

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


*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*

Epiphany of the Lord | January 4, 2026

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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As we step into a new year, I wanted to share a bit of personal news. After Masses on Epiphany Sunday, I will be heading home to the Philippines for a short visit to my homeland, where I look forward to spending time with family, enjoying some sunshine, and getting a bit of rest before returning refreshed. While I'm away, please know that you remain close in my prayers, and I am grateful for the strong leadership and dedicated volunteers who continue to care for our Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish community.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to my brother priests who are generously helping us celebrate the Holy Masses during my absence: Fr. Dennis Zalecki, Fr. Brian Simpson, Fr. Jorge Zetino, SVD, and Fr. Erwin Dela Cruz. I also extend my special thanks to our very own Fr. Paul Adaja for faithfully taking charge of the parish while I am away for a few weeks. May God reward them all for their generosity and service.

For my parish family staying here in Chicago, don't let the winter blues get the best of you! The cold months can be challenging, but one of the great blessings of parish life is that we don't walk through any season alone. Our parish and school have many wonderful opportunities this January to gather, laugh, pray, learn, and simply enjoy one another's company—each one a chance to warm our hearts even if the temperatures aren't so warm.

Here are just a few highlights to mark on your calendar. On **January 16** (or January 23 in the event of inclement weather), the Women's Club invites you to **Wine 'n Paint Night**—paint a cheerful winter-themed brick while enjoying snacks and wine. The \$20 fee includes instruction and all supplies, and both women and men are welcome. On **January 17**, our Queen of the Rosary School Parents Club hosts **Trivia Night**, a fun and friendly evening where you

can test your knowledge, bring your own snacks, and compete for prizes for trivia winners and best-themed table. On **January 19**, the Office of the Diaconate will host a **Deacon Inquiry Night** for men, and their spouses, who may be discerning a call to be a deacon in the Catholic Church.

Later in the month, on **January 22**, we will gather for a **Mass for Life** on the anniversary of Roe versus Wade, joining our Respect Life and Rosary Ministries in prayer for an end to abortion and for deeper respect for all of God's creation. Men's Group is hosting a **Pizza Night** on **January 23**. On **January 25**, we joyfully kick off **Catholic Schools Week** at our 10:30am Mass at Queen of the Rosary Church, followed by our annual Open House. On **January 31**, daytime training will be offered for new **Ministers of Care**, those who bring the Eucharist and Christ's comfort to the sick, the homebound, and residents of Victory Centre, Pearl and more. We are always in need of additional ministers for this beautiful and essential work. That same evening, our Queen of the Rosary School invites families to a **Chicago Wolves Family Night at Allstate Arena**. Gates open at 6pm, puck drops at 7pm, and for just \$21.05 you'll enjoy a night of hockey with your OLBS/Queen of the Rosary School family, plus a Chicago Wolves knit cap.

I look forward to seeing you upon my return during Catholic Schools Week, and I encourage you to invite a friend, neighbor, or family member to join you at one or more of these events. Sometimes a simple invitation can change a life. Always remember that your presence—not only at Mass, but also at parish gatherings—truly enriches our community. Thank you for being a vital part of our parish family as we begin this new year as **Companions on the Journey**.

— Fr. Art

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:15am (SJE)	January 5 + Josephine Anzelone, Nicholas Kokosioulis
Tuesday 8:15am (QR) 1:40pm (QR)	January 6 + Gumercindo Jamaica Queen of the Rosary School Mass
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	January 7 + Anna Imbordino, + Incarnacion Rios
Thursday 8:15am (QR)	January 8 Faviola Juarez
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	January 9 + Bob Mitchell, Maria Jamaica
Saturday 8:15am (QR) 5:00pm (SJE)	January 10 Julio Jamaica + Dennis Ceplecha
Sunday 8:00am (QR) 9:15am (SJE) 10:30am (QR)	January 11 + Aaron Gates + Tony & Elena DiCrescenzo, + Joseph & Charlotte Gambino + Mr. & Mrs. O'Kelly, + Mary Berry, Rena Jamaica



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	January 5 Classes Resume (QR School) Youth Ministry (Victory Centre)
Tuesday 7:00pm	January 6 Weekly Rosary (SJE)
Wednesday 8:15am 3:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	January 7 Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (SJE) Divine Mercy Chaplet (SJE) Confessions (SJE) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday 7:00pm	January 8 Choir Rehearsal (SJE)
Friday 7:30pm	January 9 AA/Al Anon (SJE Ministry Center)
Saturday 8:15am Noon	January 10 Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (QR) Reconciliation (QR)
Sunday	January 11 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

January 10/11

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm	Kathy Casterton	Deacon Jerry Linda Fink Ron Matthey
8:00am	Lily Axberg	Kathy Bergman David Bergman Julie Beesley
9:15am	Paul Rettberg	Joe Wozniak Joyce Leach Norene Koziatsek
10:30am	Chris Schiffer	Dan Schiffer Larry Zabinski Susan Tremko



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, Alice Mulholland, Eileen Meyer, 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...

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

DON'T MISS OUT!

Unconk Creativity!



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!

Men's Group Pizza Night

Friday, January 23 | 6pm

Moretti's Mount Prospect

1799 S. Busse Road



Mass for Life

Thursday, January 22, 2026 | 7pm

St. Julian Eymard Church

Join us for a special Mass on the Anniversary of Roe v. Wade as we unite in prayer for an end to abortion and the protection of every precious life.



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.

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 11, 2026

Jesus is baptized in the Jordan river by John the Baptist. *"And a voice came from the heavens, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.'"* —Matthew 3:17

Discussion Questions


Have you ever been to a baptism? What was it like?

How does baptism change us? Do we live like we have been changed?

Every time we dip our fingers in holy water, it is a reminder of our baptism. Challenge the members of your family to remember the promises of their baptism the next time they bless themselves with holy water!

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

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



Saturday, January 17th

QR School Gym

- Doors Open: 6:00 PM
- Trivia Begins: 6:30 PM
- Cost: \$10 per person
- Registration: Individual or Team (up to 8 members)

Scan the code to register online, download registration from eNews or contact the parish office.



Family Night at Chicago Wolves

Saturday, January 31 | Puck Drop 7pm
 Allstate Arena

Scan the code to reserve your seat for a fun night of hockey when the Wolves take on the Grand Rapids Griffins. Tickets are \$21.05/each and include a Chicago Wolves knit cap!





QUEEN OF THE ROSARY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OUR LADY OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
PARISH

*Where faith and learning
feel like home.*

Happy New Year! As we celebrate the Epiphany, we are reminded of the light of Christ that guides us and the joy of sharing His love with others. We have truly cherished our time off with family and friends and are grateful for the moments of rest and togetherness.

We look forward to returning to school refreshed and ready for the months ahead. We are excited for the rest of the school year and all that is still to come as we continue to learn, grow, and celebrate our faith together.

Don't forget! Catholic Schools week is coming- Open house on January 25!



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!



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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!

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



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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