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Reconciliation: Wed 7:00pm (SJE) | Sat 12:00pm (QR) —Check schedule for holy days of obligation/holidays.



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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | January 18, 2026

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If January ever leaves you feeling a little time-disoriented, you're not alone. Between new calendars, fresh planners, and the occasional “Wait...what year do I scroll to in my calendar app?” moment, January can feel like a gentle reset. Add in the life of the Church, and suddenly we're talking about several different “years” at once. So, let's take a lighthearted (and hopefully clarifying!) tour of the many calendars we follow in parish life.

First and foremost is the **Liturgical Year**—the most important calendar in the life of the Church. Unlike the traditional calendar year, the Liturgical Year begins on the **First Sunday of Advent**, the **Sunday closest to November 30**. This is the rhythm that shapes our worship: Sundays, Holy Days, and the great feasts and seasons of our faith. Our hymnals in the pews are organized to follow this calendar, carrying us prayerfully from season to season.

The Liturgical Year unfolds through Advent, Christmas, Little Ordinary Time, Lent, Easter, and Big Ordinary Time. It also governs how we hear Sacred Scripture. Over a three-year cycle—A, B, and C—we hear the entire Bible proclaimed, especially in the Sunday readings. On November 30, 2025, we began **Liturgical Year A**, where we hear primarily from the **Gospel of Matthew**. In other words, while the snow may be new and the traditional calendar just flipped, the Church has already been journeying through this Liturgical Year for a while now.

Another “year” you may have heard about recently—especially with the release of our OLBS parish financials—is the **Fiscal Year**. Our parish fiscal year (and the timeframe covered by our Annual Giving Impact Report, including the Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet) runs from **July 1 through June 30**. This structure helps us responsibly plan, budget, and steward the resources entrusted to us.

Then there's the most familiar one of all: the **Traditional Calendar Year**, beginning January 1 and ending December 31. As of January 1, many of us had to pause and remember to update date references to 2026—a small but telling sign that a new year has truly begun.

Many of us mark the New Year by making resolutions—promises to do better, be better, or finally tackle what we put off last year. The calendar flips, and with it comes a hopeful sense of a fresh start. In our faith, though, every day offers that same grace: **a new beginning, another chance to begin again with God**.

Another calendar many of us know well—even if backpacks and lunchboxes are long behind us—is the **School Year**. At our **Queen of the Rosary School**, the school year begins in mid-August and ends in early June. Our graduating 8th graders finish a bit earlier, celebrating graduation on the Sunday closest to Memorial Day, the unofficial start of summer. Enrollment for the upcoming school year always kicks off with **Catholic Schools Week**, which we'll celebrate on January 25, 2026 with our **Annual Open House** at Queen of the Rosary School.

Finally, there's the **Pastoral Year**. This calendar roughly follows the school year but continues through the summer months. At Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, each pastoral year is guided by a parish theme, helping focus our shared mission. We are continuing in the year of **Companions on the Journey**, with a special focus on Evangelization and the power of prayer and invitation—walking together, inviting others, and growing as disciples of Christ.

So, if you ever wonder, “**What year are we in at church?**” the answer may be: **several!** And that's okay. Each calendar helps us mark time, deepen faith, and **Be Transformed**, step by step, season by season, as **Companions on the Journey**.



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:15am (SJE)	January 19
Tuesday 8:15am (QR) 1:40pm (QR)	January 20 Queen of the Rosary School Mass
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	January 21 Vincent Dugo, + Aaron Gates
Thursday 8:15am (QR)	January 22
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	January 23
Saturday 8:15am (QR) 5:00pm (SJE)	January 24 For the people of the parish
Sunday 8:00am (QR) 9:15am (SJE) 10:30am (QR)	January 25 + Aaron Gates + Ralph Anthony Freda, + Carmen Freda, + Tommy DeLorenzo + Domenico Mazzone, + Vince Novelli, + Joseph A. Tomaino, + Lou Gennuso

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	January 19 No School in observance of Martin Luther King Day) Youth Ministry (Victory Centre) Full Parish Council (SJE Shea Hall)
Tuesday 7:00pm	January 20 Weekly Rosary (SJE)
Wednesday 8:15am 3:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	January 21 Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (SJE) Divine Mercy Chaplet (SJE) Confessions (SJE) Bible Timeline (SJE Shea Hall) Bell Choir (QR) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday 7:00pm	January 22 Choir Rehearsal (SJE)
Friday 6:30pm 7:30pm	January 23 Men's Group Pizza Night (Moretti's) AA/Al Anon (SJE Ministry Center)
Saturday 8:15am Noon	January 24 Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (QR) Reconciliation (QR)
Sunday 10:30am 11:30am 6:00pm	January 25 Catholic Schools Week Begins! Children's Liturgy of the Word (QR) Open House (QR School) OCIA (Virtual)



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

January 24/25

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm Fr. Erwin Dela Cruz	John Finn	Lynette Lee Linda Fink Ray Bauer
8:00am	Wade Axberg	Elizabeth Luong Julie Beesley Judi Necek
9:15am Fr. Dennis Zalecki	Don Kauffold	Deacon Jerry Joe Wozniak Judy Lorch
10:30am	QR School Student	Larry Zabinski Dan Schiffer Chris Schiffer



SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Terry Bauer, Ed Bartoczewski, Rosemary Beatty, Richard Conrad, Johnny Cogill, Chuck Dvorak, Than Van Faughn, Haley & Marilyn Foss, Eileen & Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Michael Grear, Victoria Grzesiakowski, Mayor Craig Johnson, Edward Lang, Laura Tate McCarthy, 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...

Felix Prosia, Rosanne Beaudette, Gary Barron

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

DON'T MISS OUT!

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.



9 Days for Life Novena
continues at 7pm thru
January 21st.

Men's Group Pizza Night

Friday, January 23 | 6pm
Moretti's Mount Prospect
1799 S. Busse Road



Grace Night of Prayer

Sunday, February 1 | 6pm
St. Julian Eymard Church

Struggling with mental health, or walking alongside someone who is? Join us for a peaceful evening of prayer, reflection, and hope. Come as you are and experience God's grace and comfort.



JOIN US!

February 2 & 3, 2026 | 7pm
Queen of the Rosary Church

Our Restless Journey

Parish Mission presented by
Fr. Tom McCarthy, O.S.A.
Augustinian Preaching Ministries

Are we fighting or embracing the journey?
Fr. McCarthy will share a sneak preview
at Sunday Masses on February 1, 2026.

FAMILY RESOURCES & EVENTS

Gospel In Focus: January 25, 2026

Jesus fulfills Isaiah's prophecy when he moves to Galilee, where he calls his first disciples... *"...the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death light has arisen."* —Matthew 4:16

Discussion Questions


What do you think when you hear, "the kingdom of heaven is at hand"?

What do you think other people thought of Jesus when he started performing miracles?

How is God calling you to follow Him this week?

52-Week Mass Discussion Guide for Families:
olbsegv.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



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!



PASTA DINNER FUNDRAISER

Saturday,
February 7th
6:00pm
St. Julian

Help support our OLBS teen Summer mission trip to Catholic Heart Work Camp and enjoy a delicious pasta dinner!

Meals include a side salad and will be served sit-down or to-go style from Shea Hall following the 5pm Mass.

Free-will offering. Buon Appetito!





QUEEN OF THE ROSARY
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feel like home.*

We have been busy at Queen of the Rosary School! Our robotics team competed at sectionals, girls basketball is off to an impressive 6-0 start as we head into the final weeks of the season, and our QR TV crew is hard at work putting together another episode. Fourth grade has kicked off their state projects, and we are gearing up for Catholic Schools Week, which is always a blast. We also have some fresh paint projects in the works and a brand-new website coming soon! Don't forget to join us for our Open House on Sunday, January 25, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. We would love the opportunity to show you all that Queen of the Rosary has to offer our children and families!



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.

<i>Weekly Offertory Goal</i>	<i>\$14,000</i>
In-pew/Mail-in Offertory Jan 4, 2026 (Sunday Attendance: 953)	\$12,236.00
In-pew/Mail-in Offertory Jan 11, 2026 (Sunday Attendance: 871)	\$6,107.00
2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (Projected Rebate \$35,000)	\$97,745.00

Thank You for Supporting OLBS in 2025!

Our parish office is preparing **year-end donation statements** for tax purposes!

Statements will be **sent out by the end of January** for donors whose **contributions totaled \$250 or more.**

Have questions or need a statement? Contact the parish office at (847) 979-0901.

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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.



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

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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

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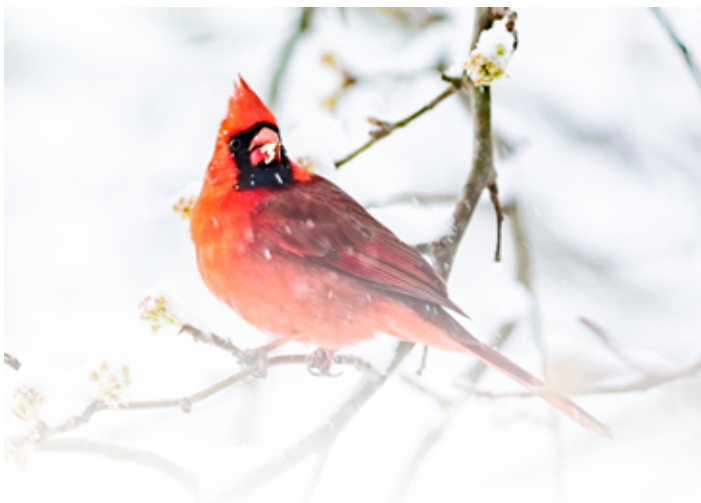
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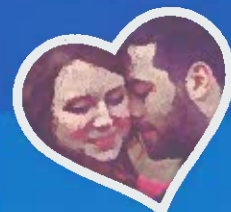
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