



**AUGUST 2024**  
August 1-31

**SAINT MARY OF THE LAKE  
AND OUR LADY OF LOURDES  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

# WELCOME TO OUR *Parish Community*

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## SAINT MARY OF THE LAKE AND OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Worship of God and Service to the Poor*

## MASS TIMES

### SAINT MARY OF THE LAKE

#### WEEKEND MASSES

*Saturday Vigil*  
4:30 PM - English  
6:30 PM - Spanish

*Sunday*  
8:30 AM - English  
10:30 AM - English  
12:30 PM - Spanish  
6:30 PM - English

#### DAILY MASSES

*Monday - Saturday*  
9:00 AM - English

#### RECONCILIATION

*Thursdays - 7:00 PM*  
*Saturdays - 9:30 AM*

#### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

*Thursdays - 7:00 PM*

#### PRIVATE PRAYER

**ST. GABRIEL CHAPEL**  
*Monday - Friday - 9:30 AM - 7:30 PM*

**PARISH OFFICE**  
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(773) 280-7700  
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**Monday - Friday**  
9:00am - 8:00pm

**Saturdays & Sundays**  
9:00am - 2:00pm

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH**  
(4640 N Ashland Avenue) is closed for  
worship as of May 20, 2024.

**\*\*Parish Transportation is AVAILABLE**  
from Our Lady of Lourdes for parishion-  
ers who need assistance getting to  
Saint Mary's. **Please call the parish by**  
**Friday to arrange for pick-up.**

# A MESSAGE FROM *Father Jesus*

## MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS,

A few weeks ago, the National Eucharistic Congress was celebrated in Indianapolis, with the intention to reflect more deeply on Jesus' real presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. Some people from our community took part in it, either as listeners or speakers. It was an amazing experience to be surrounded by tens of thousands of people in reverent adoration of Him who said: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever...." (John 6:51).

There were moments of deep reflection, moments of pious adoration, and moments of meeting fellow Catholics from all over the nation and also moments of exploring the different galleries from various religious communities and editorial houses. But from all the different activities that took place, there was one in particular that touched me very deeply; it was the procession with the Blessed Sacrament through Indianapolis' downtown. Thousands and thousands of people gathered on the sidewalks and bridges, even through the windows of the tall buildings, it was possible to see people stopping everything that they were doing in order to follow the Eucharistic procession. All the priests marched ahead of the Blessed Sacrament, and as we were passing by, people with tears in their eyes were expressing in a loud voice their gratitude to us, priest, for our "yes" to the priestly vocation, since it is through our unworthy hands that the Holy Eucharist is a constant reality in the Church. Without priests, there is no Eucharist. The fervor of the people was very moving. Children, youth, and adults alike expressing their gratitude and admiration to all their priests. It reminded me of the words we heard in one of our recent Sunday Gospels, my heart, like the one of Jesus, "was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd." (Mc 6, 34). They were so needy of Jesus.

This experience during the Eucharistic procession reminded me that very moment in which God entrusted me His most sacred treasure: His children. Let me give you the context of it, when I was young, I always saw myself as a married man. My dream was to have at least two children, a girl and a boy. For this reason, the idea of becoming a priest was never even considered. In 2004, I was dating my girlfriend, and we were already planning to begin our life together by the end of that year, but God's plans were different. At the beginning of that year, my pastor invited me to a retreat for young men who were considering priesthood. For obvious reasons, I told him that it was not my case, but he insisted. Out of respect for him, I accepted the invitation. The rest is history. Here I am now, a priest of Jesus Christ. I spent fourteen years in the seminary, and during that time my desire to be a father was never lost. At times, it was even painful when playing with my little nephews. Once my brothers arrived, the kids left me immediately and ran to their father's arms saying "daddy, daddy," while my arms were left extended and empty. God knew of these feelings inside of me, and He did something about it. In 2014, I had the opportunity to take part in a mission trip to Burkina Faso, in Africa, through Catholic Relief Services (CRS). Our mission was to bring the Good News of the Gospel through the active presence of the Church, not only by preaching the Gospel, but by living and practicing it among them.

We visited many places, and among them was an orphanage. At our arrival, we were entrusted with a baby. We were six seminarians in the group. The baby that I received, "Angel" I named him, was one week old. He was found by the religious sisters on the street among the garbage. He was the most precious baby I have ever seen. My heart inside my chest was



**FR. JESUS ROMERO**  
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

beating so rapidly. I finally had a baby in my arms, one that I could consider mine because no one wanted him. My paternal instinct was completely activated, and ran all over me like an electric shock, energizing every cell in my body. I took the baby and immediately started rocking him in my arms. I was given a bottle with milk and I started feeding him. Little by little, he fell asleep while I rock him in my arms and hummed a lullaby in Spanish. I was the happiest man on Earth! Sadly, it didn't last long because our visit was short and I had to return the baby. My heart was broken.

On my way back to Chicago, I fell asleep on the plane, and in my dreams I heard God's voice: "You really want the baby, don't you?" – "yes," I reply. "I know of the fatherly love that exist within you, for that reason I have chosen you. You wanted to limit your fatherly love to only two children, but you are capable of more. Just like that baby that was rejected and abandoned, so are my children in the world. They have been rejected, abandoned, mistreated, and thrown to the garbage of sin. Just like that baby, they are in need of a fatherly love, someone who has that fire within him to listen, guide, and support them. I want you to show them my fatherly love and mercy. They are my children, and now I entrust them to you." I have been a priest for 6 years now, and I have tried my best to fulfill my duties, I am aware of my limitation, but at the end, I know it is God's work.

The Eucharistic Congress was a great reminder of the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, and that is something I firmly believe. But for me, it was also a revival of my call to the priesthood, by reminding me of the importance of my vocation for the people who God has entrusted to me to feed and care for, making sure that they all are lead back to the arms of the Heavenly Father by keeping them inside the flock guided by the Good Shepherd.

During the first Fridays of this month, August 2, 9, and 16, we will be having our Summer Speaker Series about the Holy Eucharist. It will be an opportunity to all of us to reflect more about such a magnificent mystery. Join us with an open heart and let God revive what need to be brought back to life within you!

Blessings,  
Fr. Jesus

# LET US PRAY *Together*

## MASS INTENTIONS

To request a Mass Intention in memory of a deceased loved one, for someone who is sick or for general prayers please call the parish office. Note that these requests will be mentioned in the Mass time you request and published in our monthly bulletin. Please contact the office one week in advance to request an intention. The suggested donation is \$15 per intention.

**Please note that any mass intentions received after the 15th OF THE MONTH will not be published in the bulletin, however it will still be prayed for at mass.**

## SICK LIST

If you would like to add a family member or friend to our general Prayer List for the Sick, please contact the parish office and provide the name. These names will be published in our monthly bulletin and weekly newsletters so that our community can pray for them. There is no donation requested for these requests.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

*Marcela Rodriguez, Hector De León, Griffin Marks, Rod Reyes, Maria Estela Alvarez, Austreberta Escobar, Adolfo Ruiz Baca, Melissa Velazquez, Molly Morris, Alfredo Pinon, Rose Mueller, Michael Snyder, Angela Bates, Angelica Luviano, Lauren Troy, Jack Denihan, Maria Pardo, Rachel Hohner, Angela Turley, Mary Pilarczyk, William Himmelmann, Marilyn Trant, Vivian Morales, John Okeeffe, Benjamin Blanco, Elvira Blanco, Kenneth Towers, Rosabella Payomo, Antonio Alcantara, Joe Klochan, Sue Leach, Jeff McBride, Judy LeDuc, Frank Walsh, Mario Ronchetti, Daniel Ronchetti, Patrick Bentley, Joe Camerlengo, Maria Lina Grosso, Sarah Delaney and for all our sick parishioners and those who are in nursing homes.*



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

The following are prayer requests we have received from the Saint Mary of the Lake and Our Lady of Lourdes community. Please keep them in your prayers.

### Deceased

†Albert Cernicky  
†Ian Thornton  
†Socorro Martinez  
†Rebecca Herbig  
†Antonio Estrada  
†Lewis Zane  
†Charles D. Van Der Beck  
†Martin D. Pienis  
†Anthony Fugaro  
†Freddy Subia  
†Gustavo Tomala  
†Antonio Tomala  
†Olga Guevara  
†Vianette Urquiza  
†Manuel Urquiza  
†Norio Shioura  
†Patricia Exter Kern  
†All Souls in Purgatory

### Health

Rudy Escobar  
Judith Cortese

### Anniversary

Rodolfo & Virginia Esquivel  
Sr. Claudia Sanchez, FCJ  
(Religious Vows)



## PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Please pray for the following men in our parish community who are discerning the priesthood. We continue to pray for all members of our parish who are discerning God's call in their life.

**Jonathan Bedolla   Eduardo Rodas   Justin Roy**



For the members of our parish community who have recently passed away.

†Sarah Delaney  
†Cesar Rosales, Jr.  
†Ezinne Theresa Igwem

# SUMMER SERIES 2024



**JOIN US FOR  
OUR SUMMER  
SERIES!**

With

**John  
DeCostanza**

**Keara Ette**

**Sr. Alicia Torres, F.E.**

**Timothy  
O'Malley**

## **LIVING THE EUCHARIST: FROM MASS TO MISSION**

**FRIDAYS AT 5:30PM  
7/26, 8/2, 8/9, 8/16**

**Saint Mary's Lawn  
4220 N Sheridan Road | Chicago**

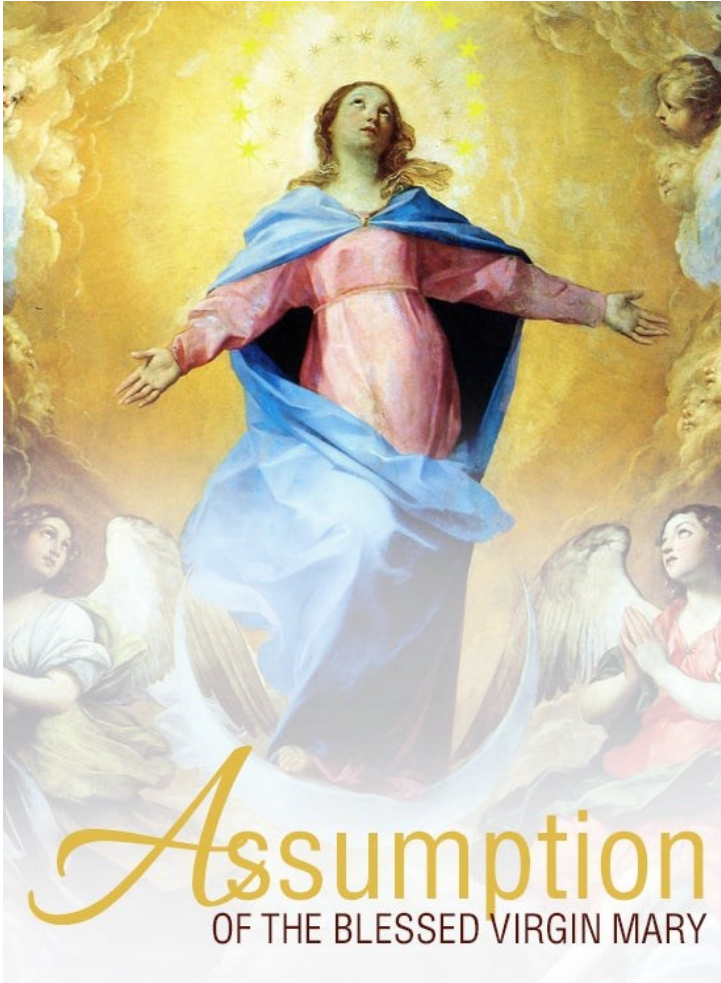
**Friday Nights—5:30pm Music, 6:45pm Speaker**

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US!**

Would you like to assist with hospitality? Email Marc at [mvega@saintmarys.org](mailto:mvega@saintmarys.org)

**[www.saintmarys.org/summer](http://www.saintmarys.org/summer)**

# LITURGY and Prayer



## CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Join for Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation, on **Thursday, August 15, 2024**. Mass will be celebrated at the following times:

- 9:00am English
- 5:30pm English
- 7:00pm Spanish

*Note that adoration and confessions will not be held on Thursday, August 15 due to the Mass at 7pm.*

## BREAKFAST WITH THE PASTOR

Following the morning Daily Mass at 9am, all are invited to our final **Breakfast with the Pastor** of the summer. All are welcome to join and bring a breakfast item to share. Weather permitting the breakfast will be held outdoors in the Courtyard.



**Treat Your Marriage to a Unique Weekend Experience**  
Learn the Art of Living your Marriage Journey



*"Living together is an art, a patient, beautiful, fascinating journey. It does not end once you have won each other's love...Rather, it is precisely there where the journey begins"*  
POPE FRANCIS, February 14, 2014

As Pope Francis states living together is an art and can be a beautiful journey. Marriage can be challenging with family, work, finances, kids, busy schedules and all that life offers. Losing focus on what is important in life is easy.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend experience focuses on what's important in your marriage and provides the tools to live a beautiful journey together.

- **Who is it for?** Any married couple that desires a richer, fuller life together.
- **Who presents the weekend experience?** 3 Catholic Couples and a Priest
- **Is there group sharing?** No, the series of presentations are followed by couple's time for discernment and discussion in the privacy of their room.
- **How is a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend experience different?** The weekend experience is not retreat, group therapy or marriage counseling. The weekend experience provides a quiet, meditative environment for couples to focus on one another and their relationship.
- **Where can I find more information?** Visit and apply at [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or call 888-574-5653

Sept. 6-8, 2024, Geneva, IL.      Upcoming weekends  
Oct. 11-13, 2024, Geneva, IL.  
Nov. 16-17, 2024, Crest Hill, IL.      Feb. 14-17, 2025, Geneva, IL.      April 26-27, 2025, Location TBD



**What are your priorities for 2024?**

**God**  
**Marriage**  
**Family**  
**Job**

Finish out your year strong by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Find out how to prioritize your life, to communicate on a deeper level and have the kind of relationship you want.

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For more information and more dates, visit our website at:

[Wwme.org](http://Wwme.org) or call 888-574-5653

# CHARITY and Service

## SOUP KITCHEN & SACK MEAL PROGRAM

Volunteers are needed to **MAKE SACK MEALS** and to help with service on Wednesday nights. To make this a success consistently each week, we need **80 individuals/families** to commit to donating at least once a month.

### Each sack meal should contain:

- 2 lunch meat sandwiches with no condiments, cheese is optional but a nice addition
- 2 cheese sticks
- 1 bag of chips (or similar)
- 1 piece of soft fruit (for example, orange, banana, grapes)
- Dessert (cookies or candy bar)
- Beverage (juice box, can of soda, or 8 oz water bottle/sports drink)
- Napkin

**Please pack each meal in a gallon-sized plastic bag (like Ziploc). Or please use a plastic grocery bag.**

### DROP OFF

Wednesday between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00pm, drop off at the parish reception desk, as they will be handed out beginning at 6:00pm.

### WEDNESDAY VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed to help with the distribution of sack meals, set up and serving a hot meal to our unhoused community members every week. Help is needed every Wednesday from 4:30-7:30pm.

**To sign-up to make sack meals or to help on Wednesday nights please visit the parish website or contact Darlene at**



## PARISH COUNSELOR SUPPORT



**IF YOU NEED HELP,  
PLEASE REACH OUT  
TO OUR PARISH  
COUNSELOR TODAY**

**JENNI DRESSLER**  
Parish Counselor

Phone/Text: 872-228-1490

Email: JDressler.Claret@gmail.com

## SUMMER AND FALL SUNDAY HOSPITALITY

Your help is needed for our 2024 Summer and Fall Sunday Hospitality dates! Please **email Marc at [mvega@saintmarys.org](mailto:mvega@saintmarys.org)** for the "4th Sunday" dates when we will offer donuts and coffee or wine and cheese after Sunday Masses. We are looking for 3-4 people to help for each date and Mass time.

## JOIN THE MUSIC MINISTRY

Please, consider joining our parish choir. If you have ever sung in a choir, or you play an instrument, you are invited to share your gifts with your faith community. **If you are interested we invite you to contact our music director, Michael Ruzicki at [mruzicki@saintmarys.org](mailto:mruzicki@saintmarys.org)**

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Consider serving in one of our liturgical ministries as a Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Altar Server, Sacristan, Greeter or Usher. We are in need of more people to help with our Sunday liturgies. Training and formation is available to prepare you to serve in these roles. If you are interested in learning more about these ministries **please contact Gabriel Mayhugh at [gmayhugh@saintmarys.org](mailto:gmayhugh@saintmarys.org)**.

## SERVE WITH THE COMMUNITY OF SANT'EGIDIO

You are invited to join in friendship and food distribution with our unhoused and migrant communities in Uptown on Sundays. Meet in parish office at Saint Mary of the Lake on **Sundays at 11:30 AM** to prepare food together. Directly following we go into Uptown, visiting with the unhoused and migrant communities bringing coffee and food but most importantly friendship. **For more info contact Krysten McOsker or the parish office.**

## LAUNDRY MINISTRY

Saint Mary's and Our Lady of Lourdes Laundry Ministry is a response to the corporal work of mercy "clothing the naked." Each week we provide the loving act of washing the clothing for homeless LGBTQ+ youth serviced by the Center on Halsted, qualified seniors living at Town Hall Apartments and the homeless living on the street. Over the years we have provided additional services to these friends as needed. We meet each **Tuesday at 3:00 PM** at the parish office. **For more information or to support this ministry please contact Ron Schnorbus at [rschnorbus@gmail.com](mailto:rschnorbus@gmail.com)**



# FAITH Formation



## WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

We gladly welcome the following children into the family of God and into the faith community of Saint Mary of the Lake and Our Lady of Lourdes, who were baptized during the **month of July**. Please pray for them and their families.

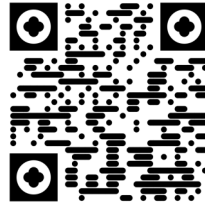
*Ingrid Elizabeth Hultquist*  
*Jacob Miguel Gonzalez Klein*  
*Noelle Vivian Macias*



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY MARRIED

We congratulate the following people who were married during the **month of July**. May they and their marriage be blessed abundantly in the years to come!

*Jehad Gharib & Erika Pojas*  
*Jose Moreno & Lucia Luna*



## BECOMING CATHOLIC

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church or learning more about being Catholic and celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation? For more info please scan the QR code below or **contact Marc Vega at 773-280-7700 or [mvega@saintmarys.org](mailto:mvega@saintmarys.org)**

**Share your witness and love for Christ!** Contact Marc to learn more about our Adult Faith Formation and sacramental programs by being a catechist! Formation and training is available for first time and experienced catechists.

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Join the Young Adult community! The Young Adults of Saint Mary of the Lake and Our Lady of Lourdes are a vibrant, inclusive group of parishioners, ages 21-39, dedicated to living and growing in our Catholic faith.

To be added to the email list and to learn more about the upcoming events please speak with Marc Vega or email us at **[YoungAdults@saintmarys.org](mailto:YoungAdults@saintmarys.org)**

### Young Adult Meet and Greet! - Sun. August 25

Join us on Sunday, August 25, 2024 for a Young Adult Meet and Greet immediately following the 6:30pm Mass. Are you curious about Young Adult Ministry in our parish? Are you looking to connect with other parishioners your age? Plan to attend the Sunday evening 6:30 PM English Mass and then stop by the Courtyard afterwards to learn what it's all about!



## CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Are you interested in forming your child and helping them grow more in the faith? Are you seeking to prepare your child for First Communion or Confirmation? We invite you to register your child for our Children's Faith Formation Program this year! Registration for the 2024-2025 year will begin on July 9th from 3-8pm Tuesday—Friday and Saturdays from 9am-1pm.

The children's program is also seeking English speaking catechists. Consider serving our parish by passing on the faith to our young people!

**For more info or questions contact please contact Sister Claudia Sanchez at [csanchez@saintmarys.org](mailto:csanchez@saintmarys.org) or 773-280-7700.**





# FAREWELL from Sr. Guadalupe Limas

I want to write this message of thanks first to God for having allowed me to share with the entire community of Saint Mary of the Lake and Our Lady of Lourdes during these last three years. I also want to thank Father Manuel Dorantes who was the one who asked the congregation “Familia de Corde Jesu” for the collaboration of a community of religious women to support him in the mission of evangelizing in faith and unity. I thank each one of the priests Father Vince, Father Dan, Father Elvio, Father Erick and Father Jesus with whom I shared many moments of faith and fraternity.

I want to thank my Sisters of the Congregation “Familia de Corde Jesu”: Claudia Elizabeth Sánchez Jauregui, with whom I lived and served with during these three years. She was my coworker and a great support in this unknown adventure that was coming to do a mission in the United States, and also Sister Carmen Loredo Betancuort with whom we made a community of faith, testimony and joy.

I would like to thank each of the members who make up the staff, each of the people who joined and left, but each one of them contributed their best qualities and gifts to the service of the community and who were the closest collaborators of Father Manuel from whom I learned a lot about how to work side by side to better serve the parish community.

I would also like to thank the coordinators of each of the Liturgical Ministries and Devotional Groups with whom I shared this mission very closely where together we grew in faith and experienced the great love of God in the service that each one provides to the community.

And I say thank you with all the respect and admiration that you deserve, to all of you members of the parish of Saint Mary of the Lake and Our Lady of Lourdes with whom I have shared during these three years so many moments of prayer in the celebration of the Holy Mass, in the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and in the many fraternal moments in which we have shared together spiritual and corporal nourishment.

Thank you because in this parish I found a great family, where I always saw an outstretched hand to help me, a welcoming smile and open arms of welcome.

Thank you for so many actions carried out together such as the preparation of the altar of the dead, the celebration of Thanksgiving Day, the presentation of the pastorela, the procession of Jesus of Nazareth, evangelization with the living Stations of the Cross in the surroundings of our neighborhood, the International Kermes and living the Easter Vigil in this parish is one of the celebrations that has left a mark on my life and I will never forget it.

Thank you to all the people I met in this parish: the diverse English speaking community, Filipinos, Italians and Latinos from various countries (Mexico, Venezuela, Ecuador, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Honduras, Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic) who gave me their love and friendship.

I encourage you all to continue forward with your mission in this community. Continue donating your time and talent to the min-

istries and devotional groups to which you belong, serving, supporting and teaching those who are joining the parish for the greater glory of the Kingdom of God. I ask that you receive Sister Mayra Hedlin Jiménez Medina with the same joy and welcome with which I was received.

I am very happy and I leave three times as happy to have shared with you my life of faith, my love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus and my desire to meet again in this life and if not in heaven for all eternity.

*Sr. Maria Guadalupe Limas Valtierra, FCJ*



# MINISTRY *Events*

## NAVIGATING DIVORCE MINISTRY

This totally free, confidential, and very practical ministry can be another gift offered during this season of renewal. The heart of the ministry lies with those women and men who are seeking divorce healing within a confidential yet honest **Sunday morning (9:15-10:15)** lively discussion group. Another advantage of this ministry is that we are a small determined group which provides no pressure. For example, on any given Sunday, some may share concerns

Whether you are a divorced veteran, or one new to divorce, or one considering a divorce I welcome you to contact me at your earliest convenience. I am Dr. Milton Kobus---  
drmkobus@gmail.com or cell-(773) 431-2083.

## PRAY WITH THE COMMUNITY OF SANT'EGIDIO

The Community of Sant'Egidio lives in a spiritual and fraternity gathering for prayer and serving the poor and marginalized in our city. Join us as we gather around the Gospel for a Vespers-type evening prayer.

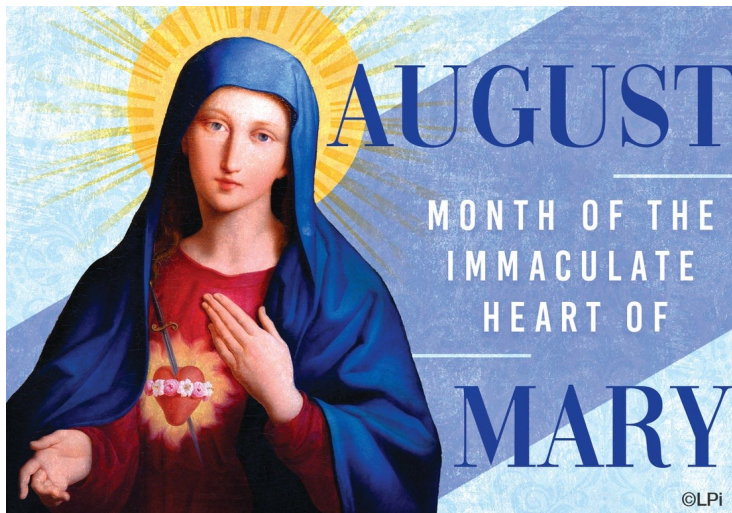
St. Gabriel Chapel at Saint Mary of the Lake **Thursdays at 6:30pm**. The first Thursday of the month is dedicated to praying for peace.

For more info please contact Krysten McOsker at [krystenmcosker@gmail.com](mailto:krystenmcosker@gmail.com)



## SECOND SATURDAY BIKE RIDES

"Second Saturday Rides" will be starting in May! These will be 7:00 AM start time. Confirmed Dates are: **July 13th, August 10th, September 14th, October 12th**. Meet in front of Saint Mary's on the plaza. Contact Ron Schnorbus for any questions.



ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



SANTUARIO *de Guadalupe*  
SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Cardinal Blase Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago, and the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe invite you to

## The Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City

for an extraordinary pilgrimage of faith, history and hope.

**January 14 to 20, 2025**

Joining us as spiritual facilitators on this unique adventure will be Very Rev. Esequiel Sanchez, Rector of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and Rev. Manuel Dorantes, Pastor of Saint Mary of the Lake Parish

The pilgrimage will be conducted in English and Spanish.



## SUNDAY HOSPITALITY—AUGUST 25, 2024

Join us for Sunday Hospitality following all Sunday Masses on Sunday, August 25, 2024. *Immediately following the morning Masses we will have coffee and donuts and after the evening 6:30pm Mass we will have wine and cheese!*

**All are welcome for Mass and fellowship together!**

# PARISH *Stewardship*

## Monthly Financial Reporting: June and July 2024

### June and July Sunday Offertory Numbers

	June 30	July 7	July 14	July 21
<i>In Pew / Mailed-In Gifts</i>	\$ 7,197.00	\$ 6,462.00	\$ 6,462.00	\$ 6,996.00
<i>Online Giving</i>	\$ 2,834.00	\$ 5,180.00	\$ 2,302.00	\$ 2,219.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 10,031.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,642.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,764.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,215.00</b>

Weekly Sunday Collection Goal: \$ 12,875.00 (3% increase from last year's goal)  
 Average Weekly Sunday Collection: \$ 9,873.67  
 Total Sunday Collection Goal (3 weeks): \$ 38,625.00  
 Total Sunday Collections (through July 21, 2024): \$ 29,621.00  
**Total Sunday Collection Shortfall: (\$ 9,004.00) (an average shortfall of \$3,001 per week)**

Peter's Pence: \$1,728.00  
 Summer Missionary Cooperative Appeal: \$1,745.00

### Thank you for your generous support!

July 1 represented the start of a new fiscal year for the parish.  
 Watch out for the parish annual report in a future monthly bulletin.

#### Parish Operating Income for the month of June:

Sunday Collections: \$49,212.00  
 Religious Education Tuition: \$2,180.00  
 Lease Income: \$1,648.00  
 Interest Income: \$12,667.00  
 Mass Stipends and Stole Fees (Funerals, weddings, baptisms): 4,226.00

**Total Operating Income (month of June): \$ 69,933.00**

#### Parish Operating Expenses for the month of June:

Salaries/Taxes/Benefits: \$ 65,312.00  
 Property/Casualty Insurance: \$ 13,149.00  
 (\$ 7,890.00 for St. Mary of the Lake and \$ 5,259.00 for Our Lady of Lourdes)  
 Office, Administrative, Rectory: \$ 7,219.00  
 Archdiocesan Assessments: \$ 11,398.00  
 Altar and Liturgical Expenses: \$ 1,273.00  
 Maintenance & Building Repairs: \$ 831.00  
 Utilities (Gas/Electric/Phone/Water): \$ 4,326.00  
 (\$ 2,812.00 for St. Mary of the Lake and \$ 1,514.00 for Our Lady of Lourdes)

**Total Operating Expenses (month of June): \$ 103,508.00**

Operating Income for the month of June: \$ 69,933.00  
 Operating Expenses for the month of June: \$ 103,508.00  
**Deficit for the month of June: (\$33,575.00)**

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