



ST. MOTHER THEODORE GUERIN PARISH

St. Celestine and St. Cyprian
stguerinparish.org



APRIL 7, 2024

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

“Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.” - Jn 20: 27

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ST. CELESTINE CHURCH and Parish Office

3020 North 76th Court
Elmwood Park, Illinois 60707
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MASSES
Saturday 5 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM
11 AM
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
8 AM

Reconciliation Saturday 4-4:45 PM

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MISSION STATEMENT: "To do God's will as a unified, vibrant parish, and to foster an intentional relationship with Jesus through worship, witness, service, discipleship, and community."

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 6

4 PM St. Cyprian

+Joseph Makowski
+James Rouzan, Anniversary

5 PM St. Celestine

+Jesus Moreno, 1st Anniversary
+John Ciszek, 8th Anniversary
+Natalie Zygmunt
+Maria Klos
+Rosemary Hyland

SUNDAY, April 7

7:30 AM St. Celestine

+Carlos Reyes Paran, 3rd Anniversary

9 AM St. Cyprian

+Giovanna Scafidi
+Vincent and +Sepia Lukasiewicz

11 AM St. Celestine

+Roman and +Anna Romanyuk
+Frank Pudlo
+Arthur and +Tina Santangelo
+Roman Urytskyy
Thanksgiving for Graces Received
+Maria Guadalupe Almendarez

MONDAY, April 8

8 AM St. Celestine

People of the Parish

TUESDAY, April 9

8 AM St. Cyprian

+Profeta C. Ilagan
Rosemary Bernard, Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, April 10

8 AM St. Celestine

+Fr. Bernard White

THURSDAY, April 11

8 AM St. Cyprian

Adele Johnson, Good Health

FRIDAY, April 12

8 AM St. Celestine

+Gertrude Corbett, Birthday

SATURDAY, April 13

4 PM St. Cyprian

+Frank Cristiano
+Giuseppe Pellegrini
+Joe Guidi
+Rosemary Hyland, Birthday

5 PM St. Celestine

+Frances R. Campagna
+Joseph Sweeney
+Mary Daly
+Bob Gutkowski

SUNDAY, April 14

7:30 AM St. Celestine

+Fr. Bernard White

9 AM St. Cyprian

+Fred and +Ann Berg
+Giovanna Scafidi

11 AM St. Celestine

+Roman and +Anna Romanyuk
+Frank Pudlo
+Roman Urytskyy
+Maria Hernandez
+Sharon Cronin Wimsatt
+Helen Jones
Mary Guidi O'Malley
+Maria Guadalupe Almendarez
Justine Kucera, Birthday
+Rosemary Hyland



St. Mother Theodore Guerin

Welcome! If you are new to our churches or just visiting, please introduce yourself. We are happy to share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not home to you, we are open to anyone looking for a spiritual home.

We invite you to become a part of our parish. Register by calling the parish office at 708-453-2555.

Need help? Many services are provided by **Catholic Charities**. Call **312-655-7700** or go to **catholiccharities.net**.

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Suicide Prevention
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www.AddictionResource.net
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Bible Study on Mary led by Fr. Moises

Why is Mary so important to Catholics, and why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries? In this 8-part series, Dr. Brant Pitre examines what the Old and New Testaments, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about the life and identity of Mary.

Weeks 1-4

April: Mondays 8, 15, 22, 29 at 7 PM in the Fireside Room

From the Pastor's Desk: Father Paul Cao



Divine Mercy This weekend, we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter, which is known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Pope Saint John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000 declared: "It is important then that we accept the whole message that comes to us from the word of God on this Second Sunday of Easter, which from now on throughout the Church, will be called 'Divine Mercy Sunday.'" So we have this celebration as a result of the life and holiness of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska (1905–1938). She is one more proof of what can be accomplished in only a short time on earth.

Beginning on February 22, 1931, Our Lord began appearing to St. Faustina and revealing to her a wonderful message of God's mercy for all people. This simple, uneducated but courageous woman, was given a great mission by God, a message that our world desperately needs to hear.

At one point, Our Lord spoke to St. Faustina and said:

"Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You. I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and then throughout the world." And again: "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I promise victory over its enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death, I Myself will defend it as My own glory."

We have a beautiful painting of an image of Divine Mercy in our chapel at St. Celestine and on the left side of the sanctuary above the tabernacle at St. Cyprian. I've seen a lot of people lighting the candles and praying in front of the Divine Mercy Image. I encourage you to please pray the Divine Mercy chaplet to ask Jesus, the Divine Mercy, to pour out His grace and blessing upon us and have mercy on us and the whole world. Jesus, I trust in You.

Be sure to remember that on the first Friday of each month at 3 PM at St. Celestine, we have

a Holy Hour when we pray the Divine Mercy chaplet.

Today, Divine Mercy Sunday, we will have a Divine Mercy Holy Hour and pray the Divine Mercy chaplet at 3 PM at St. Celestine. Please come join us and offer our prayers for peace in the world, and especially pray for peace in Ukraine and Gaza.

Let us pray that we may trust totally in God's love and mercy for us.

In prayer,

Fr. Paul

Bulletin Deadlines

Please send in Word or as an editable PDF to Kim at khagerty@stguerinparish.org.

April 21 is due on Wednesday, April 10 at 9 AM
April 28 is due on Wednesday, April 17 at 9 AM
May 5 is due on Wednesday, April 24 at 9 AM

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On Old Songs and Everyday (Easter) People

I heard "Everyday People" by Sly and the Family Stone the other day. I'm pretty sure it came out when I was in high school, and I was in high school a lo-o-o-ng time ago. Years later, I taught the Quality Assurance portion of the training program that my old employer ran to introduce new employees to all parts of the business. I used to sing part of Everyday People's hook ("Different strokes for different folks") to my class back then to make the point that some of our member-owners wanted things done one way, and others, another way, and that we had to accommodate all ways.

But Everyday People's message runs much deeper, and like a lot of great old-time rock and pop songs, this one could have been written today, for the message is unchanged. Without being preachy, the song preaches volumes on the importance of

inclusion and just getting along with others, regardless of their race or social class. "Sometimes I'm right and I can be wrong/ My own beliefs are in my song/ The butcher, the banker, the drummer and then/ Makes no difference what group I'm in/ I am everyday people, yeah, yeah..."

As are we all. Everyday people, I mean. In each chorus, the band members drive the point home, singing over and over (and over): "I am everyday people." As I hear it, this means that we are all part of a much larger—and a much more important—whole. And this reminds me a little bit of the vine and the branches, you know? We are the body of Christ. Even on our bad days. Luke puts it this way in today's first reading from Acts: "The community of believers was of one heart and mind..." Sly and Co. put it this way: "I am no better and

neither are you/ We're all the same, whatever we do..."

And I sense that we are especially the same as we gather on this Second Sunday of Easter/ Divine Mercy Sunday. We know about the empty tomb. We may not fully grasp it, just like the Eleven (sans

Thomas) on the evening of that first day of the week. As John writes it in the Gospel, they are all inside with the doors locked when just like that, Jesus appears in their midst. Well, how might we have reacted if the friend we'd abandoned and essentially left for dead were to appear suddenly before us? Terrified, maybe? But "Peace be with you," Jesus says. And not once, but twice. And a third time a week later when Thomas shows up.

We are everyday people, my friends. We're nothing special. But at the same time, we are crazy special, because we buy into something that much of the world does not: the empty tomb, the burial garments set aside, the risen Christ. Oh, we're all on a faith journey. But so were Peter and the disciple Jesus loved at the tomb last week when they saw and believed. And so are the disciples today in the locked room. And so, certainly, is Thomas. But every day, we everyday people are finding our way. And in deference to Sly and the Family Stone, there's something song-worthy about all of this... Sometimes the truth's too good to be so/ But this truth is Gospel, God's manifesto/ The prophets, the preachers, the folks in the pews/ Everyday family, just diggin' the True/ Everyday Easter people, yeah, yeah...

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. (Acts 4:32)

Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. (1 Jn 5:3-4)

Gospel:

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." (Jn 20:19)

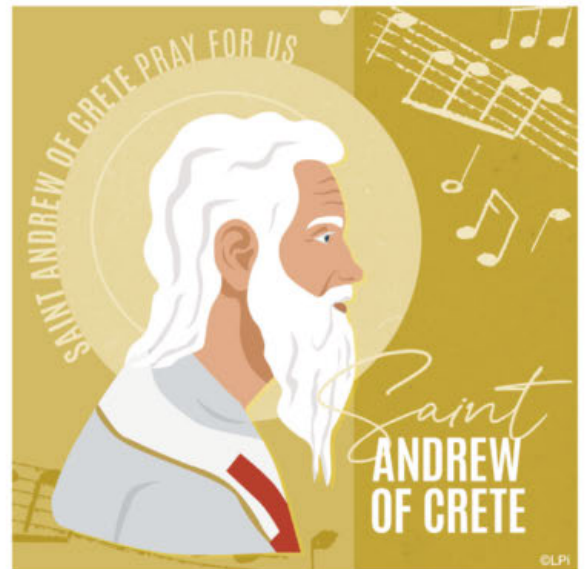
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

We find unfathomable mercy and everlasting love in the wounds of Christ — even when we are skeptical, even when we carry doubt. God meets us there in the confusion. He reaches for our hand and places them at his side. We just have to call his name.

Observances for the week April 7, 2024

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)
- Monday:** The Annunciation of the Lord
- Thursday:** St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr
- Saturday:** St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Easter



Saint of the week

St. Andrew of Crete was born in Damascus and was mute until he received his First Communion at age 7. He went on to be an influential archbishop and hymnist in Crete. His most renowned work, the Great Canon, is chanted during Lent in Eastern Orthodox churches.

Prayer for the 2nd Sunday of Easter

Dear Jesus,
As you greeted your disciples after you rose, fill us, too, with your peace.
As you breathed your spirit on them, breathe on us, too.
As your presence was known to Thomas, make it known to us, too.
Help us to live in your peace, power, and presence.
Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Written in the Wounds

For all the condemnation Thomas the Doubter has received in 2000 years of homilies, I think there's something to admire in him.

Thomas is not unique. We all waver at some point, overcome by hesitation, distracted by the clamor of the world which seeks at every turn to shout above the whisper of the divine.

Thomas knows what he saw on Good Friday: his friend nailed to a cross, a sword driven through his body. He saw the blood and the water. He saw these things with his own eyes, eyes given to him by God, eyes which have never failed him before. And God doesn't ask us to suspend reality to believe in Him. He only asks us to be discerning about how that reality is interpreted in our hearts.

Thomas knows the man before him is either a fraud, preying on the hopes and anxieties of the traumatized disciples, or he is the Christ, the Savior of the world, accomplisher of impossible things. But where to look, to tell the difference?

Satan once appeared to the great mystic saint, Teresa of Avila, disguised as Jesus. She knew instantly that he was a fraud. Enraged, he demanded to know where his deception had failed. "You have no wounds," she told him simply.

Could we have accepted a savior who did not bleed? I don't think we could, because sooner or later, we would all stand before him and say, "Here is where the world hurt me. Here, and here, and here. What about you?" Christ can point to his hands, his feet, his side. "Here, and here, and here," he can say. "And I overcame them all."

It's the wounds, you see. The truth is in the wounds.

*Thomas answered and said to him,
"My Lord and my God!" — John 20:28*

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

After a civil divorce, is a Catholic obligated to pursue an annulment?

Answer:

Many Catholics are not exactly sure what an annulment does. An annulment does not deny that a marriage took place, nor does it deny that there once was love. It does not mean that people say anything untrue, such as they never loved each other or that everything in their marriage was wrong. An annulment does not negate children, nor make them illegitimate. An annulment addresses the spiritual aspect of marriage. In effect, an annulment says that at the time of the wedding, there was either something present or something absent that prevented the sacrament from taking place. It is a spiritual determination that, if granted in the affirmative, allows a person to marry in the Church.

Annulments have no legal standing and are unable to be used in a civil court. Therefore, a Catholic has no moral obligation to pursue an annulment. However, when the tragedy of divorce occurs, and there is no hope for reconciliation, annulments may help bring some spiritual closure to a person's life. Some people have found the process to be healing and others have found it to be difficult. Speak to your priest or a member of the Diocesan Tribunal staff to decide what is best for you.

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

We hear how the early Christians lived in unity and holiness, bearing witness to Jesus, and living in community as friends. Which of these traits do you see at work in your faith community?

Second Reading:

John teaches his community that our faith in Jesus helps us "conquer the world." What struggles are you facing that you need to confront and defeat?

Gospel Reading:

The risen Jesus meets Thomas in the midst of his doubt and encourages him to believe. Who could you encourage this week to have faith in the resurrection of Jesus?



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Since Christ Himself has said,
'This is My Body,' who shall
dare to doubt that it is His Body?

- ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

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When

**Saturday April 13, 2024
4-6 PM**

Where

Enter through school front doors



Open to all dads of the school, as well as men of the parish. Welcome to bring kids but must register and sign the waiver.

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- 2) Aim camera at code above
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FR. MIKE SCHERSCHEL
MEMORIAL MASS

Saturday / 04.20.24 / 11AM



Fr. Mike's Family & the St. William Parish Community

Main Celebrant: Fr. Rizzo
Other Former Associates of St. William will be Present

Fellowship with Fr. Mike's Family
to Follow in Liebrich Hall



Secular Franciscan Order

"The Mass has ended, go in peace to love and serve the Lord." Well, how do we do that? Since 1959, members of the St. Juliana Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order have sought to follow the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi by "going from Gospel to life and from life to Gospel."

If following the Rule of St. Francis might interest you, the SFO fraternity at St. Juliana meets once each month. For more information or just to visit, please contact minister Bob Mitchell at 773-430-6576 or email him at robertpmitchell1@gmail.com.

The following have received a blessed **PRAYER BLANKET**:

Michael, Eileen, Nancy, Maria, Parvis, Linda, Debbie, Kathryn, Dorothy, Gerri, Anita, Gina, Letty, Mary, John, Sabrina, Frank, Anthony, Benjamin, Gerry, Dee, Jackie, Katie, Elene, Catherine, Carol, Gary, John, Thor, Marlene, Dwight, Gene, Nancy, Mitch, Julie, Eric, Magdalena, Caleb, Michael, Carrie, Adrienne, Margaret, Sally, Ash, Joanne, Carl, Tammi, John, Pam, Ann, Linda, Patricia, Dennis, Lolita, Martin, Soco, Lois, Herbie, Dominick, Iris, and Steph.

We pray for them and for all of the sick.

Wedding Banns

April 27 Allison Stieber and Michael Holmes

thank you

to all those who donated for the new Easter Paschal candles at both churches. A Paschal candle is a large, white candle that is blessed and lit every year at the Easter Vigil, then used during the Easter season and then throughout the year on special occasions, such as baptisms and funerals.

Thanks to the generous donations of Tina Krzysko, Greg Derlacki, the Maraviglia, Marcucci, Chouloute, Maggio and Rinella, and Santelli Families, Kathy Iversen-Jaroch, and in memory of the Clausi and Messi Families.

Divine Mercy Novena



It is very fitting that for Divine Mercy Sunday, the last day of the Divine Mercy Novena will take place on Sunday, April 7 at 3 PM with a Holy Hour at St. Celestine Church with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Novena prayers, Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Benediction.

Please join us; you do not have to have participated in the whole nine day novena to attend this special Holy Hour.

Join Us for the

SPRING CRAFT FAIR

Sunday, April 28
8:30 AM TO 2PM



Get the jump on Mother's Day Gifts!

A variety of Crafters will be in the gym.

Enter the Raffle for Crafters' Donations

Entry - **ANNEX DOOR** located on the north side of the parking lot
LOCATION – 3020 North 76th Court – Elmwood Park, Illinois

ST. MOTHER GUERIN PARISH – ST. CELESTINE CHURCH GYM and ANNEX
3020 N. 76th Ct., Elmwood Park, IL 60707

Applications are available on our website and at the Pastoral Center.

Scouts Food and Clothing Drives Saturday, April 13

Every Spring, the Scouts gather food to help people in need through the Scouting for Food initiative. On Saturday, April 13th, from 8 AM—noon, they will be collecting non-perishable non-expired food and personal hygiene items for our St. Mother Guerin Parish Food Pantry.

They also will be collecting used clothing items, textiles (towels, linens), and accessories (handbags, belts), to use as donations to help support their activities. All clothes and items must be bagged. They cannot accept electronics, TVs or large items.

Please bring donations to the parking lot at 3020 N. 76th Court in Elmwood Park. Drive into the parking lot and look for scouts to help you!

Top Reasons to Oppose Assisted Suicide: Terminal illness defined dangerously broad; predictions of life expectancy are notoriously inaccurate.

• Assisted suicide laws typically appear to limit eligibility to terminally ill patients who are expected to die within six months but don't distinguish between persons who will die within six months with treatment and those who will die within six months without treatment. This means patients with treatable diseases like diabetes and disabilities requiring ventilator support are eligible for lethal drugs since they would die within six months without treatment. Diagnoses of terminal illness and predictions of life expectancy are notoriously inaccurate.

• According to official data collected by Oregon's health department, lethal drugs have already been given to Oregon patients with less predictable conditions like chronic respiratory or cardiac disease and even "benign and uncertain" tumors.

Untreated pain is not among the top reasons cited for taking lethal drugs.

• According to official annual reports, in 2016, 90% of Oregon patients seeking lethal drugs said they were "less able to engage in activities making life enjoyable" and were "losing autonomy," and 49% cited being a "burden" on family, friends or caregivers. In Washington, 52% cited being a "burden." In both states concern about pain was cited as the second to last reason for seeking lethal drugs (35%).

Definition of self-administration opens door to euthanasia

• Can others take an active role in ending the patient's life? Oregon law speaks of the patient as "ingesting" medication to end his or her life. Washington law says patients will "self-administer" the drugs, but defines "self-administer" to mean "ingesting." But "ingesting" ordinarily means absorbing or swallowing; so this does not seem to bar others from administering the drugs. If such action is in accord with the Act, it may not be treated as a homicide.

*From the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
USCCB.org*



Enroll a special woman, living or deceased, in the St. Mother Guerin parish Mother's Day novena. From May 12 through May 20, prayers for all the women will be offered at Mass each day and their names displayed in both St. Celestine and St. Cyprian churches. You may pick up an envelope which contains Mother's Day cards in the back of the churches or at the Pastoral Center after Easter. Please print the name of the woman you want enrolled in the novena on the front of a card and return it to either church or office by Thursday, May 9. A donation of \$10 per name is suggested. Keep the extra card or give them to the person you want to honor.

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to Pasta Fresh, 3418 N Harlem Avenue in Chicago, for donating delicious pasta for the last Lenten Pasta Dinner on March 22. Donations from restaurants help so much in our fundraising! Please visit Pasta Fresh and thank them! Their phone number is 773-745-5888 and website is www.pastafreshco.com. Thanks, Pasta Fresh!

Pray for Them

Sick

Please remember the following people who are seriously ill. If you wish to add a name with the person's permission, please call the parish office. Names remain on the list for 4 weeks.

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| Therese Anello | Larry Nestor |
| Grace Baldessara | Ron Nichols |
| Michael Binder | Sister Louise Noesen |
| Alexandra Bradish | Mary Guidi O'Malley |
| Edward Bray | Brendan O'Brien |
| Ray Brownlee | Francisco Palattao, Jr. |
| Genaro Colin | Carolyn Paprocki |
| Maria Cordero | Robert Paprocki |
| Mary Davister | Manny Perez |
| Elene Dimperio | Adrienne Pudlo |
| Eleanor | Sister Rita Mae Rabitoy |
| Ricardo Encarnado | Marylyn Robertson |
| Patsy Galecki | Richard Robertson |
| Tammy Garcia | Austin Rose |
| Maciej Gondek | Rock Sarbacker |
| Baby Brendan Haro | Warren Sarbacker |
| Grace Hensley | Kathy Sassolino |
| Kathy Johl | Kelly Schlanger |
| Adele Johnson | Morgan Schlanger |
| Judy Kaner* | Joseph Serwa |
| Greg Komendanchik | Kerry Sieck |
| Justine Kucera | Heidi Stringham |
| Larry Lemanski | Judy Virgilio |
| Karen Lins | Lillian Wardzala |
| Carol Sheahan Marrero | Jim Wazorick |
| Emily Matos | Sue Weber |
| Angela McClain | Joshua Wilmes |
| Joseph Mikenson | *recently added |
| James Nasti | |

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| Master Sgt. Scott A. Cross | Air Force |
| Dario Rodriguez | Air Force |
| Ensign Devon Zych | Coast Guard |
| Lnc. Cpl. Andrew D. Nordlie | Marines |
| Luis N. Burciaga | Army |
| PFC Rudy De La O | Marines |
| Jose Flores, Jr. | Air Force |
| Carmelo Flores | Air Force |
| AB Ethen N. Ortiz | Air Force |
| Lnc. Cpl. Michael Joshua Barajas | Marines |
| Pvt. Cody Krawczyk | Army |
| Lnc. Cpl. Jake Kola | Marines |
| Airman Kaden Turocy | Air Force |
| A1C Rhian Frnzn Vengua | Air Force |
| Private Nicholas Drust, Jr. | Army |
| Private Jesse J. Mendoza | Army |

Faithful Departed

Teresa Casella

Military

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| Col. Stephen Acosta | Marines |
| Staff Sgt. Lawrence G. Campbell | Air Force |
| Senior Airman Cory McCambridge | Air Force |
| Lt. Col. Peter Anderson | Army |
| Sgt. Kenneth G. DiCristifano | Army |
| Spec Michael Migliorisi | Army |
| Pvt. John Cerrone | Marines |
| PFC Paul J. Lagoda | Marines |
| PFC Sophia M. Garcia | Marines |
| Lt. Robert Reynolds | Army |
| Staff Sgt. Alberto Boy | Marines |
| Staff Sgt. Natalie Borrini | Air Force |
| Cpl. Brian Macaluso | Marines |
| Lnc. Cpl. Meghan Jennings | Marines |
| Lnc. Cpl. Michael Casanave | Marines |
| Pvt. Nicolas Casanave | Marines |
| ABEAN Melanie Hodges | Navy |
| PFC Vincent Negron | Marines |
| Pvt. Matthew Meyer | Army |

SCRIPTURE SEARCH®

Gospel for April 7, 2024

Jon 20:19-31

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the Second Sunday of Easter, Cycle B: when Jesus appeared in the locked room. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

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| EVENING | WEEK | DOORS |
| PEACE | HIS SIDE | SENT ME |
| BREATHED | RECEIVE | SPIRIT |
| SINS | FORGIVEN | RETAINED |
| THOMAS | HAVE SEEN | I SEE |
| NAILS | BELIEVE | BLESSED |
| NOT SEEN | OTHER SIGNS | BOOK |

UNLOCKED

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B L E S S E D G A N A N
W E E K T W E N B O O K
D I L S P I R I T T D A
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N O T S E E N E H O H I
I S E N D V R V O M T S
A H A V E S E E N A A S
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Parish Weekly Events

Sunday, April 7

3 PM ST CEL Divine Mercy Novena

Monday, April 8

6 PM ST CEL Troop 47130 in the Annex
6:30 PM ST CEL Lion and Tiger Den Meeting in the Lower Meeting Room and Lunchroom
7 PM ST CEL Bible Study in the Fireside Fireside Room

Tuesday, April 9

7 PM ST CYP Teen OCIA in the Rectory
7 PM ST CEL Parents Club in the Lower Meeting Room
7 PM ST CEL Knights of Columbus in the Annex

Wednesday, April 10

7 PM ST CEL Boy Scouts in the Lunchroom

Thursday, April 11

3:05 PM ST CEL Troop 47441 in the Annex
4 PM ST CEL Food Pantry
4:30 PM ST CEL Troop 47219 in the Lower Meeting Room
Troop 47362 in the Annex
6 PM ST CEL Daisy Troop in the Annex
7 PM ST CYP OCIA in the Rectory

Friday, April 12

3:05 PM ST CEL Troop 45524 in the Lower Meeting Room
6 PM ST CEL Bear, Webelo, AOL Den Meeting in the Annex and Lunchroom

Saturday, April 13

9 AM ST CEL Scouts Food Drive in the Parking Lot
9:30 AM ST CEL Religious Ed in the School
4 PM ST CEL Men's Club Open Gym
4 PM BOTH Olivewood Sale in the Back of Church

Sunday, April 14

8:30 AM BOTH Olivewood Sale in the Back of Church
12 PM ST CEL Women's Club White Elephant Bingo in the Gym

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, April 13

4 PM St. Cyprian

President Fr. Moises Navarro
Lector Karen Moretti
Eucharistic Minister Debbie Hamilton

5 PM St. Celestine

President Fr. Paul Cao
Lector Nick Kaspar
Eucharistic Ministers Perlita Domingo
Mary Kay Macchione
Carol Gutkowski
Barbara Miller
Pat Strabley
Tom Lepore
Patricia Rinella

Sunday, April 14

7:30 AM St. Celestine

President Fr. Moises Navarro
Lector Michelle Doyle
Eucharistic Ministers Minnie Reillo
Mikenna Doyle
Maria Mojek
Florence Smith
Larry Skelly
Bill Lesch

9 AM St. Cyprian

President Fr. Ron Navoy
Lector Lois DeFelice
Eucharistic Minister Tony Cannizzaro

11 AM St. Celestine

President Fr. Paul Cao
Lector Jackie Schweitzer
Eucharistic Ministers Doti Geringer
Mary Graf
Jeanne Chouloute
Kim Bartell
Debra DeSalvo
Kathy Iversen–Jaroch

Save these Dates!

- **Bible Study on Mary** Mondays in April, 8, 15, 22, and 29 at 7 PM in the Fireside Room
- **Teen Meeting** Saturday, April 20 at 6:15 PM
- **Anointing Mass** Saturday, April 20 at 5 PM at St. Celestine
- **Craft Fair** Sunday, April 28 from 8:30 to 2 PM at St. Celestine
- **May Crowning** Sunday, May 5 at the 9 AM Mass at St. Cyprian, and after the 11 AM Mass at St. Celestine with
- **Ice Cream Social** after the May Crowning
- **Blue Mass** Sunday, May 19 at 9 AM at St. Cyprian
- **Golf Outing** Monday, June 24 at 8 AM at White Pines Golf Club in Bensenville, Illinois
- **Totus Tuus** for children: Monday, July 8 through Friday, July 12 during the day. For teens: Sunday, July 7 through Thursday, July 11 in the evening.
- **Garage Sale** Saturday, July 13 in the St. Celestine parking lot
- **Parish Mass for Couples Married 50 Years or More** Sunday, July 21, 9 AM at St. Cyprian and 11 AM at St. Celestine
- **Parish Picnic** Sunday, July 28 at Evans Field in River Grove
- **Parish Taste** Saturday, September 7 4–9 PM at St. Celestine
- **Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass** Sunday, September 15 at 2:30 PM at Holy Name Cathedral



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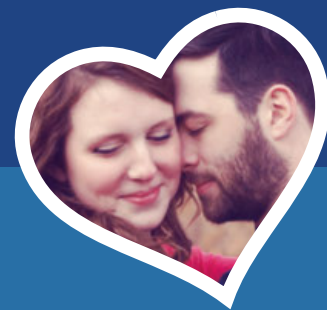
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Office Hours: Regular Hours (August 21—May 28):

Monday—Thursday, 8:30 AM—noon and 12:30 PM—8 PM
Friday, 8:30 AM—noon and 12:30 PM—5 PM
Saturday, 8:30 AM—12:30 PM Closed Sunday



Holy Hour: First Friday of each month at 3 PM at St. Celestine Church.

Baptisms: To schedule at St. Celestine contact Ruthanne Swiatkowski at rswiatkowski@stguerinparish.org or call 708-453-2555 x 5017; contact Mary Krewer to schedule at St. Cyprian; mkrewer@stguerinparish.org or 708-453-2555 x5018. Baptisms take place at 12:30 PM on the second and fourth Sundays monthly at St. Celestine and the third Sunday of the month at St. Cyprian. Baptismal Prep classes take place on most first Wednesdays of each month at 7 PM at St. Cyprian; please call the office to sign up for the class.

Masses: See cover. **Reconciliation:** Saturdays 3:30 PM at St. Cyprian and 4:15 PM at St. Celestine.

Weddings: Engaged couples are encouraged to call a year in advance of a preferred date. The couple must talk to Deacon Mike DeLarco before a wedding date can be reserved. Participation in marriage preparation is essential.

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