

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



*"I am the gate for the sheep."  
—John 10:7*

**Fourth Sunday of Easter | April 26, 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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## GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus offers us a powerful image: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate, but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber." (John 10:1)

At first, this may sound severe, but as with many of Jesus' teachings, it is meant to **guide us toward clarity, trust, and deeper relationship**. Jesus goes on to describe Himself as both the Good Shepherd and the gate, the one through whom the sheep enter, the one whose voice they recognize, and the one who leads them to **safety and abundant life**.

This image of the sheepfold is not just about protection, it's about belonging. The sheepfold is a place where the flock gathers, where they are known, where they are cared for, and from which they are led out into the world. And importantly, there is a right way in and out: **through the gate, through Christ**.

In our faith lives, it can be tempting to look for other ways. To look for shortcuts, workarounds, or paths that seem easier or more aligned with our own preferences. We may try to construct faith on our own terms, focusing on what is visible, comfortable, or familiar, rather than listening for the voice of the Shepherd who calls us deeper. Jesus warns us about these tendencies not to limit us, but to protect us. Anything that draws us away from Him, or from the unity of the flock, ultimately leads not to life, but to confusion and division.

At the same time, this Gospel is **filled with reassurance**. "Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." (John 10:9) There is freedom here, not restriction. The **Shepherd does not confine the sheep; He leads them**. He calls them by name. He walks ahead of them. And the promise is clear: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10)

This image speaks directly to who we are called to be as Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish. The Church is not simply a place we come and receive; **it is the flock to which we belong**. And as we continue to walk together as **Companions on the Journey**, we are invited not only to listen for the Shepherd's voice, but also to help one another hear it more clearly.

This means fostering a spirit of trust. **Trust in Christ, who leads us, and trust in one another, as fellow members of His flock**. It means recognizing that the life of the Church is not built solely through structures or programs, but through the **shared faith, participation, and witness of all its members**. Each of us has a role in **building up**

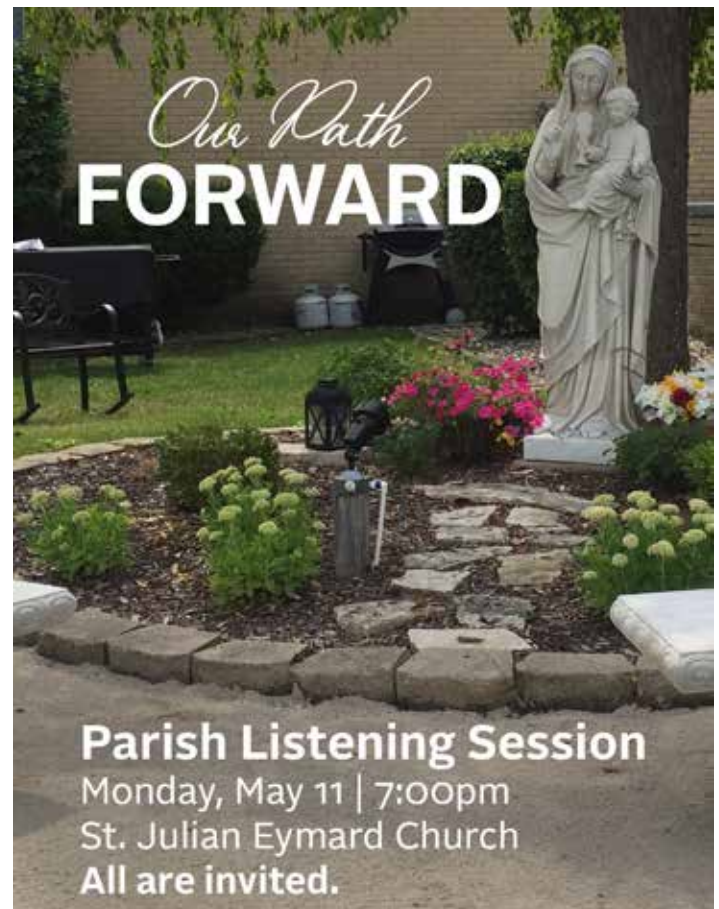
**the community, in strengthening the bonds that unite us, and in helping create spaces where others can encounter the Good Shepherd.**

In a world filled with competing voices, distractions, and uncertainties, **Jesus' words offer both a challenge and a comfort**. The challenge is to **remain attentive: to discern His voice** amid the noise. The comfort is that we are not left to wander alone. **We are known. We are called. We are led. We are Companions on the Journey.**

May we take time this week to listen more closely for the voice of the Shepherd **through prayer, through the Scriptures, and through the life of our OLBS community**. And may we respond with trust, knowing that the path He leads us on is one that brings not only safety, but **fullness of life**.

All are invited to join us for **Our Path Forward**, our Parish Multi-Site Review Listening Session on **Monday, May 11 at 7:00pm in St. Julian Eymard Church**. This will be a meaningful opportunity to prayerfully listen, ask questions, and understand how we will move forward as **Companions on the Journey, guided by the Good Shepherd**. Your presence matters, and we hope you'll be part of this important parish conversation.

In Christ, Fr. Arthur



## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b> 8:15am (SJE)	<b>April 27</b> + Geri Ryan, Colleen Bill
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:15am (QR)  1:40pm (QR)	<b>April 28</b> + Mary Pierini  School Mass
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:15am (SJE)	<b>April 29</b> + Steve Furlong, + Lou Gennuso, + Joan Crum
<b>Thursday</b> 8:15am (QR)	<b>April 30</b> Elisa Wielich, + Robert Baygoot, + Zbigniew Pawlowski
<b>Friday</b> 8:15am (SJE)	<b>May 1</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 8:15am (QR)  5:00pm (SJE)	<b>May 2</b>  + Agnes LeBarron, + Raymond Jakimczyk, + Mary & John Nolan, + Megan Ivanich
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00am (QR)  9:15am (SJE)  10:30am (QR)	<b>May 3</b> + Peter & Dorothy Shianna, + Patricia Szostak, + Art Christenson, + Edna Norma Mosquera, + Gary Ebersperger  Deceased members of the Newcomb & Quilici family, + Tony & Elena DiCrescenzo, + Joseph & Charlotte Gambino, + Karen Fidler  + Lou Gennuso, + Don Kauth

### 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
<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 27</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00pm	<b>April 28</b> Weekly Rosary (SJE)
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:15am 9:00am 3:00pm 7:00pm  7:30pm	<b>April 29</b> 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)
<b>Thursday</b> 6:30pm	<b>April 30</b> Alpha (SJE)
<b>Friday</b> 8:15am 7:30pm	<b>May 1</b> Adoration begins w/daily Mass (SJE) AA (SJE)
<b>Saturday</b> 8:15am  Noon 1:30pm	<b>May 2</b> First Saturday devotions begin w/Daily Mass (QR) Reconciliation (QR) Journey of the Heart Grief Share (SJE)
<b>Sunday</b> 9:15am 10:30am	<b>May 3</b> Children's Liturgy of the Word (SJE) First Holy Communion (QR)

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS



May 2/3

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
<b>5:00pm</b>	Kathy Casterton	Ray Bauer Bob Lester Lisa Lang
<b>8:00am</b> Fr. Art	Lily Axbert	Julie Beesley Mary Duffy Elizabeth Luong
<b>9:15am</b>	Judy Lorch	Deacon Jerry Dan Storto Theresa Storto
<b>10:30am</b> Fr. Art	Chris Schiffer	Dan Schiffer Diane Ambrose Carol Styka

### SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS



Terry Bauer, Theresa Clark, Richard Conrad, Than Van Faughn, Haley & Marilyn Foss, Eileen & Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Michael Grear, Sarah Grzeszczak, Victoria Grzesiakowski, Mayor Craig Johnson, Midge K., Edward Lang, Vincenza Maltese, Laura Tate McCarthy, Eileen Meyer, Alice Mulholland, Debby Novoryta, Don Obrochta, Randy Olsen, Gail Quick, Maria Roman, 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.*

### GRANT UNTO THEM ETERNAL REST

**May God bless them and keep them...**

Zoraida Saldana, David Rowan, Barbara Pruyon

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

**DON'T MISS OUT!**

**Let's Do Lunch...and Learn!**

OLBS Prayer Shawl Ministry is excited to treat our 65+ community to a free, fun, and delicious Luncheon from Rocco Vino's on April 29, 2026! Our first luncheon will feature a talk about how to spot scams and phishing e-mails. Come for the fun, friendships, and food!

Scan the code or visit [signupgenius.com/go/904054DADAC2CA7F49-63159333-lunchand#/](https://signupgenius.com/go/904054DADAC2CA7F49-63159333-lunchand#/)



**SATURDAY, MAY 9th | 2:30pm**

**St. Julian Eymard Church Shea Hall**

**Gather the gang—from Grandkids to Grandparents—for BINGO Fiesta!**  
Nachos, prizes and non-stop fun await!  
Just **\$2 per person** gets you 2 BINGO cards to per person.

But, don't let the fun end here...there's no better way to end the day than coming to the **5pm Mass as a family!**



FEAST DAY  
**OUR LADY OF  
THE MOST BLESSED  
SACRAMENT**

May 13, 2026



**Mass at**  
8:15am (SJE)  
Adoration follows



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Cougar Classic Golf Outing**

**Friday, June 12, 2026**

Kick off summer with a fun day on the course and even better company! Registration details coming soon. Join OLBS parishioners, QR School families, and friends for the **Cougar Classic Golf Outing**. This great event started with a simple idea from a QR School dad who loves coaching and spending time with his kids, and wanted to support the school they all love.

**Not a golfer?** Come for dinner and fellowship! All are invited as we celebrate and support our shared Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish and Queen of the Rosary School mission of:

- forming young people in faith
- strengthening families
- serving our community

# Celebrating the Sacraments

Congratulations to all of our students preparing to receive Sacraments this year!



**Confirmation**  
April 26 | 1pm  
Queen of the Rosary Church



**First Eucharist**  
May 3 | 10:30am  
May 10 | 10:30am  
Queen of the Rosary Church



**8th Grade Graduation**  
Sunday, May 24th | 10:30am  
Queen of the Rosary Church

Congratulations, Graduates! We can't wait to see where you go from here!

## Totus Tuus 2026

July 19 - 24, 2026  
Registration is open and space is limited! Reserve your child's spot today!



Register now!



**June 7-12, 2026**  
Youth Ministry heads to **Memphis, TN** for Catholic Heart Work Camp. A few spots remain. Join the **April 19 Info Session** at 6pm to discover more!  
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We are so proud of our 8th grade students as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Throughout this year, they have grown in their faith, deepened their understanding of God's love, and worked hard to prepare for this important step in their spiritual journey. We celebrate each of them today and pray that the Holy Spirit continues to guide and strengthen them in the years ahead.

Here are a few reflections from some of our students on living their faith, what they learned through service, or why they chose their Confirmation names as they celebrate this special moment:



"I chose Saint Rose of Lima because she is the patron saint of gardeners & athletes, and I love both of those things"



"I chose Saint Florian because he is the patron saint of firefighters and Poland, and since my dad is a firefighter and we are Polish, it means a lot to me."



"During my service I learned that it feels good to help people and that even small acts of kindness can mean so much"



"I learned the importance of giving back to my community through my service. I realized that I can really make a difference and it can be fun."



"I want to be in Church every Sunday and I want to read the Bible more so I can continue to grow closer to God."



"I learned how to help out people in need and I learned about responsibility and hard work."



"I want to grow closer to God, go to Mass more often and pray the Rosary every day"



"Confirmation means I'm getting an upgrade of Baptism and it strengthens me even more in my Faith"



"I learned more ways that I can help people, and that it is fun to be helpful. I like helping our Kindergarten class during lunch and recess"

## 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>	\$14,000
In-pew/Mail-in Offertory Apr 19, 2026 ( <i>Sunday Attendance: 1,186</i> )	\$10,175.00
2026 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges ( <i>Goal \$61,000</i> )	\$49,945.00

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!



**THERE'S STILL TIME!**  
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**April** is dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament.



**May** is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.



**June** is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

**July** is dedicated to the precious blood of Christ.





### 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

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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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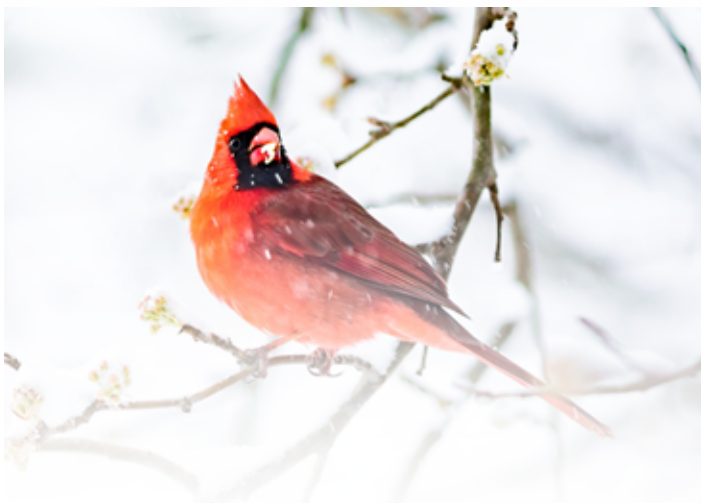
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### God's Work, Our Hands

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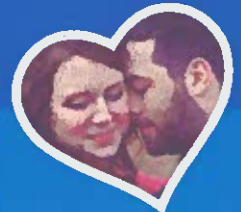
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