

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA-SAINTE LUCY AND SAINT GILES PARISH



GO AND BEAR
FRUIT THAT WILL
REMAIN.

— JOHN 15:16 —

MAY 5, 2024 • Sixth Sunday of Easter

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA - ST. LUCY CHURCH
38 NORTH AUSTIN BOULEVARD, OAK PARK
WEEKDAY MASS: Tuesday at 8:30 am
WEEKEND MASS: Sunday at 9:00 am

ST. GILES CHURCH
1045 COLUMBIAN AVENUE, OAK PARK
DAILY MASSES: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 am;
Tuesday, Wednesday and 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 and 10:30 am

Fr. Carl's Corner



Today's Gospel emphasizes the love that exists between the Father and the Son is the same love that must characterize the relationships of Jesus' followers. At a time when our Church and faith communities are facing changes that may frighten us or make us uneasy and anxious, I remind all of this critical message. This love is so foundational for Christians that we are commanded to love one another. St. John implores us to think about our next response. Give the gift of your full attention, it's about love. Those who do not know love, do not know God. We might ask ourselves who are we failing to love today? How might God's love be shown through us simply by extending a hand, greeting a stranger, being more kind or patient to a spouse or family member, sitting with someone who is ill or in mourning. When we come to Mass and share in the Eucharist, the spiritual food for our journey, we strive to follow Jesus' example to love one another, to love neighbor and God. We don't have to be perfect, but strive to be faithful and do our best.

One way we might show love and care for another these days is to practice good listening. Do we really listen? When in conversation with others or at meetings, do we avoid looking and giving our full attention? Full disclosure here, I pray for the grace to work harder at this myself!!

So now for some good news for our faith communities! Many of you may have met Father Vittorio Brucella, a Claretian Priest living in their house here in Oak Park. Father Vittorio has helped at some of our Masses and has been instrumental in serving the spiritual needs of our migrants who we have been assisting. My hope was that the Order would keep Father Vittorio in the area so he might continue to assist us as well as two other neighboring parishes where he has been able to say Spanish Masses. Below is a communication he recently sent and asked me to share.

Peace to you!

It is with great joy that I have learned that I will be able to continue my ministry for the next three years alongside Father Carl Morello in the parishes of Oak Park.

As you know, I am Italian and a missionary priest belonging to the religious Congregation of the Claretian Missionaries.

In the Spirit of Easter, I write to you, the Catholic Christian community in Oak Park, offering and asking for Peace, the gift of the Risen Lord, as we continue our daily journey.

I am currently in Perth Amboy, New Jersey, but I will be heading back to Oak Park at the end of May. In the meantime, I share my Joy with each of you.

You are known for your human warmth with which, as a Community, you are welcoming many immigrants. Thank you for this testimony. In reality, it is precisely in this ability to recognize Jesus in the smallest, lonely and suffering ones that we will also be able to glimpse our future work.

Please send me your blessing from Oak Park so that the Lord may grant me the strength he alone grants to the humble to build the Kingdom.

*Yours in the Lord,
Fr. Vittorio Bruscella, CMF*

The Holy Spirit continues to act in the church today and surprise us in many ways!

Today, as we honor our Blessed Mother Mary, our spiritual mother, with May Crowning celebrations at our Masses, let us ask her to help keep our eyes and hearts open to love others as her Son, Jesus, has modeled for us.

Have a great week ahead. With you a Christian. For you a priest.

Fr. Carl

Spiritual Life & Worship

We 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, Earl Gallermo, Jack Gallo, Michael Gallo, Sr. Regina Gallo, Marcial Gomez, Baby Michael Haiduke, Jennifer Hanna, Deborah Harris, Maggie Astacio Hedges, Paul Hefner, Deacon John Henricks, Bill Holmes, 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, Herbert Macias, Jim Madden, Virginia Madden, Deacon Lorry Madonia, Lynne Tallon Matassa, Patricia McDonald, Leolina Rodriguez Meira, Sebastian Mitchell, Willa Montgomery, Anne Muldihill, Sr. Louise Noesen, Matt O'Connell, Amelia Patterson, Patricia Reardon, Tom Rezek, Lillian Ricci, 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 Bob Quane, spouse of Joanne Quane, and Ron Guimon, uncle of Kelly McCreary.

ST. GILES CHURCH MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 6

6:30 — The Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday, May 7

8:30 — The Senese Family
William Sullivan
Bill Rice

Wednesday, May 8

6:30 — Liam Kollker
Owen Petrzelka
John P. Enderle
8:30 — Jean Barnett

Thursday, May 9

8:30 — Miguela Garcia

Friday, May 10

6:30 — Frances Hammer
Frank, Theresa, and Madelyn Martino
The Deceased of the Shaker Family

Saturday, May 11

8:00 — The Mattos Family
Santi Lucchesi
4:30 — Louis and Elizabeth Toth
Charlotte Rozner

Sunday, May 12

The Ascension of the Lord

Mother's Day

8:00 — Silvio Meira
Theresa Martino
Mary Anne and Terry Keshner
10:00 — Family Mass Community in School Gym
*10:30 — Richard Brennan
Sheila Curran
Robert and Lillian Schweihs
Joana De Santo

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

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA-ST. LUCY CHURCH MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, May 7

8:30 — All Parishioners and Benefactors

Sunday, May 12

The Ascension of the Lord

Mother's Day

9:00 — Kate Kroker
Alexandre Vincent
Eileen Snyder

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

Sunday, May 12

The Ascension of the Lord

Mother's Day

5:00 — Oak Park Catholic Parishes Mass



BAPTISMS in our Parish

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

Jonah Thomas Pokorney, Thomas Pokorney and Jocelyn Scott; **Ciaran Francis Morrissey**, Michael and Katrina (Veto) Morrissey; **Santino Lorenzo Giovenco**, Joseph and Monika (Kecki) Giovenco; **Kendall Adams**, Elliot and Jeannine (Benoit) Adams; **Grace Anne Miskowicz**, Mateusz Wladyslaw Miskowicz and Sarah Anne Tanaka; **Adelina Alise Lucia Litewski**, Matthew and Ashlie (Giuffre) Litewski; **Johanna Leone Alferez Henton**, Brandon Henton and Jessica Alferez; **Harper June Balundis**, Victor and Carly (Capeslus) Balundis; **Giovanna Santina Giovenco**, Michael and Gianna (Zaccaro) Giovenco; **Naomi Rose Irizarry**, Christopher and Bianca (Wolfe) Irizarry; **Naomi Grace Osowski**, Jeffrey and Megan (Franke) Osowski.

Spiritual Life and Worship

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Spring 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

May is a month to remember and celebrate the mothers and mother figures in our lives. These women — on whom all generations depend — are essential to the fullness of God's plan for human life.

May is also the month when we celebrate the important work of our Catholic Charities. Helping mothers in need is core to our Catholic faith and a cornerstone mission for Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Whether they be single mothers, mothers of children with special needs, foster mothers, or mothers who are migrants, we help them and their children.

Your generous donation to the Mother's Day Collection for Catholic Charities enables this urgent work. Catholic Charities was founded more than a century ago by the Archdiocese to help those in need in Cook and Lake counties. As the largest provider of human services in our region, Catholic Charities serves nearly 400,000 people annually. This tremendous reach of services is only possible through your generous support.

Each year I call on our parishes to support Catholic Charities, and so I encourage you to be generous by contributing, either:

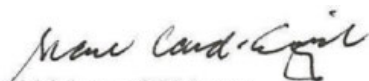
In-person during the second collection on Mother's Day weekend, May 11-12

Online at catholiccharities.net/donate

By mail to Catholic Charities, P.O. Box 8275, Carol Stream, IL 60197-8275.

Thank you for your on-going support and partnership. May Mary, our Mother whom we honor in May, continue to inspire us to take up the mission of her Son with joyful enthusiasm.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Archbishop of Chicago

Catholic Charities Second Collection May 11-12

Catholic Charities serves nearly 400,000 individuals annually, many of whom live in the most underserved neighborhoods of Lake and Cook counties. They accompany anyone in need, regardless of faith, gender, race, or ethnicity. Working to improve lives and nourish spirits, they are committed to helping children, youth and families, especially mothers and their babies in a faith-based manner of respect and compassion. Next weekend, there will be a second collection at all Masses in support of their vital work. Please be as generous as you are able.



Eucharistic Ministers are invited to attend a meeting on **Saturday, May 11, from 10:00 to 11:00 am** in St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church. **If you are already a minister or are interested in serving as a Eucharistic Minister, please plan to attend.** It is a great way to meet others in this important ministry.



Return Your Filled Baby Bottles Next Weekend!

The Baby Bottle Project benefiting The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland continues in support of their efforts to directly assist mothers and families experiencing crisis pregnancies. They have saved over 40,000 babies and their mothers from abortion since opening in 1984.

It's not too late to take a Baby Bottle home with you this weekend, fill it with your spare change, and return it next weekend, May 11-12. The bottles can be found in the gathering space of both Church sites. If you are making a donation by check, please make it payable to: The Women's Center. You can also go directly to their website at: GoTWC.org or call 773-794-1313 to donate.

This is a simple, but crucial fundraising effort for The Women's Centers. Please note that the Baby Bottles cost almost \$1.00 per bottle and are recycled afterwards so please return upon completion of the project. Thank you for helping defend life and remember to keep all pro-life undertakings in your prayers.

Confirmed in the Spirit!

We celebrate the Confirmation candidates of 2024, who were confirmed on Saturday, April 20,
by Bishop Placido Rodriguez and Cardinal Blase J. Cupich.
The entire St. Catherine-St. Lucy and St. Giles Parish community prays for and congratulates you!

Quinn *Sebastian* Baiardo
Maeve *Catherine of Siena* Bell
Dean *Emil* Biag
Elizabeth *Cecilia* Brady
Jessica *Gertrude of Nivelles* Brooks
Tessa *Lucy* Buczek
Katherine *Bernadette* Butler
Maddox *Rafael Guizar y Valencia* Campos
Simone *Elizabeth* Canzona
Colin *Thomas Aquinas* Clarkson
James *Frances Xavier* Clarkson
Nieve *Anne* Clements
Julian *Sebastian* Counts
Mac *Christopher* Dardis
Benjamin *Luigi* Davis
Ciara *Brigid* Diamond
Anita *Maria Goretti* DiGiovanni
Julia *Francis of Assisi* Ellis
Olivia *Clare* Elsener
Derek *Francis of Assisi* Estrella
Emilia *Elizabeth* Francisco
Colin *Ignatius* Good
Frank *Michael* Grote
Joaquin *Luke* Guzman
Jack *Sebastian* Haagenson
Andrew *Gabriel* Hajduk
Paolo *Juan Diego* Hein
David *Michael* Herrera
Henry *Louis the King* Hoke
Lucia *Joan of Arc* Iannantuoni
Matthew *Matthew* Jaeger

Quinn *Odilia of Cologne* Kellogg
Owen *Francis de Sales* Kelly
Aaron *Anthony* Konecki
Gavin *Patrick* Lazewski
Daniel *Ezequiel Moreno y Diaz* Lesiowski
Nicolas *Joshua* Lopez
Henry *Nicholas* Luttschyn
Baxter *Damian* MacKenzie
Diana *Mary, Mother of God* Pascual Martin
Aiden *Sebastian* Martinez-Paredes
Maureen *Catherine of Siena* McHugh
Madeline *Francis* Morgan
Charlotte *Brigid* O'Brien
Isabelle *Elizabeth of Hungary* Reisor
Jaida *Rose of Lima* Rosenthal
Alizahy *Jude Thaddeus* Ruiz
Joseph *Joseph of Cupertino* Senechalle
Henry *Anthony* Shoffer
Vivian *Catherine of Siena* Smith
Aedan *Francis of Assisi* Steinman
Norah *Marguerite* Tohme
Saige *Brigid* Torres
Lilah *Cecilia* Torres
Tatiana *Tatiana of Rome* Vega
Joseph *Joseph* Winter
Clare *Joan* Wols
Lillian *Elizabeth* Wols
Alexander *James* Woodward
Lucy *Therese* Youngberg
Mia *Mary, Mother of God* Zavala



Spirit and Light Collaborative

Spirit and Light?

Some people have wondered exactly what Spirit and Light is. It is a Catholic collaborative for living faith. But sometimes a simple phrase isn't completely clear. Therefore, various people have written down their understanding and experience of Spirit and Light. A different explanation will be shared weekly.

The following is from **Laura Kelley, Co-Coordinator for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**:

"Go out to all the world and tell the Good News!"

Spirit -- animates

Light -- illuminates

Both radiate, cannot be easily contained, want to spread and be shared.

These ideas define the mission of Spirit and Light to me because it seeks to connect and fill the places/spaces that exist between the church and the home, so that one unified thread of living our faith exists. It offers opportunities to live life to the full (a life that animates and illuminates Christ's love to the world).

Spirit and Light 2024 End-of-the-Year Religious Education Mass

All are invited!

Tuesday, May 7
7:00 pm at Ascension Church



Let's all come together to celebrate all that we have accomplished this year.

This is a great opportunity for First Communicants to wear their First Communion attire.

Additionally, we recognize the Confirmation Class as well as Altar Servers.



Lector and Eucharistic Minister Training for Teens

Confirmed out going 8th graders to 12th grade.

May 21 and 22, 2024

7:00 PM - 8:15 PM

St. Edmund, Murphy Hall

188 S. Oak Park Ave.



The Lector who proclaims God's Word



The Eucharistic Minister who assists in distributing the body of Jesus

This two-evening experience will begin with a general overview of the Theology of Ministry, followed by separate sessions for Ministers of the Word and Eucharistic Ministers. Overall, the two evenings promise to give teens a well-rounded perspective of the meaning and purpose of ministry and a clear understanding of the significance of the call we receive at Baptism. The formation days are open to all confirmed teens. Please be aware that while this formation time will generally prepare young people for service to the liturgical community, it will be necessary for each parish site to follow up with training specific to their own worship space.

PLEASE CONTACT COOKY PEREZ-ERACI, DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY,
MPEREZERACI@SPIRITANDLIGHTCENTER.ORG OR 708-370-3674

Marguerite Porete and The Mirror of Simple Souls

Join us for the upcoming Spiritual Classics discussion on Marguerite Porete's classic writing, *The Mirror of Simple Souls*. We will meet on **Tuesday, May 7, at 7:30 pm in the Ascension Parish Center Dining Room**. Jeff Wood will lead the discussion. All Oak Park parishes are welcome.

The Mirror of Simple Souls is a dialogue among allegorical figures conversing about the nature of the spirit and the relation between the soul and God. Because human love is like divine love, Porete shows how the human soul can achieve a lasting union with God. Porete lived in a beguine community in the fourteenth century and the book became enormously popular throughout Europe at the time.

If you have any questions or would like more information about our monthly Spiritual Classics discussions, send an email to laffc@ascensionoakpark.com or check out the [Spiritual Classics webpage](#) on the Ascension and St. Edmund website. Reading the book is not required in order to join the discussions – feel free to just come and hear about Porete's medieval spirituality.

Oak Park Catholic Community

MIGRANT MINISTRY UPDATE: TRINITY DONATION, SATURDAY ESL CLASSES, LEGAL ASSISTANCE!



The Migrant Ministry has so much to celebrate! The amazing young women of Trinity High School's Social Justice Club raised \$6,575 during a recent Spirit Week for the Migrant Ministry. The students created a variety of fun activities to raise the money and then proudly presented the check to Migrant Ministry leaders Margie Rudnik and Celine Woznica (who were so overwhelmed they actually got a little teary-eyed!). Thank you so much, Trinity Blazers!!!

Saturday morning ESL classes have started to complement the Tuesday/Thursday classes that have been offered since last summer. The first Saturday, not one student showed up. Then we spread the word that parents can bring their children if necessary. Twenty-three adults came ready to learn English while their children played in an adjacent room. The program will continue to grow as the word spreads. Yay! Our ESL program is run by volunteers with extensive ESL experience and education.

Our legal assistance program is getting organized with volunteers spending time at various workshops and other events to learn how to help migrants fill out their forms for Temporary Protective Status and for Asylum. Volunteer lawyers from our parishes are offering to review the completed forms.

Our numbers continue to grow for our breakfast and "free store" distribution of clothes, shoes, bedding, light jackets, and toiletries. That means we are in great need of donations! Please review the [Spring Shopping List](#) below. We are most in need of gym shoes and sandals for men, women, and children, summer T-shirts and shorts, new underwear, towels, and toiletries. Thank you for your donation!

For more information on the Migrant Ministry, email immigrantministry@gmail.com.

Financial donations to support the Migrant Ministry can be sent to the St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy and St. Giles Parish Office at 1025 Columbian Avenue, Oak Park, IL 60302. Please mark your check for the "Migrant Ministry." Donations may also be made online through GiveCentral on the St. Giles website or by scanning the QR code at right.

Or donations can be sent to Ascension and St. Edmund Parish. Please note the Migrant Ministry on your check. Donations may also be made online through GiveCentral on the Ascension website.



	Women Small & Medium Sizes	Men Small & Medium Sizes	Children Toddler To Large Sizes	Infants Size 9-24 Months
Tops	Casual Tops, T-Shirts, Athletic Wear	Small/Medium* Short Sleeve, Athletic Wear*, Tank Top Undershirts*	Short Sleeve	Short Sleeve
Pants	Shorts, Jeans, Black Pants	Shorts, Jeans*, Athletic*	Shorts, Jeans, Athletic	Any
Leggings	Small*, Medium* & Large	N/A	Girls, All Sizes	N/A
Pajamas	Any	Any	Any	Any
Bras	Small*, Medium*, Large & Sport Bras*	N/A	Pre-teen	N/A
Underwear	New Only*	New Only, Boxer Briefs Requested*	New Only	New Only
Socks	New Only, Low Cut Preferred	New Only, Low Cut Preferred	New Only	New Only
Shoes	Athletic Shoes, Small Sizes Requested* Crocs & Sandals	Athletic Shoes, Small Sizes Requested* Construction Boots – Men's Size 8-10 Crocs & Sandals	Athletic Shoes, Small Sizes Requested* Crocs & Sandals	Any

Requested Linens & Personal Items

(Must be clean, and in good condition)

- Blankets - Small, *Medium & *Large
- Sheets - Twin, Full, Queen
- Towels - Washcloths, Hand, Bath
- Toiletries - *Deodorant, *Lotion, *Hair Conditioner
- Sleeping Bags
- Backpacks
- Roller Suitcases - In good condition
- Small Toys—*Matchbox Cars, *Beanie Babies

Amazon Wish List Donations

Go to amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3VKSYQWISEBOM

Or use your phone's camera to access the site through this QR code:



Drop donations off on Mondays 9:00 am – 12:00 pm at 200 S. Oak Park Avenue

Please enter at the Pleasant Avenue door

Questions? Email: immigrantministry@gmail.com

YES, IT'S LADIES NIGHT!

SPRING CCW COURTYARD PARTY!

Good vibes

THURS. MAY 16
6:30-8:30 pm

Under the lights in the St. Giles Courtyard

fun

Super casual!
Bring a friend!

WE'LL ANNOUNCE AND CELEBRATE THE 2024 WOMAN OF THE YEAR!

YAY!

BYOB if you can ...
if not, we've got you covered!

QUESTIONS? WANT TO HELP? CALL:
SUE CANEPA 312-203-0848
ANDREA GROTE 773-727-7665

Save the date:

All Catholic Men of Oak Park are invited to A Day of Reflection on **Saturday, May 18**. The day will be centered around a reflection given by **Terry Rynne**, founder of Marquette University Center for Peacemaking. He teaches "Introduction to Peace Studies", and is the author of **Gandhi and Jesus: The Saving Power of Nonviolence** and **Jesus Christ, Peacemaker: A New Theology of Peace**. The focus will be our challenges and responses, building on our discussion (from our April 16 meeting) of John Dear's presentation about Nonviolence and Jesus.

Date: Saturday, May 18.

Time: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

Location: McDonough Hall

1101 Columbian Avenue

(NW corner of Columbian and Greenfield,
2nd floor).

Cost: \$45

(includes lunch and refreshments).

Payment due the day of the retreat.

This invitation is extended by the St. Giles Family Mass Community Men's Group. The SGFMC Men's Group meets monthly to present and discuss topics of spiritual value. The Men's Group was initially formed in 1975, and continues to the present day.



SENIOR CORNER



Come join us at **Murphy Hall** on the **St. Edmund** campus (adjacent to the church) on Tuesday, May 21, at 9:30 am for a "Breakfast with the Pastor" session. **Marci Madary**, the director of **Spirit and Light**, will join us for an enlightening spiritual presentation. **Spirit and Light** is the collaborative effort of the Oak Park Catholic Community for Living Faith. Murphy Hall is located at 188 S. Oak Park Avenue. A parking lot is available east of the church on Pleasant Street. All are welcome to join us.

Faith & Fellowship

"Hoppin' and Boppin'"

The Rock and Roll band from St. Francis High School performed a concert at Columbus Manor where some of the Faith and Fellowship Partners live. They had the joint jumping! Residents and Staff alike clapped, danced, and sang along to a repertoire of dusties, modern-day songs, and everything in between. What a great time!

But wait! There's more! Local kids from the Oak Park parishes youth group and Christ the King College Prep are going to be with us for the Big Shebang. They'll help set up the gym for the dinner, pray with us at Mass, and help serve dinner, eat with us, and clean up.

Some people say these young people are the future of the church. NO! They are its *present!*



Parish Life

In July, **over 150** adults & teens from our Parish ASP will travel to the Appalachian Mountain area in West Virginia for a week of service making homes warmer, safer, and drier. Our van rental expenses increased significantly this summer, and we are fundraising to offset this cost.

We would appreciate your help!

Purchase a digital dozen.

Go to the URL listed here anytime through May 27 and order a digital dozen. You will **receive an electronic coupon** to pick up your dozen whenever you wish, at the Krispy Kreme location you choose. Or give a dozen as a gift!

OR

Pre-order a dozen (or 2)! Visit **GiveCentral** by scanning the QR code here to order & pay for your donuts. You can **pick them up** outside St. Giles Church on Sunday, May 12, from 8:30 am – 11:45 am, just grab & go!

Sunday, May 12, is Mother's Day! After all Masses at St. Giles, please look for ASP representatives outside selling boxed dozens. Cash, checks & credit cards will be accepted - \$15 per dozen (glazed). Take some donuts home to celebrate mom!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Please purchase a dozen - ASP will receive 50% of each dozen sold!



KRISPY KREME DOZENS TO SUPPORT St. Giles ASP



\$15 PER DOZEN



OVER 50%
DONATED BACK



ENDS May 27



ORDER

<https://groupai.se/krispykreme41628sb>

ASP Appalachia
SERVICE PROJECT*



OAK PARK YOUNG ADULTS
PRESENT

THEOLOGY ON TAP

**FRIDAY, MAY 3RD
7 PM**

Location: Scratch on Lake
733 Lake Street
Second Floor Event Space



FEATURING

FR CARL MORELLO

"ASK A PRIEST"

Submit your questions
through the QR Code!
No question is too big-
or too small.
Questions will remain
anonymous.



*All Are
Welcome!
(21+)*

Parish Life

Food For Thought "The Greatest of These"

*"Faith, hope and love abide, these three;
But the greatest of these is love."
(1 Corinthians 13:13)*

*"The virtues of faith, hope and love emphasize
a connection to other people, fueled by belief
in God and reliance on prayer."
(Pope Francis, 4/24/24)*

Does our love respond to a command
that's given in John 13 by Jesus?

*"This I command you: love one another."
Basically, be kind to each other.*

1 John Today speaks of loving God:

*"Whoever is without love does not
know God, for God is love." These loves differ:*

John's gospel on loving one another
is Human Love. The love of God, as in 1 John,
is Divine Love. Additionally, Love
between family members is Familial Love.

The more emotional kind of love,
between two people, is Partner Love.
In our language, we have one word, "love,"
for its various usages. Greek has four;
one is "eros," from which comes
"erotic." Enough on that!

The most powerful and selfless kind
of love, I believe, is that which is
embraced by clergy and religious.

It can be called Ministerial Love.

These priests and nuns have dedicated
their lives to loving support and service
in faith communities, and wherever
people are in need or in danger.

The shortage of priests is beyond severe,
but motivated by faith and fueled
by grace from the Holy Spirit, they
fill the spiritual guidance
and sacramental support needs of
their Christian communities.

Nuns help migrants at the border, where
the majority of people seeking
asylum are from Latin America.

The crisis there continues: 1.6
million have been arrested in total.

Nuns in religious communities
around the globe are doing
plenty to help people trapped by war,
oppression and tragedy of

climate change. Starvation is a dark
reality in many countries. Handmaids
of the Holy Child Jesus in Nigeria;

Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate in Kenya;
Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Uganda.

All examples of religious' actionable love,
motivated by devotion to the Blessed Mother,
and by a depth of heartfelt compassion
for those in dire need of loving guidance
and support. In their Ministerial Love,
these nuns are living saints.

Tom Lynch. fgl7714@gmail.com

Reference: NCR Global Sisters' Rpt., 4/23/24



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

We offer a friendly and safe place
for Ascension and St. Edmund
Parish, St. Catherine-St. Lucy and
St. Giles Parish, and the St. Giles

Family Mass Community LGBTQ+ individuals, their families and
friends to share through deep listening circles.

JOIN US SATURDAY, MAY 11

from 1:00 - 3:00 pm

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

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

Welcome
our new friends

*We are very pleased
to welcome
the following new parishioners:*

Michael and Gena Gerold, Matthew and Rebecca
Fournier, Monica Wawrzyaniak and Thomas Vollman, Caroline
and Arturo Aceves.

Our Parish Weekly Stewardship For Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

	4/28/2024	
	Total	YTD
Weekly Budget	\$30,000.00	\$1,320,000.00
Envelopes	\$10,652.00	\$ 726,259.28
Loose	\$ 1,744.25	
Electronic*	\$ 8,268.50	\$ 505,211.80
Total Giving	\$20,664.75	\$1,231,471.08
4/23/24-4/29/24		
Shortfall	\$ 9,335.25	\$88,528.92

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