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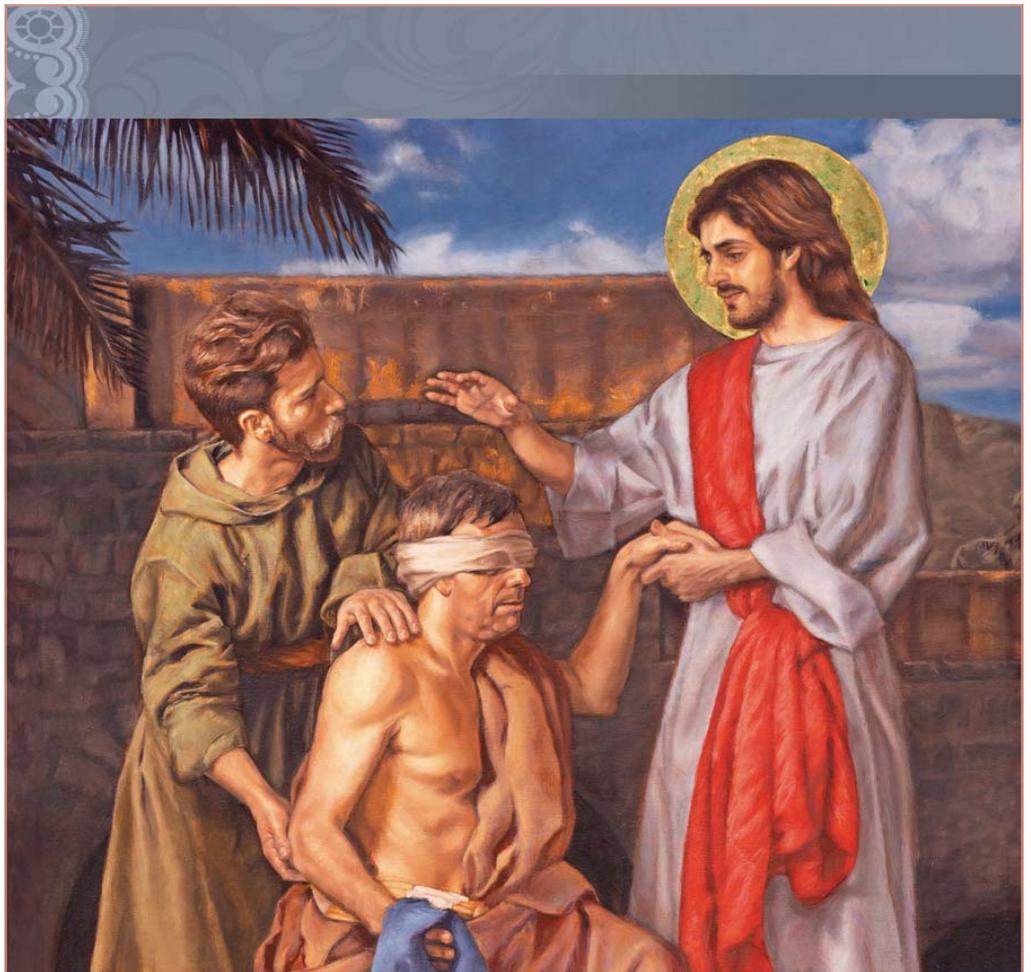
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FOURTH
SUNDAY OF
LENT

MARCH 15,
2026

Today's readings:
1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7,
10-13a
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17,
34-38

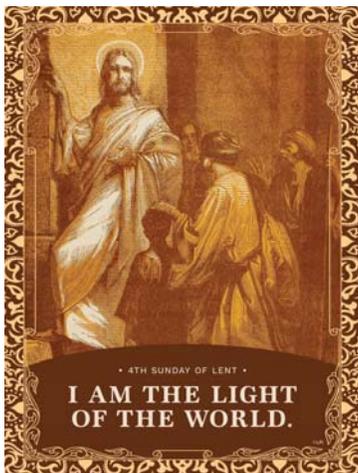
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4th Sunday

O F L E N T

"Jesus answered, 'Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him.'" Jn 9:3



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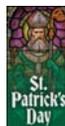


THIS WEEK AT SAINT GILBERT

Mass Intentions & Observances:

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026, LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:



TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026, LENTEN WEEKDAY;

ST PATRICK, BISHOP

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:

† James & † Mary Cooney

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026, LENTEN WEEKDAY;

ST CYRIL OF JERUSALEM, BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:00a (CHURCH) Mass — Intention:

† Missy Miller

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2026, ST JOSEPH,

SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:

† Meyer Family;

† Deacon Tom & † Dolores Morgan

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2026, LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:



† Richard Schneider

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026, LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:



5:00p Mass (Cantor) — Intention:

† Paul Steffan; † Martin McGreal; † Linda Mikos

=== In Narthex: SVdP Lenten Coin Collection ===

MARCH 22, 2026, FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30a Mass (Cantor) — Intention:

† Michael & † Elizabeth Velten

9:00a Mass (Cantor) — Intention:

Living & † Deceased Members of Saint Gilbert Parish

11:00a Mass (Contemporary Choir—3rd Scrutiny) — Intention:

† Sheila Finley; † Louis J. Barta

5:00p Mass (Cantor) — Intention:

† Living & † Deceased Members of Saint Gilbert Parish

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Facility Calendar:

Monday, MARCH 16, 2026

6:30p Eucharistic Healing Service (see pg 9)

7:00p Lenten Bible Study

7:00p SA Troops 96 & 1996

Tuesday, MARCH 17, 2026

7:00p SA Troops 96

7:00p SVdP Ministry

Wednesday, MARCH 18, 2026

 9:00a-9:00p (Chapel) Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament (see pg 8)

2:00p Children's Choir Practice

5:15p Cub Scout Pack 96

6:00p-8:00p (Chapel) Confessions

6:30p Taize Prayer (see pg 2)

7:30p KofC Officers' Meeting

Thursday, MARCH 19, 2026

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

6:30p Baptism Preparation Session—Virtual

8:00p Penitent Soldiers of Mary Adoration Liturgy (see pg 9)

9:00p Men's Basketball

Friday, MARCH 20, 2026

6:00p (CHURCH) Confessions

7:00p (CHURCH) Stations of the Cross



Saturday, MARCH 21, 2026

Holy Hour for Life (in Waukegan) after 8am Mass (see pg 9)

4:00p (CHURCH) Confessions

=== In Narthex — REP Candy Bar Sale ===

Sunday, MARCH 22, 2026

8:00a-1:00p KofC Blood Drive (see pg 8)

NO REP Sessions

NO Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9a and 11a Masses

12:00p OCIA Session

6:30p Youth Ministry Night

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Lenten Resources and Guidelines for 2026:
 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
 website:
<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-worship/liturgical-year/lent>
 OR
 Archdiocese of Chicago Office of Parish Vitality &
 Mission website:
<https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/lenen-resources>

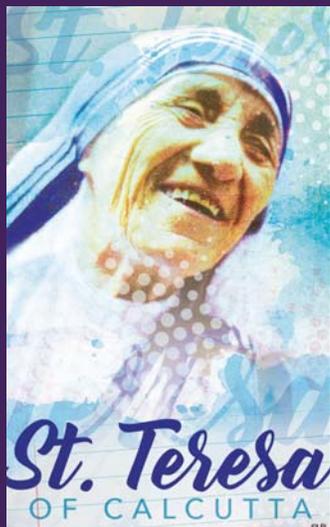
Mark Your Calendar & Join Us!

SAINT GILBERT PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Presented by Fr. Pawel Komperda

Encountering Jesus with Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Saturday/Sunday, March 21st/22nd — Mission Message during Homily at all Mass Times



Martha, Mary and Mother Teresa: The Path of Faith and Love.
"If you believe you will see the glory of God."

Monday, March 23rd — Mission Message during Holy Hour, 7:00pm in the Main Church
(Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service at 7:45pm)

Woman Caught in Adultery and Mother Teresa: The Path of Silence and Peace. *"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."*

Tuesday, March 24th — Mission Message during Holy Hour, 7:00pm in the Main Church
(Followed by Soup and Social Fellowship)

Pharisees and Mother Teresa: The Path of Prayer and Service.
"I belong to what is above."

Fr. Pawel Komperda is a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He was ordained in 2006 by Francis Cardinal George. He served Prince of Peace Parish in Lake Villa, St. Thecla Parish in Chicago and currently Incarnation St. Terrence Parish in Crestwood as an Associate Pastor. He was a member of the Formation Faculty of St. Joseph College Seminary at Loyola University. He is also currently serving as Adjunct Spiritual Director at Mundelein Seminary. Also, he coordinates Catholic Charismatic Prayer Groups for Polonia in Chicago. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy and Theology from Loyola University and a Master of Divinity degree and Sacred Theology Licentiate from University of St. Mary of the Lake.



ST. GILBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH
MARCH 15
11AM FAMILY MASS

ST. PATRICK DAY CELEBRATION
JOIN US FOR MASS, FOLLOWED BY A CELEBRATION IN THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

Easter Flowers play a significant and symbolic role in the celebration of Easter, the holiest of Christian holidays that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Easter flowers are used to decorate our Church as well as your homes, and also are given as memorial gifts. Think of donating through your Easter Flower envelope or signing onto Give Central to donate an Easter Flower in memory of a loved one. Sign in at: <https://www.givecentral.org/location/378/event/8788> to make your donation and have a Blessed Easter Season.



Religious Education News. . .



THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE
OPEN 9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM,
MONDAY-FRIDAY — 847-223-3071



GRADES 7-9... The syllabus was emailed to registered students. Call the office for information.



SACRAMENT CLASSES... If you are interested in preparing your son/daughter to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion, call the office for information.

HOLY SEASON OF LENT...

During this holy season, the Church asks us to Pray, Fast, and Give Alms. The students in the Sunday Religious Education Program and the Family Program are asked to donate to the Sister Water Project (*sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters in Dubuque, Iowa*). This project provides clean water for the children and their families in Tanzania and Honduras. *Please give the donations to Sr. Donna.*



STATIONS OF THE CROSS...

There is Stations of the Cross scheduled for **Friday, March 20th, in the Church at 7:00 pm.** The Fifth Grade Religious Education Students will read the reflections for each station with the parents assisting in speaking about what is happening to Christ as we move from station to station. Please join us for this Parish Family Devotion.



THE SEDER...

Sixth Grade Students and Parents are invited to participate in the SEDER (*the Jewish Passover Meal*) on **Sunday, March 15th beginning at 9am in the Multi-Purpose Room.** Prayers are read in Hebrew and English.



SPRED – Religious Education for Children with Special Needs...

This program serves 27 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.* Several students are being prepared to receive the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. *Please keep them in your prayers.*

Pictured are families from the REJOICE IN GOD program making a loaf of bread as a part of their study for Holy Communion.



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.

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 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



**SPOTS FILL UP QUICKLY.
RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!**

THREE & FOUR YEAR OLD OPTIONS:

HALF DAY:
2 day, 3 day, and 5 day

FULL DAY:
2 day, 3 day, and 5 day

AFTER SCHOOL CARE:
M-TH until 5:30pm
Fridays until 5pm

CALL 847-223-8600 TO BOOK A TOUR



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



GOSPEL

Select a partner. Take turns blindfolding each other and walking from one room to another. It may be a little scary not being able to see where you are going. You will find that you use your hands to feel and listen for sounds to help you decide where to move. When you take the blindfold off, you will be very happy. Imagine how excited a blind person would be if he or she could see.



PRAYER

Holy Spirit, help me see the good things about others.



Lenten opportunities at Saint Gilbert:

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fridays of Lent, 7:00 PM in the Church.
 
- SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION DURING LENT:** Wednesdays during Eucharistic Adoration, 6-8 PM in Chapel; Fridays before Stations of the Cross, 6-7 PM and Saturdays, 4-5 PM in Church. (No confessions on Saturday, April 4th)
- PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE:** Monday, March 23rd at 7:45 PM during the Parish Lenten Mission.
- TAIZE PRAYER:** Wednesday, March 18th, 6:30 PM in the Church.
- PARISH LENTEN MISSION:** March 21st thru March 24th led by Fr. Paul Komperda
- LENTEN ALMSGIVING OPPORTUNITY:** The Saint Gilbert Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVdP) offers a Lenten Almsgiving opportunity through a Coin Collection Program. Collection containers are available in the Narthex that you may take home and fill up with your loose change. *This collection concludes on the weekend of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12th.* The generous support of our parishioners enables us to continue our ministry to our local community: providing assistance to individuals who are in need of the basic essentials of living such as food, housing and payment of utilities. **SAVE YOUR COINS** for this Lenten Almsgiving program!
 

Holy WEEK

NOTE: All Liturgies take place in the main church.

March 29, Palm Sunday -

Saturday: 4 PM Confessions; 5 PM Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9 AM, 11 AM (*Family Mass with Children's Choir*), 5 PM Mass

April 1, Spy Wednesday

No Adoration/Chapel closed after morning Mass

April 2, Holy Thursday

8 AM Morning Prayer (*No Mass*)

7 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper*

(*Followed by silent prayer & Adoration, concluding at 12 PM; Night Prayer begins 11:45pm.*)

April 3, Good Friday

8 AM Morning Prayer (*No Mass*)

3 PM Stations of the Cross

7 PM Good Friday Liturgy*

(*Followed by silent prayer overnight at the tomb of Jesus & concluding with Saturday morning prayer.*)

April 4, Holy Saturday

8 AM Morning Prayer (*No Mass*)

11 AM—1 PM Blessing of Easter Food Baskets

(*every 30 minutes; all are invited to silent prayer before or after the blessing.*)

(*NO 5pm Mass*)

7:00 PM Easter Vigil* Mass

APRIL 5, EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 AM Mass, 9 AM Mass and 11 AM Mass*

(*NO 5pm Mass*)

*simultaneous livestream



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Eucharistic Adoration... This Lent, deepen your faith by joining in Eucharistic Adoration, a time to slow down, rest, and surrender to God's presence. Whether you stay for a few minutes or a full Holy Hour, Jesus is there with you. Please join us on **most Wednesdays from 9:00am to 9:00pm** in the St. Gilbert Chapel.

NOTE: We are seeking a regular Adorer for the 12:00 pm hour!

If you have any questions, please contact Sue Schoen 847.651.7902 or Nancy Ogrinc 847.727.0822.

READING I 1 SAMUEL 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A

The LORD said to Samuel:
“Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way.
I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem,
for I have chosen my king from among his sons.”
As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice,
Samuel looked at Eliab and thought,
“Surely the LORD’s anointed is here before him.”
But the LORD said to Samuel:
“Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature,
because I have rejected him.
Not as man sees does God see,
because man sees the appearance
but the LORD looks into the heart.”
In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel,
but Samuel said to Jesse,
“The LORD has not chosen any one of these.”
Then Samuel asked Jesse,
“Are these all the sons you have?”
Jesse replied,
“There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep.”
Samuel said to Jesse,
“Send for him;
we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives
here.”
Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them.
He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold
and making a splendid appearance.
The LORD said,
“There—anoint him, for this is the one!”
Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand,
anointed David in the presence of his brothers;
and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon
David.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

*The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing
I shall want.*

READING II EPHESIANS 5:8-14

Brothers and sisters:
You were once darkness,
but now you are light in the Lord.
Live as children of light,
for light produces every kind of goodness
and righteousness and truth.
Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord.
Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness;
rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention
the things done by them in secret;
but everything exposed by the light becomes visible,
for everything that becomes visible is light.
Therefore, it says:
“Awake, O sleeper,
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will give you light.”

GOSPEL JOHN 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth.
He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva,

and smeared the clay on his eyes,
and said to him,
“Go wash in the Pool of Siloam” — which means Sent
—.
So he went and washed, and came back able to see.
His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a
beggar said,
“Isn’t this the one who used to sit and beg?”
Some said, “It is,”
but others said, “No, he just looks like him.”
He said, “I am.”
They brought the one who was once blind to the
Pharisees.
Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a
sabbath.
So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to
see.
He said to them,
“He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can
see.”
So some of the Pharisees said,
“This man is not from God,
because he does not keep the sabbath.”
But others said,
“How can a sinful man do such signs?”
And there was a division among them.
So they said to the blind man again,
“What do you have to say about him,
since he opened your eyes?”
He said, “He is a prophet.”
They answered and said to him,
“You were born totally in sin,
and are you trying to teach us?”
Then they threw him out.
When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out,
he found him and said, “Do you believe in the Son of
Man?”
He answered and said,
“Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?”
Jesus said to him,
“You have seen him, and
the one speaking with you is he.”
He said,
“I do believe,
Lord,” and he
worshiped him.



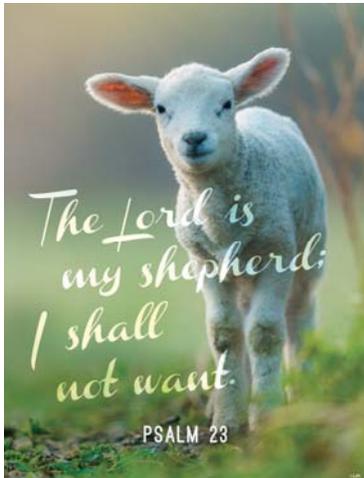
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1st Reading

Samuel does not expect the Lord to anoint the young David as Israel's next king. *When have you been surprised by God doing something unexpected in your life?*

2nd Reading

Paul expects the believers in Ephesus to live as children of light and learn what is pleasing to the Lord. *What could you do this week that is pleasing to the Lord?*



Gospel:

Jesus' healing of the blind man causes confusion and even anger to those who do not see him as the Christ. *Have you seen or felt God's presence in this season of Lent?*

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The **Tabernacle Red Light**, lit perpetually, reminds us of Christ's real presence in the most holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.

This week, the Tabernacle Light is sponsored IN MEMORY OF:

† Gregoria Cogtas

May perpetual light shine upon her.

Contact the parish office, Tue thru Fri, to sponsor a weekly candle in memory/honor of a loved one.



PRAYING FOR PEACE:

Let us pray for our communities, our cities and the world,

especially Eastern Europe & the Middle East; 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.

Please keep in your prayers...

The healing and restoration of the sick of our parish and the needs & intentions inscribed in our Parish Book of Prayer & Intentions



There is a Parish Book of Prayer & Intentions available in both the Church and Chapel to which you may add specific prayer requests. Please notify the rectory to add a name to the

prayer list if you are unable to do so directly. Please know these intentions are prayed for daily.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



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ETERNAL REST
Grant To:

- Kathleen Starzec
- Charles Mitlevic
- Victims of Ukraine Conflict & Wars/Conflicts in Middle East

BLOOD DRIVE

Because of you, life doesn't stop.



Saint Gilbert Catholic Church Blood Drive



Sponsored by The Knights of Columbus #9689

Sunday, March 22, 2026

8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Chapel Hall Basement

To schedule an appointment, call Vitalant at 877.258.4825 or visit Vitalant.org and use Blood Drive Code: **ORD0GL02** or scan the QR code.

Donate March 1-April 5 to help patients in need and you'll be entered for a chance to win a \$10,000 gift card from Vitalant!

Prepare: Eat well, hydrate, and bring photo ID. Appointments encouraged. Walkins welcomed.

SCAN HERE TO SCHEDULE



St. Gilbert Parish – Listening & Feedback

The Disciple Maker Index survey is an important opportunity for our parish to reflect on spiritual growth and parish life. We strongly encourage every parishioner to complete the DMI.

In addition, we have created a brief **St. Gilbert Listening Form**. While the DMI gathers measurable data, this short form allows you to share in your own words what you appreciate about our parish, where you hope to see growth, and anything you would like parish leadership to hear.

The two together provide a fuller picture as we look toward the future of St. Gilbert Parish.

This form takes less than three minutes and responses are anonymous.

Scan the QR code or visit:

<https://forms.gle/pd2hy6MgPiC64jg26>

Open through March 29th.



**We want to hear from our parishioners!
Take the DMI survey today!**

Visit www.stgilbert.org/dmisurvey for more information and the survey link



or scan the QR Code with your smartphone camera or app direct to the survey.

Share your perspective now to help strengthen Saint Gilbert Parish and better prepare us for the future!

SHARE YOUR VOICE SUPPORT OUR PARISH

[DMI Survey closes on March 29th!]



Pray with the Pope



SCAN THE QR CODE TO PRAY NOW

One prayer intention every month.



Last month, some students in the 7-9th grade Religious Education program took part in a retreat called "Meeting Jesus in a Real Way"



We talked about what makes a good friend, read Scripture verses about why we can trust Jesus and who Jesus chose as friends, and ended the retreat with a guided meditation and prayer about friendship with Jesus.



BREAKING OPEN THE WORD... This group meets on a 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. *Next Sessions are March 19th, and 26th. The group meets every week during Lent.*



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 info visit: penitentsoldiersofmary.org.

THE RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY WILL HOST A HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE... on Saturday, March 21st, immediately following the 8 AM mass at the Waukegan Planned Parenthood. We plan to meet after mass in the east parking lot and drive over to Planned Parenthood. *Please join us in praying for the unborn and promoting a culture of life.*

MID-LIFE SINGLES (MID-30S TO 50S)... Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Carmelite Spiritual Center, in Darien, IL (in the southwestern suburbs), on **April 17-19, 2026**. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, or call (630) 222-8303 for details.

Wednesday, February 18th through Sunday, March 29th
40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Leslie at hazfam6@comcast.net OR visit www.40daysforlife.com/waukegan



In today's Gospel, as Jesus gives sight to the blind man, through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe.

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor. God Bless You!

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

ST. GILBERT MAIN CHURCH
 301 E. Belvidere Rd, Grayslake

EUCCHARISTIC HEALING SERVICE

6:30 pm – Holy Rosary
7:00 pm – Adoration & Praise Music
 * Confession is Typically Available
8:00 pm – Intercessory Prayer Teams

* Healing Mass @ 7:00 pm
 Anointing of the Sick
 No Prayer Teams

Join Our Mission
penitentsoldiersofmary.org

2025-26
9/15
10/20
11/17
12/15
2/16
3/16
4/20
5/18

FEATURING:

Fearless is a video series that will accompany you on your Lenten journey. Time and again, the people of God are called to 'be courageous' and 'be not afraid.' Yet, we live in a time where fear seems to guide our very existence. Don't miss this exciting series with a special guest each week as we seek to follow Jesus into the wilderness this Lent.

formed

Sign up for formed!
 *Visit formed.org
 *select "FORMED FOR PARISHES"
 *then "FIND YOUR PARISH SUBSCRIPTION"
 *then "CONTINUE TO SIGNUP/LOGIN"
 *Type in 'St. Gilbert'
 *select 'St. Gilbert' from the drop down list
 *then SUBMIT
 *Enter your name and email address and select "Sign up" and You are all set!

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:

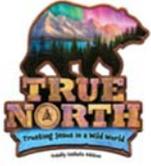
Aid for Women Northern Lake Cty:
 847-249-2700

Suicide prevention:

Emergency: 911
 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: 988

Local food pantries:

Avon Cares: 847-912-9278
 Catholic Charities: 847-782-4166
 CC Round Lake: 847-546-4339 or
 847-546-4302
 Warren Township: 847-244-1101



SAVE THE DATE!

2026 ST. GILBERT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

MONDAY, JUNE 8 - FRIDAY, JUNE 12
9:00AM-12:00PM

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Talking about discipleship and truly being a disciple are two very different things. It is easier to know what we should do than to carry out. Many saints from our tradition have had much to say about this struggle to do what they know they must do, and not do that which they know they shouldn't. It is part of being human.

Without God, we have no chance to overcome this predicament. Without God, our actions can ring hollow, or often we are too immobilized to act at all. Without God, we suffer with blindness to the truth of what is important and eternal.

The story in John 9 of Jesus healing the blind man is about more than a physical healing and just one man. It is about how each of us can find healing of our blindness by turning to Jesus Christ. Are you someone that has been saying, "I don't understand all this talk of discipleship and stewardship;



what's the big deal?" We all have a blindness that needs to be healed, and the body of Christ needs you so that God's presence in our world can be seen in a more profound manner. The reality is that God heals the blindness of those who seek him so that, in turn, they may be vehicles by which others may see as well.

This Lent, you are invited to bring your blindness to Jesus. All the written reflections in the world will not give you new eyes. Those eyes can only be found in Jesus.

— Tracy Earl Welliver

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