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“It was not you who chose me,
but I who chose you
and appointed you
to go and
bear fruit
that will remain,
so that
whatever
you ask
the Father
in my name
he may
give you.”
John 15:9-17



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May 5, 2024 • 6th Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions

(+Deceased, L-Living)



May 5—May 11, 2024

Sunday, May 5

8am + Julie Reynolds
9:30am + Carol White
11am + Irene Norkus

Monday, May 6

9am + Stephen Baker

Tuesday, May 7

9am + Julie Ann Tkaczuk

Wednesday, May 8

9am (L) Henry Prock
7pm St. Peregrine Mass

Saturday, May 11

4:30pm + Shirley Zemansky

Let us Pray...



For all who are facing illness.

We ask our Lord Jesus Christ to bring healing, comfort, and peace to them.

Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of His love.

- Patricia Moran

For all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

O Lord, may they find light, happiness and peace in Your presence.

For all first responders and law enforcement officers, who put their lives on the line to keep us safe at home.

For all active duty military service members who have been deployed, and their families.

For all veterans—past and present.

The Pope's Monthly Intention (May 2024)

For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

SAINT DAMIEN JOSEPH DE VEUSTER OF MOLOKA'I, PRIEST (1840-1889) **Feast Day—May 10**



In the mid-1990s, a heavily bearded, bespectacled Robin Williams appeared on *Late Night with David Letterman*, whose host was clearly taken aback. Letterman inquired as to why the wild look.

Uncharacteristically subdued, the usually manic comic responded that he was producing and starring in a movie about a most extraordinarily compassionate man, Damien, the Leper Priest of Moloka'i.

Some saints transcend religious and ethnic boundaries to touch the heart that beats in each human being: Francis of Assisi; Mother Teresa; and, though Williams' film was never completed, his admiration speaks, as does Damien's statue outside the capitol in Honolulu, of this newest saint's universal appeal. Far from his native Flanders' idyllic beauty and rich culture, Damien volunteered to bear Christ's light into Moloka'i's bleak leper colony, building decent homes, opening schools, establishing clinics, planting farms, sharing the sufferings—and the social stigma—of those with whom he delighted to identify: "We lepers," he would proudly say when finally he contracted leprosy. Saint Damien challenges us to identify the lepers of our own day, to examine our compassion for and our identification with them.

—Peter Scagnelli

St. Peregrine Mass

Wednesday, May 8
at 7:00pm

St. Peregrine is the patron saint of cancer patients.

We will gather together to remember and pray for those in our community and in our families who have been affected by cancer.





Bishop Ronald Hicks

No registration is required and wives are welcome.

Are You Called to the Permanent Diaconate?

The Diocese of Joliet has begun the process of inviting men to discern the call to the diaconate through a number of informational sessions:

Information Sessions

St. Peter Church - June 12, 19, and 26 at 7:00 p.m.
551 N Rush St, Itasca, IL 60143

St. Margaret Mary Church - June 12, and 18 at 7:00 p.m.
1450 Green Trails Dr, Naperville, IL 60540

St. Joseph Church - June 10, 17, and 24 at 7:00 p.m.
211 N Center Ave, Bradley, IL 60915

Online Information Sessions

June 13, 20, and 27

Discover More with a Simple Scan!



May 5, 2024 | Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48 | 1 Jn 14:23 | Jn 15:9-17

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“As the Father loves me, so I also love you ... If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love.” We don’t earn God’s love – it is freely given to us. But only by loving God and others, and by keeping his commandments, do we *remain* in that love as our source of life and joy. It becomes the air we breathe, and the breath we exhale. Today’s second reading and Gospel reassure us of the love of God, but also give us a few specifics for how to live in and remain in that love – self-sacrifice and prayer. We are to love one another as Jesus loves us, and we know what that looks like from his life: feeding the hungry, caring for the sick, forgiving one another, and more. Living in the way Jesus instructs is not simply completing a checklist of things to do, however. It’s a way of life – to live in God’s love and to demonstrate his love with our outward actions. When we do so, we are helping bring about the kingdom in a very real way. It’s not complicated. We begin by acting in accordance with the truth that the person in front of us is loved by God.

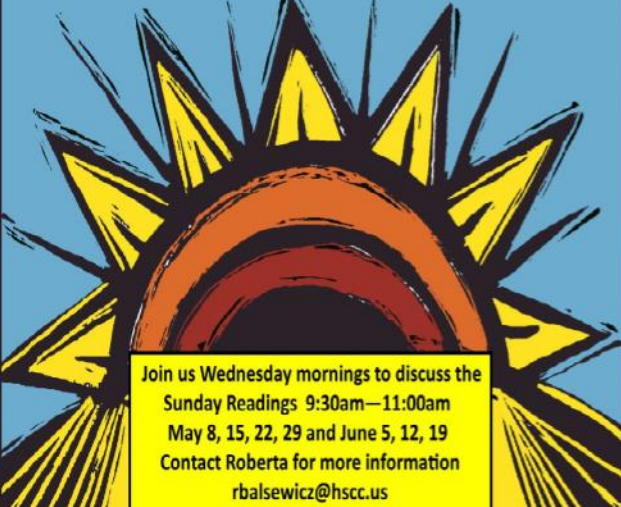
GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The message of the Gospel is countercultural and upends many convictions about what is true, good, and beautiful. What Jesus says can seem upside down to us, as it certainly did to the people of his time! Even the disciples, who walked with Jesus, didn’t fully grasp all of what Jesus had told them until after he had been raised from the dead and appeared in their midst and shared food with them. And even after they understood, they didn’t live it perfectly, nor do we. The things of this world we can mistakenly think are important get in the way of loving as we ought, and they shape our behavior and vision of the world. To counter that, we must focus in on what the Lord is saying and what that demands of us. What exactly that will look like in our lives is the provenance of prayer. Ask for God’s help in loving all those we come across, even (and especially) those we may not particularly care for. He will answer our prayers and show us the way.

WITNESS Think of someone you know personally or whom you know of, who is particularly difficult to *like*. Create a plan to love them this week – either through praying for them, or interacting with them in a charitable, selfless way.

Summertime Chats 2021



Join us Wednesday mornings to discuss the
 Sunday Readings 9:30am—11:00am
 May 8, 15, 22, 29 and June 5, 12, 19
 Contact Roberta for more information
 rbalsewicz@hsc.us

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**PANCAKE
 BREAKFAST**

Pentecost Sunday, May 19
 After all masses on Sunday, May 19th, join us in the Gathering Place to celebrate Pentecost with breakfast and community fellowship.




"This is my commandment:
LOVE one another as I
LOVE you."

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church
 1500 Brookdale Road
 Naperville, IL 60563



A special liturgy celebrating St. Dymphna at 7:00 p.m. Monday, May 13. The Sacrament of the Sick also will be available for those desiring this special anointing.


Anyone living with illness in mind, body or spirit and those who care about them are invited to attend. The liturgy will be followed by a reception and resource fair in the church's gathering area.

Among the community organizations present after mass will be Linden Oaks Behavioral Health, SamaraCare Counseling, Catholic Charities, Ellie Mental Health, and Lighthouse Recovery.

St. Dymphna is celebrated especially as the patron saint of those striving for wellness emotionally. Emotional illness also impacts physical and spiritual health. No matter whether your illness is physical, emotional or spiritual, be reminded to hope in God and never lose sight of His presence and love.

For more information about this event contact Susan Kearney at (630) 355-8980, ext. 108, or at sdkearney@comcast.net.

Time is Running Out to Schedule a Tour



Your opportunity to tour All Saints and see our **students and faculty in person and in action** is quickly winding down. If you are thinking about a Catholic education at All Saints for your child(ren), now is the time to schedule a visit.

All Saints students learn and grow in a Christ-centered family environment where they are in small classes, and where **they and their family are known by name**.

At All Saints, students are not just prepared academically with God at the center of their instruction, but spiritually with the guidance of Catholic values, morals and principles. This formation allows students to authentically grow into confident and caring young men and women, and future leaders.

At All Saints, students and families are part of a school community where friendships and bonds are strong, with shared values that help shape each student personally, professionally and spiritually for their entire life.

In today's world, we desperately need leaders who possess qualities like empathy, awareness, healing, mercy, compassion, foresight, and courage to lead by example - **now more than ever**, as young people face intense challenges along life's path.

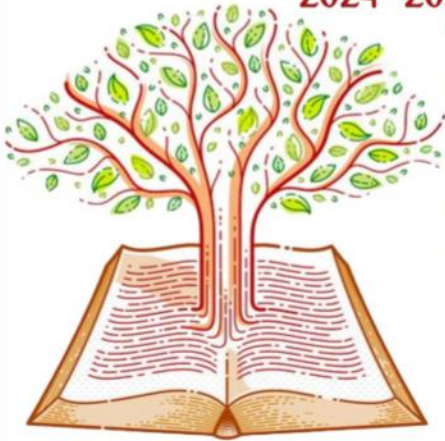


You can begin the inquiry process and find out more at ascacademy.org, or call the school at (630) 961-6125.

All Saints is a Diocese of Joliet regional Catholic elementary school established in 2005, and proudly affiliated with and supported by the following parishes: St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Margaret Mary, St. Thomas the Apostle, Our Lady of Mercy, and Holy Spirit Catholic Church. At All Saints, All Are Welcome!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR
OFFERED FOR GRADES K-8



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CHILDREN THIS YEAR!**

Please check our website for details on times and open sessions as all grades are not offered at every time and classes fill up fast.

**OPENS
MAY 15
AT 9:00AM**

**SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER!**



ARE YOU IN YOUR CATECHIST ERA?



**Are you looking
for an exciting
way to give
back to your
parish?
Do you need
to enrich your
faith life?
Become a
Catechist!**

Our catechists come from all backgrounds, and stages of life, and what they have in common is a love for Jesus and a desire to pass on the faith to our young people. Listen to the call of the Holy Spirit and contact us today!

We need help in these areas:

Sunday 4pm

Second Grade

Third Grade

Fifth Grade

Junior High

(Seventh and/or Eighth)

Tuesday 5pm

Sixth Grade

Contact us:
Lauren at lnelson@hssc.us
for Grades K-5
Kim at kkroeze@hssc.us
for Grades 6-8

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September 22 to October 3, 2024

Hosted by *Fr. Richard Smith and Fr. John Sponder*

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Barcelona

We are planning a pilgrimage of faith and a journey of discovery to all the classical highlights of Southern France and Barcelona. From the Cote d'Azur, we follow in the footsteps of great artists and writers to St. Paul de Vence and see Matisse's masterpiece at the Rosary Chapel. Then we follow the 14th C. Popes to Avignon and explore the Roman heritage and expert engineering of Pont du Gard and Nimes Arena. After the medieval charm of Carcassonne, the highlight will be our pilgrimage to Lourdes to follow in the footsteps and embrace the spirituality of St. Bernadette before we end our journey in the vibrant city of Barcelona.

Brochures are available at the Holy Spirit Parish Office.

For additional information, contact:
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734 Central Avenue
Highland Park, IL 60035
Phone 847-432-2400



AN UPDATE ON PROLIFE ISSUES

CRITICAL ISSUES FACING
THE CITIZENS OF OUR STATE



MR. PETER BREEN, JD

SPEAKER

Peter Breen serves as Executive Vice President and Head of Litigation at Thomas More Society. Over two decades of law practice, Breen has shown himself equally comfortable arguing in a federal courtroom, debating on the floor of a legislature, and explaining complex points of constitutional law in front of a television camera. Throughout, he has been in the thick of some of the nation's most significant legal and public policy battles. Breen served two terms in the Illinois House of Representatives, where he rose to become the Republican Floor Leader. He holds a Bachelor's in Electrical Engineering from Vanderbilt University and a Juris Doctor from the University of Notre Dame.



**SATURDAY
MAY 11**

9:00 AM - NOON
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST INCLUDED

St. Mary Immaculate Parish
15629 Illinois Rte 59
Plainfield IL 60544

9:00 am Mass For those who choose
9:45 am Continental Breakfast
10:30 am Peter Breen, JD
11:30 am Peter Breen, JD Q & A




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 DISCOVERMASS

This Week's Meetings May 5—May 11, 2024

Sunday, May 5

12pm Blue Mass Reception, Gathering Pl

Monday, May 6

1pm Parish Leadership Team, Multipurpose Rm

2pm Bible Study Core Team, Gathering Pl

Tuesday, May 7

1pm Seasons of Hope, Multipurpose Rm

7pm Adult Choir, Church

Wednesday, May 8

9:30am Summer Scripture, Gathering Pl

5pm Youth Choir, Church

Thursday, May 9

10am Gathered in Prayer, Chapel

1:30pm Parish Leadership Team, Multipurpose Rm

7pm Baptism Prep, Gathering Pl

Saturday, May 11

6:30am Men's Ministry, Multipurpose Rm

See the parish website for all upcoming event information; www.hscc.us



2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

Goal	\$ 99,000
Amount Pledged	\$ 118,153
Amount Paid	\$ 101,102
Balance Due	\$ 17,051
Donor Count	299
2024 Parish Rebate	\$ 1,472



Parish Information

Mass Schedule

Weekdays:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday... 9am

Weekend:

Saturday...4:30pm

Sunday...8am, 9:30am, and 11am

Adoration

Tuesdays, following the 9am mass until 12 noon.

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:30pm -4:00pm

Baptisms

12:30pm on the 2nd Sunday of each month unless otherwise noted

Weddings

Please contact the parish office

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8am to 4:30pm

(closed 12noon-1pm)

Friday 8am to 1pm

Parish Priests

Pastor, Rev. John Sponder

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Lisa Brancato, ext 93

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Victor Velazquez

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Consider Electronic Giving

Interested in moving to electronic donation versus envelopes, and don't know where to start?

For information and to select the option that works best for you, go to the parish website, www.hsccl.us/donation.



- Automatic Debit or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
- WeShare OnLine Giving
- Donating Stock
- QR Code (one time or reoccurring offering)



It is with grateful hearts, we thank you for your continued support of the parish.

Parish Stewardship

Monthly Offering	# of Donors	March-24
WeShare Online Giving	122	\$10,822
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	163	\$18,533
Envelopes & Loose Cash	211	\$54,728
Total March Collection	496	\$84,083

Special Collections - March 2024

Catholic Relief Services	\$872
Mortgage Donations	\$4,927

HSCC Mortgage	Date	Balance
Original Mortgage Loan	1/1/2005	\$3,590,755
Current Loan Balance	4/15/2024	\$204,738

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