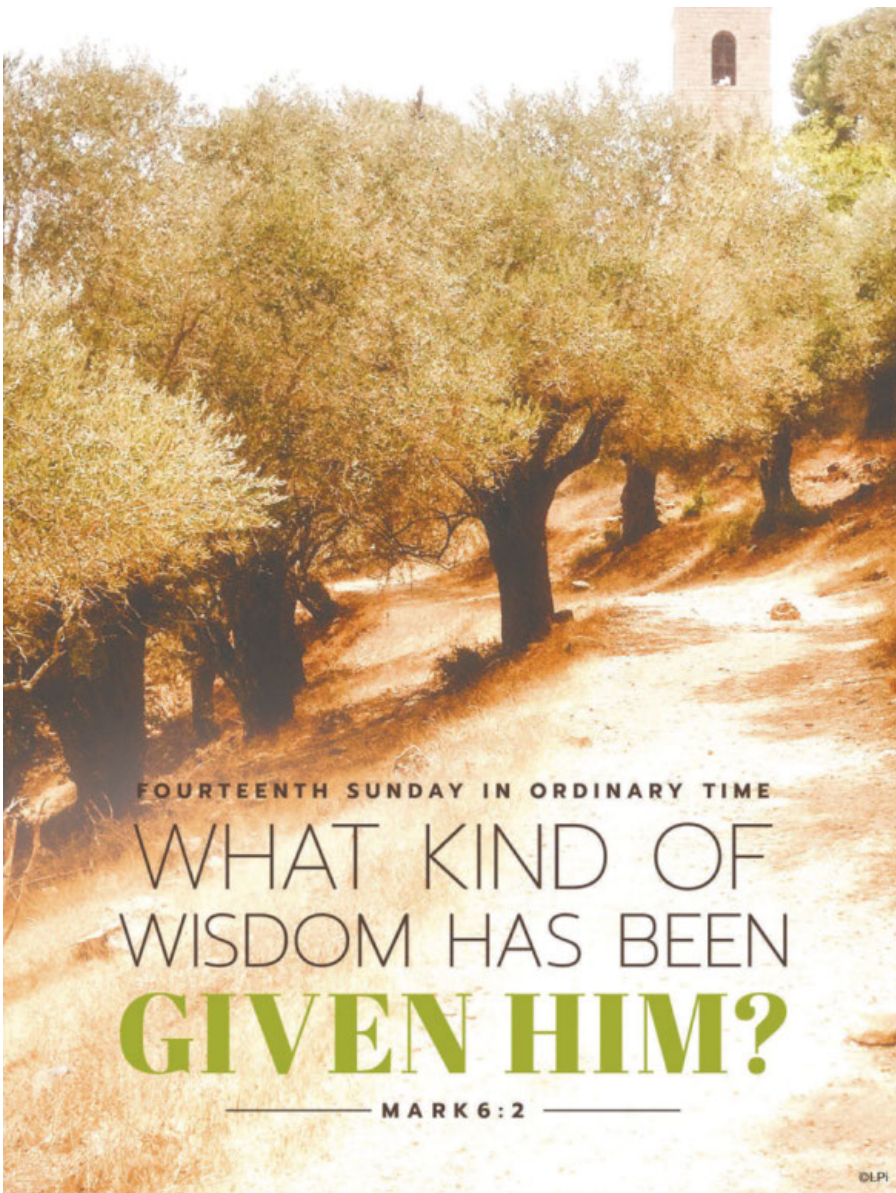




# SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA-SAINT LUCY AND SAINT GILES PARISH

JULY 7, 2024 - 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA- SAINT LUCY CHURCH

38 North Austin Boulevard,  
Oak Park, Illinois  
708-383-3430  
[www.stgilesparish.org](http://www.stgilesparish.org)

**Weekend Mass**  
Sunday at 9:00 AM

## SAINT GILES CHURCH

1045 Columbian Avenue,  
Oak Park, Illinois  
708-383-3430  
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### 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



Dear Parish Members,

As I write this column, it has been one year since I was asked to take on being Pastor of both newly united parishes in our Oak Park Catholic Community. First, let me say thank you for your prayers and financial support of our parishes. Also, I would like to thank the many volunteers who

help keep our organizations and ministries vibrant and effective. It has been a great blessing to see all the gifts in our individual parish communities and experience the collective larger community coming together in initiatives like the Neighborhood Bridge and the Migrant Ministry to help and care for others.

I am especially grateful to have Father Rex, Moderator of Pastoral Care at Ascension and Saint Edmund, Father Bob, now Father Vittorio and Deacon Tom who serve in the community. At Saint Catherine-Saint Lucy and Saint Giles, Father Tom and Father Ed continue to serve in their retirement with the assistance of Deacon John, Deacon Kevin and Deacon William. The dedication of the parish staffs is admirable, and I am grateful to minister alongside such talented and caring people.

One of the great joys and blessings is saying Mass and having the opportunity to get to know on a much deeper and personal level the workings of each of the parishes and what is valued.

That being said, with the blessings and opportunities, there have also been many challenges. Being a pastor under these circumstances is not what I, or any of my seminary classmates were trained for. We were never taught the art of bi-location (I say that tongue-in-cheek) or how after years of parishioners being a parish family, to now unite with another parish! The challenges of smaller congregations and less contributions are facts that played into Renew My Church and the resulting unification of parishes.

Under the circumstances, I said "yes" to working with these challenges for this reason. Despite the fact that I actually have been told this is about my ego, which it is not, I believe in the gifts and the uniqueness of the Oak Park Catholic community and the wonderful folks, our neighbors, who all choose to be a part of our faith communities. Having been in the community for thirteen years, it seemed the right thing to do, say "yes" and take this on. With the help of our staffs, our parish councils, finance committees and now leadership teams, a connection has been developed to allow us to thrive in

the future with fewer priests – priests who will accept the community for the expanding minds and hearts that embrace the circle of God's love for all. As I have come to know you that is what makes our community so special. Perhaps it would have been better to bring in someone completely new to the area to work with this process; however, I said "yes" realizing it takes two years at least to really begin to know the people and the community one is living in and ministering to. A new pastor would have only delayed the momentum that had already begun.

I share this with you since it has been one year since this transition. I also want you to know that one of the most difficult challenges and changes for me is not being able to be more present each weekend at each site. As I am able and as schedules permit, I do look forward to saying Mass, as I have done, once or twice a month at each worship site. I am interested in each community and the challenges and opportunities we face together as we look toward a structure of church that keeps our faith communities vibrant and strong.

I ask you to continue to pray to the Holy Spirit to guide us, and to pray for patience as change and transition can be uncomfortable and take time. If at any time you have questions or comments, please don't hesitate to call or set up an appointment. Those meetings can take place at whichever site is most convenient for you. In the meantime, let us remember the why we are a community of faith, the why we go to Mass at whichever site we worship at, and the why of what we do. Jesus gave the command to Love God and neighbor as ourself. When we do so individually and as a community, we help to build the Kingdom of God here on earth. That is the why, and it is our mission.

In closing – Thank you ... to all who stepped up and helped close the budget "gap" at both parish sites – Ascension and Saint Edmund and Saint Catherine-Saint Lucy and Saint Giles. Your sacrifices and gifts make a difference.

Next weekend, on Sunday, July 14 at 5:00 PM, there will be a special courtyard Mass on the Saint Giles Parish campus to bless our teen mission groups from both parish sites as we send them off on their Appalachian Service Project. **The weekly Oak Park Community Mass will still take place at 5:00 PM at Saint Edmund Church.**

Have a blessed week ahead.

With you a Christian. For you a priest.

*F. Carl*



WE ARE PLEASED TO  
WELCOME THE FOLLOWING  
NEW PARISHIONERS.

Patricia Huerta & Fermin Trueba  
Jessica & Richard Sabatino  
Marisa & William McGrenera  
Gary LoDolce  
Joanne Reynolds  
Gianna & John Borselino



"Little ones, the Christian  
Community welcomes you  
with great joy into our family  
of faith."

Stella Eloise Wendt, Daughter of  
Christopher & Sara (Rajo-Miller) Wendt  
Margo Gena Gerold, Daughter of  
Michael & Gena Rise (Wendt) Gerold  
Mia Grace Alfieri & Sophia Lee Alfieri,  
Daughters of David & Nina (Gazanfari) Alfieri  
Vivia Ray Regal & Callen James Regal  
Children of Kevin & Chloe (Wuertz) Regal  
Shaun Isaac Anderson,  
Son of Eric & Andriana (Rosario) Anderson  
Ava Rose Swanson, Daughter of Gregory & Alexis  
(Twardzik) Swanson

## WEDDING BANNIS

III - Stefania Triolo and Anthony Neri

## 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



## 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](mailto:mboss@archchicago.org).

### Saint Giles Campus Parish Center Office

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Website: [stgilesparish.org](http://stgilesparish.org)

#### Business Hours:

Monday through Friday - 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM  
Monday through Thursday Evening - 4:30 PM - 8:00 PM  
Saturday - 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Lauren Locke & Sister Sue Paweski, *Daytime Receptionists*  
Kathleen Coleman, Everett McCreary & Colleen Duffy, *Evening  
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Website (legacy): [stcatherinestlucy.org](http://stcatherinestlucy.org)

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Sunday - 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
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Mr. Loretto J. (Carlotta) Madonia, Jr., *Deacon (Retired)*  
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## MASS SCHEDULE

### SAINT GILES CHURCH

#### MONDAY, JULY 8

6:30 AM The Deceased of the Parish

#### TUESDAY, JULY 9

*Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions, Martyrs*

8:30 AM Elizabeth Daley Curley  
Joana De Santo  
Rose Guzzardo

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

6:30 AM Jeffrey Olson  
The Deceased of the Abraham Family

8:30 AM All Parishioners & Benefactors

#### THURSDAY, JULY 11

*Saint Benedict, Abbot*

8:30 AM Dr. Robert Hammer

#### FRIDAY, JULY 12

6:30 AM The Deceased of the Shaker Family

#### SATURDAY, JULY 13

*Saint Henry*

8:00 AM Theresa Martino  
1:00 PM Wedding: Stefania Triolo & Anthony Neri  
\*4:30 PM Mary Anne & Terry Keshner  
Jeffrey Olson  
Ruth Connery  
Dr. Harold & Carol Bonus

#### SUNDAY, JULY 14

*Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM Maria Del Carmen Estrada  
Owen Petrzelka  
The Deceased of the Shaker Family  
10:00 AM Family Mass Community in McDonough Hall  
10:30 AM Fred & Louise Cafasso  
Cecilia Kaszynski  
Paul Hefner

\* This Mass will be live-streamed from the Saint Giles website, [stgilesparish.org](http://stgilesparish.org)

### SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA - SAINT LUCY CHURCH

#### SUNDAY, JULY 14

*Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:00 AM Kate Kroker  
Linda Lewis  
Jerome Von Ebers

### SAINT EDMUND CHURCH

#### SUNDAY, JULY 14

*Fifteenth 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, Mary Cozzi, Patricia Crotty, Lucille Dalbis, Bill DeBiase, Judy DesLauriers, Andrea Dickson, Virginia Evans, 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, Marcial Gomez, Alice Gruszka, 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, Jim Madden, Virginia Madden, Deacon Lorry Madonia, Regina Martin, Lynne Tallon Matassa, Patricia McDonald, John Megall, Leolina Rodriguez Meira, Sebastian Mitchell, Willa Montgomery, Anne Muldihill, Sr. Louise Noesen, Matt O'Connell, Marianne Nelson O'Donoghue, Amelia Patterson, Patricia Reardon, Tom Rezek, 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 intercessions 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 Mary Mullaney, sister of Kathleen Mullaney

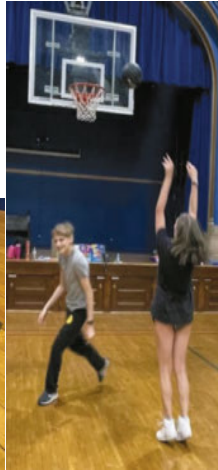
## FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP

### Miraculous



Author and journalist Elizabeth Gilbert tells us, "To be fully seen by somebody, and be loved anyhow – this is a human offering that can border on the miraculous." Each time Faith & Fellowship gathers, this miraculous happening takes place. In a small group of no more than twelve people, we can fully see each other. And be with each other. And listen to each other. And love each other. It's a miracle of personalist mutuality, a sure certainty that we are all loved "anyhow." Sometimes that may seem overwhelming, but in our prayer circle and at our agape table, it can begin to feel safe and OK. And miraculous.

## 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 (200 S. Oak Park Ave.!) 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 16, 30 - August 6, 13, 20**  
**7:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

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!

Saint Edmund School Gym, 200 S. Oak Park Ave.

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

## OUR PARISH WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

For Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

June 23, 2024

	Total	YTD
Weekly Budget	\$30,000.00	\$1,560,000.00
Envelopes	\$ 7,762.00	\$ 855,445.89
Loose—Total included in YTD count	\$ 2,190.00	
Electronic*	\$12,355.38	\$595,060.06
Total Giving	\$22,307.38	\$1,450,505.95
* 6/18/24 - 6/24/24		
(Overage)/Shortfall	\$7,692.62	\$109,494.05

Thank you to all who continue to support Saint Catherine of Siena-Saint Lucy and Saint Giles Parish. 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](http://www.stgilesparish.org) or  
[www.stcatherinestlucy.org](http://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 June 23, 2024

**Saturday, June 22**  
 4:30 PM - 142

**Sunday, June 23**  
 8:00 AM - 132  
 9:00 AM - 97  
 10:30 AM - 191

Family Mass - 110

Total Mass Count - 672

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.



## REFLECTIONS FROM RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CATECHIST



Ever discern about sharing your faith within the parish? There are so many opportunities to share your faith with others, especially with the children of the parish. Here are some testaments from our catechists on why they share their faith with our community.

*As far as why I am a catechist, for one thing, my best friend was a catechist at her parish for a few years when her kids were attending their parish grade school. I thought that was admirable. When I finally finished studying for all the actuarial exams and got my professional credentials, I was looking around for some worthwhile volunteer activity, possibly something involving children, since I like kids but don't have any. I was already in the Saint Edmund's folk choir, and one of the other choir members was a catechist. I started talking to her about that. She introduced me to the Director of Religious Education for the parish, and I became an aide that fall. The catechist for our class was going to Loyola Nursing School and had nursing classes on alternate Sundays. That left me in charge of the class on those Sundays when she wasn't there. At first, it was a little scary, but I enjoyed it. When the catechist graduated from Nursing School in January, became an army nurse, and immediately moved to Texas (surprise!), I didn't mind that I was officially the catechist for the class. After that, I just continued to come back every year. I was lucky that I had a Catholic education from kindergarten through college. I hope that I am helping the children to learn more about their faith and to grow in it. I've met many wonderful families, other catechists, and aides over the years. They have been a real blessing in my life.*

*Pat Pruitt, Ascension 2nd grade, Traditional Religious Education*

*If you would like more information about being a Catechist for the Spirit and Light - Religious Education program, please send an email to [slreligoused@spiritandlightcenter.org](mailto:slreligoused@spiritandlightcenter.org).*



## SPIRIT AND LIGHT LIFELONG LEARNING THEOLOGY ON THE GREEN

**Living our Catholic Faith:  
Springtide Research**

**Speaker: Brother Armand Alcazar, FSC  
Saint Giles Courtyard  
Tuesday, July 9 - 7:00 PM**

How do young people live their faith? Gen. Z (or iGens) don't seem to fit the stereotype of what we used to think about teens. How do they differ, what are their needs and how does their faith (or non-faith) link into their mental health? Is there something we can do to best accompany them? Together we will learn from the research from Springtide and consider how it applies to our Catholic communities in the Oak Park area.

Springtide is a leading national research team studying and writing about the needs, behaviors and trends of young people, ages of 13-25, particularly at the cross hairs of their spirituality and mental health.

Brother Armand Alcazar, FSC is a retired professor of theology from Christian Brothers University and Lewis University. Presently, he is involved in "the Lasallian Legacy Project" - collecting the oral histories of the Brothers. He is also a presenter for Springtide. Brother Armand gives presentations and retreats internationally on various topics. When not presenting he enjoys singing and playing the piano, cooking, tennis and golf, not necessarily in that order nor at the same time.



### Upcoming Theology on the Green

**Tuesday, July 16** - Theology on the Green is cancelled on July 16. Due to a scheduling conflict, Representative. La Shawn Ford is no longer able to join us that evening. Thank you for your understanding.

**Tuesday, July 23** - Rich Kordesh will speak about living faith in a secular world.

**Tuesday, July 30** - Rebecca 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 INITIATION 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](mailto:mmadary@spiritandlightcenter.org) or 708-383-3430 Ext 404.

## FAREWELL FATHER CARLTON!

On Sunday, June 30, parishioners gathered after the 10:30 AM Mass at Saint Giles to wish Father Robert Carlton all the best on his new assignment at Queen of Peace (formerly Saint Eugene's). Thank you and best wishes Father Carlton!



## 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 in August. 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.



## COURTYARD CONCERTS AT SAINT GILES!

Be sure to save the dates of the following Friday evenings: July 19 - August 16 - September 13

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



Our next concert will feature the Dennis O'Brien Band and our own Jim Cerceo. Join us on July 19 at 7:30 PM. Bring a chair and your favorite beverage and snacks.

## 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 or 708-567-4526.

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



**Mission**

Maryville is a child care organization rooted in Catholic social teaching and dedicated to the preservation of the dignity of children at every age. Our mission is to protect children and strengthen families while helping them reach their fullest potential by empowering their intellectual, spiritual, moral and emotional growth.

Maryville Academy, one of Chicagoland’s oldest social service organizations, began its 140th anniversary in July 2023. We are full of gratitude for all the Lord has accomplished for children, families and communities over the years through the dedication of countless clergy, religious, lay personnel and community partners. As an apostolate of the Archdiocese of Chicago, we share in the Church’s works of mercy and thank you for the privilege of carrying out our mission to protect and serve children and families in your name and with your help. We appreciate this opportunity to reacquaint you with or introduce you to “your” Maryville.

Saint Mary’s Training School was begun in 1883 by Chicago’s first Archbishop, Reverend Patrick A. Feehan, and was renamed Maryville Academy by the children’s vote in 1950. It has provided a home, education, career training and therapeutic care while upholding the dignity of each child. Over the years, as the needs and circumstances of youth changed, we responded with best-practice methods and programming. Yet we have held true to the essential mission, striving to make a positive difference.

Maryville is dedicated to protecting children and strengthening families through our comprehensive services in four key areas - Family Services, Residential Services, Healthcare Services, and Education Services. Additional information on some of the services offered by Maryville will be listed in future bulletins.

Maryville Academy  
 1150 N. River Road, Des Plaines, IL 60016  
 847-294-1999 – [www.maryvilleacademy.org](http://www.maryvilleacademy.org)



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 growth in  
**Reading**  
**131%**  
 growth in  
**Math**

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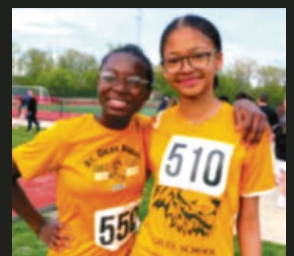
A Saint Giles education offers:

- Small class sizes & tight-knit school community
- Faith-based curriculum & character development
- Diverse student body



- Before & after care available to all.
- No-cut sports in 4th-8th grade

- A cellphone-free learning environment
- Algebra for all 8th graders
- Middle School block schedule to improve



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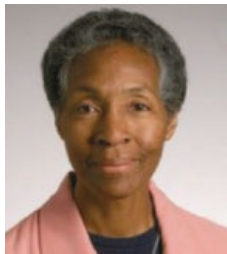
## FEAST OF SAINT MARY OF MAGDALA CELEBRATION MONDAY, JULY 22 - 7:00 PM



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

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!



### 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.



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

We offer a friendly and safe place for Ascension and Saint Edmund, 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, July 13 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM in the Saint Giles Parish Center, 1025 Columbian Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois

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

## A JOYOUS JESUS

"Grant me, O Lord, a sense of good humor. Allow me the grace to be able to take a joke, to discover in life a bit of joy, and to be able to share it with others." (St. Thomas More)

Oh! This polarized world, with endless, tragic wars, and no respect for life; Amidst global climate disasters, a shocking blindness of deniers; Migrant desperation, shown a mix of love and hate; Senseless and frightening killings, often children; LGBTQ scorn, Antisemitism and racial bigotry; Within our Catholic Church, nastiness; patriarchy stifling women leaders; Bishops' papal disrespect.

This great democracy showed the path to freedom; we created a model state for global emulation, now a format at risk. We must fight bitterness, hate, selfishness, greed, and poverty; those in need must all be loved and helped.

The magic of laughter has pulled folks together since the time of Jesus. In the Gospels, he is mature, loving, human. He carried the children in his arms. What child wants someone who never laughs?

Now, Pope Francis has shown he's a big believer in the power contained in hearty, healthy laughs, bringing about a world with more empathy and sympathy. Francis assured 100 invited comedians: "When you bring intelligent smiles to even a single person, you also make God smile." He praised their ability to bring people together by helping us to laugh at ourselves, which is a desperate global need. (Clarence Page, Trib, 6/19)



## MIGRANT MINISTRY UPDATE: IMMIGRATION SUPPORT SERVICES

These posters began to appear around Centro San Edmundo this week announcing the latest program beginning there. A few months ago, our volunteers at Migrant Ministry Mornings told us that they were getting many questions about immigration that they were not able to answer. With the help of trained volunteers, we have started Immigration Support Services on Thursday mornings from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. The services by the trained volunteers include:

- Assistance to start the asylum or TPS application
- Translation of birth certificates or other documents
- Change of venue for immigration court dates
- ITIN Applications

Later in the summer, we hope to also include a visiting immigration attorney on a rotating basis. If you would like to volunteer to help with this important new service please contact us at the email below.

Our Migrant Ministry Mornings on Tuesdays and Thursdays continue to provide breakfast, clothing, blankets, toiletries, and now even more. The Housing Program is working to provide a home for a family of six. We are looking for an apartment and volunteers to accompany them.

If you would like to volunteer for any of these programs, please email us at [immigrantministry@gmail.com](mailto:immigrantministry@gmail.com).

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!

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Thank you so much for your ongoing support of the Migrant Ministry. We welcome your donations, and currently our greatest need is for light summer clothes, especially for older girls. For more information, contact us at [immigrantministry@gmail.com](mailto:immigrantministry@gmail.com).

Please click on the link below for a current list of clothing and personal care items that we are accepting. We ask that you donate only the items listed below  
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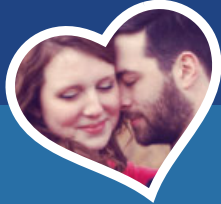


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