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

Third Sunday of Lent | March 8, 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 LENTEN REFLECTION FROM FR. ARTHUR

Dear OLBS Family,

As we celebrate the Scrutinies with our OCIA Candidates during these Sundays of Lent, Christ invites all of us to enter into the same spirit of self-examination, repentance, and spiritual healing. The Scrutinies remind us that conversion is not a single moment, but a journey—one that calls us to trust Christ more deeply and to allow Him to shape our hearts and our future. Over the next few weeks, I will be sharing a series of Lenten reflections rooted in the Sunday Gospels, inviting us to walk together as we prepare for the joy of Easter.

The Samaritan Woman at the Well

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well—a place of routine, necessity, and familiarity. She comes seeking water to meet a daily need, yet leaves having encountered something greater. Jesus offers her living water—water that does not simply quench thirst, but renews the heart and gives lasting life.

There is no urgency or alarm in this encounter. Jesus does not rush her. He invites her gently to look beyond what she has always relied upon and to trust in something deeper. In doing so, He reminds us that renewal often begins not with dramatic change, but with honest reflection and openness to grace.

Midway through Lent, this Gospel mirrors the posture of couples preparing for marriage. Early conversations often focus on the familiar—the wedding day itself, or the reception—the celebration, the traditions, the memories. But as the day draws closer, those conversations naturally deepen. Couples begin to talk about the life they hope to build, the future they want to share, and the values they want to carry forward.

Those conversations are acts of love. Planning for the future is not rooted in fear, but in hope—a declaration that **what is being built truly matters**.

So too with Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish. The Church is not brick and mortar. The **Church is the people of God, centered on Christ**, nourished by His Word, and sustained by His living water. Our buildings hold precious memories, but they exist to serve the encounter, not replace it. What truly **sustains us is Christ Himself**.

As we journey through Lent, may we allow Jesus to meet us where we are, invite us to trust Him more deeply, and **renew us with the living water that leads us toward Easter hope**.

In Christ, Fr. Arthur Bautista

Grp 1 Rite of Election, Holy Name Cathedral, 2/22/26

Pictured: Fr. Paul, Lance S., Charice Shianna, Veronica S., Steven S., Adam R., Fr. Art

*Drawn by living water, opened to new sight, and called to life in Christ, we continue together as **Companions on the Journey**.*

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:15am (SJE)	**March 9** + Cora Choice, + Hailey Foss, + Irena Zakarzeska & family
Tuesday 8:15am (QR) 1:40pm (QR)	**March 10** + Corinthia Warc Queen of the Rosary School Mass
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	**March 11** + Anna Imbordino
Thursday 8:15am (QR)	**March 12** + Carlos Zambrano, Shirley Lee (96th Birthday)
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	**March 13** + Richard Monforti
Saturday 8:15am (QR) 5:00pm (SJE)	**March 14** + Matthew Sherman + Tommy DeLorenzo, + Jeanie Roller, + Joan Choleua
Sunday 8:00am (QR) 9:15am (SJE) 10:30am (QR)	**March 15** + Phil Prosia, + Leon Regina Raslivicius, + Matthew Sherman, + Nimfa Verano + Ralph Anthony Freda, + Carmen Freda, + George Milton, + George Gullo + Milton R. Moscoso, Dagmara & Matt Copella, Hector D. Orellna, + Milton J. Moscoso, + Robert Skinner

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

March 14/15

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm	John Finn	Lynette Lee Rich Bellis Ron Mattey
8:00am Fr. Art	Kevin Colgan	David Bergman Kathy Bergman Patricia Childress
9:15am	Kathy Hahn	Joyce Leach Judy Lorch Norie Ignacio
10:30am Fr. Art	Chris Schiffer	Deacon Jerry Dan Schiffer Charles Glomski

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	**March 9** Youth Ministry (Victory Centre)
Tuesday 1:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	**March 10** Lenten Small Group (SJE Rm 2) Lenten Small Group (SJE Shea Hall) Weekly Rosary (SJE)
Wednesday 8:15am 9:00am 3:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	**March 11** Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (SJE) Wed Morning Bible Study (SJE Shea Hall) Divine Mercy Chaplet (SJE) Confessions (SJE) Bible Timeline (SJE Shea Hall) Bell Choir (QR) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday 6:30pm 7:00pm	**March 12** Spring Alpha (SJE Shea Hall) Choir Rehearsal (SJE)
Friday 8:15am 6:00pm 7:30pm	**March 13** First Friday Eucharistic Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (SJE) Stations & Supper (SJE) AA/Al Anon (SJE Ministry Center)
Saturday 8:15am 8:30am Noon	**March 14** First Saturday Devotions begin w/Daily Mass (QR) AOC SAEM Training (SJE Shea Hall) Reconciliation (QR)
Sunday 10:30am	**March 15** Children's Liturgy of the Word (QR) OCIA Second Scrutiny (QR)

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Terry Bauer, Rosemary Beatty, Theresa Clark, Richard Conrad, Than Van Faughn, Hailey & Marilyn Foss, Eileen & Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Michael Grear, Victoria Grzesiakowski, Mayor Craig Johnson, Edward Lang, Vincenza Maltese, Laura Tate McCarthy, Eileen Meyer, Alice Mulholland, Amy Norbot, Debby Novoryta, Don Obrochta, Randy Olsen, Gail Quick, John Schneider, William Seiwert, Eileen Showalter, Thomas Smith, Tilla Tillnon, Mary Beth Tomaso, Jackie Vrtis, Ben's Sister

Please contact the parish office at (847) 979-0901 to continue to have sick relatives or friends included here.

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May God bless them and keep them...
Mary Delihant, Lenore, Jacobson, Nora Casali

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

DON'T MISS OUT!

Parish Reconciliation Service

Wednesday, March 11 | 7pm
St. Julian Eymard Church

Additional priests will be on hand to hear everyone's Confessions.

Stations & Supper

3/13/26 | 6:00pm SJE
Bereavement/Grief Share (JOTH) Ministries

Palm Sunday, March 29, 2025
Palms distributed at all liturgies
5pm (Sat, April 12) SJE
8am QR
9:15am SJE
10:30am QR

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Gospel In Focus: March 15, 2026
Jesus heals a blind man, and teaches us that there are more ways of being blind than just being unable to see... *"Then Jesus said, I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind." —John 9:39*

Discussion Questions
How were the Pharisees blind to Jesus?

How was the blind man able to see, other than just with his eyes?

In what ways are we blind?

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

SEVEN
Churches Visitation

"So could you not keep watch with me for one hour?"
(Matthew 26:40)

Meet in front of St. Julian Eymard Church following the conclusion of the Mass of the Lord's Supper on **Holy Thursday, April 2nd.** We will bus to 7 Chicago Churches, representing the final seven places or "stations" Jesus journeyed, from his arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane on Holy Thursday to his crucifixion and death on Good Friday. We will then arrive back in front of St. Julian Eymard Church shortly after Midnight. **Space is limited, signup now!**

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**.

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

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*
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2026 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (*Goal $61,000*)	$16,815.00

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June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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God's Work, Our Hands

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