



SAINT GILBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH

FIFTH
SUNDAY OF
EASTER

Reaching Out With Servant Hearts

MAY 3,
2026

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Today's readings:

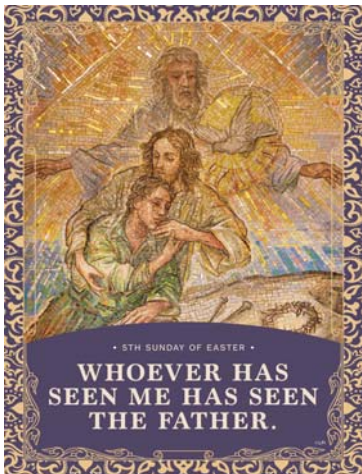
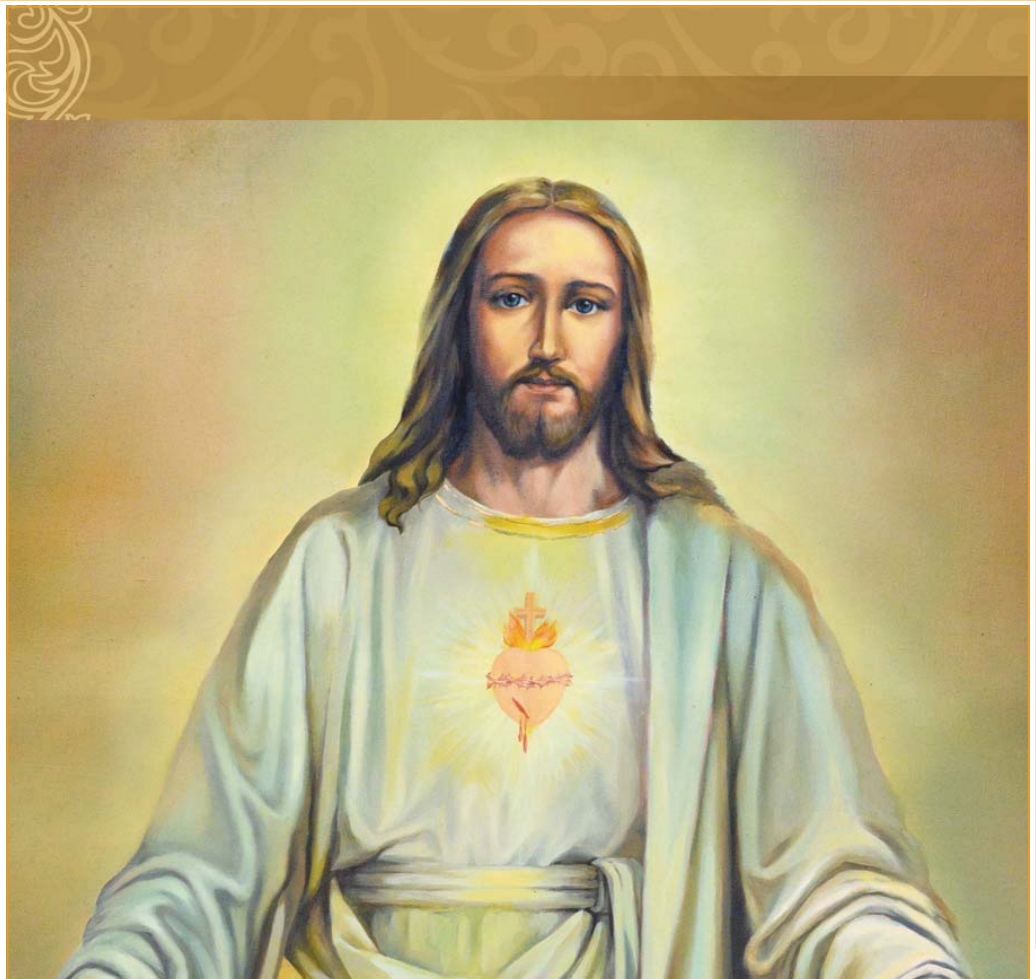
Acts 6:1-7

Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

1 Peter 2:4-9

John 14:1-12

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Readings text.



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me." John 14:1

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THIS WEEK AT SAINT GILBERT

Mass Intentions & Observances:

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2026, EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00a (*Chapel*) Mass — Intention:

† Gustavo & † Luz Currea



TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026, EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00a (*Chapel*) Mass — Intention:

† Eleanor Hamlin

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2026, EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00a (*CHURCH*) Mass — Intention:

† Beemsterboer Family; † Joan Wywialowski



THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026, EASTER WEEKDAY (NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER)

8:00a (*Chapel*) Mass — Intention:

For Capek Hartwig; † Paul Steffan

FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2026, EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00a (*Chapel*) Mass — Intention:

† Chester Wielgos

SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2026, EASTER WEEKDAY

8:00a (*Chapel*) Mass — Intention:

† Robert M. Berry; † Ronald Stieg

5:00p Mass (*Cantor*) — Intention:

† Paul Steffan; † Robert Blasius;

† Martin McGreal; † Jeanette Miskimins

=== 2nd Collection —

Catholic Charities Mother's Day Appeal ===



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 10, 2026 (MOTHER'S DAY)

7:30a Mass (*Cantor*) — Intention:

† Giernoth Family; † Sophie M. Filas

9:00a Mass (*Cantor*) — Intention:

† Terry Marusich

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

† Kathleen Sweeney; † Sheila Finley;

† Mary Preib

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

Living & † Deceased Members of Saint Gilbert Parish

*simultaneous livestream

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PRAY 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.

Facility Calendar:

Monday, MAY 4, 2026

7:00p Easter Bible Study

7:00p SA Troops 96 & 1996

Tuesday, MAY 5, 2026

7:00p Respect Life Ministry

Wednesday, MAY 6, 2026

 9:00a-9:00p (*Chapel*) Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament (*see pg 5*)

2:00p Children's Choir Practice

4:00p Girl Scouts

6:00p SPRED Adult Session A&B&C

6:30p Choir Rehearsal

6:30p Family Rosary Online, hosted by the KofC (*see pg 10*)
 (<https://www.stgilbert.org/organizations> for Zoom link)

7:00p KofC Monthly Meeting

Thursday, MAY 7, 2026

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

7:00p Penitent Soldiers of Mary Adoration Liturgy (*see pg 9*)

9:00p Men's Basketball

Friday, May 8, 2026

4:00p Girl Scouts

Saturday, May 9, 2026

9:30a SPRED Jesus Day Retreat

4:00p Confessions

SA Troop 96 Spaghetti Dinner

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Sunday, May 10, 2026

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

9:00a OCIA Session





PLEASE WELCOME...

Born in Vietnam, Redemptorist Father Anthony

Nguyen has served in various ministries including parish and hospital ministry, formation, retreats, liturgy and music, music composition and Engaged Encounter programs in several dioceses. He's conducted parish missions in the U.S. and other countries. He served as director of the Redemptorist Renewal Center in Tucson, Arizona. He writes articles related to liturgy and sacred music and introduces others to Vietnamese culture and traditions. He serves as consultor on the provincial council of Redemptorists of the Denver Province. Additionally, he teaches liturgical and music workshops and composes music.

"Preaching on behalf of Unbound gives me opportunities to pursue my religious commitment: to evangelize and be evangelized by the poor and marginalized and to practice charity, hope and faith. Practicing charity brings hope for our world as people open themselves, not only seeing the poor but also showing their care as sponsors. Through hope, my faith is enriched as I witness people living their lives in relationship as children of God and members of the Body of Christ." — Father Nguyen

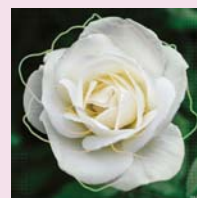


THIS weekend, please welcome **Rev. Anthony Nguyen C.Ss.R.** who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 16 developing countries. Unbound partners with families living in poverty, empowering them to become self-sufficient and fulfill their desired potential.

To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 OR visit Unbound online at www.unbound.org/FrAnthony.

Regina Coeli O Queen of Heaven

(Prayer in place of Angelus during Eastertide)



Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.
Has risen, as he said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.



Congratulations!

Please join us in welcoming into our Parish Family those newly baptized during April:

Benicio Jet Nunez,
son of Ian & Shelby

Evelyn Grace Chaffee,
daughter of Scott & Shannon

Charlotte May Groh,
daughter of Bryan & Rebecca

Taylor Vivian Aguinaldo,
daughter of Andrew & Kim

Alexandria Van Aguinaldo,
daughter of Andrew & Kim

WinterLeigh Rein Hickman,
daughter of Skye

Elijah Anthony Buitrago,
son of Enrique & Hannah

Monica Elizabeth Rivas,
son of Lennin & Kathya

Vanessa Alejandra Rivas,
son of Lennin & Kathya



Baptized & Fully Initiated with Eucharist & Confirmation:

- **Alyssa Culver**
- **McKenna Denz**
- **Amy Lynn Mackey**

Completed Full Initiation with Eucharist & Confirmation:

- **Stacey Cirelli** — **Alex Galan**
- **Andy Galan** — **Tony Galan**
- **Katherine Weber-Petrof**

Completed Full Initiation with Confirmation:

- **Dominick Cirelli**
- **Alessandra Garcia**
- **Erik Murillo**

Religious Education News . . .



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



GRADES 7-9... The final classes for this year are in session or will begin soon. The next syllabus will come out in early June with classes held during the week of June 15 – 19.

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. *This summer there will be a session to begin the process of preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion.*

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR 2026-2027... are available through the Parish website at <https://www.stgilbert.org/religious-education-program>, at the entrances to the Church and from the RE office. Questions? Call the Religious Education Office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION... Thank you to all those who assisted the students in the preparation programs for Communion. *May God bless you always.*

CLOSING PRAYER SERVICE... There is a Closing Prayer Service for the Sunday Students on **May 3rd at 9:25am in the Multi-Purpose Room.** Parents are invited. The Students will have class at 8:55 – 10:10am (the usual time).

FANNIE MAY CANDY BARS... will be on sale **THIS weekend.** The proceeds go towards the Religious Education Program. Candy bars are \$2. *Thank you for your support.*

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.*



Pictures are from the Mary Prayer Service with the Preschool and Kindergarten Students

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GOSPEL

Worry. Many times you worry. You worry about sounds in the dark. You worry about having food for supper. You worry when your pet is sick. You worry when your parents are not home. You worry about strangers. Worry. Worry. Jesus says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me." Do the best you can and trust that God will do the rest.



PRAYER

Lord, if I begin to worry, remind me that you are there to help.



2026 St. Gilbert Vacation Bible School



June 8 - June 12
9:00am-12:00pm



Registration is happening now!

We are looking for
volunteers now –
especially adults
and students in
high school!



TEEN VOLUNTEERS
(entering 8th grade through age 17)

ADULT VOLUNTEERS
(18 years and older)

To volunteer, please fill out the Google Form that can be found on the stgilbert.org website under Vacation Bible School

Trust Jesus!



"I am with you always,
to the end of the age."
(Matthew 28:20)



Questions? Please ask your VBS Director
Kathleen Karrigan at
vbs@stgilbertschool.org or 847.223.5875

FEATURING:

Catherine of Siena was a particular favorite of Undset, who also was a Third Order Dominican. An extraordinarily active, intelligent, and courageous woman, Catherine at an early age devoted herself to the love of God. The intensity of her prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor won her a reputation for holiness and wisdom, and she was called upon to make peace between warring nobles. Believing that peace in Italy could be achieved only if the Pope, then living in France, returned to Rome, Catherine boldly traveled to Avignon to meet with Pope Gregory XI. With sensitivity to the zealous love of God and man that permeated the life of Saint Catherine, Undset presents a most moving and memorable portrait of one of the greatest women of all time.



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- *Visit formed.org
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- *then SUBMIT
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How often do we contemplate the mercy of God, but fear it will run out? How often do we consider following the path of Christ and worry that it is too steep? But God has not overpromised. Dare to believe Him. Dare to follow Him.

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

HE IS RISEN! Come, join us in Eucharistic Adoration. Celebrate the joy of Easter by spending time with Our Lord, who conquered death and brings new life! Whether you stay for a few minutes or a full Holy Hour, Jesus is present and He is waiting for you!



Please join us on (most) Wednesdays
from 9:00am-9:00pm
in the St. Gilbert Chapel.

NOTE: We are seeking a regular Adorer for the 12:00pm hour. Is this you?

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

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "...whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father."

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. The coins placed in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box bring Christ love and compassion to the poor. God Bless You!



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

So many from our parish turned out to support us at SVDP's Share Night at Culvers this past April —WE ARE SO GRATEFUL!—THANK YOU!

Thank you!
for all the prayers for the 2026 Confirmation students who were confirmed by Bishop Fedek on April 19!

The Holy Spirit was present among all and the students were sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.



A VERY BIG THANK YOU to our Confirmation catechists/small group leaders - Dave & Penny Breines, Leo Delaney, Dave Shreiner and Beth Wagner for all their hard work and dedication to the program!



READING 1 ACTS 6:1-7

As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table.

Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word."

The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles who prayed and laid hands on them. The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly; even a large group of priests were becoming obedient to the faith.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

READING 2 1 PETER 2:4-9

Beloved:
Come to him, a living stone, rejected by human beings but chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it says in Scripture: Behold, I am laying a stone in Zion, a cornerstone, chosen and precious, and whoever believes in it shall not be put to shame. Therefore, its value is for you who have faith, but for those without faith: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, and A stone that will make people stumble, and a rock that will make them fall. They stumble by disobeying the word, as is their destiny.

You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood,

a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

GOSPEL JOHN 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.

Where I am going you know the way."

Thomas said to him,

"Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?"

Jesus said to him, I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him,

"Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us."

Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you for so long a time

and you still do not know me, Philip?

Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.

How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?

Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own.

The Father who dwells in me is doing his works.

Believe me that I am in the Father and the

Father is in me,

or else, believe because of the works themselves.

Amen, amen, I say to you,

whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father."



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1st Reading

We hear how the Apostles selected men filled with the Holy Spirit and wisdom to help serve the widows in the growing Jerusalem Church. *Is there a family member or friend you could help this week?*

2nd Reading

Peter speaks of the resurrected Jesus as a "living stone." *How do you sense that Jesus is alive in your life?*

Gospel:

Jesus is patient with Thomas and Philip when they are slow to understand him. *Who or what challenges your patience?*



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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:

† Regina & Joseph Duffell

May perpetual light shine upon them.

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



At our liturgies on Sunday, May 10th, WE WILL REMEMBER ALL MOTHERS, LIVING AND DECEASED. If you would like to enroll a particular mother, living or deceased, in the prayers of the Mass, please stop at the table in the narthex for assistance.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/ Jn 14:1-12

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/ Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/ Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/ Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/ Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/ Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/ Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/ Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/ Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21



"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be." — Jn 14:2-3

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ETERNAL REST
Grant To:

— Remig Raffanti
— Victims of Ukraine Conflict & Wars/Conflicts in Middle East



Blessed Mother Mary, Mother of God, and Our Mother, Pray For Us.

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.



HOW TO

Earn Funds for St. Gilbert – This fundraising program is as simple as shopping and dining at your favorite places

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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 on May 7th & 21st.**

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.

SUMMER ADULT CONFIRMATION FOR VICARIATE I PARISHIONERS...

Registration is open. Preparation for Confirmation is weekly on Mondays beginning Monday, June 1, 2026, 7-9pm at St. Edna Parish, 2525



N. Arlington Heights Rd, Arlington Heights. The Confirmation Mass at St. Edna Parish is on Wednesday, July 22, 2026, at 7pm. **Registration closes on Monday, May 11, 2026.** Cost: \$70/person. Contact Lorie Crepeau for information & registration: lcrepeau@stedna.org OR 847.398.3362, ext. 325.

SINGLES LATE 50S & ABOVE...

Looking for a deeper relationship with God and a renewed sense of purpose for your journey through life's transitions? Connect with others and recharge your spiritual

Sunday, May 3, 2026

St. Gilbert Youth Ministry

All 7th-12th graders are invited to join us at the next Teen Ministry Night for snacks, games & faith discussion with other teens. Come join us!

6:00-8:00pm *In the teen center

batteries on a RENEW retreat! **The next weekend is on June 12-14, 2026 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL** (southwestern suburb of Chicago). For more info, go to www.RenewRetreats.org, e-mail renewretreat.chi@gmail.com OR call (773) 849-3719.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

RENEWAL WORKSHOPS

Transformative Prayer: Heartfelt, Spirit-Led

Tuesday, May 5
7 - 9 p.m. Online

Stop simply saying prayers and start engaging in an intimate, dynamic dialogue with God. This transformative workshop is designed to equip you and your parish leaders with the spiritual foundation necessary for genuine, Spirit-led renewal and deeper discipleship.

For more information and to register, visit renewmychurch.org/renewal-workshops or scan the QR code.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

RENEWAL WORKSHOPS

In Every Season: Engaging Your Parish Through the Summer

Tuesday, May 12 **7 - 9 p.m. Online**

Parish life often slows down or pauses during the summer months. This workshop will discuss practical and creative ways to engage your parishioners through this slow season and ensure the essential work of making disciples continues year-round.

For more information and to register, visit renewmychurch.org/renewal-workshops or scan the QR code.

ARE YOU HOMEBOUND AND WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE JESUS?... Please let us know if you or your relatives or neighbors are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion on a weekly basis. We now have over twenty-five MOCs who will joyfully visit your home. Please call the St. Gilbert Rectory Staff at 847.223.4731 with details and a follow-up call from either Beth Wagner or Annette Wynn will be forthcoming. *Blessings to all!*

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: 312-502-6061
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

Weekly Collections Thank You!

March 28th, 2026—April 3rd, 2026

Electronic:	\$ 7,805.65	Weekly Total:	\$14,704.65
Mail-In:	\$ 1,184.00	Weekly Budg:	\$17,000.00
Weekend Mass:	\$ 5,715.00	Deficit:	-\$ 2,295.35

Easter 2026



Easter Gifting to date:	\$ 64,241.26
Budget:	\$ 63,000.00
<i>Surplus:</i>	\$ 1,241.26

Don't have an envelope or wish to try online giving for secondary envelope/collection gifting?

Saint Gilbert School & Educational Ministries Offering:
<https://www.givecentral.org/customizable-online-giving/378/event/8729>

Please consider these alternate safe, convenient methods to make a much-needed gift at any time:

WeShare—<https://stgilbert.churchgiving.com>

GiveCentral—



SUNDAY: <https://www.givecentral.org/customizable-online-giving/378-St-Gilbert-Church>

EASTER: <https://www.givecentral.org/customizable-online-giving/378/event/8786> 

Text2Give—
Text **DONATE** or **EASTER** to 1-224-219-0357

*However you give,
THANK YOU
 for your generosity to Saint
 Gilbert Parish and the
 Ministries that reach out to
 the community
 with servant hearts!*

Saint Gilbert Parish Bulletin: Send articles for consideration in an electronic file to:
bulletin@stgilbert.org Thank you!
 Upcoming Deadline:
 Thursday, May 7th for May 17th Bulletin



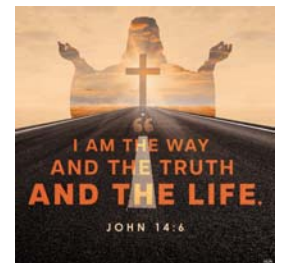
FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH ONLINE FAMILY ROSARY... hosted by the Knights of Columbus at 6:30p. **Next date: May 6th!** Everyone is welcome! Visit <https://stgilbert.org/organizations> for more info and the link to join on Zoom. *Blessed Mother Mary, pray for us!*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

What do you think is the value of your stewardship? Do you believe that through your actions both great and small that God can touch people, heal them, and change their lives? Too often we can mistakenly assume that what we do, say, or offer can have little effect in the grand scheme of life. We are simply poor sinners in need of salvation so what could we do anyway?

Jesus speaks very powerfully to what can be done by those who believe in him and follow him. He says in John's Gospel, "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father." Greater ones than these? Think about all the miracles of Jesus recorded in sacred Scripture. You and I can do works greater than those?

St. Teresa of Avila said, "Christ has no body now on earth but yours." We are Christ to a world that needs him. It is the Christ in you that responds to the Christ in me. If it were only you alone going about doing good works and deeds, then your stewardship would amount to little. But if you bear the name Christian, and you approach your discipleship seriously, you can truly do greater things. If you understand your stewardship as a way that Jesus works in our world, then this way of life, cultivating and sharing your gifts at every turn, becomes more valuable than all the gold in the world.



— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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NEXT WEEKEND is the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Second Collection! Make your gift to the 2026 Mother's Day Appeal to support mothers and children across Cook and Lake counties. Your generosity helps serve more than 60,000 moms and families every year with high-quality programs that promote long-term growth and well-being. catholiccharities.net/mothers

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Mission Statement

*The Catholic family of St. Gilbert
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We celebrate the sacraments,
Share in fellowship,
And reach out to serve all.*

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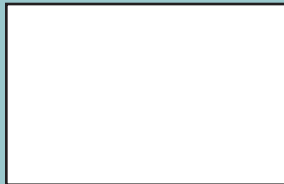
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