Fourth Sunday of Lent

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

2 Corinthians 5:17
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Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil:  5:00 p.m.
Sunday:  8:00 and 10:00 a.m.
Holy Days:  7pm Vigil & 8 am on Holy Day
Weekday Mass:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:  8:00 a.m.
Mass will always be said the 1st Friday of each month
Eucharistic Service:
Monday, Friday, Saturday:  8:00 a.m.

Confessions:
Saturdays, 4:30—4:45 pm.; Any time by appointment.
First Friday:
Benediction after 8:00 a.m. Mass.
First Saturday:
Sorrowful Mother Novena after 8:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Service
Sacrament of Baptism:
Please call the Parish Office to schedule baptism of infants.
Sacrament of Marriage:
Please call the Pastor to plan a wedding date.
Sick Calls:
Call the Rectory to arrange for a visit for those who are sick
RCIA:
For information on becoming a Catholic, adult sacramental preparation or Adult Ed, call the parish office.
Blessing for Expectant Mothers:
Given anytime. Make an appointment with Father
Adoration of the Holy Eucharistic Mondays
3—6 pm during Lent

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:
Fr. Rochford, Leo Alexander, Jane Arns, Jesse Auron, Catherine Bloom, Nadine Burnett, Mary Ann Daliege, Tom Davis, Brian Dowling, Jr., Linda Foley, Mary Kay Frjelich, Edward Glynn, Elsie Grunhard, Millie Gunther, Cindy Hanus, Mary Jackson, Mary Kietz, Marty Kummerer, Monica Kummerer, Joe and Mary Lamacki, Delores LeLuga, Marie Lendi, Barbara Lundquist, Elaine Marczewski, Lindy and Mary Michelon, Bob Mischke, Annie Nicks, Pete Panozzo, Peter Powers, Amy and Charles Ruiz, Louise Ryan, Ann Sardella, Ray Sebben, Jr., Elaine Silveus, Mary Sterning, Valeria Tomich, Seana Valentine

MILITARY—SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST
Matt Auron, 1st Lt. Chaplain Marcin Bulinski, Matthew Daliege, Jeffrey Frjelich, Mike and Lauren Fruehling, Matthew Golden, Sgt. James Grunhard (Middle East), Jeff Hefner, Colonel Robert Holba, USAF, Corey Longo, Jared Lopez, Jose M. Morfin, USMC, Mark Nicola, Tom Raines, Robert Richmond, Steve Schluntz, USMC, Col. Donald Tomich, Lance Corporal George Trikolas, Dan Tucker, Michael Westervelt (Afganistan)

Parish Ministries
Annulment Ministry:  758-5098
Arts & Environment:  Trudy Miller  758-6123
Baptism Program:
Chuck and Kim Arvia  877-8818
Domestic Violence Awareness
Karen LeLuga  754-1782
Evangelization:
758-5098
Finance Committee:
758-5098
Knights of Columbus: Joel Krezman (219)308-1019
Ministry of Care: Bob LeLuga  754-1782
Parish Council:
758-5098
Parish Fellowship: Jim Adduci  474-0007
Prayer Link: Judy Konieczka  758-6276
RCIA:
758-5098
Right to Life
758-5098
Server Training: Ralph Sobie  877-7653
Server Schedule: Eileen Rhoda  758-5098
St. John’s Women’s Club:
Anna Davis  757-6727
Stewardship Committee:
Judy Konieczka  758-6276
Ushers: Charles Lazzara  219-515-2530
The Gospel that we hear this weekend speaks of the parable of the prodigal son. This is a familiar story which takes a deeper meaning during the Year of Mercy which we celebrate. This parable speaks of the intimate relationship which we have with our God. When we were little our parents often held us in their arms close to their hearts. It is this closeness to God that we long to experience. May this Gospel today be an inspiration to us to embrace the people in our life and to let them know that we love them just the way they are.

On March 14th at 7 PM our parish will gather for Communal Penance Service. As we did in Advent, after the service there will be an opportunity for individual confessions. I invited my priest friends to help hear confessions. Mark your calendars and come to experience God’s love and mercy.

I am happy that some of you are taking advantage of our daily Masses which we offer every day during Lent at 8 AM. There is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Monday from 3-6 and Stations of the Cross at 7 PM on Fridays. Keep our eighth graders in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 6th.

On March 17th at 6 PM I would like to invite you to a movie and dinner in honor of St. Patrick and St. Joseph. We will enjoy corned beef and cabbage and cannoli as we watch “The Quiet Man”. There will be an Irish Soda Bread Contest so use your favorite recipe and bring your bread to the event. Please call or email the parish office to RSVP. Your response will help us to determine how much food needs to be prepared. Don’t forget to wear your green for St. Patrick or red for St. Joseph!

I would like to thank Andy Perz for his wonderful presentation during our last Soup Supper. Andy’s presentation was on the church music and he did a great job. He will have another presentation on March 21st.

This Monday, March 7th we will have Deacon Glenn Tylutki to do the Soup Supper presentation. Deacon Glenn is the Outreach Coordinator for Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Chicago. His presentation will begin at 6:30 PM. As you come and enjoy the wonderful soups, remember to bring a friend.

I would like to thank those of you who signed up for electronic giving through Give Central. Give Central is an easy way to fulfill our responsibility to support St. John Parish on a consistent basis. If you are computer savvy, go to www.givecentral.org and give it a try.

The campaign “To Teach Who Christ Is” is off to a great start (see last page in bulletin for details). Please keep the volunteers who are helping me with this campaign in your prayers.

“O be joyful, Jerusalem” - these are the words of the entrance antiphon for this Sunday - in Latin “Laetare Jerusalem”. With Laetare Sunday we are our half way through our Lenten Journey. May the remaining days of lent be filled with joy as you prepare to celebrate the Passion, the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Karol
“It’s a celebration of your life… Shouldn’t you be the one making the planning decisions?”

Monday: MARCH 7, 2016  
Place: St. John Social Hall  
Time: 6:30 PM

This informative presentation addresses the practical considerations to aid in the celebration of your human life.

Preparation – pre-planning - has always been viewed as a sign of wisdom. Wisdom not only of the person doing the planning, but also because it shows a genuine care and concern for those you love. It answers many of their “I wonder what you wanted questions?” that during life seemed to go unanswered but need to be addressed at the time of death.

Deacon Glenn Tylutki is the Outreach Coordinator, Catholic Cemeteries Archdiocese of Chicago and serves as the educational resource in the Order of Christian Funerals and practical cemetery planning.

Please join us on March 7th for this casual but “Souper” informative and relevant conversation – talk - during our “Soup Supper” evening. Bring a friend!

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**Lent-the Church’s Springtime**  
**An Afternoon of Reflection for Women**  
Sunday, March 13, 2016  
12:20 to 3:00 pm in Father Sayers Hall  
Sponsored by the St. Joseph Elizabeth Ministry  
Parish of St. Joseph, 17951 Dixie Highway, Homewood, IL 60430  
Presented by Sister Janice Keenan  

As we anticipate the beginning of spring and the closeness of Easter we will focus on new growth and spiritual housecleaning. Sister Janice Keenan OSF is the retreat program manager/spiritual director for the Portiuncula Center for Prayer in Frankfort, IL. Her ministries include education, administration, retreat programs and campus ministry.

Lunch Reservation: $12 per person  
Please RSVP by Monday, March 7, 2016  
Questions? Call Marge Hayes at 708-798-8114 or 708-217-2602  

We will be collecting baby items, diapers, wipes, baby food, etc., for Respond Now.

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**PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**  
We ALWAYS welcome our parishioners to bring up the gifts at Mass. If you would like to participate with the presentation of the gifts, please contact one of the ushers before Mass begins and let the usher know where you will be seated. If you have a Mass intention for a loved one and would like to bring up the gifts, please arrive early and let the usher know so they don't ask someone else.

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**REMEMBER TO MOVE YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR NEXT SATURDAY EVENING BEFORE YOU GO TO BED! DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME OFFICIALLY BEGINS ON SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH AT 2 AM. THIS IS ALSO A GOOD TIME TO CHANGE THE BATTERIES IN YOUR SMOKE DETECTORS AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS.**
STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday during Lent at 7:00PM in the Church except for Good Friday which will be at 3:00PM. These beautiful prayers will be led by either Fr. Karol or our parishioners. Some of us walk the stations, others stay in the pews to pray. If you have not been to Stations in a while, give Friday night Stations a try.

LENTE SOUP SUPPERS

Join Fr. Karol this Monday for Lenten Soup Supper and Reflections at 6 PM. Soup sign ups will be in the vestibule after all Masses.

LENTE ADORATION SCHEDULE

On Monday’s during Lent the hours for Adoration will be from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Following Adoration we will have our Soup Suppers at 6 PM with reflections following at 6:30 PM. All are welcome to attend.

UP COMING EVENTS IN MARCH

7 Adoration 3-6 PM
Soup Supper 6 PM
Women’s Club meeting—7 PM
8 8th Grade Confirmation meeting & practice-7PM
9 A & E Meeting 6:30 PM
11 Stations of the Cross—7 PM
14 Adoration 3-6
Soup Supper 6 PM
Reconciliation 7 PM
16 Parish Finance Committee Meeting 6 PM
Parish Council Committee Meeting 7 PM
17 St Patrick & St. Joseph Dinner 6 PM in Social Hall with movie to follow
18 Stations of the Cross 7 PM
19/20 Women’s Club Easter Flower Sale
21 Adoration 3-6 PM
Soup Supper 6 PM
22 Easter Food Distribution
24 Holy Thursday—Mass 7 PM
K of C tour of 7 Churches after Mass
25 Stations of the Cross 3 PM
Good Friday Service 7 PM
26 Blessing of Food/Baskets 12 noon
7 PM Easter Vigil Mass (NO 5:00 Mass)
27 Mass at 8 AM and 10 AM

HAPPY EASTER

New Members WELCOME!

If you have been attending St. John and have been unsure about joining, don’t be. We are a welcoming community and would love to have you with us.

To become a member of St. John Parish, fill out the information below and place this in the Offertory Collection or mail it to the parish office. You may also call the parish secretary at 758-5098. If you have a new address or phone number please call the office or make changes on the form below so we can keep our records updated.

Name__________________________________________
Address _______________________________________
Phone__________________________________________

IN MEMORY

Those we love don’t go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near, still loved, still missed and very dear.

We remember in our prayers
Doug Rozek, son of Josephine Rozek
Genevieve Liszewski, mother of Marty Liszewski
May they rest in peace.
### LITURGICAL MINISTERS
March 12/13, 2016
Eucharistic Ministers

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**MASS INTENTIONS**
Sunday, March 6, 2016 to Sunday, March 13, 2016
Fourth Sunday of Lent

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

One of the first steps to a Catholic wedding takes place in the parish rectory, as the newly engaged come forward to “set a date.” We owe this scenario to reforms made by the emperor Charlemagne late in the eighth century. He required that nobles and commoners alike have public weddings, and also required that marrying couples be examined for factors that would block a marriage, such as previous marriages or close kinship. The pope was more conservative, however, and resisted the emperor’s creativity. It was enough for the pope that the couples exchange consent. That tradition is passed on to this day, to some couples’ surprise. In 866, Pope Nicholas ruled that a marriage was legal and binding even without a liturgy or public celebration. After that, it was the consent of the couple, not the blessing of parents or priest, that made a marriage “count.” If consent was lacking, such as through abduction or fear, then the marriage could not “take.” Charlemagne got a great deal done, but he was a political flash in the pan, and the empire had virtually collapsed by the year 1000. Europe broke into a checkerboard of princedoms and languages, and at last all marriages came under the church, the glue holding the known world together.

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54  
**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16  
**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30  
**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47  
**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53  
**Sunday:** Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11; Alternate readings (Year A): Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

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**PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE**

- **Lori Lucente** - Chairperson  
- **Karen Leluga** - Secretary  
- **Ora Adams**  
- **Ricki Biank**  
- **Ron Carine**  
- **David Galbreath**  
- **John Kennerk**  
- **Judy Konieczka**  
- **Roslon Seals**  
- **Maira Zambrano**

**The next Parish Council meeting will be on March 16th at 7 PM**

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**PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE**

- **Jim Adduci** - co chair  
- **Susan Gates**  
- **Dan Genisio** - co chair  
- **Phyllis Giroux**  
- **Bill Miller** - Secretary  
- **Lynn Unyi**  
- **Janice Wenckus**  
- **Joe Dillon/ Bookkeeper**

**The next Parish Finance meeting will be on March 16th at 6 PM. This will be the parish budget meeting.**

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**HOT LINES—WHEN YOU NEED HELP NOW!**

- **COURAGE**  
  For single mothers  
  And unplanned Pregnancies  
  [219-230-3622]

- **Grief Support Center** for New Beginnings  
  [708-985-3010]

- **Crisis Center** for South Suburbia  
  [708-429-7255]

- **So. Sub Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse**  
  [708-647-3333]

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**FAITH CHURCH SUPPORT GROUP**  
[219-864-0302]  
[CELEBRATEROCOVERY@FAITHCHURCHONLINE.ORG]

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**PARISH FINANCES**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

February 27/28  
$3,264.22

Please consider signing for electronic giving. Currently we have 6 families contributing $130.00 per week.

Give Central is an easy way to fulfill our responsibility to support our Parish on a consistent basis. At times, the busy pace of our lives may call us away from our home Parish, but with Give Central our weekly offering is sure to be received whether we are present or not. If you plan to travel over Easter, this is a great time to set up your Easter and regular offerings. It’s simple, safe and secure.

Go to [www.givecentral.org](http://www.givecentral.org), select St. John Parish, and set up your contribution today!

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**To Teach Who Christ Is**

**St. John, Glenwood, IL**

As of March 1, 2016

- **Goal:** $265,000.00  
- **Total Pledged:** $88,200.00  
- **Percent of Goal:** 33%  
- **Parish Share:** $52,920.00  
- **# of Pledges:** 7  
- **Average Gift:** $12,600.00  
- **# of volunteers:** 10

Thank you for your generosity!