

# The Chimes

The weekly bulletin of  
**SAINT MARGARET MARY**

2324 W. Chase Ave. • Chicago, IL 60645



August 18, 2019

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## 20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire,  
and how I wish it were already blazing!" - Lk 12:49

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### PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor**, Rev. Tirso Villaverde

**Pastor Emeritus**, Rev. James Barrett

**Residents**, Rev. Harold Murphy

Michael Okoro, C.S.Sp.

**Deacon**, Michael Neba

**Accountant**, Jim Masini

**Religious Ed**, Cynthia Splatt

**School Principal**, Christine Huzenis

**Music Ministry**, Steve Burke

Howard Schneider

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekend

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

#### Weekday

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:00-3:30 pm.

An appointment can also be made  
by calling one of the priests.

### OFFICES

**Rectory** (773) 764-0615

2324 W. Chase

Hours: Monday-Thursday

9:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00-5:00 pm

Friday by appointment

#### Parish Website:

[www.smmchicago.org/parish](http://www.smmchicago.org/parish)

**Parish School** (773) 271-2008

Northside Catholic Academy

#### Activity Center

7341 N. Claremont

**Holy Hands**

(773) 764-0615, ext. 27

To give an update on this year's Summer Collection, we are currently at \$23,081.14. Again, though, we may still receive contributions in the coming weeks. So, there is still hope that we will reach our goal of \$35K. Our donor has agreed to match whatever amount we may collect. Obviously this means that we will be much better off the more we are able to collect.

There is some positive news at this point. The Finance Committee and I recently realized that we still have just over \$9K in our To Teach Who Christ Is campaign funds. Since one of the case statements for the use of those funds include the restoration of our stained glass windows, the Finance Committee and I decided to take advantage of the remaining funds and apply them to our stained glass window project. The \$9K in our TTWCI account is enough to clean and restore the three small windows above the altar. Added to the amount that should still be collected through the Summer Collection and the matching gift, we are hoping that it will be enough to get everything done as soon as possible. We are so close to getting this project done sooner than anyone had anticipated. We can scratch off one more item from our proverbial "to do" list. Again, thank you to all of you for your contributions!

On a different note, I ask everyone to pray in a special way for a new endeavor that will hopefully lead to something great. Next Sunday, I will be gathering with the teens who participated in the Totus Tuus camp last month. There was so much energy and enthusiasm after that weeklong experience that I felt it necessary to follow up with it as soon as possible. The teens and young adult volunteers from St. Timothy Parish who also took part in the Totus Tuus camp were very much excited at the idea of "joining forces" in regards to the youth of both parish communities. It was a hopeful sign for both parishes.

In the time that I have been here at SMM, I had always wanted to do something to focus energy in keeping our youth engaged and be active members of our Church. I think strides have been made as we have seen a few of our teens take on new ministries besides being altar servers. We have a teen lector at the 8:30 a.m. Mass, another teen lector at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, and another teen who now serves as an Extraordinary Minister of Communion with her mother at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. This is a start but there is so much more to do. If our teens and youth are the future of our parish—as well as all other parish communities—it is time that we dedicate more energy and resources to keeping them engaged and using their youthful enthusiasm to bring others into our community as well.

After the weeklong experience of Totus Tuus, I finally was shown a great way to start. St. Timothy already has an established youth program. Through the impetus of the pastor there, St. Timothy has also recently started a youth charismatic prayer group that is not only attended by a group of their teenagers but is pretty much organized by those same teens and young adults. On our end, we have the youth but we just have not had any luck in organizing them into any sort of Youth Ministry. With the combined efforts of teens and young adults from both parishes, we are hoping to come together to offer ways in which the future of our parishes and our Church might continue to grow deeper in their relationship with God and His People. The conversation and planning will begin next Sunday so I ask again for your prayers because this effort is, most clearly, part of our mission.



Fr. Tirso S. Villaverde, Jr.



## Religious Education Program 2019-2020

The Program welcomes students in Grades 1 through 12 who attend public or non-Catholic private schools.

Classes meet on Saturday from 9:00 to 10:30 am in the school building. The first class will meet on September 14, 2019 and the last on May 23, 2020.

Registration begins June 23, 2019 and ends September 7, 2019. Late Registrations will not be accepted so please register early. Forms can be found in the Church, requested at the Parish Office Monday through Thursday from 9 to 12 & from 1 to 5 or downloaded from the Parish web site: [www.smmchicago.org/parish](http://www.smmchicago.org/parish).

Completed forms can be placed in the Sunday collection, or returned to the parish.

**Please sign up now. Some classes are nearly full.**



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

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### COLLECTION REPORT

August 11, 2019

Sunday Envelope Budget.....	\$8,942.00
Sunday Envelope Actual.....	\$2,644.26
Loose Money .....	\$ 749.38
Total Collection .....	\$3,393.64
Variance.....	(\$5,548.36)
Weekly Budget Amount	
Envelopes Used .....	93

**RULES OF THE ROAD  
REVIEW COURSE FOR SENIORS**

**Chicago Public Library  
5331 W. Devon**

**August 27th**

**1:30 - 3:30 pm**

**To register...  
312-744-8313.**

### Readings for the week of August 18, 2019

Sunday:	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53
Monday:	Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/ Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/ Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51
Next Sunday:	Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2, [Mk 16:15]/ Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

**EXERCISE CLASS** meets in the Activity Center on Tuesdays & Fridays from 9:30am to 10:30am. For more information, call Bernadette Dunne, 773-764-9422

### BOY SCOUT TROOP 923

Come join the fun! Boys aged 11 and up are welcome to join Troop 923. We meet every Tuesday from 7:15 to 9 pm in the Rectory Hall. Contact us by email at [HaveFun@BoyScoutTroop923.org](mailto:HaveFun@BoyScoutTroop923.org) or by voicemail at 312-772-4923.



## RCIA and the Search for God

Are you searching for God? Do you, or someone you know, feel a calling toward the Catholic Church?

RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – is a program for adults who are considering entering the Catholic Church or for baptized Catholics who wish to complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Holy Eucharist and Confirmation). We also welcome Catholics who would like to study their faith more deeply.

In RCIA, we talk about the presence of God in our lives and in the world. We share our faith and pray. We study Scripture and how it relates and speaks to us today. We learn about the Church, its beliefs, and its sacraments. We explore what it means to be Catholic and to live a Christian life. We learn from each other as we journey together on a pilgrimage of faith.

RCIA sessions will take place on Monday from 7:00 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. in McCarthy Hall (7325 N. Claremont Avenue). The introductory class meets on Monday, September 9. RCIA culminates with the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 11, 2020.

If you have been contemplating entering the Church or completing your Sacraments of Initiation, please consider RCIA. Or you may know someone who has inquired about the Church or has not completed the Sacraments of Initiation. Spread the good news!

If you would like more information, please call the Rectory at (773) 764-0615 and leave a message for Fr. Tirso, Fr. Hal, or Art Blumberg. You may also fill out the form below and drop it off at the Rectory.

Is God calling you? Let us all welcome his presence!

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**RCIA 2019-2020**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

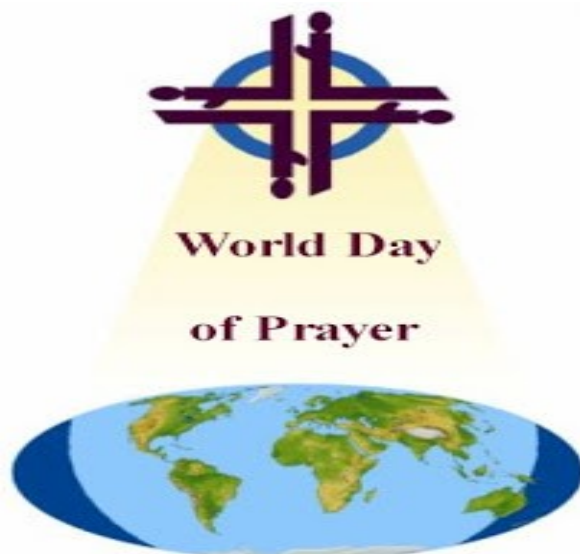
On behalf of the Archdiocese of Chicago,  
Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago,  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and  
SS Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church,  
you are cordially invited to the

## **FIFTH ANNUAL WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION**

Sunday, September 1st      4-6 pm  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church  
1775 Grove Street, Glenview, IL.

All are invited as the Catholic and Greek Orthodox communities of greater Chicagoland join together for an ecumenical service to give thanks for God's gift of Creation and to recognize the conservation efforts of His disciples.

Bishop Mark Bartosic will preside over this special prayer service, which will be followed by a lecture from Greek Orthodox scholar, Rev. Dr. Deacon Perry Hamalis entitled, "Love God, Love Thy Neighbor, Love the Trees: Orthodox Reflections on Ecology, Theology and Human Dignity."



## CYCLES OF FAITH

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Prince of Peace wants to set the world on fire? This Sunday's Gospel can sound more intense than what we may be accustomed to. It's a passage of contradictions. Jesus so clearly prays for unity, yet here he speaks of division. Why would our God who comes as an offering of love speak so frankly about causing relationships to be torn apart?

The sobering truth is that Jesus is divisive. We see this throughout the Gospels, as the Pharisees critique him, the Romans condemn him, and not everyone in the crowd is enthusiastic about his words. Jesus has not come for the purpose of dividing, but what he does is so radical that it upends the status quo. And it doesn't end with his preaching and miracles! *"There is a baptism with which I must be baptized."* Jesus isn't talking about his baptism at the Jordan River, which has already occurred, but the passing through the waters of death on the Cross and rising again to new life in the resurrection. This is divisive stuff! Christ's spiritual fire turned the "fathers" — the Jewish people and Pharisees — against the "sons" — the common people. Not everyone wants the Gospel Jesus is preaching. Not everyone wants to be set on fire with the desire to love others. Some prefer to put on a warm sweater and curl up in front of the TV.

In living and loving as Jesus did, we, too, might ruffle some feathers. In disciplining our teenage child for sneaking out, we may cause some division (temporarily, we hope!). In standing up to gossip and the spread of cruel rumors in our workplace, we might cause division. In emphasizing the dignity of both the desperate mother *and* the unborn child, we might cause division. Not everyone wants the Gospel Jesus is preaching. Not everyone wants the Gospel we are invited to live. But that's no excuse not to live it.

### REST IN PEACE

Our blessed Lord has called home **Rosemary Thiel** for whom we promise our prayers that she may live in joy in His presence.



### BANNS

**II Eric Salutillo & Esther Martinez**

## +PARISH DEVOTIONS+

### OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

Every Wednesday at 8:30 am.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Friday following 8:00 am Mass until 7:00 pm.

Please enter the middle door, school side.

(Become a regular, call

Mila Cobarrubias at 773-814-4282 or

Judith Seruelo at 773-764-0247.)

Mass at 7:00 pm on First Fridays;

Vespers and Benediction at 7:00 pm  
on all other Fridays.

### HEART OF THE SPIRIT PRAYER MEETING

Every Friday at 7:30 pm in Rectory Hall.

### DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Every 1st Friday of the month

beginning with Mass at 7:00 pm.

Fellowship follows after Mass.

Contact person: Terry Luciano, 773-677-7347

### FATIMA ROSARY

First Saturday of the month

immediately following 4 pm Mass.

### SACRAMENTS

**Marriage:** Arrangements should be made at least three months in advance.

**Baptisms:** On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month immediately following the 10:30 am mass. Please make arrangements at least one month in advance.

Preparation class held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the rectory

### R.C.I.A.

Program/Process for adults interested in the Catholic Faith (Sept.-April). Call the Rectory for information.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome our new parishioners and invite them to register at the rectory.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, August 18** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am George Meyers  
Mary Hardy  
Maria Emilia Mendoza  
10:30 am Marie Schmid  
John Conway  
Julita Trovela

**Monday, August 19** St. John Eudes

8:00 am Deceased members of SMM

**Tuesday, August 20** St. Bernard

8:00 am Deceased members of SMM

**Wednesday, August 21** St Pius X

8:00 am Deceased members of SMM

**Thursday, August 22** Queenship of BVM

8:00 am Deceased members of SMM

**Friday, August 23** St. Rose of Lima

8:00 am Deceased members of SMM

**Saturday, August 24** St. Bartholomew

8:00 am Pablo Mendoza  
Elaine Alimboyoguen  
4:00 pm Ann Donohue

**Sunday, August 25** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Don Tres  
George Meyers  
10:30 am Rosie Thiel  
Eugenio R. & Antonia L. Dias  
Julita Trovela  
Crispin Trovela

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IT MEANS THAT  
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TO THE TEST AND  
YOU DIDN'T FALL APART."  
- LINDA POINDEXTER

### CLASSIFIEDS

**FOR RENT:** sm office spaces \$300-\$600/mo, perfect for 1-8 person office, quiet environment, 24 hr access, Neal Gallo, 773-743-6565 or Neal.gallo.gznm@statefarm.com; 6.5 rm, 3rd fl of 3 flt, cntrl ht/air, 1500 sq ft, now, Peg, 773-274-7534;

**NEEDED:** handiman/computer tech, Peg, 773-274-7534.

## LITURGICAL ROLES

SMM serves, prays and celebrates.

### Sacristans

**Monday, August 19**

A Volunteer Is Needed

**Wednesday, August 21**

Anne Schaefer

**Saturday, August 24**

Mila Cobarrubias

### Lectors

**Saturday, August 17**

4:00 pm Mary Fallon & Bernadette Edom

**Sunday, August 18**

8:30 am Janet & Tim Murtaugh  
10:30 am Greg Umogo & Alex Luciano

### Eucharistic Ministers

**Saturday, August 17**

4:00 pm D. Cole, G. Lindor, J. Moylan,  
M. Varallo & J. Ashbach

**Sunday, August 18**

8:30 am C. Chima, A. Alban, P. & R. Mackin,  
B. Russell, R. Hardy & L. Honda  
10:30 am K. Conorque, P. Ohiri, G. Potucek,  
V. Onyeaghala, J. Seruelo,  
T. Luciano & B. Alban

### Lectors

**Saturday, August 24**

4:00 PM Julie Ashbach & Maureen Varallo

**Sunday, August 25**

8:30 am Richard Schaefer & Peter Scheidt  
10:30 am Betty David & L. Ibekwem

### Eucharistic Ministers

**Saturday, August 24**

4:00 pm A. Alban, B. Alban, J. Moylan,  
G. Lindor, D. Cole & M. Fallon

**Sunday, August 25**

8:30 am L. Igboanugo, L. Honda, R. Hardy,  
B. Russell, P. & R. Mackin &  
C. Chima  
10:30 am B. Skiles, M. K. McGuire, B. Bingham,  
A. Baldonado, M. Grigsby,  
Y. Malicay & T. Linwood