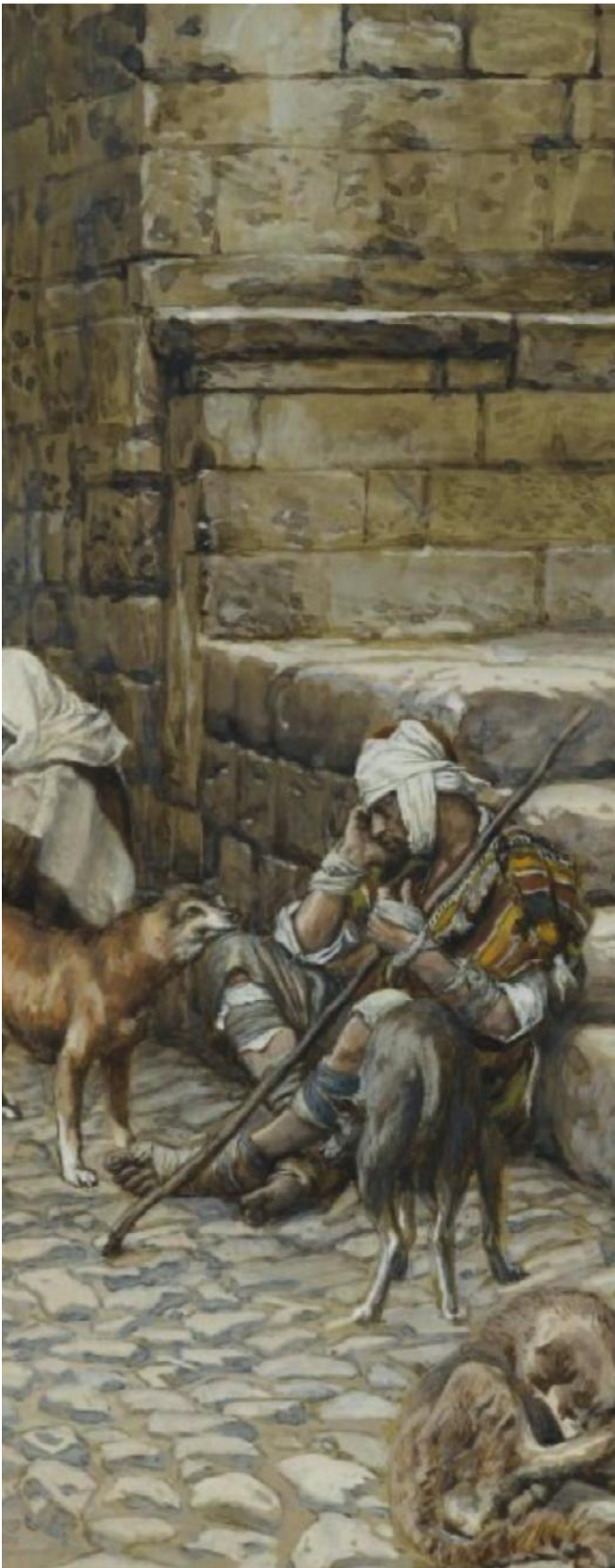




Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

Lying at his door was
a poor man named
Lazarus, covered with
sores, who would
gladly have eaten his
fill of the scraps that
fell from the rich
man's table.

Luke 16:20-21



PRAY WITH US

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, September 27

4:30 pm + Martin and Marcella Hagerty

Sunday, September 28– Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am + Anthony Miller

9:30 am People of Holy Spirit Catholic Church

11:00 am + Miriam Cozad Nygren

Monday, September 29– Sts. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael

9:00 am + Dominic Eorio, Sr.

Tuesday, September 30– St. Jerome

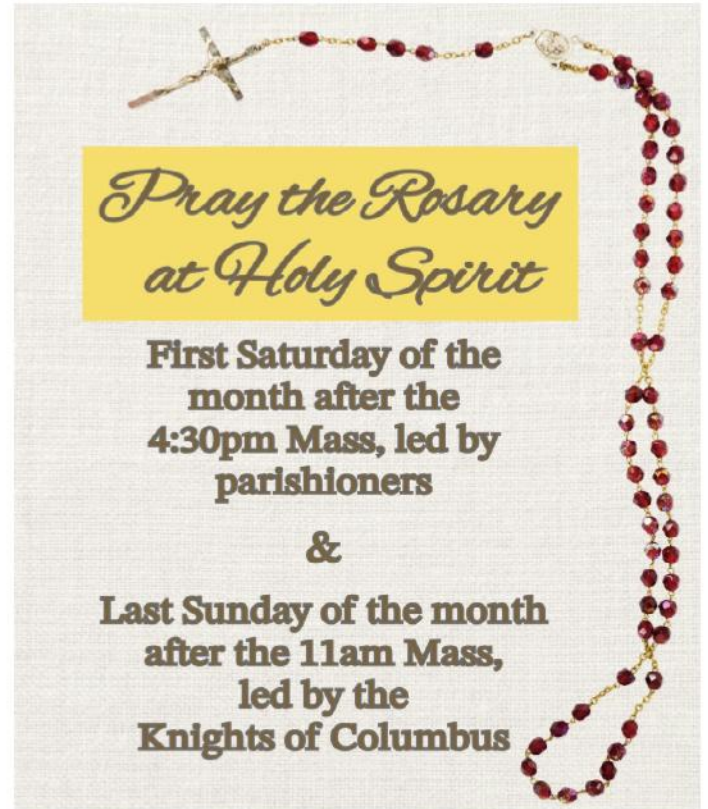
9:00 am + Mary Craig

Wednesday, October 1– St. Therese of the Child Jesus

9:00 am Intentions of Natalie Fetzko

Thursday, October 2– The Holy Guardian Angels

9:00 am + Thomas Martinez



A Sacred Path - A Day of Prayer at Holy Spirit



Wednesday, October 1, 2025
9:00am-4:00pm

Come prayerfully celebrate the Memorial of St. Therese of Lisieux

St. Therese of Lisieux came to know the truth of the merciful love that God has for creation. She knew that merciful love from God was an invitation to allow the love of God to flow through her into the lives of others through small acts.

There are several labyrinths at St. Therese shrines across the US. The labyrinth is a metaphor for life's journey, which offers time for reflection as the path is walked. It also encourages meditation, prayer, and seeking the peace and serenity which only God provides. We begin in the outer and walk our way into our inner sacred center seeking God. We walk back to the outer world bringing our renewed self, focused on God.

A Chartres labyrinth will be available in the Gathering Place for you to take a spiritual journey into your interior and back out into the world. Spend a few minutes or longer in prayer.

Questions – contact Roberta, Director of Faith Formation rbalsewicz@hsc.us



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St. Therese of Lisieux– October 1

From her canonization in 1925, St. Therese statues and windows adorn most churches where European immigrants worshiped. Entering Carmel at fifteen, victim of tuberculosis at twenty-four, Therese proposed her “Little Way” to sanctity: doing ordinary tasks with extraordinary love. Thus “ordinary Catholics,” many of



whom had lost loved ones to tuberculosis, embraced her. Though she never left her cloister, this Carmelite's spiritual communion and devoted correspondence with missionaries earned her the title Patroness of Missions. Her autobiography, *Story of a Soul*, continuously in print since her death, chronicles her prayerful perseverance through doubt and caused her to be the youngest person ever named a Doctor of the Church. Countless physical healings and spiritual conversions testify to her fulfillment of her deathbed promise: “After my death, I will let fall a shower of roses. I will spend my heaven doing good upon earth!”

—Peter Scagnelli



Please keep all our military in your prayers, especially those within our Parish family.






Open your heart to *God's Goodness*

2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

	<u>As of 9/21/2025</u>	<u>Final 2024</u>
Goal	\$98,200	\$99,000
Amount Pledged	\$136,589	\$141,589
Amount Paid	\$127,254	\$140,928
Balance Due	\$9,335	\$661
Donor Count	374	334
Rebate to HSCC	\$20,338	\$29,350



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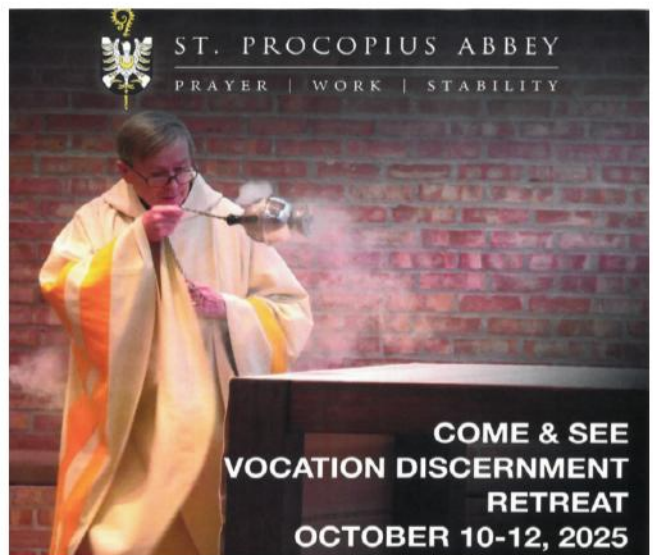
Miriam Dinner

Thursday, October 2, 2025
St. Raphael Catholic Church, Naperville

The Diocese of Joliet Vocations Office is inviting young women ages 14+ and their mothers to join the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist for prayer, dinner, and testimonials about their own vocation stories.

There will be a question and answer session and the opportunity to meet other young women open to exploring religious life. This is a free event.

To register and for more information, visit tinyurl.com/2u297vcv.



Join us for a long weekend to learn about life as a professed monk or priest.

For more information, please contact Br. Kevin Coffey at kcoffey@procopius.org or 224-474-3412.



COMING UP AT HOLY SPIRIT

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Tuesday, September 30

12:30pm Parish Leadership Team, Gathering Place

Wednesday, October 1

9:45am Opening the Holy Door, Gathering Place

Thursday, October 2

10:00am Gathered in Prayer, Multipurpose Room

Saturday, October 4

7:00am Men's Ministry, Multipurpose Room

7:00am That Man Is You, Gathering Place

10:00am Blessing of Pets, Outside Church Entrance

5:30pm Rosary, Church

Sunday, October 5

12:00pm Seasoned Spirits, Gathering Place

Faithful Explorers

ALL SAINTS DAY TOUR

Saturday, November 1, 2025

Depart from Holy Spirit 9:45am
Return approximately 6:30pm

Round trip transportation via coach bus included.



A Beautiful Day of Faith, Culture, and Community

Join us for an unforgettable All Saints Day trip to the historic and culturally rich Catholic Churches of Chicago's Pilsen neighborhood. This guided trip features tours of three stunning churches: St. Paul, St. Procopius, and St. Pius V.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Guided tour of 3 churches
- All Saints Day Mass
- Dominican Shrine of St. Jude Thaddeus
- Special Adoration Chapel Visit
- Guest appearance from a Missionaries of Charity sister
- Día de los Muertos cultural celebration- outdoor festival
- Optional Mexican Buffet

COST:
\$70 Bring a lunch or
\$90 Optional Mexican buffet lunch

To sign up, please scan the QR code



For questions, please contact
Heather Heller at helleret@gmail.com
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Blessing of Pets

on the Feast of St. Francis




Saturday, October 4

10:00 am

Outside of Church Entrance

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Seasons of Hope

A Grief Support Group

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

TUESDAYS
Starting October 7, 2025
In the Multi-Purpose Room from 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Please RSVP by September 26th



THE 7 INTENTIONS OF MOURNING

A Guided Pathway to Healing & Hope

PRAYER: the soul of the Christian Life
REMEMBERING & HONORING: treasuring the gifts they left us
ACCEPTANCE: coming to terms with what has happened
YIELD TO THE PAIN: facing our suffering
ENDURING CONNECTION: death ends a life, not a relationship
REBUILD & REDEFINE: building a new relationship with the world
SUPPORT: receiving and giving

Contact: **Bernadette Beyer** beyerbh@gmail.com **Kathy Hohnstedt** spedcher1@comcast.net

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

FROM 4PM-6PM AT HOLY SPIRIT!

SCAN THIS QR CODE
REGISTER TO ATTEND



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GROWING IN FAITH



The Great Adventure begins October 22, 2025

**Wednesday Mornings from 9:30 - 11:30am
in the Gathering Place**

The Bible Timeline is a fascinating 24-part study that takes you on a journey through the entire Bible. Go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our Faith.

RETURN BY September 30, 2025

Checks payable to Holy Spirit Catholic Church (\$50.00 registration fee includes a workbook and study materials.)

Return this form to the Welcome Desk with your payment

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____



Register online using the QR code or at
signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4EABAF22A4FB6-56218114-luke#

If cost is a concern, or for more information, please contact Roberta Balsewicz:
rbalsewicz@hsc.us 630-922-0081, ext 7





Put Christmas in Your Front Yard

In today's society, the true meaning of the Christmas season has been diminished or dismissed altogether. Join us in bringing back outdoor Nativity scenes! Our hope is that the Nativity scenes will serve to brighten up our neighborhoods and remind our children of the importance of the Holy Family in the Christmas season.

Sets are on sale from the Knights of Columbus now through October 12th. Funds will go to purchase new clergy vestments for special occasions.

For more information, contact Frank Reveles at 630-918-1067 or freveleskoc@gmail.com.

Use the QR code to order your Nativity scene or visit hscc.us/ministries-knights-columbus



Knights of Columbus Annual Coat Drive

We are collecting new coats, as well as monetary donations to purchase coats for children in need.

Coats will be donated to Hesed House, St. Ethelreda's, Exchange Club of Naperville and Morning Star Mission.

October 4/5 & 11/12
IN THE NARTHEX

DONATE



Please bring food donations to Holy Spirit by Noon on Tuesday, October 7th.



Volunteers Needed

Dinner,
Wednesday
October 8th
through
Breakfast,
Thursday
October 9th

SIGN UP ONLINE AT
hscc.us/ministries-hesed-house



For Information: Contact Danielle Plotke via text at 630-877-7951 or dplotke@gmail.com



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First Saturday & Sunday before and after each Mass

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday - Thursday 9:00am (No Mass on Friday)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays following the 9:00am Mass until 10:30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30pm

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

Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:30-4:00pm

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

It is with grateful hearts that we thank you for your continued support of the parish!

Monthly Offering	#of Donors	August 2025
WeShare Online Giving	143	\$12,898
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	160	\$17,233
Envelopes & Loose Cash	175	\$55,855
Total August Collection	478	\$85,986

Year-to-Date July 1, 2025 - August 31, 2025

Sunday Offering Thru 8/31/25	\$167,352
Fiscal Year Budget Thru 8/31/25	\$185,400
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$18,048)

Special Offerings - August 2025

Building & Maintenance Fund	\$1,820
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