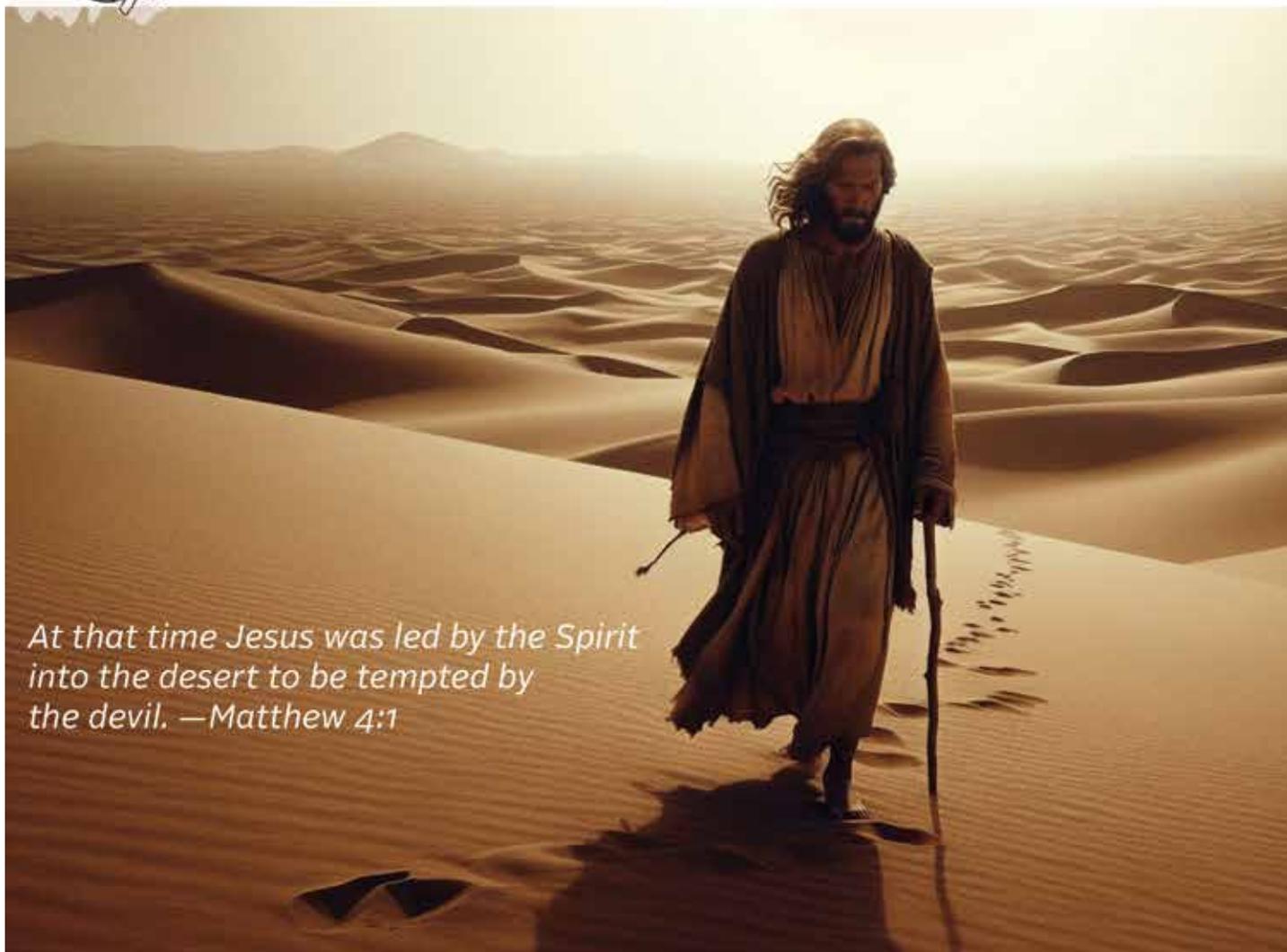


Sat: 5:00pm (SJE) | Sun: 8:00am/10:30am (QR) | 9:15am (SJE) Daily: 8:15am M/W/F (SJE) | Tu/Th/Sa (QR)
Reconciliation: Wed 7:00pm (SJE) | Sat 12:00pm (QR) —Check schedule for holy days of obligation/holidays.



OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



*At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit
into the desert to be tempted by
the devil. —Matthew 4:1*

First Sunday of Lent | February 22, 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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A NOTE OF GRATITUDE AND FAREWELL

While Mary's 35 years of service speak for themselves, I wanted to add a personal word of thanks.

Although I've only had the pleasure of working with Mary since July, I want to say thank you to Mary for helping with my transition into the parish. Her knowledge, honesty, and patient guidance have been a gift. I am especially grateful that Mary agreed to stay through the end of February to ensure a smooth transition and allow time to hire her replacement—an act of generosity that speaks volumes about her love for our OLBS parish.

Scripture reminds us, "Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up." (Galatians 6:9). Thirty-five years of faithful service is no small harvest, and we are deeply grateful.

Thirty-five years of dedication is something worth celebrating.

With gratitude, Fr. Art

Dear OLBS Family,

Anyone who knows me knows that this is one of those letters I've talked about writing for a long time. And, now it's actually time to write it.

After 35 years of serving the parish, I will be retiring at the end of this month. My official last day in the parish office will be Thursday, February 26, 2026.

I began working here in December of 1990 as a young mom, sometimes with my youngest daughter in tow. Over the years, my daughters attended our Queen of the Rosary School, grew up, and later sent their own children here before moving out of the area. Somehow, I went from bringing my children to work to having my grandchildren stop by after school for a visit. That alone feels like a lifetime!

I've had the privilege of "breaking in" six priests over the years (whether they knew it or not), and serving God and His people has truly been a great joy of my life. I've been blessed to work with wonderful clergy, both our priests and deacons. I have always worked closely with Dcn Jerry on

Baptism Prep, helping those in need and more. And I remember Dcn Keith fondly for inviting me to participate in RCIA, even though I was already a practicing Catholic. Growing in my faith and learning more deeply about Catholicism has been an unexpected gift of this job.

The people are what I will miss most. I've built lifelong friendships here and had the joy of meeting so many good, faithful, generous people over the years. Coming into the parish office each day, knowing I'd see familiar faces, has meant more to me than I can say.

For the last three priests, I've joked, "This is it, I'm not breaking in another one." But it really is time. There's something fitting about the fact that I was hired by a Fr. Art, Fr. Cerniglia, and am retiring under a Fr. Art, our Fr. Arthur Bautista. A real full-circle moment for me.

In recent months, I've moved a bit farther west to live with my sister and adopted a dog named Jill, who already has strong opinions about how much time I should be spending at home. As many of you know, I've faced more than my share of health challenges over the years and have always managed to bounce back. Now, I want to focus on my health and spend more time with my family—while I'm still able to truly enjoy it.

This decision is bittersweet. I'm excited for what's ahead, but I'll miss not coming into the parish office each day and not being part of this community in the same way. Thank you for the kindness, support, laughter, patience, and faith you have shared with me over the last 35 years. It has been an honor to serve alongside you.

With gratitude, Mary



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:15am (SJE)	February 23 + Anthony Faassen
Tuesday 8:15am (QR) 1:40pm (QR)	February 24 + John Satek Queen of the Rosary School Mass
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	February 25 + Josef Magyar, + Felix Prosia
Thursday 8:15am (QR)	February 26 + Mary Petricca
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	February 27 + Sal Vivirito
Saturday 8:15am (QR) 5:00pm (SJE)	February 28 + Doris & Ronald Fisher, + Robert Curatti + Robert Krist
Sunday 8:00am (QR) 9:15am (SJE) 10:30am (QR)	March 1 + Phil Prosia + Diane Gambino Loup, + Connie Ann Freda, + Raymond Jakimczyk, + George Milton + Bill Senne

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	February 23
Tuesday 7:00pm	February 24 Weekly Rosary (SJE)
Wednesday 8:15am 3:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	February 25 Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (SJE) Divine Mercy Chaplet (SJE) Confessions (SJE) Bible Timeline (SJE Shea Hall) Bell Choir (QR) Liturgy Committee (SJE or Teams) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday 7:00pm	February 26 Charismatic Healing Service (SJE) Choir Rehearsal (QR)
Friday 7:30pm	February 27 AA/Al Anon (SJE Ministry Center)
Saturday 8:15am Noon	February 28 Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (QR) Reconciliation (QR)
Sunday 9:15am 2:30pm	March 1 Children's Liturgy of the Word (SJE) OCIA: Rite of Election/Call to Continuing Conversion at Holy Name Cathedral

LITURGICAL MINISTERS



February 28/March 1

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm	John Finn	Lynette Lee Joyce Leach Ray Bauer
8:00am Fr. Art	Donna Tognocchi	Deacon Jerry Paul Tognocchi Julie Beesley
9:15am	Dave Cattapan	Joe Wozniak VickiLynn Gilman Vicky Lucki
10:30am Fr. Art	Jim Styka	Carol Styka Diane Ambrose Larry Zabinski

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS



Terry Bauer, Rosemary Beatty, Richard Conrad, Johnny Cogill, Than Van Faughn, Haily & 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, Megan, Kelly & Ed Showalter, Thomas Smith, Tilla Tillnon, Mary Beth Tomaso, 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...

Izzy Cruz Sperle, Rose Ernst

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

DON'T MISS OUT!



Charismatic Healing & Deliverance Service
Thursday, February 26, 2026
7:00pm | St. Julian Eymard Church

Catholic education changed Fr. Arthur's life—now our parish can help pass that gift forward. Join us in supporting Backpack of Blessings this Lent and walk alongside children seeking a brighter future.



Spring Alpha
Thursdays at 6:30pm in Shea Hall,
beginning March 5, 2026

- Watch a video
- Enjoy a meal
- Share discussion

All are invited!



Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish is seeking two friendly, organized individuals to join our parish team as Part-Time Parish Secretaries. These shared roles help welcome parishioners and visitors, support parish communications and scheduling, and assist with the daily life of our parish community.

If you enjoy serving others, working in a faith-filled environment, and being part of a collaborative parish family, we would love to hear from you.

Please submit a resume and brief note of interest to:
Jennifer Frazzini, Director of Operations
Jfrazzini@archchicago.org

Gospel In Focus: March 1, 2026

Jesus reveals His glory with Moses and Elijah to Peter, James and John... *"But Jesus came and touched them, saying 'Rise, and do not be afraid.'"* —Matthew 17:7

Discussion Questions

What do you think it would be like to see Jesus in His glory? How would that change our experience of the Mass?

Why do you think Peter wanted to make tents for Moses and Elijah?

Share a time when Jesus has told you, "Rise, do not be afraid."

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

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Good Friday,
April 3, 2026 | 7pm
St. Julian Eymard Church



OLBS Youth Ministry will present Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday again this year.

Rehearsals begin **February 22, 2026** and will continue **on Sundays at 3pm** at St. Julian Eymard until March 29th.

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

Stations & Supper



2/27/26 | 6:00pm QR
Women's Club

Get Ready to Duel..
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**Spring Gala—
Dueling Pianos**

Sat, March 14th
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Queen of the Rosary School is excited to host Cougar Community Night on Monday, February 23 from 6:00-7:30 PM. This evening is designed to bring families together and share what makes our school such a special place. The night will include a brief school update, breakout sessions highlighting our strong academics and early childhood collaboration, and time for open Q&A and conversation. Whether you are a current family or simply curious about QR, we warmly invite you to come learn more about our faith-centered community and all that our school has to offer. Join us as we continue to grow and build on the strong foundation of Queen of the Rosary School.



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

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

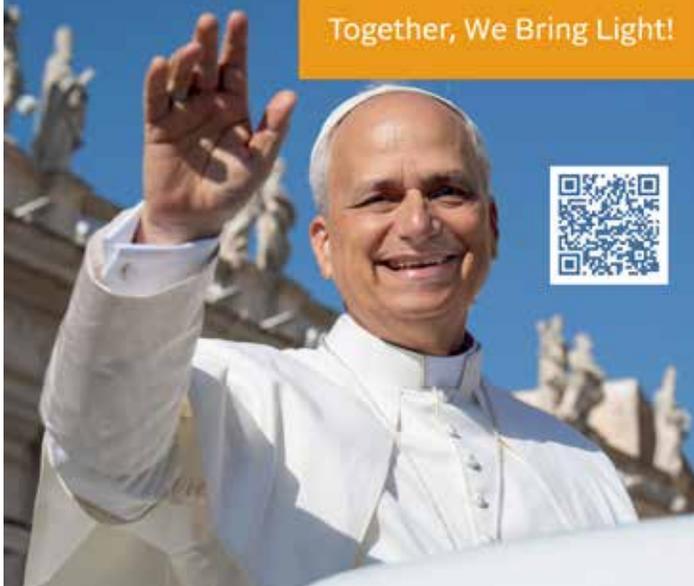
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<i>Weekly Offertory Goal</i>	\$14,000
In-pew/Mail-in Offertory Feb 15, 2026 (<i>Sunday Attendance: 991</i>)	\$9,486.00
School Support	\$805.00
2026 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (<i>Goal \$61,000</i>)	\$0.00

This year's ACA Rebate Project will support replacing our manual signboard with a new digital signboard at QR Church. This upgrade will help us share timely messages, welcome our community, and communicate parish events more clearly and effectively. Thank you for your generosity in helping us stay connected and visible—now and into the future!

Together, We Bring Light!



YOUR OPINION MATTERS!
Help Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament by Sharing Your Input via The Disciple Maker Index Survey is now open!

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BONUS FEATURE: LOOKING AHEAD



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.



May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.



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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

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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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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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