



SAINT GILBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Reaching Out With Servant Hearts

301 E. Belvidere Road, Grayslake, IL 60030

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SECOND SUNDAY
OF EASTER
(DIVINE MERCY)

APRIL 27, 2025

*Today's readings: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1); Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19;
Jn 20:19-31*

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for the
Sunday
Readings
Text.



MAY THE SOULS *of*
the FAITHFUL DEPARTED,

THROUGH the MERCY
of GOD, REST IN PEACE.



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THIS WEEK AT SAINT GILBERT

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025, EASTER

WEEKDAY; ST PETER CHANEL, PRIEST & MARTYR;
ST LOUIS GRIGNON DE MONTFORT, PRIEST

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:

†People of Saint Gilbert

7:00p Boy Scout Troops 96 & 1996

TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 2025, ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:

†Theresa Reformat

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025, EASTER WEEKDAY; ST PIUS V, POPE

8:00a (CHURCH) Mass — Intention:

†Ted Wielgos



9:00a-9:00p (Chapel) Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament (see pg 3)

6:00p First Communion Rehearsal



THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025, EASTER WEEKDAY;
ST JOSEPH THE WORKER;
(NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER)



8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:

†Marcia Manolis; †Steve Kinderman

8:30a Breaking Open the Word (see page 9)

6:00p PSOM Officers' Meeting

8:00p Penitent Soldier's of Mary Adoration Liturgy (see pg 9)

9:00p Men's Basketball

FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2025, ST ATHANASIUS, BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:

†Ray Powroznik

FIRST SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2025, STS PHILIP & JAMES, APOSTLES

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:

†People of Saint Gilbert

1:00p First Communion

5:00p Mass (Cantor) — Intention:

For Andrea Baczek (Health);

†Martin McGreal; †Paul Steffan



=== Respect Life Mother's Day Fundraiser in narthex ===

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY...

Join us at 3pm THIS Sunday, April 27th, for a Divine Mercy Eucharistic Holy Hour in the Saint Gilbert Chapel.

To learn more about Divine Mercy Sunday visit:

<http://www.thedivinemercy.org/>

To help you to pray this devotion search for the app entitled:

Divine Mercy Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception

(see page 8 for more information on today's devotion)



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 4, 2025

7:30a Mass (Cantor) — Intention:

†Dan & †Frank Ptasinski; †Giernoth Family

8:55a REP Sessions

9:00a* Mass (Cantor) — Intention:

†Mary Therese Jermalowicz

Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9a and 11a Masses

9:00a RCIA

10:15a REP Catechist End of Year Brunch

11:00a Mass (Contemporary Music) — Intention:

†Gustavo & †Luz Currea; †Ambrose Kelly

1:00p Group Baptism Service

SGS Father Son Event

5:00p Mass (Contemporary Music) — Intention:

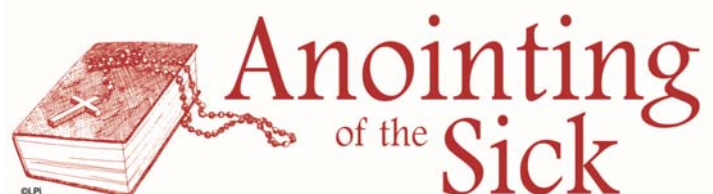
†Nathaniel Kyle Z. Lee, †Manuel D. Lee &

†Carmelo P. Zapata

4:00p Jr. High L.I.F.E. Session

6:00p TGIF Night

*Incense may be used at this Mass.



will take place immediately following the 11am Mass THIS Sunday, April 27th. All seeking healing are welcome to be anointed.



PRAYING FOR PEACE:

**Let us pray for our
communities, our cities and
the world, especially
Eastern Europe & Israel/
Gaza;
For strength and peace in
the face of war and
violence;
For openness and welcome
to refugees;
For hope and courage
in the face of doubt and
fear. Amen.**



A SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR VISITORS —

During the Easter season, we extend a warm welcome not only to our current parish members, but also to your families and friends and our visitors. If you are not making regular contributions, we hope that you will consider making a gift to the support of our parish. Your donations now and throughout the year are needed and greatly appreciated. Consider convenient eGiving options that allow you to make a one-time gift or establish scheduled, recurring gifts. We highly recommend eGiving for visitors and others who wish to express their support at Easter. THANK YOU again for your continued support of our church. Your spirited generosity ensures we can carry our message and our works throughout our community and beyond for years to come!

BELIEVE!

Jesus appears to the disciples, who were in hiding because they were being persecuted for being his followers. Despite the locked doors, Jesus “came and stood in their midst,” bidding them peace.

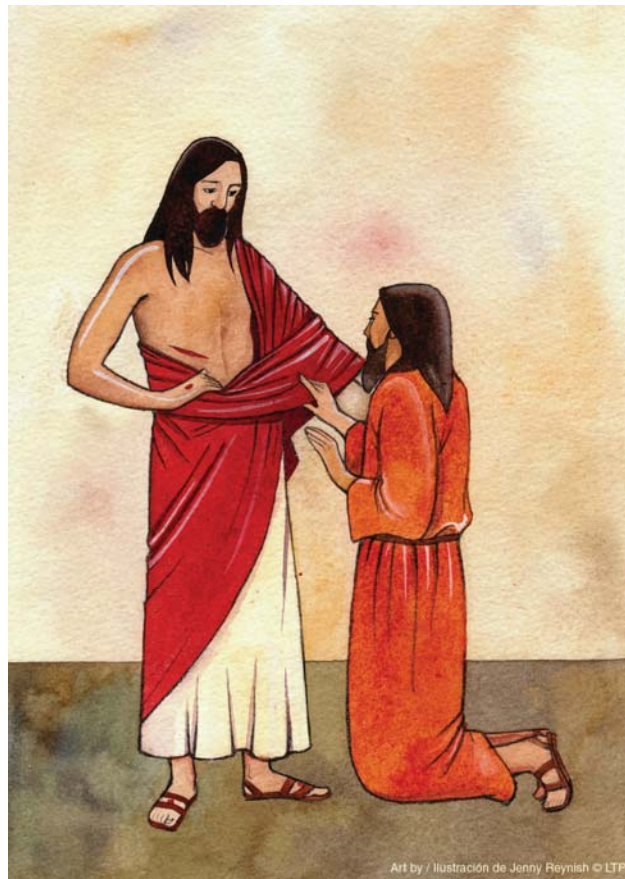
Thomas, who was not with the other disciples when Jesus first appeared, says that he will not believe unless he sees the mark of the nails in Jesus’ hands and puts his finger into his side.

Since we know that Jesus was raised from the dead, it is easy to place blame on Thomas. How could he not believe? But when we reflect on our faith journey, how many times do we find ourselves in Thomas’ shoes? How often do we doubt and question God’s presence? On this Sunday of Divine Mercy, place yourself in the Gospel. Where do you find yourself? What do you think when Thomas expresses his disappointment and fear?

What do you feel when Jesus comes, despite the locked doors, stands in your midst, and says: “Peace be with you?” What do you see when Jesus invites Thomas to touch the mark of the nails in his hands and put his hand into his side? What do you hear exclaimed in the room?

After placing yourself in the locked room with the disciples and Thomas, full of fear and sadness, consider how Jesus’ resurrection can inspire you. How can you step through fear and doubt and move toward action? Ask the Lord to meet you where you are and to bring you peace.

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Courage to Believe

Merciful God,
you call us to
you,
beckoning us
to turn from
our fear and
disappointment.

You are with us
despite our doubt,
We give thanks:
your mercy endures forever.
Grant us the courage to
see through eyes of faith
and to share the joyful news
of the resurrection.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Religious Education News. . .



**THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE
IS OPEN 9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM, MON-FRI**

New Registration forms for 2025-2026 are available through the office, entrances to the Church and on the website at <https://www.stgilbert.org/religious-education-program>. Questions? 847-223-3071!



GRADES 7-9... There are only a few classes left. The Summer Syllabus will be ready by the end of May.



FIRST COMMUNION...

The dates for First Communion are as follows:

Saturday, April 26th at 1:00 pm

Saturday, May 3rd at 1:00 pm

Four **SPRED** Students will receive the Sacrament of First Communion and two students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Saturday, May 17th at 11:00 am.**

Students in the **REJOICE IN GOD** Program will celebrate First Communion on **Sunday, April 27th at the 11:00am** Parish Mass.

Please keep all these students and their families in your prayers.



MARY PRAYER SERVICE...

On April 27th, the Preschool and Kindergarten students will celebrate a Prayer

Service honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary and her place in our lives. The Service will begin at **9:30a in the Multi-Purpose Room.** *Parents and Grandparents are invited.*

CLOSING PRAYER SERVICE...

The Students in the Sunday Religious Education Program will end the year with a



Prayer Service on **Sunday, May 4th at 9:15a in the Multi-Purpose Room.** *Parents are invited.*

CATECHISTS BRUNCH... The Catechists from the Family Program, Rejoice in God Program, the Sunday Program Catechists and their families are invited to a brunch on **Sunday, May 4th beginning at**



Pictures are of the Fourth Grade students coloring butterflies as a symbol for Easter and the Eye of God Project.

2025 St. Gilbert Vacation Bible School

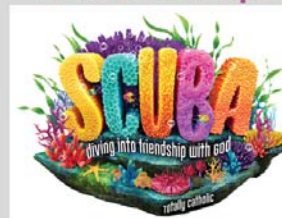


REGISTRATION FOR VBS IS NOW OPEN



***Please go to the St. Gilbert Church website to register!**

**Monday, June 9 - Friday, June 13, 2025
9:00am-12:00pm**



Diving into friendship with God

"Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. John 13:34"

**Traditional VBS. 4 years old
to entering 4th grade**

**VBS camp with Soccer or ART.
5th-7th grade**

**** NEW this Year****

**There will be 2 ART camp rooms
ART will be limited to 45 students!**



**Questions ? Email
vbs@stgilbertschool.org**

Saint Gilbert Parish Bulletin: Send articles for consideration in an electronic file to: bulletin@stgilbert.org

Thank you! **Upcoming Deadline:**
Thursday, May 1st for May 11th Bulletin

10:00 am in the Parish Center.
Thank you to these Catechists for sharing their love of the faith with the young people of the Parish. God bless!

**Thank
You**

SPRED – Religious Education for Children with Special Needs... This program serves 26 students, ranging in age from 6 to 16, from St. Gilbert and neighboring parishes. *If you have any questions about the program or to volunteer, email or call Sr. Donna.*





GOSPEL

Jesus, the best friend of the apostles, had just been killed for his teachings. The apostles were afraid the soldiers would come and kill them, too. They were so frightened that they locked all the windows and the doors in the upper room where they had the Last Supper. They huddled together in fear. When Jesus appeared right in the middle of them, they were amazed. He said, "Do not be afraid. I am with you."

PRAYER

Lord, come to me when I am afraid.

Ready to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism for your child? Call the Parish Office to register for a Baptism Preparation Session:
847-223-4731



ST. GILBERT LITTLE ROARING REBEL PRESCHOOL

Skills-based learning experiences to enhance our youngest learners' social, emotional, academic, and spiritual development.

St. Gilbert Catholic School incorporates Christian values necessary to prepare young minds for lifelong learning. Preschoolers are taught Language Arts, Science, Math, Religion, and Art through learning centers which introduce new concepts and engage their imaginations.



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Throughout the week our 3 & 4 year old preschooler students attend classes outside of their classroom. These classes expose them to different teaching styles and other activities in different settings.



DAY AND TIME OPTION FOR 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS:
HALF DAY OPTIONS:
2 day, 3 day, and 5 day
FULL DAY OPTIONS:
2 day, 3 day, and 5 day
AFTER SCHOOL CARE:
M-TH until 5:30pm
Fridays until 5pm

231 East Belvidere Road Grayslake, Illinois 60030
Email: school.office@stgilbertschool.org



PROGRAM CHOICES AND REQUIREMENTS:

LITTESTE ROARING REBELS TERRIFIC TWO'S CLASSROOM

- Must be 2 years old before or on September 1st
- 9:00am-11:30am M,W or TU, TH
- Students should be working on potty training
- Pull ups are allowed
- Parents will be called to change soiled pull ups

PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM

- 3 & 4 year old classroom
- Full day and half day options
- Must be potty trained
- Must be 3 years old before or on September 1st

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

- Oldest four year olds
- 5 day full program selection
- Readiness screening required
- Must be potty trained

**CALL 847-223-8600
TO BOOK A TOUR**

On the bulletin boards in the narthex you will see pictures of those who will be receiving First Communion in April & May, as well as those students who will be confirmed in May along with information about their Confirmation name. Please continue to pray for them as they journey toward these special days.



At a recent Confirmation service project, students volunteered at Bernie's Book Bank



Teens put stickers on new books that will be donated to under-resourced Chicagoland communities - where children are the least likely to have access to books of their own. The communities will then have age appropriate, high interest and culturally relevant books that the children deserve to explore new ideas, gain knowledge, and strengthen reading skills.

**BERNIE'S
BOOK BANK**

READING I ACTS 5:12-16

Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles.

They were all together in Solomon's portico.

None of the others dared to join them, but the people esteemed them.

Yet more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them.

Thus they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats

so that when Peter came by, at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them.

A large number of people from the towns in the vicinity of Jerusalem also gathered, bringing the sick and those disturbed by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, His love is everlasting.

READING 2 REVELATION 1:9-11A, 12-13, 17-19

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped.

Rather, he emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

coming in human likeness;

and found human in appearance,

he humbled himself,

becoming obedient to the point of death,

even death on a cross.

Because of this, God greatly exalted him

and bestowed on him the name

which is above every name,

that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,

of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue confess that

Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL JOHN 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews,

Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

When he had said this, he showed them his hands and

his side.

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them,

"Receive the Holy Spirit.

Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.

So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord."

But he said to them,

"Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them.

Jesus came, although the doors were locked,

and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you."

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands,

and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe."

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me?

Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples

that are not written in this book.

But these are written that you may come to believe

that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,

and that through this belief you may have life in his name.



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Easter Flower Memorials



The following parishioners have made an Easter Flower donation in memory of their family and friends. Please include them in your prayers this season:

... Mrs Susan Revelle for Lenny Revelle; John, Clara, Patrick, Nancy, Michael Wozniczka...
Mr Timothy Rossi for Eli & Marilyn Rossi...
M/M Reuven & Maria Zimmerman... M/M Judith & Kenneth Foy... Rey Martinez...
Thomas Paschke... Kathleen Booher...
Patricia M Wandolowski...
Angela Gargiulo... M/M Kurt & Lisa Hironimus... William Meyer...
Mrs Diana Windebank...



FEATURING:

Divine Mercy is the urgent message of hope for our world. Learn the powerful devotion and graces associated with it in this dynamic presentation with Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, filmed live at the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

Divine Mercy 101 provides a clear and concise overview of Divine Mercy and the role and mission of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), the apostle of Divine Mercy whom St. John Paul II called "a gift of God to our time."

Jesus told St. Faustina, "Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy."



Happy Easter!

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Organization" button
Type in St. Gilbert and
hit "Next" Enter your
name and email address
and hit "Sign Up" and
you are all set!

FORGIVING
AND
merciful

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



St. Gilbert parish is blessed to be able to offer Eucharistic Adoration every **Wednesday from 9:00am-9:00pm in the St. Gilbert Chapel**. Find Peace and Solace. In the busy and chaotic world in which we live, Eucharistic Adoration provides a peaceful encounter with the real presence of Christ. It is a gift to sit with Our Lord and Savior.

Questions? Nancy Ogrinc 847-727-0822 or Sue Schoen 847-651-7902.



— Pope Francis
— Fr. Patrick J. Lee
— Victims of Ukraine Conflict
& War in Israel/Gaza

Please keep in your prayers. . .

Carmela Alberotanza; Andrea Baczek;
Carol Beilharz; Kai Bowes; Elizabeth Brya;
Eduardo Canilang; Neil Cloe; Gerald 'Jerry'
DeTomaso; Pauline Fearn; Robert Fearn;
Carter Halloran; Mia Grace Keller;
Marsha McDaniel; Jackie McDonal;
Andree Porcheron-Hicks; Jean-Lou Porcheron;
Remig Raffanti; Jim Tomas; Vince Varitek; people of
Ukraine & Israel/Gaza; the needs & intentions
inscribed in our parish Books of Intercession

Please notify the rectory to add a name to the prayer list for up to 4 weeks. There is a Book of Intercessory Prayer available in both the Church and Chapel to which you may add specific or longer term prayer requests. Please know these intentions are prayed for daily.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24
(1)/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/
Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/
Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-
20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-
12, 13 (2a)/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14



Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" — Jn 20:27-28

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LENTEN ALMSGIVING: The Saint Gilbert Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Lenten Almsgiving opportunity Coin Collection Program concludes **THIS** weekend.



The generous support of our parishioners enables us to continue our ministry: providing assistance to individuals who are in need of the basic essentials of living such as food, housing and payment of utilities.

THANK YOU FOR COLLECTING YOUR COINS for this Lenten Almsgiving program!

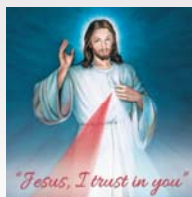
Donate your New or open packages any size from newborn to size six. **Bigger Sizes like 3,4,5,6 are the greatest need.**

Drop-off location: Designated bin in Saint Gilbert Narthex OR to Catholic Charities 101 N. Cedar Lake Rd Round Lake IL 60073



Prepare for Divine Mercy

The Feast of Divine Mercy is celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. The image of Divine Mercy is blessed and venerated on the feast. The image is an icon of the resurrected Jesus with the inscription "Jesus I Trust in You". Two rays emanate from the heart of Jesus: a pale ray denotes Water and the red ray denotes Blood. These symbolize the blood and water which flow from the pierced heart of Christ on the cross.



The feast of Mercy is celebrated on the octave of Easter. In Old Testament tradition, the octave represents covenant. In Catholic tradition, major feasts have an octave feast. The primary feast, Easter, celebrates the resurrection and the promise of eternal life. The octave feast, Divine Mercy, celebrates the sacrament of reconciliation and restoration of sinners through the gift of the Merciful Savior.



In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!" Indeed, the mercy of God centers our heart in peace.

In the month of April, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to help the poor celebrate the peace of Easter, by assisting families with food, utility and rent bills, and more. Thank You! God Bless You!

For basic essentials of living assistance inquiries, contact the St. Vincent DePaul Society at **224.360.9161 OR SVDPGrayslake@yahoo.com**

www.stgilbert.org



invites you to **FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION**

Journey with us through the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

To complete the First Friday Devotion:

1. Attend Mass and receive Holy Communion on the First Friday of every month for 9 consecutive months.
2. Pray in honor and in reparation to His Sacred Heart right after the 8:00 AM Mass in Saint Gilbert's Chapel.

Brochures available in the Chapel

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



Vicariate I Ministry Commission

Formation and Training for **NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Presenter: Fr. Joe Curtis

When: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Where: St. Paul the Apostle
6401 Gages Lake Rd.
Gurnee, IL 60031

Time: Check in at 8:30 a.m.
Training 9 – 11:30 a.m.

Register at: bit.ly/VIEMspr25

A **follow up session** will take place in your parish that will include any particular practices for your parish.

The workshop will include:

- The ministry of Eucharist: our baptismal call to ministry
- A theology of Eucharist as celebrated in the Roman Catholic tradition
- The roots of our ministry in Scripture, the early Church, and on through the Second Vatican Council
- Historical aspects of our celebration of Eucharist in practice and devotion
- A review of the Liturgy of the Eucharist and how our ministry as EMs "fits" in the larger picture
- Questions and Answers

This training meets the archdiocesan requirements for mandation and remandation.

Questions? Contact Marie Paul at mariep@sttheresachurch.org.



Saint Gilbert Eucharistic Ministers are asked to attend this training to meet the requirements for remandation or renewing their ministry this year.

Check your email for details and contact your ministry coordinators with any questions. *Thank you for your ministry to the people of Saint Gilbert!*

SPECIAL GUESTS
KEVIN MATTHEWS
&
PAT MCCASKEY

FAMILY ROSARY RALLIES

ROSARY FOR HOPE

SUNDAY 4

MAY

STARTING AT 2 PM

VENERABLE PATRICK PEYTON, CSC,
HONORING HIS LEGACY,
CONTINUING HIS MISSION.

"THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER."

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HOLY CROSS FAMILY MINISTRIES

SPORTS FAITH INTERNATIONAL

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ROSARY FOR HOPE... Sunday, May 4th, 2025, 2 pm, at Carmel Catholic High School's Baker Stadium. Special guests include **Kevin Matthews**, former radio personality and a sought-after speaker known for his heartfelt and engaging talks on faith, healing, and the journey from brokenness to

hope. Also joining us will be **Patrick McCaskey**, Chairman of Sports Faith International, a non-profit Chicago-based initiative dedicated to inspiring and transforming our culture through the world of sports.

Aid for Women

SPRING LUNCHEON

5 | 8 | 25

Scan for details & registration

helpaidforwomen.org/springluncheon2025

This special event will honor the legacy of Venerable Patrick Peyton and continue his mission of encouraging prayer in the home, by gathering large groups together to pray the Rosary under his simple motto, *"The family that prays together stays together."* Also joining us will be Fr. David Marcham, Vice Postulator for the Cause of Venerable Patrick Peyton and Fr. Fred Jenga, C.S.C., President of Holy Cross Family Ministries. Visit <https://familyrosaryrallies.org> or scan the QR code to learn more and for free ticketed entry.

This event is sponsored by Carmel Catholic High School, Family Rosary Rallies, Holy Cross Family Ministries and Sports Faith International.


BREAKING OPEN THE WORD... This group meets on Thursday after the 8am Mass in Chapel Hall. Our time together is spent in reflecting on the Sunday's Gospel, sharing our thoughts, and prayer. The **next sessions are May 1st & 15th. All are welcome!**

PENITENT SOLDIERS OF MARY... Thursday Night Adoration Liturgy, 8p-9p, Saint Gilbert Chapel. A lay apostolate fighting for the healing and liberation of souls. For information visit www.stgilbert.org/psom.

ST. BENEDICT ABBEY RETREAT CENTER, BENET LAKE, WI... Upcoming Retreats include:

Day Retreat: Lectio Divina: Praying God's Word — with Fr. Daniel — Monday, May 19th, 9am-2pm. Participants must register! \$10 fee per person, lunch included. *Register by Wednesday, May 14th. Call for complete information and to reserve your spot today! 262-396-4311, ext. 105.*

THE COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC NURSES OF LAKE COUNTY (CCNLC)... will host their annual May meeting in honor of Nurse's Week **on Saturday, May 31, at St. Raphael the Archangel in Old Mill Creek.** All local nurses are welcome to attend. We begin with Mass at 8:30 am, followed by a breakfast brunch and a presentation by Tamara Burkhalter RN about the benefits of self-care. There is no cost to attend. Enjoy networking with nurses in the community, exploring topics of interest, opportunities for community outreach, and cultivating spirituality. *Please contact Debbie at (847) 975-7115 to RSVP. Hope you can join us!*



Crisis Support Services:

Basic essentials of living inquiries:
St. Vincent de Paul Society thru Saint Gilbert: 224-360-9161 OR
SVDPGrayslake@yahoo.com

Counseling:
Holbrook Center: 312-655-7725

Emotional support after abortion:
Project Rachel: 800-5WE-CARE

Domestic violence:

A Safe Place hotline: 847-249-4450
Sexual Abuse: 847-872-7799

Emergency shelter:

PADS: 847-689-4357
Catholic Charities: 847-782-4000

Pregnancy support:

Aid for Women Northern Lake Cty:
847-249-2700

Suicide prevention:

Emergency: 911
Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: 988

Local food pantries:

Avon Cares: 847-912-9278
Catholic Charities: 847-782-4166
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