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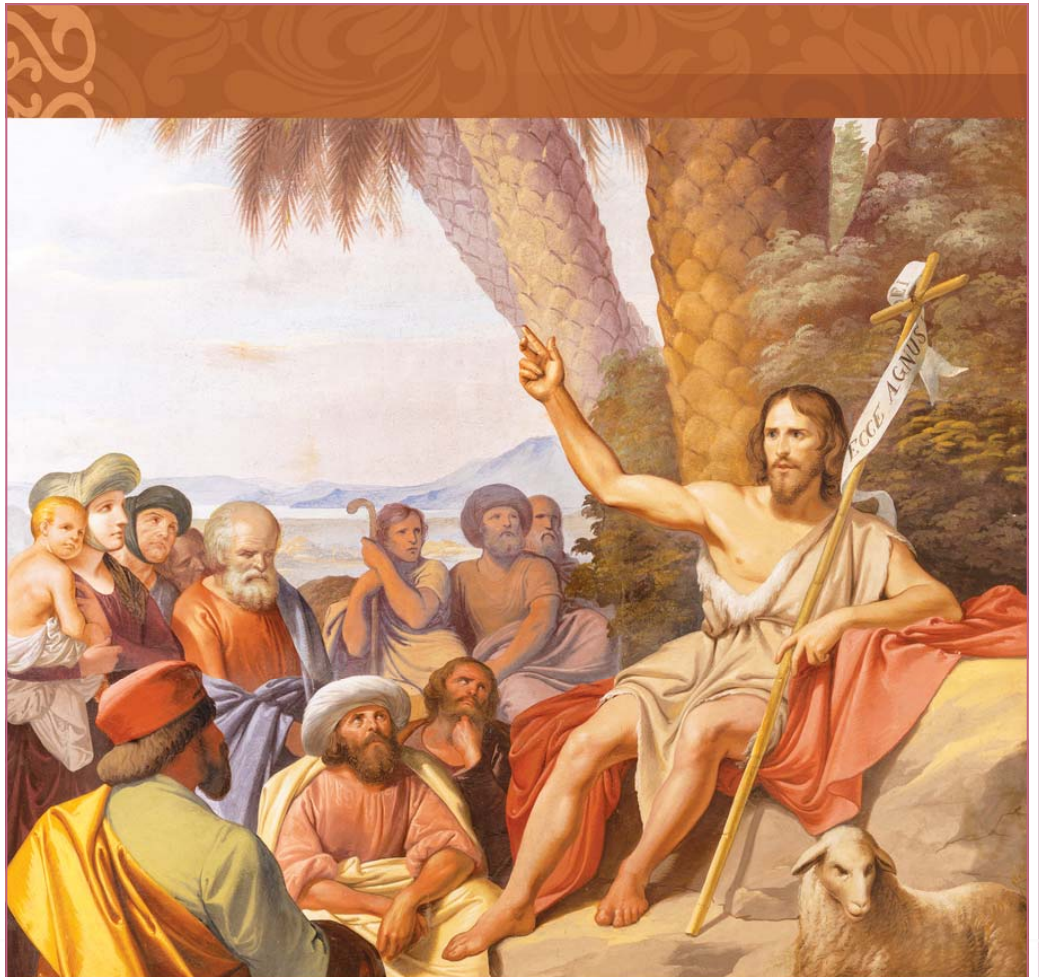
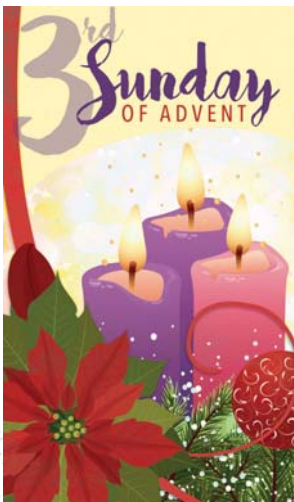
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THIRD SUNDAY
OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 14,
2025

Today's readings:
Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
(see Is 35:4)
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

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for the Sunday
Readings Text.



3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he." - Mt 11:11

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THIS WEEK AT SAINT GILBERT

Mass Intentions & Observances:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2025, ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:
 †Estelle Nowakowski; †Romeo Memije;
 †Jack & †Peggy Bowes; †Arnie Busch

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025, ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:
 †Burnett Family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2025, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY; OUR LADY OF LORETO

8:00a (CHURCH) Mass — Intention:
 †Robert Blasius

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2025, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:
 †Thomas A. Berry

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2025, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:
 †Bart J. Berry

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2025, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00a (Chapel) Mass — Intention:
 †Poor Souls of the Faithful Departed
 5:00p Mass (Cantor) — Intention:
 For Phyllis Steffan;
 †Martin McGreal; †Arnie Busch & †Auntie Evelyn

=== Virtual 2nd Collection:
 Building & Grounds Offering ===

DECEMBER 21, 2025, FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30a Mass (Cantor) — Intention:
 †Dan & †Frank Ptasienski
 9:00a Mass (Cantor) — Intention:
 †Mary Wywialowski; †Billy Wielgos
 11:00a Mass (Contemporary Music) — Intention:
 †Martin Pruneay; +Ricky Osborne; +George Webber;
 +Maciej Aleksander; +Sheila DeLaMar
 5:00p Mass (Cantor) — [Simbang Gabi—7th Night] —
 Intention:
 Living & †Deceased Members of Saint Gilbert Parish



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Facility Calendar:


Monday, DECEMBER 15, 2025

6:30p Eucharistic Healing Service (see pg 3)
 7:00p SA Troops 96 & 1996

Tuesday, DECEMBER 16, 2025

7:00p Advent Reconciliation Service (see pg 5)
 7:00p Holy Face Devotion (see pg 3)
 7:00p SVdP Ministry

Wednesday, DECEMBER 17, 2025

 9:00a-9:00p (Chapel) Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed
 Sacrament
 2:00p Children's Choir Practice
 5:15p Cub Scout Pack 96
 6:30p Baptism Preparation Session (Virtual)



SIMBANG GABI 2025 AT SAINT GILBERT (FILIPINO "MASS AT NIGHT")

Sunday, December 21st
 5:00p in the main Church

Reception to follow Mass in the Parish Center Gym
 — hosted by the Bayanihan Ministry.

Come and join us for the Seventh Night of the Nine Day Novena!

To find out more about this spiritual devotion in
 preparation for Christmas, visit <https://www.stgilbert.org/explore-ministries> and select
 Bayanihan Ministry. You can access the full schedule
 of Simbang Gabi in the Archdiocese at
<https://aci.archchicago.org/events/simbang-gabi>

6:30p Choir Rehearsal
 6:30p Baptism Preparation Session (Virtual)
 7:30p KofC Officers' Meeting
Thursday, DECEMBER 18, 2025
 8:00a Breaking Open the Word (see pg 9)
 8:00p Penitent Soldiers of Mary Adoration Liturgy (see pg 9)
Friday, DECEMBER 19, 2025
 No scheduled activities.

Saturday, DECEMBER 20, 2025

4:00p Confession
 6:30p Parish Christmas Celebration (see pg 5)

=== In Narthex: Olivewood Sales ===

Sunday, DECEMBER 21, 2025

8:55a NO REP Sessions
 Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9a and 11a Masses
 5:00p Simbang Gabi Mass & Reception (see pg 2)
 6:00p Teen Ministry Night (see pg 9)


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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.





Your generous donation to the Retirement Fund for Religious (today's second collection at Mass) provides vital financial support, enabling religious communities to care for their aging members. See page 10 for an online giving option.

THANK YOU!

Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

retiredreligious.org

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

Aging religious need your help. *"Your support acknowledges that we continue the mission of Christ even in our retirement,"* says Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart Sister Celeste Burgos, 80. Donations provide for the care, medicine, and daily needs of over 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to service.

**Please give to the Retirement Fund for Religious
 Share in the Care —December 13/14, 2025**



**Devotion to the Holy Face
 Holy Hour of Prayer
 Saint Gilbert Chapel
 Tuesday, December 16th
 7:00pm**

IN-PEW WEEKEND

This weekend, all parish families are invited to participate in the Generation to Generation campaign In-Pew Event. Our parish community is preparing for the next generation of Catholics at St. Gilbert Parish and across Cook and Lake Counties. Please consider joining our effort by completing a pledge card during Mass. Recognizing all we have and all we are is a manifestation of God's love, we are called to return gifts in thanksgiving for God's generosity and goodness to us.

OUR PRIORITIES

- Renovate our Chapel
- Campus Facility Upgrades
- Faith Formation

.....GENERATION
 TO GENERATION:
ANSWER THE CALL

Religious Education News. . .



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

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>. Registrations are still being accepted!



GRADES 7-9... The next syllabus will come out in early January for students in Grades 7-9 that are registered.



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 at 847.223.3071.

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES...

On **Sunday, December 14th**, the Grade 3 students dramatize the Christmas Story for the students and parents. We will also sing Christmas Carols and sing Happy Birthday to Jesus! The celebration **begins at 9:30 am in the Multi-Purpose Room**. Parents and Grandparents are invited to join us!

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS (3:00 PM)...

Grade 2 students are invited to participate in a play about Joseph and Mary trying to find a place to stay in Bethlehem. If your son/daughter is interested in participating, call the Religious Education office.



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.*



Pictures are from the Family Program recalling people in their lives that have passed away.

LITTLEST ROARING REBELS TERRIFIC TWOS PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM



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to reserve your spot today!**



GOSPEL

Jesus was the Messiah that the prophets said would come. The blind could see. The lame could walk. The deaf could hear. The dead were raised to life. Jesus performed many miracles to show that he was the Messiah. He was the one sent to save the world from sin. John expected Jesus to save himself. But Jesus knew that he had to die, be buried, and rise again to save you and me from our sins.



PRAYER

Lord, thank you for dying on the cross for me.



A few thoughts from the Pastor...

As we move through this holy **season of Advent**, we are invited to stay awake and vigilant for the second coming of our Lord! The Word of God reminds us about the necessity to cling to God with our hearts and minds open to His grace so that we may be ultimately transformed. During this joyful time of preparation for the upcoming celebration of Christmas, we are encouraged to make an effort to set our hearts on Christ.

Let us, therefore, set a time for prayer and some spiritual reflection these days so that we may be well prepared internally for the upcoming festivities. May the already ever present Christmas commercial atmosphere not take away from us the need for the deeper spiritual preparation during this Advent so that we may truly embrace the meaning of Christmas in its most profound Christian sense. And so, I would like to invite all of you to make an effort to prepare spiritually for Christmas. A good way to do so, is to join us for the **Parish Advent Reconciliation** that will take place on **Tuesday, December 16th at 7pm**.



The new **Parish Book of Prayer and Intentions** is available in the narthex of the church. Please, feel free to use it for any intentions you would like our parish community to pray for during the celebration of Mass.

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

Beginning this Advent, you may request a special prayer in memory of deceased loved ones by making an offering (\$20) for the Tabernacle candle and thus participate in keeping the Tabernacle light perpetually lit. Such offering will be made for one week as the candle is replaced on a weekly basis. The name(s) of your loved ones will be printed in the parish bulletin. The requests may be arranged with Jeanne at the parish office, Tuesday-Friday.



ST. GILBERT PARISH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Join us for a joyful evening of food, fellowship, and faith!

When: Saturday, December 20 at 6:30pm

Where: St. Gilbert Parish Center

Adults \$25

Children \$10

Enjoy a hot Christmas dinner, music, and community celebration.

We look forward to celebrating the Christmas season together!
Questions? Contact Deacon Brian Fisher or the Parish Office.



READING 1 ISAIAH 35:1-6A, 10

The desert and the parched land will exult;
the steppe will rejoice and bloom.
They will bloom with abundant flowers,
and rejoice with joyful song.
The glory of Lebanon will be given to them,
the splendor of Carmel and Sharon;
they will see the glory of the LORD,
the splendor of our God.
Strengthen the hands that are feeble,
make firm the knees that are weak,
say to those whose hearts are frightened:
Be strong, fear not!
Here is your God,
he comes with vindication;
with divine recompense
he comes to save you.
Then will the eyes of the blind be opened,
the ears of the deaf be cleared;
then will the lame leap like a stag,
then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return
and enter Zion singing,
crowned with everlasting joy;
they will meet with joy and gladness,
sorrow and mourning will flee.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, come and save us.

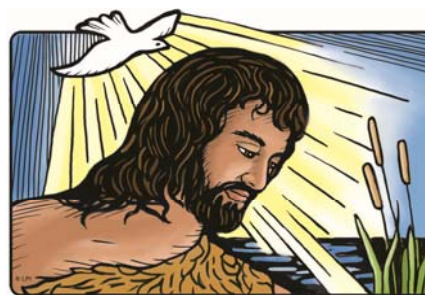
READING 2 JAMES 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers and sisters,
until the coming of the Lord.
See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of
the earth,
being patient with it
until it receives the early and the late rains.
You too must be patient.
Make your hearts firm,
because the coming of the Lord is at hand.
Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one
another,
that you may not be judged.
Behold, the Judge is standing before the gates.
Take as an example of hardship and patience,
brothers and sisters,
the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL MATTHEW 11:2-11

When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works
of the Christ,
he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question,
"Are you the one who is to come,
or should we look for another?"
Jesus said to them in reply,
"Go and tell John what you hear and see:
the blind regain their sight,
the lame walk,
lepers are cleansed,
the deaf hear,
the dead are raised,
and the poor have the good news proclaimed to
them.
And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me."

As they were going off,
Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John,
"What did you go out to the desert to see?
A reed swayed by the wind?
Then what did you go out to see?
Someone dressed in fine clothing?
Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces.
Then why did you go out? To see a prophet?
Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.
This is the one about whom it is written:
Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way before you.
Amen, I say to you,
among those born of women
there has been none greater than John the Baptist;
yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than
he."



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1st Reading

The prophet Isaiah taught his community to “be strong, fear not!” because God has planned a remarkable future where both the people and the land will be restored. *Is there a friend or co-worker who needs your encouragement this week?*

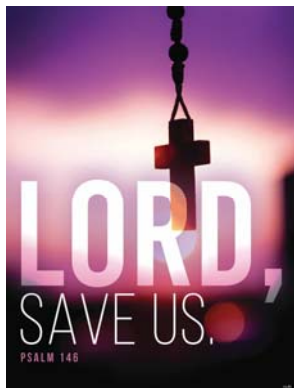
2nd Reading

James encourages his community to be patient and firm of heart in waiting for the coming of the Lord. *What are you waiting for during this Advent season?*

Gospel:

In prison, John the Baptist seemed uncertain about who Jesus is. *Who do you talk to when you have questions about Jesus?*

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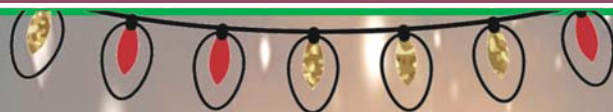
Please keep in your prayers...

Kai Bowes; Neil Cloe; Pauline Fearn;
Carter Halloran; Mia Grace Keller;
Jackie McDonal; Erin Moran; Ethan Nguyen;
Andree Porcheron-Hicks; John O'Brien;
Remig Raffanti; Jim Tomas; Dorothy Ward;
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.



— Victims of Ukraine Conflict &
War in Israel/Gaza



Holiday Schedule

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Christmas Eve Masses
Wednesday, December 24th:
*3:00pm, 5:00pm & *10:00pm
(Carols begin at 9:30pm)

Christmas Day Masses
Thursday, December 25th:
9:00am & 11:00am

New Year's Mass
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Wednesday, December 31st — 5:00pm
Thursday, January 1st — *9:00am & 11:00am
(NOTE: All Mass Times are in the main Church.)

*live stream available



Baptism Preparation at Saint Gilbert

Call the Parish Office to register for a
Baptism Preparation Session:
847-223-4731

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17

Thursday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

Friday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25

Saturday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38

Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24



WEEK 3
Advent

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2026 EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

September 30 –
October 9, 2026



In honor of the 100th Anniversary of the XXVIII International Eucharistic Congress in Chicago, which initiated the building of our Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Marytown.



Led by **Fr. Lawrence Zurek, OFM Conv.**
Rector of Marytown

Fr. Thomas Czeck, OFM Conv.
MI National Spiritual Assistant



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Eucharistic Adoration...

In the midst of a chaotic world, Jesus waits for us in the quiet of the Blessed Sacrament. Come, spend time with the real presence of Our Lord and Savior. Let us lay our prayers before the body of Christ, seeking peace for our world and our hearts.

Please join us in prayer and Adoration on **most Wednesdays from 9:00am-9:00pm in the Saint Gilbert Chapel.**

**We are seeking a regular adorator
for the 8:00pm hour!**

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



Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women
Archdiocese of Chicago

GOLDEN ROSE AWARD



An event that honors high school girls who are extraordinary examples of faith in action.

Vicariate I, II, III, IV, and V
Saturday, February 7, 2026, at
Chevy Chase in Wheeling, IL

[For more information call Joan Billingham, ACCW President at (312) 534-8325 or email Evelyn Getty, Vicariate I at evelyngetty@yahoo.com

Help us recognize young women in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

WANT TO GROW IN HOLINESS, BUT TOO BUSY?



Want to transform your work, your marriage, your family, and your life, but don't have time? Looking for the quickest, surest, and easiest way to holiness, but don't know where to begin?

In our hectic day and time, Saint John Paul II and Saint Teresa of Calcutta knew that the quickest way to be transformed into a Saint is through a relationship with Our Blessed Mother, Mary.

Join us on January 6th as we begin a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration. In our **Tuesday evening weekly Zoom meetings**, we'll share our insights within our small groups and then watch a 30-minute video.

Registration is here: <https://tinyurl.com/SGMC2026>

Please note, this program requires study material at a cost of approximately \$20.00.

Details are in the registration form.

Questions?

Please contact Marge: ops.psosmary@gmail.com



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Annual Knights of Columbus
CHRISTMAS TREE LOT
OPERATING HOURS (while supply lasts!)
Mon-Fri 4p-8p—Sat/Sun 9a-8p

Please come out and support your parish with a purchase of a beautiful Christmas tree!



St. Gilbert Youth Ministry



Sunday, December 21, 2025

6:00–8:00pm **✝** *In the teen center

All 7th–12th graders are invited to join us
 at the next Teen Ministry Night for
 snacks, games & faith discussion with
 other teens! Bring a friend or 2!

SPIRITUAL RESOURCES... Yes, Christmas season is a busy time of the year BUT Advent is also a time of prayer and reflection. You may want to check out books from our parish library (located at the main entrance to the church.) Some suggestions:

The Love Dare: Kendrick: Sect: Marriage // Catholic Teen Guide to Tough Stuff: Auer: Sect: Teenagers // The Healing of Families: Sect: Parenting // The Soul At Rest: Sect: Prayer

*“Go and tell what you have seen and heard,”
 Jesus says. When it comes to proving who he is,
 he always lets his actions do the talking. We have
 heard. We have seen. We must go and tell. Let’s
 let our actions do the talking. Who do we think
 Jesus is?!*

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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.



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 Session is December 18th.



Saint Gilbert Giving Tree — Opportunities Reminder

St. Vincent de Paul,
 St. Benedict the African & P.A.D.S.
 gift cards & unwrapped food items
 accepted through December 14th.

—Please place check or cash in envelope provided. Drop envelope into the collection basket or return it to the Giving Tree table. Please place food items, unwrapped, under the Giving Tree.

—Online giving available via the church website by selecting Giving/GiveCentral/GivingTree, or directly via Give Central at <https://www.givecentral.org/location/378/event/35416> OR TEXT the word GIVINGTREE to 1.224.219.0357 and receive a text back with a link to Give Central.

If you have any questions, please contact Sheila Shrofe at 920.216.9342. Visit stgilbert.org/organizations for the PADS Wish List.

THANK YOU for your generosity this year and for these 52 years and God bless you!!



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

FEATURING:

Catholics have long observed the Advent season by meditating on peace, hope, joy, and love. Study these rich biblical words with the Bible Project's Advent series. The Bible Project is a nonprofit group dedicated to spreading the Word of God. Through dynamic and engaging videos, they aim to present the story of the Bible as a unified whole leading to and culminating in Jesus Christ.



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 *then SUBMIT
 *Enter your name and email address and select "Sign up" and You are all set!



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

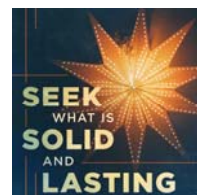
There are many examples of false prophets in history. Some of these gifted charlatans have led people away from family and friends. They have led people to do evil things, like stealing, torture, or even murder. It is amazing how those gifted with charisma can lead others down such a destructive path. In today's modern world filled with so much technology and sophisticated communication platforms, one must be careful not to buy into a lie or scam so easily.

John the Baptist didn't have any modern technology in his toolbox as he was preparing the way for the Messiah, Jesus. He moved people with a profound message and by the way he lived his life. People questioned whether he was the One who was to come, but he assured them that he was not the One. Instead, all he did was to prepare people for Jesus' coming.

You and I can either lead people to Jesus by our words and actions, or we can lead them away from him. Our stewardship can be a powerful witness to how Jesus has changed our lives. Unfortunately, if we are not changed and instead act in ways that are contrary to a mature disciple, we can lead people down the wrong path. During the Advent season, there is much to be done in our homes and with our families to get ready for the celebration of Christmas. However, this is not about a day; it is about Jesus. May our actions and words bear witness to the transformative power of Jesus Christ in our lives, not just during this season, but all year long.

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— Tracy Earl Welliver



Weekly Collections Thank You!

November 8th, 2025 — November 14th, 2025

Electronic:	\$ 6,377.88	Weekly Total:	\$11,483.88
Mail-In:	\$ 655.00	Weekly Budge:	<u>\$17,000.00</u>
Weekend Mass:	\$ 4,451.00	Deficit:	-\$ 5,516.12

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>

Text2Give—

Text **DONATE** to 1-224-219-0357

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

Share in the Care-Retirement Fund for Religious Offering:
<https://www.givecentral.org/customizable-online-giving/378/event/10301>

*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 **EARLY** Deadlines:

Tuesday, December 16th for December 28th Bulletin
Thursday, December 18th for January 4th Bulletin



Christmas Flower Memorials

Online donations towards Christmas Flowers at Saint Gilbert, in memory of your loved ones, can be made at

<https://www.givecentral.org/location/378/event/8794>

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that the good news can be seen, touched felt and heard through the lives of God's people. We are now charged to take up the ministry of Jesus's, but we can't just ask people to take our word for it; our actions must speak for us.



Since Christmas is a time of love and gift giving, please share in Jesus ministry by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are poor can know the good news of Jesus. God Bless You!

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

Saint Gilbert Catholic Church Mission Statement

*The Catholic family of St. Gilbert
Is a faith-filled community
Living out our Baptismal call.
Empowered by the Gospel message,
We celebrate the sacraments,
Share in fellowship,
And reach out to serve all.*

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