

November 3, 2024



**“Which is the first of all the commandments?”  
Jesus replied, “The first is this: ‘Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”  
Mark 12:28-29, 31**



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## Mass Intentions



### Saturday, November 2

4:30pm + All the Faithful Departed

### Sunday, November 3

8:00 am People of Holy Spirit Catholic Church

9:30 am + Mary Rorke

11:00 am + Franco Patino

### Monday, November 4

9:00 am + Efraim Gomez

### Tuesday, November 5

9:00 am + Mary Jane Walz

### Wednesday, November 6

9:00 am + Mary Jo Anderson

## Mass Schedule

Monday - Wednesday...9:00 am

Saturday...4:30 pm

Sunday...8:00 am, 9:30am, and 11:00 am

## Adoration

Tuesdays following the 9:00 am Mass until 12 noon.

## Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30pm -4:00pm



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## Parish Stewardship

Monthly Offering	# of Donors	Sep-24
WeShare Online Giving	137	\$11,985
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	161	\$17,623
Envelopes & Loose Cash	192	\$52,677
<b>Total September Collection</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>\$82,285</b>
<b>Special Collections - September 2024</b>		
Mortgage Donations		\$6,615

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025		
YTD Budget		\$248,534
YTD Sunday Collection		\$240,986
Surplus/(Deficit)		<b>(\$7,548)</b>
Holy Spirit Mortgage	Date	Balance
Original Mortgage Loan	1/1/2005	\$3,590,755
<b>Current Loan Balance</b>	<b>9/30/2024</b>	<b>\$78,988</b>

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- WeShare Online Giving
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*It is with grateful hearts that we thank you for your continued support of the parish!*

### Stewardship Reflection

*“For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” (MARK 10:45)*

If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God’s love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from “I want more” to “thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share”. This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others. Pray daily to become less self-centered and to become more God-centered.



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# VOCATIONS OFFICE



*This is Part 2 in a 3-part series of columns on the importance of your help in the formation of new priests*

## Priests do not come from a big warehouse

BY FR. STEVEN BORELLO  
DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS  
DIOCESE OF JOLIET

When I was a little boy, I would often wonder where priests come from.

It's funny now, but I really thought there was a giant warehouse or training facility where they were waiting for a call from the coach to put them in the game. Almost like with baseball, when it was their time, they would get called up from the minor leagues and if they did well, they stayed and if they didn't, they'd be sent back.

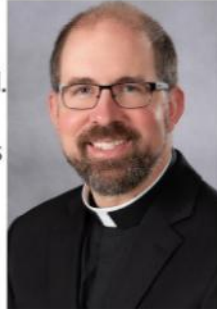
Now I know that isn't the case, but to a second grader it made all the sense in the world. The truth is, priests come from families. They come from homes like yours and mine and they live ordinary lives like everyone around us. They go to school, play sports, have hobbies, some dated, some didn't, they participate in Church, and they have friends and siblings who help form their character and a real sense of who they are as a person and what they stand for. It is from within this community that they

begin to know and have a relationship with God.

One of the greatest obstacles to young men knowing that the priesthood is something they might be called to is apparent lack of support from within the family for a priestly vocation. We were often asked if we wanted to be a doctor, a lawyer, a teacher, an engineer or something else when we grow up, but rarely were we asked if we ever thought about the priesthood. Now, I know it is objectively different because it is a vocation and not a career, but what if we gave it the same attention? I truly believe more men would be open to exploring the thought that 'maybe I'm supposed to be a priest.'

So, what are three things a parent can do to create space for a priestly vocation in the family?

1. Make Sunday and any sacramen-



tal occasion (Confession) special.

2. Take time to talk about how God has impacted your own life and show your children how you pray.

3. Live well the life of virtue and continue working on your own marriage.

Whether it is simply the prayers before meals, Weekly Sunday Mass, or an occasionally rosary or sacrament of confession, these men encountered God and began to walk with Him. They may not have always prayed or been the best people, but God is faithful and walked with them through their ups and downs just like our families do with us.

From within the family, a vocation is cultivated, and it is only with the support of parents, grandparents, siblings and friends that a young man can be open to a priestly vocation .

At some point, these men began to recognize within themselves that they were made for more — for a deeper relationship that called them to make a gift of themselves, to pour themselves out for the sake of others.



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## SEMINARIAN EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND

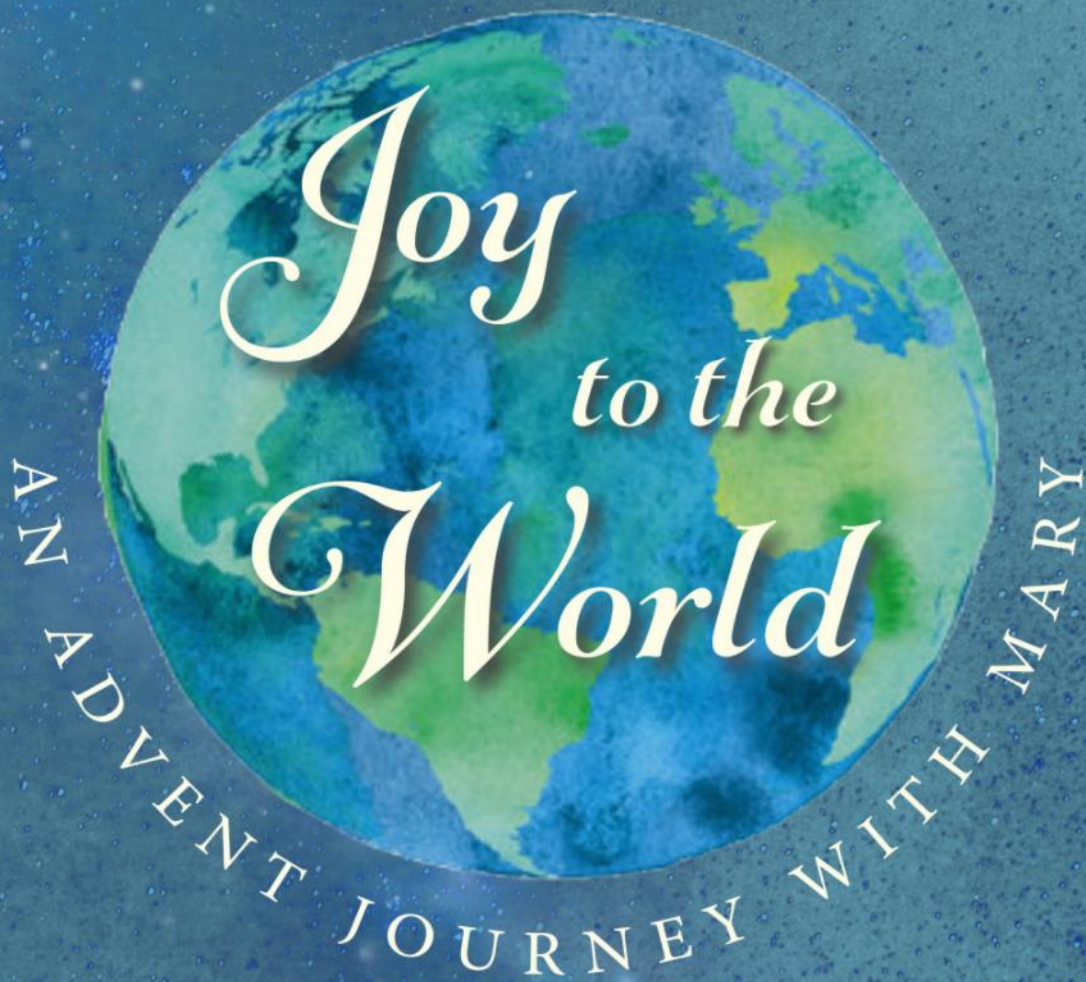
A second collection for the education and formation of our future priests



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# SAVE THE DATE



*Friday, December 6th*  
*Event will run between 4pm-7pm*

*An evening celebrating the Birth of Jesus through  
the eyes of his Blessed Mother and the times she  
has come to tell us the Good News here on Earth.  
More information and sign up link coming soon!*

## Prayer Before an Election

Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city/state/country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.

We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, Men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.

We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Source: [www.usccb.org/prayers/prayer-election](http://www.usccb.org/prayers/prayer-election)



As we come upon this very special occasion to recognize and honor our heroes in this historic moment, we all know that it takes a village to make it happen.

We are looking for a few veterans to help, plan and organize the 7:00pm Mass on November 11. After all, who

knows how to celebrate Veterans Day better than we do? So let's get together and make it happen. Thank you for your service. Please contact Msg. Franklin Newson, Retired at 630-901-5278 or [ftopnewson@gmail.com](mailto:ftopnewson@gmail.com)

A Grief Support Group

**TUESDAYS**  
Starting October 29th  
At 1:00 - 2:30 pm  
RSVP by October 18th

seasons of hope

THE 7 INTENTIONS OF MOURNING  
A Guided Pathway to Healing and Hope

- P**RAYER the soul of the Christian life
- R**EMEMBERING & HONORING treasuring the gifts they left us
- A**CCCEPTANCE coming to terms with what has happened
- Y**IELD TO THE PAIN facing our suffering
- E**NDURING CONNECTION: death ends a life, not a relationship
- R**EBUILD & REDEFINE building a new relationship with the world
- S**UPPORT receiving and giving

Any parishioner who is mourning the loss of a loved one is encouraged to attend and invited to bring a guest.

MEETING DATES  
Oct. 29  
Nov. 5  
Nov. 12  
Nov. 19  
Nov. 26  
Dec. 3  
Dec. 10

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# Mass for VETERANS Day

Join us in prayer and honor the courage and dedication of those who have served.

**NOVEMBER 11TH**  
**7:00 PM**

# *Plan Today for Peace of Mind Tomorrow*

It's difficult to think about, but pre-planning your Catholic cemetery arrangements today protects your family from the heartbreak and financial worry of having to make these decisions tomorrow. Look for special savings in your mailbox soon and visit [diojoliet.org/cemeteries](http://diojoliet.org/cemeteries) for more details. We're here to help!



## *The Glories of Ireland*

July 19 to 30, 2025

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

We are planning a pilgrimage of faith and journey of discovery to all the highlights of the Emerald Isle. From the cradle of Irish Christianity at the Rock of Cashel, we follow in the footsteps of St. Patrick from the place where he baptised Ireland's king to his grave in Downpatrick. The Ring of Kerry, Cliffs of Moher and Giant's Causeway are just some examples of Ireland's stunning scenery. We experience Irish culture at Blarney Castle, Bunratty Folk Park, Kylemore Abbey and Trinity College with the Book of Kells. All this and so much more!

**There will be an informational meeting with Fr. Smith, Fr. Sponder and Trans World Travel on November 21st at 7PM at Holy Spirit Church, 2003 Hassert Blvd, Naperville. Brochures are available from Holy Spirit Church.**

For additional information and an online brochure, please contact:  
Trans World Travel Inc. on 847-432-2400,  
25677 N. Hillview Ct. Mundelein, IL. 60060



## This Week's Meetings

### Tuesday, November 5

12:30pm Parish Leadership Team (PLT),  
Gathering Place  
1:00pm Seasons of Hope, Multipurpose Room  
7:00pm Adult Choir, Church

### Wednesday, November 6

9:30am Bible Study, Gathering Place  
7:00pm Bible Study, Gathering Place

### Thursday, November 7

10:00am Gathered in Prayer, Chapel

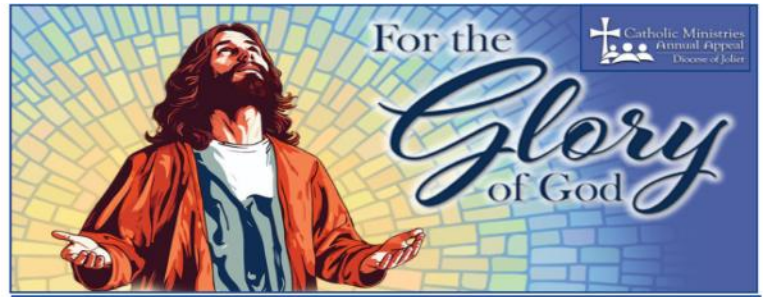
### Saturday, November 9

6:30am Men's Ministry, Gathering Place

### Sunday, November 10

9:30am OCIA, Gathering Place  
12:00pm Seasoned Spirits, Gathering Place

See the parish website for all upcoming event information;  
[www.hscc.us](http://www.hscc.us)



## 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

	As of 10/28/2024	Final 2023
Goal	\$99,000	\$94,300
Amount Pledged	\$134,763	\$135,028
Amount Paid	\$131,440	\$132,798
Balance Due	\$3,323	\$2,230
Donor Count	320	350
2024 Rebate	\$22,708	\$26,949



## Parish Information

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### Parish Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:00 am to 4:30 pm  
(closed 12noon-1pm)  
**Friday** 8am to 1pm

### Sacraments

#### Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:30pm -4:00pm

#### Baptisms

12:30pm on the 1st and 2nd  
Sunday of each month.  
For more information, please  
visit [hscc.us/infant-baptism](http://hscc.us/infant-baptism).

#### Weddings

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