camp though, I was going through a lot of different emotions and things going on in life. And this time I was like, you know what? Let me try asking Jesus for help and that's exactly what I did. And let me tell you it helped so much! I asked for his guidance in helping me through this hard time and helping me make difficult decisions and he helped me through that. So during this camp, I learned that God will always be there to listen and to help guide you through hard times.



Kristina F. Dear everyone! Thank you so much for your generosity and kindness! Thank you for giving me the opportunity to help others!



Monse G. My camp experience in Kentucky was very life changing. I got to meet people from other towns and states, and I got to grow closer in my faith with God. It was my fourth year attending CHWC and I've never been happier. I've grown closer to God in ways I never imagined like through the rosary and with fellow Catholic people. I've seen how God can impact my life in so many ways and I'm very grateful and happy I get to be a part of it.



Joslyn T. I enjoy my time at CHWC every year. I am able to make new friends, do some good work for good people, and strengthen my relationship with the Lord. This year in particular I feel I was able to help many more people and start to let down my walls that stop me from making friends. I would recommend this trip to anyone who asked about it as I look forward to it every year.



Alyssa M. My camp experience was great! I love bonding with other teens also exploring the Lord. I wish that at adoration we could've left when we wanted because I would've liked to stay longer. But over all my experience was great!



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:15am (SJE)	December 29
Tuesday 8:15am (QR)	December 30
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	December 31 + Irene & Jan Kopaczewski <i>Please note, there is no vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Mary this year.</i>
Thursday 9:00am (QR) 11:00am (SJE)	January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Cherney family For the people of the parish
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	January 2
Saturday 8:15am (QR) 5:00pm (SJE)	January 3 For the people of the parish
Sunday 8:00am (QR) 9:15am (SJE) 10:30am (QR)	January 4 For the people of the parish Deceased members of Newcomb & Quilici families For the people of the parish



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	December 29
Tuesday 7:00pm	December 30 Weekly Rosary (SJE)
Wednesday 7:30pm	December 31 Parish Office Closed. Please refer to Mass schedule. AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday	January 1 Parish Office Closed. Please refer to Mass schedule.
Friday 8:15am 7:30pm	January 2 First Friday Eucharistic Adoration begins with Daily Mass AA/Al Anon (SJE Ministry Center)
Saturday 8:15am Noon	January 3 First Saturday Rosary and Devotions including Adoration begin w/Mass (QR) Reconciliation (QR)
Sunday	January 4 Epiphany of the Lord , please pick up an Epiphany blessing and chalk kit in the vestibule to bless your home for the new year



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

January 3/4

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm	Mary Jan Cimino	Lynette Lee Peter Meister Jill Meister
8:00am Fr. Art	Kevin Colgan	Elizabeth Luong Judi Necek Larry Zabinski
9:15am	Kathy Hahn	Vicky Lucki VickiLynn Gilman Donna McGuire
10:30am Fr. Art	Bill Piscitello	Deacon Jerry Donna Tognocchi Paul Tognocchi



SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Terry Bauer, Rosemary Beatty, Richard Conrad, Johnny Cogill, Than Van Faughn, Haley & Marilyn Foss, Eileen & Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Michael Grear, Victoria Grzesiakowski, Mayor Craig Johnson, Edward Lang, Eileen Meyer, Alice Mulholland, Amy Norbot, Debby Novoryta, Randy Olsen, Gail Quick, John Schneider, William Seiwert, Eileen Showalter, Thomas Smith, Tilla Tillnon, Mary Beth Tomaso, Luis Alfredo Villacress, Jackie Vrtis, Marge Yackem, Ben's Sister

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...
Gordon Lah

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.


DON'T MISS OUT!

Epiphany

January 3rd and 4th

All Masses

Start the New Year blessed!



Epiphany blessing and chalk kits will be available in church, but we also invite you to contact the parish office and arrange a **house blessing** with Fr. Paul or Dcn Jerry: (847) 979-0901.

Let's Do Lunch...and Learn!


OLBS Prayer Shawl Ministry is excited to treat our 65+ community to a free, fun, and delicious Luncheon coming sometime after Easter 2026! Before we set the date, we're gauging interest—so if you'd love to join us for great food and even better company, let us know!

Scan the code or visit signupgenius.com/go/904054DADAC2CA7F49-60942127-lunchand#/



Become a Minister of Care

A one-day Minister of Care training is being offered on **Saturday, January 31** at AdventHealth LaGrange Hospital (5101 Willow Springs Rd, LaGrange), and it's open to anyone across the Archdiocese who feels called to serve. Ministers of Care bring the comfort of Christ in the Eucharist to the sick and homebound—a powerful and grace-filled ministry of compassion. If you're interested in becoming a Care Minister, please contact the parish office for more details.




"Whom shall I send? Who will go for us? 'Here I am, send me!'" — Isaiah 6:8

Have you ever considered the call to be a Deacon of the Catholic Church?

Join us at **7:00 PM on January 19th**, at the Office of the Diaconate, 816 Marengo, Forest Park, IL.

For more information and to register, contact the Office of the Diaconate at (708) 366-8900.



If we have a few folks attending Care Ministry training, there may even be a chance to carpool together for a fun, shared ride!

Gospel In Focus: January 4, 2026

The magi follow the star to Bethlehem where they find the Holy Family. *"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."*

—Matthew 2:2

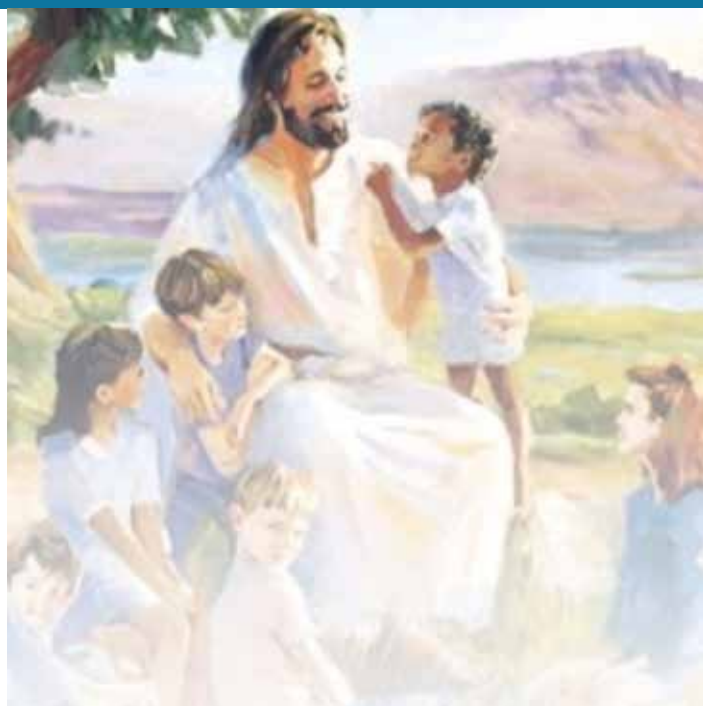
Discussion Questions

Which part of the Gospel stands out to you the most? Why?

The magi traveled with gifts for the newborn King. What "gifts" has God given you this Christmas season?

The magi traveled a long time before finally meeting Jesus. How is God calling you to patience?

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



Children's Liturgy of the Word will take a break for the Nativity of the Lord and the Solemnity of Mary. CLW will resume in the new year on January 4th at SJE at 9:15am!



Wine 'n Paint: Friday, January 16th

(If Mother Nature doesn't cooperate, January 23rd)

6:30pm | Shea Hall

\$20 per person, RSVP by January 4th

Sponsored by Women's Club, all are invited to join the fun!

Are you thrilled with your child's education?
 If not... come see what you're missing!

Queen of the Rosary School: Where faith and learning feel like home! **PAWS UP!**

Catholic Schools Week Open House
 Sunday, January 25, 2026
 immediately following 10:30am Mass





QUEEN OF THE ROSARY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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*Where faith and learning
feel like home.*

Our school Christmas programs were truly beautiful and a joyful celebration of the season. As we wrapped up Advent together as a school community, our halls were filled with love, joy, and the true spirit of Christmas. We are incredibly grateful for the generosity of our families and parish community, whose support and kindness continue to bless our students in so many ways.

We hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and is looking forward to the new year ahead. Please save the date for our Open House on Sunday, January 25, and come see all the amazing things our school has to offer!



If you'd like to learn
more about our school,
we'd love to connect!



PAWS UP!



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	\$14,000
In-pew/Mail-in Offertory Dec 14, 2025 (Sunday Attendance: 899, below zero!)	\$9,330.00
Religious Retired	\$1,419.00
Christmas Flowers	\$125.00
2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (Projected Rebate \$35,000)	\$97,745.00

Pray, Donate or Volunteer to help us launch Alpha at OLBS!

Donate:

Volunteer:

This Christmas season, let's let our giving reflect the joy of our Lord's birth!

Our support keeps OLBS thriving as a place of worship, love, and service.

Use the special envelope in your offertory packet or in Fr. Arthur's Christmas Letter, or scan the code below to donate online. Our generosity makes a difference!



Please contact the parish office if you need help:
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January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus.



February is dedicated to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.



March is dedicated to St. Joseph.



April is dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament.



Young Adult Ministry

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

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Book Club

Dive into engaging discussions on faith-filled 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.

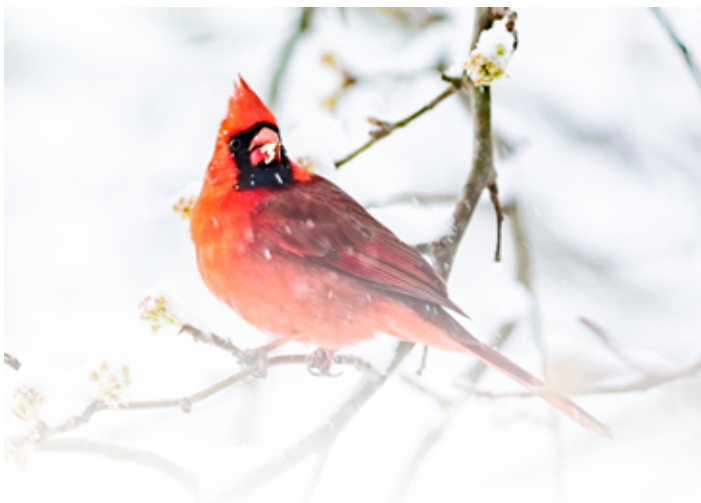
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Bereavement

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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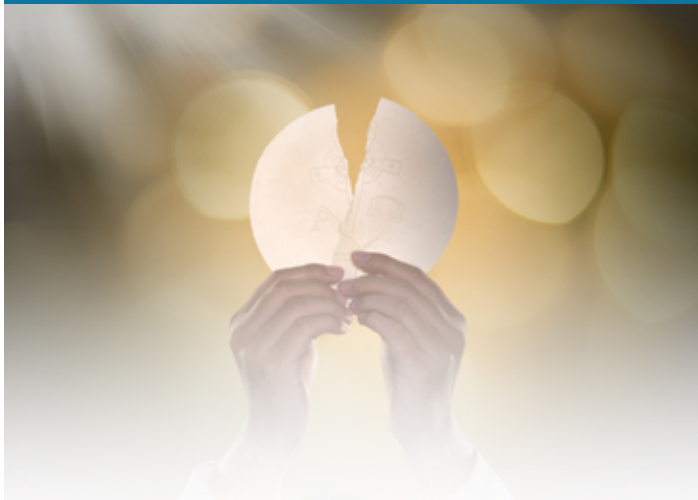


Respect Life

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

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Liturgical Ministries

Proclaim God's Word, distribute the Eucharist or assist at the altar—serve 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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Adult Faith Formation

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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