

October  
6,  
2024


# St. Mary Nativity Catholic Parish Holy Cross Mission




LIVING THE  
GOSPEL ...  
ONE LIFE  
AT A TIME

## ***27th Sunday in Ordinary Time***

 706 N. Broadway St., Joliet, IL 60435

 815-726-4031

 [info@stmarynativity.org](mailto:info@stmarynativity.org)

 Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Friday 8:00—3:00pm

 <https://stmarynativityholycross.com>

 <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/st706296>

 [www.facebook.com/SMNandHC/](http://www.facebook.com/SMNandHC/)

## Welcome!



Mass  
Schedule

### St. Mary Nativity Church

Saturday - 4:00 pm  
Sunday - 7:00 am  
11:00 am 12:30 pm  
5:30 pm  
Weekday -  
Tuesday 8:30am  
Wednesday (School Mass)  
8:30am  
Thursday 8:30am

### Holy Cross Church

Saturday - 4:00 pm English  
and 5:30 pm Polish  
Sunday - 9:00 am English  
and 10:30 am Polish  
Weekday - Monday and  
Friday 8:30 am English  
Tuesday 8:30 am Polish  
Monday Wednesday  
Thursday Friday  
7:00 pm Polish

St. Mary Nativity  
and Holy Cross  
Confessions:  
Saturdays  
3:15pm to 3:45pm  
or by Appointment.

**SPECIAL  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

POPE FRANCIS NAMES NEW AUXILIARY BISHOP  
FOR DIOCESE OF JOLIET

**REVEREND DENNIS E. SPIES**

(PLEASE SEE ARTICLE ON PAGE 9)



### *Prayer to Respect Life*

*Dear Lord,*

*What a gift You have given in every human life.*

*Inspire us to respect Your handiwork  
in every human we encounter.*

*Embolden us to protect the dignity  
of the most vulnerable members of society.*

*Amen.*



WE LOVE HAVING YOU AS

a part of  
our Flock!



In an effort to improve our avenues of communication in addition to the bulletin and websites, we will be utilizing Flocknote to send emails to specific parish groups, and a weekly communication to all. Many email addresses and mobile phone numbers are missing from our data base, so we need your help!

If you have a Flocknote account, please ensure that your information is correct and up to date. If you need to join our “flock” please utilize one of the methods below or call the parish office.

TEXT  
STMARYNATIVITY  
TO 84576



OR CONNECT WITH US ONLINE AT:  
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## PARISH SERVICE DAY

During the month of October, the Diocese of Joliet will focus on the final piece of the 3-part theme for the 75th anniversary: “sent forth to serve.” To do our part, we are scheduling a parish service day for **Saturday, October 26**. We are in need of leaders to coordinate and supervise service sites on and off campus. Some ideas are:

- Church/pew cleaning
- Landscaping around Fr. Clive’s rectory
- Fall clean-up around the parish grounds
- Support the school’s coat drive
- Other ideas????

If you are willing and able to help plan and lead a service project, have ideas for additional service, or are in need of help, please contact Craig in the Faith Formation office:

[cmazur@stmarynativity.org](mailto:cmazur@stmarynativity.org)

## Catholic Kids Column CHILDLIKE FAITH

Most of us wouldn't want to go back to being little children. We enjoy the independence and freedom that come with growing up.

In the gospel, Jesus encourages us to be more like children. But He's not suggesting we go back to nap times or relearn how to tie our shoes. Instead, Jesus is talking about having the trusting faith of a child.

Young children naturally trust their parents. They follow their parents without question because they know they need them. They get very upset if they're separated from their parents because they feel safe and loved when they're close.

Just as children trust their parents, we are called to trust God in the same way. Jesus Himself showed this kind of trust in God the Father. Even when He knew it would lead to suffering and death on the cross, Jesus trusted that God's plan was good. He often spent time alone in prayer, enjoying the presence of His Father and seeking His guidance.

As we grow older, it's natural to want to be more independent. We learn to make our own decisions and handle responsibilities. However, in our relationship with God, we are still like little children. God sees more than we do and understands things we cannot comprehend. It might be hard to let go of our own ideas, but trusting in God's love and wisdom helps us to follow His path, knowing He always has our best interests at heart.



Young-catholics.com

## OCIA (formerly RCIA) and Adult Sacrament Preparation

If you are an adult and want to become Catholic, or are a baptized Christian seeking Full Communion in the Catholic Church, join us now for a faith journey.

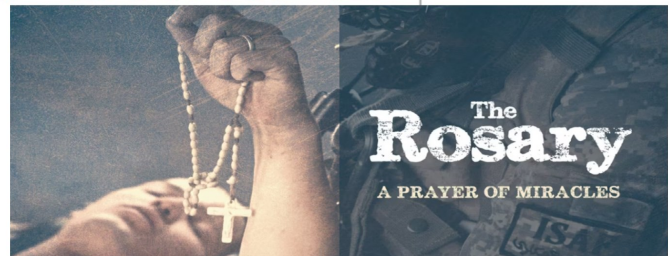
Adults who have not been baptized and desire to join the Church are invited into the ancient celebration of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. Adults who were baptized Catholic or in another Christian denomination prepare in a similar way for the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.



Contact Craig Mazur for more information  
[cmazur@stmarynativity.org](mailto:cmazur@stmarynativity.org)

## FORMED®

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A deeply inspiring documentary that reveals the miraculous power of the Rosary from incredible stories of how it saved nations and impacted history. A young American soldier was seriously injured in war. With his clenched fist, dirty with blood, he raised a Rosary. The true story of this photograph was an inspiration for the film directors to embark on a journey across four continents to investigate claims that the recitation of the Rosary can change the course of history.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



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## Are you celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary in the month of October?

Some of the biggest blessings from God in our lives are the people – our friends, family, and all we love – who are on this journey with us. Birthdays and Anniversaries remind us to celebrate those special people, as well as their gifts and thank God for placing them in our lives.

**At Masses next weekend, Oct. 12-13, there will be a blessing for those who are celebrating this month!**



**Please note!**  
**There is now a dedicated phone number for the Faith Formation Office:**  
**331-316-4366**

**I can receive calls or text messages on this number.**

**Saturday - October 5****4:00 pm Mass (HC)**

† Leonard Fordonski "Birthday" by Family

**4:00 pm Mass (SMN)**

† Patricia Tomac by Tomac Family

† Kevin Stogis by The Bores &amp; Stalker Families

† Michael Terdic Jr. by Family

**5:30 pm Mass (HC)**

O Boże błogostawieństwo dla Daniela z okazji urodzin

**Sunday - October 6****7:00 am Mass (SMN)**

For the People of the Parishes

**9:00 am Mass (HC)**

† † Anna &amp; John B. Gorski by Son, Jack

**10:30 am Mass (HC)**

O Boże błogostawieństwo dla Marii Łęckiej z okazji imienin

O łaskę uzdrowienia dla Pauliny

W intencji Panu Bogu wiadomej

† Teresa Kościelak (zam. Koło Różańcowe pw. Św. Anny)

† Władysław Dziadkowiec (16. rocznica śmierci)

**11:00 am Mass (SMN)**

† Harry Smith by Bob &amp; Judy Hintze

† Veronica Mahalik by Tammy Fishbeck &amp; Family

† Norm DuVal by The Shaw Family

**12:30 pm Mass (SMN)**

For the People of the Parishes

**5:30 pm Mass (SMN)**

† Matthew Weck by The Weck Family

**Monday - October 7****8:30am Mass (HC)**

† Sue Tierney "anniversary" by Family

**7:00 pm Mass (HC)**

Dziękczynna Bogu Ojcu za dar życia i za łaski otrzymane przez Niepokalane Serce Maryi

**Tuesday - October 8****8:30 am Mass (SMN)**

† In Honor of the Holy Angels

**8:30 am Mass (HC)**

O światło Ducha Świętego w trudnej sprawie

**Wednesday - October 9****8:30 am Mass (SMN)**

† Nora Tierney "Anniversary" by Family

**7:00 pm Mass (HC)**

† Maria Zagórska

**Thursday - October 10****8:30 am Mass (SMN)**

† Ray Page by Wife, Jean

**7:00 pm Mass (HC)**

Za dusze czyśćcowe

**Friday - October 11****8:30 am Mass (HC)**

† † Nancy &amp; Kathleen O'Reilly by Family

**7:00 pm Mass (HC)**

O zdrowie i Boże błogostawieństwo dla Doroty i jej rodziny

**Saturday - October 12****4:00 pm Mass (HC)**

For the People of the Parishes

**4:00 pm Mass (SMN)**

† Joseph Kararo by Family

† Margie Nelson by Gerry Troppe

† Mary Ann Clennon by Family

**5:30 pm Mass (HC)**

† Tadeusz Gotard

**Sunday - October 13****7:00 am Mass (SMN)**

For the People of the Parishes

**9:00 am Mass (HC)**

For the People of the Parishes

**10:30 am Mass (HC)**

O Boże błogostawieństwo dla Pawła i Karola z okazji urodzin

O łaskę uzdrowienia dla Pauliny

O Boże błogostawieństwo dla Davida i rodziny

† Aniela Długosz (w rocznicę śmierci)

† Edward Styrzcula

**11:00 am Mass (SMN)**

† Tim Gruber by Family

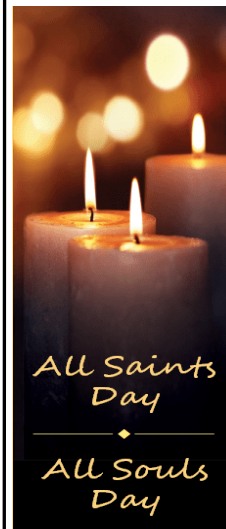
† Veronica Mahalik by Family

**12:30 pm Mass (SMN)**

† Marguerite Nelson by Kay &amp; Stan Senffner

**5:30 pm Mass (SMN)**

For the People of the Parishes

*All Saints  
Day**All Souls  
Day***Vigil of All Saints****Thursday, October 31, 2024**

4:00pm St. Mary Nativity

7:00pm Holy Cross—Polish

**All Saints Day****Friday, November 1, 2024**

8:30am Saint Mary Nativity

5:30pm Saint Mary Nativity

7:00pm Holy Cross —Polish

**All Souls Day****Saturday, November 2, 2024**

10:00am

SMN Candlelight Memorial Mass





### THE NINE MONTHS OF THE CHILD, JESUS IN THE WOMB OF MARY

Each year on December 25th, we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. For centuries the Church has also celebrated his conception on \*March 25, the feast of the Annunciation. (\*Even though the feast of the Annunciation is designated as April 8<sup>th</sup> of 2024, we will continue to use the March 25<sup>th</sup> date.

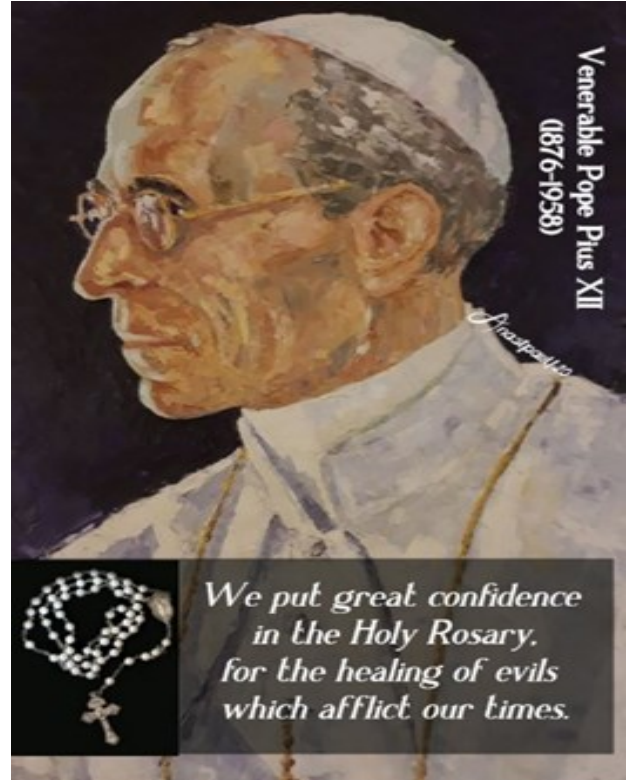
This will make our Christmas gift to our lord timely.) Our parishes have once again begun our 'Spiritual Adoption' program. Each month we will keep you up to date with the development of your baby.

### THE SEVENTH MONTH – SEPTEMBER 25 TO OCTOBER 25

Mary and Joseph knew in advance that their baby would be a boy. And although Jesus was not his biological child, Joseph eagerly anticipated his birth. By the seventh month, the baby's hands grip strongly. His eyelids open and close as he surveys his increasingly cramped surroundings. The baby is now 15 inches long and weighs 2-3 pounds. The infant Jesus listens intently for his mother's recognizable voice. A child of seven months would survive birth. The average abortion takes 5-10 minutes. The average wait for adoption is 2-10 years. Pray for all adoptive parents who provide the loving care and nourishing environment which every child deserves, and for foster parents who lend their hearts and homes to those whose fates hang in the balance.

# Parish Prayer

## October is the month of the Most Holy



### Please Keep in Your Prayers Those Serving in the Military



- Pfc. Paul Roder, USMC
- Sgt. FC Jay R. Martin, Army
- Jacob Gregurich, USMC
- Kathleen Sullivan, Navy
- Lt. Alex Aguilera, USMC
- SRA Michael Wilson Arellano
- 2nd Lt Kevin A'Hearn
- CPL. Christopher Wesley
- Captain Marcos Aguilera, USMC
- Alexander Gregurich, PFC
- First Sgt. Christina Romero, USMC
- Justyn Moot
- Cpt. Anthony Gutierrez, USMC
- Brent Moot
- Jeremy M. Close, Army
- Pfc. Michael McCallister, Army
- David Walters, Army
- Joe Miller, USMC Sgt
- Tommy Hanks, USMC
- Sgt. Christina Hanks, USMC
- Jonathon Schroll, USMC Special Forces
- Petty Officer 1st Class Tyler Hintzsche, Navy



## Heavenly Father, we pray for...

Ann	Janet Horvath	Paul Norris
Bill	Janet	Gliceria Nunez
Mary Bellos	Jacqueline H.	Patricia Phinney
Vietta Bews	Harriet Kazlauskas	Mildred Pruss
Sheri Bokholdt	Tony Keating	Ronald Pruss
Christopher Borsom	James Kozar	Armando Rodriguez
Denise Boudreau	Marilyn Lajcin	Father Pete Rossa
Tyler Centorbi	Jerry Lakota	Steve Senisais
Dianne Cerpen-Verlare	Lou Lakota, Jr.	Nancy Serdar
John Drnek	Kathleen Lepacek	Ashly Smith
Gerald Drobick	Darlene Likar	Adam Speirs
Bob Eberhard	George MacZura	Scott Speirs
Dosseh Houseaj Elise	Lois Mance	Mary Suarez
Charlotte Friehe	Gabby Matlake	Thomure Family
Kelly G.	Phil May	Joseph Trubich
Anthony Gregory	Alex McKeel	Jim Thompson
Matthew Gregurich	Charlene Molnar	Margaret Thompson
Nicholas Gulas	Robert Nasenbenny	Sister Elaine Teders
Anthony Harmes	Raymond John Nickel	Susan Ward

Need prayers or know someone who does,  
please call Pat Weiskop 815-723-7141



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## Upcoming Events

### Monday, October 7

6:00pm 6th Gr Girls VB Game - SMN Gym  
 7:00pm 8th Gr Boys VB Game - SMN Gym

### Tuesday, October 8

9:30am Bible Study - SMN Nativity Room  
 1:00pm Rosary - SMN Church  
 5:30pm Faith Formation Class - SMN School & Nativity Room

### Wednesday, October 9

8:30am School Mass - SMN Church  
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal - SMN Church

### Thursday, October 10

1:00pm Rosary in Spanish - SMN Church

### Friday, October 11 Institute Day

SMN No School  
 12:00pm Eucharistic Adoration - SMN Church  
 7:00pm Mass - Holy Cross in Polish

### Saturday, October 12

### Sunday, October 13

7:30am Hospitality Sunday - SMN Nativity Room

### Monday, October 14 Columbus Day

SMN No School/Rectory Office Closed

Sunday, October 13th in the Nativity Room after the morning Masses.

*Sweet!*  
**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY**  
*Bring the Family!*  
**All Are Welcome**

**BAPTISM**

Congratulations To Our Newly Baptized!  
**Kornelia Chramiec**

May Jesus, who loves all children, bless her with His love and grace as she grows closer to Our Lord throughout her life.

**BIBLE STUDY**

*Rosary Hour*  
 English Spanish (Livestream)

## PRAYER GROUP

**SPEND TIME WITH JESUS**

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Saint Mary Nativity every Friday - Noon to 3:00pm  
**All are welcome!**  
 Both regular adorers and substitutes are needed for these times. Please contact Laurie at (815) 370-4533 to sign up.

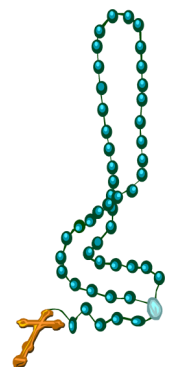
**NEW HOURS:**  
 The church is open for personal prayer Monday – Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and Friday 8:00am to 3:00 pm.

WE WILL BE  
**CLOSED**  
 ON  
**COLUMBUS DAY**  
*Monday, October 14th*

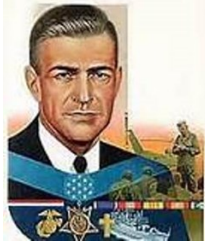


**Pro-Life Rosary Every Month Third Sunday**  
 Holy Cross before the 9 am Mass, starting at 8:35 am  
 St. Mary Nativity before the 11 am Mass, starting at 10:35 am.  
**The next meeting of the St. Mary Nativity Pro-Life Committee:**  
**October date to be determined.**

We are thankful for your continued help and look forward to your participation in our events from now until that date. For questions or for more information, contact Mike Hansen at 815-212-3661 or [mikehansen@mikehansenlaw.com](mailto:mikehansen@mikehansenlaw.com)







*You Are Invited*

**To The Father Vincent Capodanno-Father Emile Kapaun  
Memorial Mass and Healing Service**

*The Knights of Columbus of Queen of Apostles Parish, Joliet, Illinois  
Invites you to attend this special Memorial Mass  
Honoring*

*Servant of God, Father Vincent Capodanno, Chaplain (Lt. USNR),  
3<sup>rd</sup>. Btl. 5<sup>th</sup> Marines*

*And Servant of God Father Emile Kapaun, Chaplain (Capt.) U.S. Army  
1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division*

**Saturday, November 23, 2024, 10:00 A.M.**

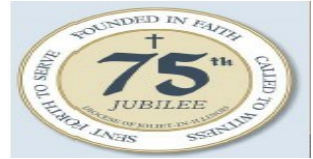
Mass will be preceded at 9:00 A.M. by a "Patriotic Rosary"

There will be a "Healing Service" immediately following Mass  
Location

Queen of Apostles Parish  
West Campus

18 N. Woodlawn Ave, Joliet, Illinois 60436

Questions? Call Jim Kubalewski, 815-272-3512



*To all in the  
Diocese of Joliet,  
as we conclude our  
anniversary  
celebration, you are  
cordially invited  
to join us at*

*The Diocese of Joliet  
75th Anniversary  
Jubilee Liturgy*

*Sunday, December 8, 2024  
at 4pm*

*Cathedral St. Raymond  
Nonnatus  
604 N. Raynor Ave.  
Joliet, IL 60435*

*A reception will follow in  
the Joyce Center.  
Seating is VERY limited.  
Please respond promptly  
by scanning the QR code.*

*Responses will be taken  
starting the morning of  
October 6th.*

*Reservations will be  
taken on a first come first  
serve basis.*



Your word, O Lord, is truth;  
consecrate us in the truth.  
Deepen your communication,  
rekindle your romance and renew your sac-  
rament by attending the next  
Worldwide Marriage Encounter  
Experience on October 11-13 in Geneva, IL  
or November 16-17 at the Blanchette  
Center in Crest Hill.



For more info go to:  
[wwme.org](http://wwme.org)  
or call (888) 574-5653  
or scan the QR Code

If you are asking yourself what can we do to help our marriage, we would like to recommend Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a program designed for married couples who are struggling. Retrouvaille can help them to communicate on a deeper level and has helped thousands of couples return to a God-centered marriage.

**Our next weekend will be held in Chicago  
October 18-20, 2024**

For information, Please contact:

**Retrouvaille of Joliet • (815) 246-2080**

**HelpOurMarriage.com**





## Saint Mary Nativity

2024 Goal	\$41,000
Amount Pledged	\$40,888
Amount Paid	\$38,205
Balance Due	\$2,683
Donor Count	161
2024 Rebate	\$0

## Holy Cross

2024 Goal	\$12,900
Amount Pledged	\$19,570
Amount Paid	\$18,473
Balance Due	\$1,097
Donor Count	71
2023 Rebate	\$3,901

Once our parishes reach their goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to the parish.

*Thank you for attending  
for serving, and for giving!*

*Thank you  
for growing with us!*

## Sunday, September 29, 2024

St. Mary Nativity	\$6,174.00
Holy Cross	\$2,549.00

With the simple click of a button from your computer or smart device, you can securely set-up one-time or recurring donations.

You can also donate by visiting our website at <https://stmarynativityholycross.com>

**Scan now to donate!**

*May God Bless You!*



## First Quarter Maintenance Donations and Expenses

### Holy Cross Donations

Maintenance Fund (Period July 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024)	\$18,576
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### Saint Mary Nativity Donations

Maintenance Fund (Period July 1, 2024 to September 30, 2024)	\$11,399
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### Maintenance Fund

Balance as of September 30, 2024	St. Mary Nativity \$49,793	Holy Cross \$5,160
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### Capital Campaign

Balance as of September 30, 2024	St. Mary Nativity \$43,377	Holy Cross \$768
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### St. Mary Nativity Expenses

Defibrillators  
Wall Repair from Rectory to Nativity Room  
Playground Mulch and Painting  
Campus Carpet Cleaning  
Altar Light Repairs  
Miscellaneous - Parish Office  
School Freezer Repair  
School Walk-in Cooler Repair  
School Cafeteria Floor Waxing  
Classroom and Storage Room Ceiling Repair  
Rectory AC Cooling Repair  
School AC Cooling Repair  
Maintenance Shop Floor Drain Repair  
Campus Storm Clean-up  
New Faith Formation Office

### Holy Cross Expenses

Tree Service - Storm Damage  
School Basement Renovations  
Miscellaneous - Rectory  
Video and Audio TV Projector  
Laminated Floors - Rectory (50% Deposit)  
Back Porch Renovation - Rectory



The Month of  
October  
The Holy Rosary

A Devotion to the  
Blessed Virgin Mary





## **POPE FRANCIS NAMES NEW AUXILIARY BISHOP FOR DIOCESE OF JOLIET**

Friday, September 27, 2024

Today the Vatican announced that Pope Francis has appointed Reverend Dennis E. Spies as the new Auxiliary Bishop for the Diocese of Joliet, Illinois. Most recently, Father Dennis has been serving as the Vicar for Clergy in the Diocese of Joliet in Illinois. The episcopal ordination of Bishop-elect Spies will take place at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet, Illinois on November 6, 2024.

Bishop Ronald A. Hicks said, "I am sincerely grateful to Pope Francis for the joyful news of this appointment. Father Dennis is a wonderful priest who has already worn many hats in his priesthood including pastor, seminary leader and the Vicar for Clergy. He is hardworking, prayerful, and 'down to earth' with a very relatable manner. As a new auxiliary

bishop, he will be a great help to me. But most importantly he will share his many gifts with this large and active Diocese of Joliet in Illinois. Together we will continue our mission in the Diocese with a shared focus on catechesis, evangelization and putting our faith into action. How blessed we are to welcome Father Dennis as our new Auxiliary Bishop."

Bishop-elect Spies was born in 1968 to Rose Mary and Vincent Spies (deceased 2009). He was raised in Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Ashkum, Illinois where he attended Ashkum Elementary School and Clifton Central High School. He attended Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture-Business Economics, graduating in 1990.

Following college, Bishop-elect Spies served as team leader with National Evangelization Team (NET) and then returned to Ashkum to farm and run a soybean business on his family's farm. In the fall of 1997, Bishop-elect Spies entered seminary formation at Mundelein Seminary at University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, Illinois where he majored in Sacred Liturgy and graduated with a Master's degree in Divinity in 2002.

Bishop-elect Spies was ordained a priest in the Diocese of Joliet on June 1, 2002, by Bishop Joseph L. Imesch at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet, Illinois. Following ordination, Bishop-elect Spies ministered for many years in the Diocese, including as associate pastor at St. Walter's Parish in Roselle (2002-2005), associate pastor at St. Mary

Immaculate Parish in Plainfield (2005-2008), pastor at Our Lady of Lourdes in Gibson City, St. George in Melvin, and Immaculate Conception in Roberts (2008-2011). His next pastor assignment included St. Liborius in Steger, Mother Teresa Catholic Academy in Crete, and St. Mary Parish in Park Forest (2013-2016). In 2010, following a three-year program, Bishop-elect Spies attained his Sacred Theology degree and license (STL), with a focus on spirituality of the diocesan priest, from the University of St. Mary of the Lake.

From 2016 – 2024 Bishop-elect Spies served on the formation faculty as Director of Pre- Theology and Internship at Mundelein Seminary at University of St. Mary of the Lake. On July 1, 2024, he was appointed as the Vicar for Clergy for the Diocese of Joliet by Bishop Ronald A. Hicks.

Over the past 18 years, Bishop-elect Spies has given his time and offered ministry in a number of other roles including Diocesan Presbyteral Council (as member and then chairman from 2006 – 20011), Dean of the Will County Deanery of parishes and priests (2013 – 2016), Institute of Priestly Formation spiritual director (2016 -2023), Cursillo weekend retreats and spiritual leader (2003-2024), and Be Healed weekend retreats and spiritual leader (2020 – 2024).

Throughout his various ministries, Bishop-elect Spies values the ability to meet and connect with people in a way that allows others to better know Jesus Christ. His life goal is to be known as "one who loved and taught others to love."

Clergy, staff and parishioners around the Diocese of Joliet are elated to work with Bishop-elect Spies as our new Auxiliary Bishop. Please join Bishop Hicks in warmly welcoming Bishop-elect Spies to his new and important role within our Diocese.

Thank You to Our Parish Feasts Day Sponsors



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150 Days of Winning!

Tickets available in mid October!

St. Mary Nativity

# CANDY

Donations Needed  
for Trunk Or Treat

HALLOWEEN CANDY CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR AT THE PARISH OFFICE. UNTIL OCT 25TH



Sixth graders worked on identifying rocks and minerals in science class today as part of their earth science program.

### Dan's Homemade Candies Caramel Apples



St. Mary Nativity annual fundraiser. The Caramel Apples are delicious and are only \$4.00 each. Please fill out the bottom of this order form and send it along with your payment by Thursday, October 10th. Please make checks payable to St. Mary Nativity School. Please drop your order off at school, at the parish office or in the weekend collection basket. Pick up Apples in the Nativity Room on October 17th after 3:00pm.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Caramel Apples \_\_\_\_\_ at \$4.00 each

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_



# Parish and School Centers

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## Meet Our Staff...



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Joliet, Illinois 60435



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Joliet, Illinois 60435

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**Father Gerald Nicholas, OSA, Weekend Associate**

**Donald Legerski, Director of Music**  
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**Mariusz Madej, Polish Organist**

**Mary Nemanich, Business Manager**  
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ST. MARY NATIVITY  
CATHOLIC CHURCH



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

**New Hours:**

**Monday - Thursday**  
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