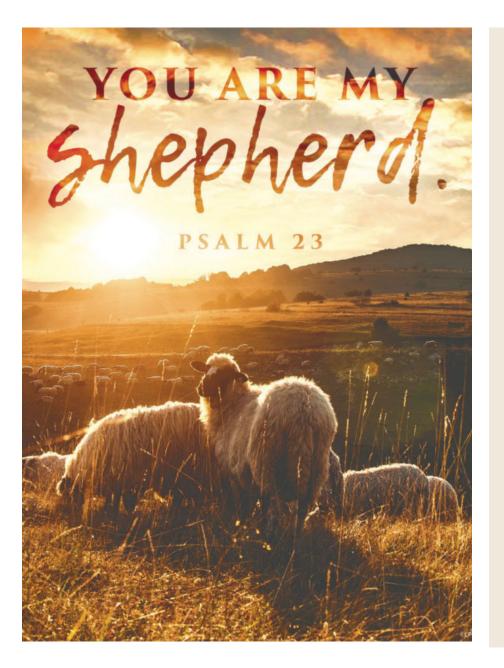


# SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA-SAINT LUCY AND SAINT GILES PARISH

## JULY 21, 2024 - 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA- SAINT LUCY CHURCH

38 North Austin Boulevard, Oak Park, Illinois 708-383-3430 www.stgilesparish.org

> Weekend Mass Sunday at 9:00 AM

## SAINT GILES CHURCH

1045 Columbian Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois 708-383-3430 www.stgilesparish.org

#### **Daily Masses**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 6:30 AM Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 8:30 AM Saturday at 8:00 AM (Confessions following Mass)

Weekend Masses

Saturday at 4:30 PM, Sunday at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Family Mass Community

Sunday at 10:00 AM McDonough Hall

# FATHER CARL'S CORNER



The late Geroge Carlin, an American standup comedian, social critic, and actor, was known as the "Dean of Countercultural Comedians." One of his messages still holds true for us today. I thought it would be good for our reflection.

#### He wrote:

"The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings, but shorter tempers, wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time. We have more degrees, but less sense, more knowledge, but less judgement, more experts, but more problems, more medicine, but less wellness.

We laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom. We have multiplied our possessions but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We have been to the moon and back but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbor. We have conquered outer space, but not inner space.

We have learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information, to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less.

These are the days of fast foods and slow digestion, big people, but small character.

It is a time when technology can bring this message to you and you can either choose to share this insight, or just hit delete."

In the last two weeks, I became aware of several situations where men and women in their early to mid-fifties died, each with a different cause leading to their death. Each left behind a family, a spouse and children of varying ages. I also made a call to wish someone I know a happy 95th birthday, and he couldn't believe he was still among us because he has been ill these past few years. I don't mention this to be depressing or make anyone sad. But when I think about the world we live in and the mysteries and challenges of our lives, Geroge Carlin reminds us of something we often take for granted.

We need to remember:

To spend special time with our loved ones, none of us are around forever.

To say a kind word to someone who looks up to you in awe... that little one will grow up and leave your side.

A smile or a warm hug are treasures you can give to anyone, a gift from the heart, and it doesn't cost a cent!

These simple things can make our world a happier, healthier and safer place to live in, in spite of all the darkness we often see.

Finally, we wish all our teens and volunteers who left this weekend on their Appalachia Service Project (ASP), safe travels and a meaningful, productive and safe week ahead. Both groups from Ascension and Saint Edmund Parish and Saint Catherine-Saint Lucy and Saint Giles Parish gathered to celebrate Mass last Sunday evening. They were given a blessing as they made final preparations for their journey. At Mass, I reminded all that anyone can do service. However, when done in the name of the one we profess to follow, Jesus, we are not just building decks, replacing floors or roofs. We are helping build the Kingdom of God - that place where compassion, respect and care for one another becomes the very image of the Risen Lord living among us.

Have a blessed week ahead.

With you a Christian. For you a priest.

Fr. Carl

## MASS SCHEDULE

#### SAINT GILES CHURCH

#### MONDAY, JULY 22

Saint Mary Magdalene 6:30 AM The Deceased of the Parish 7:00 AM Feast of Saint Mary of Magdala

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 23**

Saint Bridget, Religious 8:30 AM Frank Senese, Jr.

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

Saint Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest

6:30 AM	Joseph and Helen Shaker
	Mark Anderson

8:30 AM All Parishioners & Benefactors

#### THURSDAY, JULY 25

Saint James, Apostle

8:30 AM Maria Angeles Herrera-Brophy

#### FRIDAY, JULY 26

Saints Joa	chim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed				
Virgin Mary					
6.30 AM	Patrick Wallace				

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	John Hubbuch

#### SATURDAY, JULY 27

8:00 AM	Louis & Elizabeth Toth
4:30 PM	Robert Quane
	Bernard McDevitt
	Lynn Geary

#### SUNDAY, JULY 28

SUNDAT, JULI 20				
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time				
	8:00 AM	Owen Petrzelka Kenneth Masick Joan Figatner The Deceased of the Abraham Family		
	10:00 AM	Family Mass Community in McDonough Hall		
	*10:30 AM	James M. Gallagher Delphina Prosper Mushi Eugene Spencer		

\* This Mass will be live-streamed from the Saint Giles website, stgilesparish.org

#### SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA -SAINT LUCY CHURCH

#### SUNDAY, JULY 28 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Roberta Karmel Margaret Bowers Gerald Hardebeck

#### SAINT EDMUND CHURCH

#### SUNDAY, JULY 28

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Oak Park Catholic Parishes Mass

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Those who are hospitalized or homebound including: Steven Acevedo, Patrick Ahearn, Coletta Ali, Jessica Scanlon Bailey, Jane Baker, Phyllis Baker, Fred Bartholomew, Marissa Becker, Kyle Becnel, Joe Bigliotti, Baby Sofia Rose Bond, John Botti, Danita Bowie, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Melissa Brumund, Pat Burke, Susan Cadero, Phil Calabrese, Jim Cimms, Ray Cimms, Theresa Claps, Joey Cocco, Mary Cozzi, Patricia Crotty, Lucille Dalbis, Bill DeBiase, Liz Decker, Judy DesLauriers, Carole DiCicco, Andrea Dickson, Wanda Farmer, Mike Fenske, Carla Michelle Rodas Ferreira, Katherine Fisher, Mary Ellen Frank, Paul Frauenfelder, Bernadette Gaffney, Earl Gallermo, Jack Gallo, Michael Gallo, Sr. Regina Gallo, Samantha Gennell, Mary Fran Gleason, Marcial Gomez, Baby Michael Haiduke, Jennifer Hanna, Deborah Harris, Maggie Astacio Hedges, Deacon John Henricks, Bill Holmes, Helen Horn, Ben Houghton, Ginny Jones, Phillip Jones, Joe Karas, Patrick King, Marie Koko, Pat Koko, Paul Koko, Hardie Kressler, Carla Lally, Brian Leonard, Kimberly Lester, Gabriela Rodriguez Machado, Virginia Madden, Deacon Lorry Madonia, Regina Martin, Lynne Tallon Matassa, John Megall, Leolina Rodriguez Meira, Sebastian Mitchell, Willa Montgomery, Anne Muldihill, Gene Newberry, Sr. Louise Noesen, Matt O'Connell, Marianne Nelson O'Donoghue, Amelia Patterson, Patricia Reardon, Tom Rezek, Sue Sandvoss, Paul Schleitwiler, Colleen Rowley Schramm, Carole Sheehan, Maureen Sloan, Nick Sorrentino, Sr. Carol Spiegel, Nina Stanley, Eleanor Stone, Samantha Struett, Sarah Such, Joann Taylor, Maria Vaccaro, Shirley Venerable, Nancy Wesclitz, Nichol Williams, LaShonda Wilson, Brenda Zych

Names will be periodically removed from this listing in the bulletin and also from the list of recurring intersessions spoken at weekend Masses. Others have received a Prayer Shawl representing the prayers for healing by the Parish community. Please contact the parish office to include someone on this prayer list or to request inclusion in the weekend Mass intercessions, or to request a Prayer Shawl.

And for those of our family members and parishioners who have died, especially Virginia Evans.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2024-2025

Those wishing to schedule a Mass for the intention of someone who has died or for special intentions may come to the Parish Center to do so. Masses will be scheduled on a first-come basis.

There are three intentions open for each Mass (except where the intention of the parish "All Parishioners and Benefactors" appears).

All Holy days and all holidays are designated for the intentions of the parish; no individual intentions may be added to those days.

Open dates for Mass intentions are still available in the 2024 Mass Book. Please contact the Parish Center with any requests that you may have. PAGE 4

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Fifteen shawls and lap blankets were received at the June meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry of Saint Catherine-Saint Lucy and Saint Giles Parish. Of these, ten were distributed to

individuals needing support and comfort. Prayer Shawl Ministers also delivered eight shawls to the Oasis Nursing Home on Harlem Avenue.

Our ministry is open to all and we welcome new participants. We meet at 1:00 PM on the second Monday of each month at the Parish Center on the Saint Giles campus – the next meeting will be August 12. If you or someone you care about needs some extra support and comfort, please get in touch with Margie Rudnik via the Parish Center at 708-383-3430 and one of our ministers will deliver or send out a prayer shawl.

May you feel the warmth of God's love.

Margie Rudnik, for the Prayer Shawl Ministry

#### DO YOU LIKE TO GARDEN?



Can you come to the Saint Giles raised bed garden to pick vegetables? You will get fresh air and exercise, and enjoy the bounty and beauty of nature. At the same time, you will be helping hungry

people in our community. The produce goes to the Beyond Hunger Food Pantry in Oak Park, or to Ascension Church, and then to Saint Simon of Cyrene in Chicago.

This week, the garden produced zucchini, cucumbers, lettuce, chives, and basil. Last year, our amazing garden produced a total of almost 600 pounds of vegetables! You can be part of this garden ministry!

For more information, contact Mary Swiontoniowski at 21132ms@gmail.com.

#### PRAYING THE ROSARY ON ZOOM FRIDAYS AT 7:00 PM

Join Deacon Kevin and Marci Morgan on Zoom to pray the Rosary on Friday evenings.



https://us02web.zoom.us/ -Meeting ID: 865 8895 7490 -Passcode: 634955



## COURTYARD CONCERTS AT SAINT GILES!

Summer Concerts in the courtyard at Saint Giles Church are back! Our very own "Minivinia" season is in full swing with some of our favorite musicians from our parish community.

August 16 and September 13



The next concert will take place on Friday, August 16. Join us for a wonderful evening of Opera and Showtunes performed by the Lyric Opera Stage Artists hosted by Circle 4 of the Infant Welfare Society. Bring your chairs, blankets, and refreshments to enjoy on the lawn of the Saint Giles Parish Courtyard.

The event is free. Donations will be accepted the evening of the event to benefit the IWS Children's Clinic.

### INTERESTED IN PLAYING BRIDGE?



Join the Oak Park Catholic Community Bridge for All (BFA)! Monday night games are Contract "Party" Bridge style, while Friday night games are

Duplicate. Leagues run September through June on the third Monday of the month or on the first Friday of the month at 7:00 PM. There are no December games. Sign up NOW to join the league for the 2024-25 season, or anytime to be added to the sub list.

For Monday Night Party Bridge, contact Shena Keith or Derek Briggs at stgilesbridge@shaker.com. For Friday Night Duplicate Bridge, contact Mary Darnall at mary\_darnall@sbcglobal.net.

Gatherings are held in the Gleeson Conference Room on the Saint Giles Campus – 1101 Columbian Avenue, 2nd Floor, in Oak Park. Bridge players of all faiths are welcome!



#### "Mary Magdalene in the Garden with Jesus," mosaic from the Washington National Cathedral

## FEAST OF SAINT MARY OF MAGDALA CELEBRATION MONDAY, JULY 22 -7:00 PM

Mary of Magdala has been named the Apostle to the Apostles by Pope Francis. We will celebrate the prophetic presence of Saint Mary of Magdala by

honoring women whose words of wisdom are a guiding light for us. Celebrate with us as we raise our voices in prayer, song, reflection and sharing.

We will gather on Monday, July 22, at 7:00 PM in Saint Giles Church. We hope you will join us!



#### ONE IN LOVE LGBTQ+ Ministry meets the second Saturday of each month.

We offer a friendly and safe place for Ascension and Saint Edmund Parish, Saint Catherine-Saint Lucy and Saint Giles Parish and the Saint Giles Family Mass Community LGBTQ+ individuals, their families and friends to share through deep listening circles.

#### JOIN US on SATURDAY, August 10, 2024 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

St. Giles Parish Center, 1025 Columbian Ave., Oak Park

If you have questions, please contact: Kathie Nash at kathienash1023@att.net

#### ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

## MARRIED IN 1974?

# HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR THE ANNUAL GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS?

Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on Sunday, September 15, 2024 at 2:30 PM. The Mass will be held at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, Illinois.

Please email gwa@archchicago.org or contact your parish office with questions. To register online, please visit pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding.

We hope to see you there!

#### Saint Giles Campus Parish Center Office

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E-mail: stgiles@stgilesparish.org
Website: stgilesparish.org
Business Hours: Monday through Friday - 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Monday through Thursday Evening - 4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Lauren Locke & Sister Sue Paweski, Daytime Receptionists Kathleen Coleman, Everett McCreary & Colleen Duffy, Evening & Weekend Receptionists

#### Saint Catherine of Siena - Saint Lucy Campus Office

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Business Hours Saturday - 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Sunday - 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Other times by appointment.

Saturday - 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Chemetha Baker, Weekend Receptionist

Reverend Carl Morello, Pastor - Ext. 422 Reverend Edward P. Salmon, Resident - Ext. 308 Reverend Thomas E. Unz, Resident - Ext. 313 Mr. John (Lois) Henricks, Deacon Mr. Loretto J. (Carlotta) Madonia, Jr., Deacon (Retired) Mr. Kevin (Marci) Morgan, Deacon Mr. William (Abbie) Pouncy, Deacon Mr. John (Barbara) Walters, Deacon Mary Boss, Bulletin Editor - mboss@archchicago.org Sharon Bresnahan, Accounts Administrator - Ext. 420 Matthew Brophy, Director of Parish Operations - Ext. 102 Carol Coleman, Business Manager - Ext. 419 LaVerne Johnson, Parish Administrative Assistant - Ext. 401 stgiles@stgilesparish.org Sue Kaszynski, Director of Music & Liturgy - Ext. 423 Dr. Marci Madary, Director of Spirit and Light, mmadary@spiritandlightcenter.org Alex Ryan, Liturgy Coordinator - Ext. 403 Julius White, Praise Choir

#### Saint Giles School

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#### Saint Catherine-Saint Lucy School

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# Spirit and Light Lifelong Learning THEOLOGY ON THE GREEN

Living our Catholic Faith: Navigating Secularism Speaker: Rich Kordesh Saint Giles Courtyard Tuesday, July 23 7:00 PM

What does it mean to live in a "secular "society? How do we, as Christians, experience different kinds of secular space? God is still there, the Kingdom is still at hand, but how do we acknowledge that, or even work the language of faith into our discourse in it? As our traditional faith institutions struggle for renewal, how does our encounter with, and understanding of, secularism shape our visions for this rejuvenation?

This session will engage participants in a consideration of contemporary secularism: what it is, and how we experience it.

Rich Kordesh has a long-term interest in the religious, political and psychological forces that shape the Christian journey in a secular society. During the past several years, he's been sharing his own journey in a series of articles in the Oak Park Wednesday Journal. Mr. Kordesh has a Ph.D. in Political Science, and an MSW degree with a concentration in Community Development and Planning.



Richard is the father of four adult children and has five grandchildren. He and his wife, Maureen, have been married for 39 years. He sings in the Ascension Choir and serves on the Oak Park Catholic Parishes' Lifelong Learning Committee, as well as the Spirit and Light Leadership Team.

#### Upcoming Theology on the Green

Tuesday, July 30 – Rebekah Leven will offer faith-filled ways to support peace between Israel and Palestine.

Light refreshments will be served and be sure to bring a chair.

See you on the Green!



#### ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITATION FOR ADULTS IN ENGLISH

Have you or someone you know thought about being baptized, joining the Catholic Church or completing your Sacraments of Initiation? Maybe you have decided but are not sure where to start? The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a process to guide you in your discernment as well as a pathway to become Catholic.

If you would like to talk, we are willing to listen. Contact Marci Madary at mmadary@spiritandlightcenter.org or 708-383-3430 Ext 404. You're Invited! Special Movie Viewing





An Angel Studios Original

Powerful auto-biographical movie about the life of Mother Francesca Cabrini, the first U.S. citizen to be canonized a saint by the Catholic Church. Known as the Universal Patron of Immigrants. Come and feel inspired.

#### Showings

#### Sunday, August 4, 10:30 AM Saturday. August 17 after the 5:00 PM Mass Sunday, August 25 after the 9:15 AM Mass

#### Saint Edmund Murphy Hall Reservations Needed

Admission is free. Concessions will be available for purchase.

Sponsored by Reception Committee Reservations: Call Mari at 708-848-6208 or JoAnn at 708-502-2005

Please call ASAP to reserve a spot for the August 4 show; seats are going fast!

Please bring CASH to purchase popcorn, candy, and drinks (\$1.00-\$5.00); Mother Cabrini Tote bags (\$20.00); rent-a-seat cushion; and to give a Free Will donation - all of which will support Ascension and Saint Edmund's Hospitality Ministry. You are also more than welcome to bring your own snacks and seat cushions. See you at the movies!

## Memorial Mass -Sister Teresita Weind



On Saturday, August 24 at 11:00 AM at Saint Catherine of Siena-Saint Lucy Church, a Memorial Mass will be celebrated followed by a reception celebrating the life and ministry of Sister Teresita Weind. YOUTH MINISTRY OPEN GYM AND DROP IN NIGHTS!



#### Hey Teens!

Looking for a fun way to spend your evening? Our teens from both of our Oak Park Parishes are invited to come and join us for an awesome night at our Youth Ministry Open Gym and Drop-In Events held at Saint Edmund School Gym! It's the perfect chance to hang out with friends, play some games, and enjoy a great time in a welcoming and safe environment.

Tuesdays during the Summer July 30 – August 6, 13, 20 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Saint Edmund School Gym, 200 S. Oak Park Ave.

#### What to Expect:

Basketball, Volleyball, and More: Our gym will be open for all your favorite sports.

Not into sports? No problem! You can bring your favorite board games and other fun activities.

Enjoy snacks and refreshments.

Meet New Friends: This is a great opportunity to connect with other teens in the community.

Outgoing 8th graders to outgoing seniors in High School are welcome. Feel free to bring your friends!

If you have questions, please contact Cooky Perez-Eraci, Director of Youth Ministry for the Oak Park Catholic parishes at mperezeraci@spiritandlightcenter.org.

## OUR PARISH WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

#### For Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

July 7, 2024				
	Total	YTD		
Weekly Budget	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00		
Envelopes	\$16,093.00	\$18,658.25		
Loose	\$2,565.25			
Electronic*	\$31,662.00	\$31,662.00		
Total Giving	\$50,320.25	\$50,320.25		
*7/1/2024 - 7/8/2024				
Overage	\$20,320.25	\$20,320.25		

Thank you to all who answered the call and made an extra donation to help close our fiscal year 2023-2024 Offertory budget gap. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are truly appreciated.

Those wishing to make their donations online through GiveCentral can find the link and easy-to-follow instructions on the church websites:

www.stgilesparish.org or www.stcatherinestlucy.org

Contact Sharon at the Parish Center, 708-383-3430, Ext. 420 with any questions or for assistance. We could not be here without you.

#### Mass Count - Week of July 7, 2024

Saturday, July 6 4:30 PM - 156 Sunday, July 7 8:00 AM - 128 9:00 AM - 79 10:30 AM - 216

Family Mass — 102

Total Mass Count - 681

Want to know all the latest parish news? Sign up for the weekly parish e-news via our broadcast email program, flocknote! To sign up, just scan the QR Code here or go to this URL in your browser: https://ztgileparish.flocknote.com/ENews, and the information you need will be right in your inbox.



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MINISTRY



In response to the sermon from Father Chuck Dahm, Director of ACDVO, on June 2, Saint Catherine-Saint Lucy Saint Giles Parish has established a new ministry, the Domestic Violence Outreach Ministry ('DVOM').

We are joining a network of over 60 parishes within the Archdiocese of Chicago who work to create awareness, provide information on available resources/services in our area, and promote prevention.

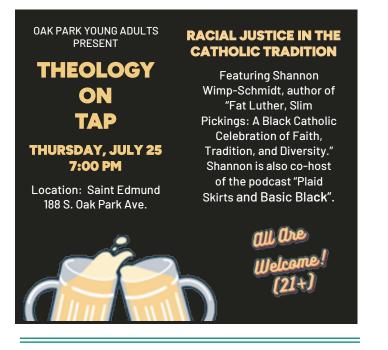
Learn more about the Archdiocesan Domestic Abuse Outreach (ACDVO) program by logging onto www.archchicago.org and select Domestic Violence under the Offices and Ministries tab.

If you are a victim or survivor of domestic abuse seeking help:

National Hotline: 1-800-799 SAFE (7233); 1-800-787-3224 (TTY); Text 'START' to 88788

National Dating Abuse Helpline (For Teens): 1-866-331-9474

Sarah's Inn 24-Hour Crisis Line: 1-708-386-4225



## SUNDAY BULLETINS

Please note that bulletin articles are due the Friday, a week prior to the Sunday issue date. Please send your submissions to Mary Boss at mboss@archchicago.org.



## EXCITING NEWS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD BRIDGE

# Welcome to Prentice Butler, Our New Executive Director!

Board President Dan Doody recently announced that The Neighborhood Bridge has hired an Executive Director. "The Board of The Neighborhood Bridge is delighted to welcome Prentice Butler as our first Executive Director. His years of experience working in multiple communities in Chicago and his career-long involvement with social justice initiatives provide a great platform to develop The Neighborhood Bridge as an impactful organization serving the Austin community. We are certain the Catholic Community of Oak Park will provide significant support and encouragement to Prentice in his important leadership role."

"I'm energized to serve as the first Executive Director of The Neighborhood Bridge," states Prentice. "I'm eager to get to know the families in our partner schools, the many human services organizations in Austin, Oak Park, and the surrounding communities, and the Oak Park Catholic Community, which has spearheaded the establishment of The Neighborhood Bridge. It's exciting to think about the future of our communities as The Neighborhood Bridge begins to actualize its mission."

You can read Prentice's complete biography on The Neighborhood Bridge website - https:// theneighborhoodbridge.org/prentice-butler-bio.

#### **Help Wanted**

The Neighborhood Bridge is seeking a part-time, salaried Director of Operation (10 hours per week). This is an exciting opportunity to work with our Executive Director and a team of experienced volunteers to help Austin residents connect to the high-quality services they need and deserve.

Qualified candidates must have a business management background, be familiar with accounting practices, and be aligned with the mission of The Neighborhood Bridge.

To see the full job description and instructions on how to apply, go to https://theneighborhoodbridge.org/ director-of-operations-job.

To learn more about The Neighborhood Bridge, go to our website at https://theneighborhoodbridge.org.



## MIGRANT MINISTRY UPDATE: THANK YOU FROM A MIGRANT FAMILY

Whenever we welcome a new migrant family for resettlement our one wish and goal for them is that they will achieve independence. On July 12, we moved a family of six into an apartment, with that same prayer. It was our thirteenth family, along with two single men. That week we received this text from a family we had resettled less than one year ago. They have reached that goal. This is all because of your help and support. Thank you.

Buenas noches, disculpe la hora, quería escribirle para decirle formalmente que ya no necesitaremos los apoyos económicos y de comida de la iglesia, quería agradecerle grandemente por todo su apoyo. Mil Gracias a usted, a la iglesia y todos los voluntarios de la iglesia que nos regalaron parte de su tiempo, de su cariño y de su atención. Gracias por querer a mi familia y espero no perder contacto con ustedes que le abrieron la puerta a mi familia en el momento que más lo necesitamos. Un abrazo fuerte. att: Familia Guerra Mieres

Good evening, sorry for the time, I wanted to write to you to tell you formally that we will no longer need the economic and food support of the church. I wanted to thank you very much for all your support. Thank you to the church and all the volunteers of the church who gave us part of your time, your affection and your attention. Thank you for loving my family, and I hope I don't lose contact with you who opened the door to my family at the time we need it most. A big hug. Att: Guerra Mieres family.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support of the Migrant Ministry. We welcome your donations, especially light summer clothes. We are very short on athletic shorts for men and boys, and leggings for women. Please consult UPDATED DONATIONS FLYER 5/9/24 For more information, contact us at immigrantministry@gmail.com.

Updated Donations Flyer 5/9/24 https://drive.google.com/file/d/1P\_7tS6lzypWE0K9Is\_Mt0HlaMR7Cs8ts/view?

Amazon Wish List https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3VKSYQWISEBOM?ref\_=wl\_share

If you would like to help by donating money toward the purchase of items needed, or if you would like to help defray expenses to provide meals and clothing items for the migrants, you can donate online through GiveCentral using the QR code or the link below, OR send donations to Saint Catherine-Saint Lucy and Saint Giles Parish, 1025 Columbian Ave, Oak Park, Illinois 60302. Include a note that the donation is for the "Migrant Ministry". Thank you for your generous hearts!



Donate Online https://www.givecentral.org/customizable-online-giving/444/event/36149

Thank you!



## LIVE THE LITURGY

The crowds continue to follow Jesus, and when he sees them, he cannot help but be filled with love for them. Let us take our cue from these devoted disciples of Mark's Gospel, and never, ever stop seeking our Lord.

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## KING DAVID'S GEM

"With genuine gratitude and exultation, I can exclaim proudly, just as David did, 'The Lord is my Shepherd!' and I'm thrilled to belong to Him, for it is thus that I shall flourish and thrive, no matter what life shall bring to me." ("A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23," W. P. Keller, p.27)

David, the author of Psalm 23, was known as the "Shepherd King" of Israel. He was proud of "The Lord is my shepherd." His statement was confirmed when Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd," He who was directly responsible for the creation of all things natural and supernatural. (Colossians 1:15-20).

The beautiful relationships given to us repeatedly in the Scriptures between God and man are those of a father to his children and a shepherd to his sheep. The staggering fact is that Christ, the Creator of such an enormous universe, deigns to call himself our Shepherd and invites us to consider ourselves his sheep, his object of affection and attention. Sheep do not care for themselves. They require endless attention and meticulous care. The behavior of sheep and human beings is similar in many ways. Psalm 23 could be called "David's Hymn of Praise to Divine Diligence," for the entire poem goes on to recount the manner in which the Good Shepherd spares no pain for the welfare of his sheep.

As Pope, Francis serves his Church globally as the Vicar of Jesus Christ on earth. In that role, he is also the Shepherd of his flock. The New Testament recounts frequently the closeness of Jesus to the first missionaries, his apostles. He commissions them to engage, teach and care for his flock. In effect, they too become Shepherds. His compassion and love is shown in today's gospel, where Jesus looks for a resting place for the first group of disciples, freshly returned from their initial Gentile ministries.

As Francis and his Vatican Team prepare for the month-long conclusion of his Synod, scheduled for October, we note that hotbutton issues that dominated Francis' highstakes summit last year, on the future of the Church, will be off-the-table when prelates and lay delegates return to Rome this October. This means women deacons and welcoming LGBTQ Catholics, and other issues

as well. With the agenda exciting but not edgy, it may be difficult for members to listen to the Holy Spirit on their particular goals.

Tom Lynch - tgl7714@gmail.com -7/21/24

#### CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER MINISTRY SUMMER CAMP

#### You Tube for Yearners

#### SESSION 2: August 4 to September 7 - 7:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Monday: Eco-Spirituality Ilia Delio will bring Divine presence into understandable quantum physics.

Tuesday: The Enneagram As A Spiritual Practice: Nine Expressions of Grace - Russ Hudson and Richard Rohr

Thursday: The Welcoming Prayer - Mary Dwyer. Experience Divine Presence in present moment, good or bad.

Friday: Transforming Trauma - James Finley. Trauma as an opening for the Spirit to get in.

Sunday: Living School Teachers - Short bursts of Richard Rohr, Cynthia Bourgeault, James Finley and Brian McLaren

#### Thirty Day Sacred Heart Retreat August 5 through September 13, Monday through Friday 8:45 - 9:00 AM

David Richo, psychotherapist and spiritual teacher presents the Sacred Heart of Jesus through a contemplative and psychological lens. You will fall in love with Jesus the Risen Christ all over again!

#### Conscious Aging Workship Saturdays August 10 to September 14 - 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

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