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Saturday 4:00 pm English

Sunday 7:30 am English

9:00 am Polish

10:30 am English

12:00 pm Polish

4:00 pm English

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7:30 pm Polish

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MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY APRIL 21 8:00AM
Margaret Stover†

WEDNESDAY APRIL 22 8:00AM
Simeon Kasuk†

THURSDAY APRIL 23 8:00AM
Kay & Tony Charvat

FRIDAY APRIL 24 8:00AM
Kay & Tony Charvat

SATURDAY APRIL 25 4:00PM
Richard Gomulka†

SUNDAY APRIL 26 7:30AM
Our deceased Parishioner†

SUNDAY APRIL 26 9:00AM
Slawek, Arek, Robert
Krzysztof Kalata†
Maria Ratulowski†
Andrzej Pasciak†

SUNDAY APRIL 26 10:30AM
Kenneth Bailey†

SUNDAY APRIL 26 12:00PM
Za parafian

SUNDAY APRIL 26 4:00PM
Gloria Espada†

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Thursday: Saint Adalbert
Saint George

Friday: Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen

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Lord, you will show us the path of life.



Congratulations and many blessings to:
NATALIA JANINA WALUS, DAMIAN TROFIMOWICZ,
MELODY ROSE ROBINETTE, ANTHONY MICHAEL PIGNATO,
CHARLOTTE LOU RYAN, AND LUKE ROBERT LUEBBING
who all received the Sacrament of Baptism on April 12th

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

April 19th - April 25th
George Billy†
Kay & Tony Charvat



Welcome to our new Parishioners

The Staszal Family
The Karcz Smalec Family
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The Jaromin Family





A WORD FROM FR. GREG

Living the 50 Days of Easter Joy

Happy Easter! Yes, we are still very much in the joy of the Easter season. As you look through this week's bulletin, you will see a wonderful collection of pictures capturing our journey from Palm Sunday all the way through the sacred Triduum. From the beautiful Easter basket blessings to the glorious Resurrection Mass procession, it was truly wonderful to see our parish family come together with such deep joy and reverence during this most holy time of year.

Looking back at these moments, it is wonderfully clear that our parish community is very alive. At the Easter Vigil, we were blessed to welcome six adults into the fullness of the Catholic faith. And the grace of new life continued last weekend, where we welcomed six babies into our family through the waters of Baptism. Praise God for the movement of the Holy Spirit in our church!

Sometimes, once Easter Sunday has passed, it is easy to slip right back into our normal routines and forget that the celebration has just begun. In the secular world, any 'holiday' is quickly put away seemingly the day after, but The Easter season doesn't end after one Sunday. It continues all the way to Pentecost. For these next several weeks, white will remain our main liturgical color, symbolizing the light, purity, and ultimate victory of the Resurrection. We just spent 40 days engaged in fasting and penance, and the Church, in her great wisdom, blesses us with 50 days of feasting and celebration.

I want to encourage all of you to keep the joy of Easter alive in your hearts and in your homes. As we move through these 50 days, continue to ask yourself how you can serve Jesus. Perhaps the Lord is calling you to share your gifts by joining one of our parish ministries. Maybe He is inviting you to continue the good spiritual habits you built during Lent, such as committing to daily prayer or spending quiet time with Him in Eucharistic Adoration.

Let us carry the light of the empty tomb into everything we do. May the Risen Christ continue to bless you and your families during this beautiful season!

He is Risen, Alleluia!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Greg

Przeżywając 50 dni radości Wielkanocnej

Wesołych Świąt Wielkanocnych! Tak, wciąż w pełni przeżywamy radość okresu wielkanocnego. Przeglądając tegoroczny biuletyn parafialny, zobaczycie wspaniałą kolekcję zdjęć, dokumentujących naszą drogę – od Niedzieli Palmowej aż po święte Triduum Paschalne. Od pięknych obrzędów poświęcenia pokarmów, aż po uroczystą procesję podczas Mszy Rezurekcyjnej – wspaniale było patrzeć, jak nasza parafialna rodzina jednoczy się z tak głęboką radością i czcią w tym najświętszym czasie w roku.

Spoglądając wstecz na te chwile, widać wyraźnie, jak żywa jest nasza wspólnota parafialna. Podczas Wigilii Paschalnej mieliśmy wielką radość przyjąć sześcioro dorosłych do pełni wiary katolickiej. A łaska nowego życia trwała nadal w miniony weekend, kiedy to przyjęliśmy do naszej rodziny sześcioro niemowląt poprzez wody Chrztu świętego. Chwała Bogu za działanie Ducha Świętego w naszym kościele!

Czasami, gdy minie już Niedziela Wielkanocna, łatwo jest powrócić do codziennej rutyny i zapomnieć, że świętowanie dopiero się rozpoczęło. W świecie świeckim wszelkie „święta” są zazwyczaj szybko odkładane na bok – zdawałoby się, że już następnego dnia – lecz okres wielkanocny nie kończy się po jednej niedzieli. Trwa on aż do uroczystości Zesłania Ducha Świętego (Zielonych Świąt). Przez najbliższe tygodnie biel pozostanie naszym głównym kolorem liturgicznym, symbolizującym światło, czystość i ostateczne zwycięstwo Zmartwychwstania. Właśnie spędziliśmy 40 dni na poście i pokucie, a Kościół – w swej wielkiej mądrości – obdarza nas teraz 50 dniami ucztowania i świętowania.

Pragnę zachęcić Was wszystkich, abyście podtrzymywali radość wielkanocną w swoich sercach i domach. Przeżywając te 50 dni, zadawajcie sobie wciąż pytanie: w jaki sposób mogę służyć Jezusowi? Być może Pan wzywa Was, abyście dzielili się swoimi darami, dołączając do jednej z naszych grup parafialnych. A może zaprasza Was do kontynuowania dobrych nawyków duchowych, które wypracowaliście w czasie Wielkiego Postu – takich jak codzienna modlitwa czy spędzanie cichego czasu z Nim podczas adoracji Najświętszego Sakramentu.

Nieśmy światło pustego grobu we wszystko, co czynimy. Niech Zmartwychwstały Chrystus nieustannie błogosławi Was i Wasze rodziny w tym pięknym okresie!

Zmartwychwstał! Alleluja!

W Chrystusie,

Ks. Grzegorz

The Easter flowers in our church are beautiful this year! We want to thank Marysia for planning and preparing the decorations, and thank you to everyone who donated to the Easter Flowers.

We also want to thank the Highlanders group for all their assistance at our Easter traditions and celebrations.

God bless you all for your hard work and generosity!

Kwiaty wielkanocne w naszym kościele w tym okresie są naprawdę piękne i dodają wyjątkowego uroku naszej liturgii. Z całego serca pragniemy podziękować Marysi za piękne zaplanowanie i przygotowanie dekoracji, a także wszystkim, którzy złożyli ofiary na zakup kwiatów. Wasza hojność i zaangażowanie są wielkim wsparciem dla naszej wspólnoty. Serdeczne podziękowania kierujemy również do grupy Highlanders za ich nieustanną pomoc, zaangażowanie i wsparcie podczas naszych tradycji i uroczystości. Dzięki Wam nasza parafia może pięknie przeżywać te wyjątkowe chwile.

Niech Bóg Wam wszystkim wynagrodzi Waszą pracę i dobroć!

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER



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MERCY, COMPASSION, FORGIVENESS . . .
 If you are suffering from grief after having had an abortion, remember that God always offers forgiveness. Nothing is unforgivable and the Church is the hospital of healing. Just as the father ran to the prodigal son when he came home, so too is God waiting with open arms to receive you back home!

2026 Retreat Dates:
 May 1 - 3 and Oct 2 - 4
 Our Lady of the Angels Retreat Center
 at Sisters of Mt. Assisi - Lemont, IL

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION- Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreats offer a beautiful opportunity for healing for any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion.

The retreat is a chance to get away from the daily pressure of work and family, to focus on a painful time in life, and to begin healing through a supportive and non-judgmental process.

Many preconceived fears of condemnation are transformed into blessings; pain and confusion are replaced by reconciliation, grace and peace.

Spiritual exercises focusing on God's forgiveness, compassion and mercy are shared through psychological exercises that help participants work through repressed grief and anger that may exist. The retreat concludes with a Memorial Service. The weekend will help your soul find a voice and transform the pain of the past into love and hope.

Information, prayers, registration contact:
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Everest Academy Lemont is exploring the launch of a Catholic hybrid homeschool program for the 2026-2027 school year.

Homeschool families are invited to join us for an informational meeting and listening session as we gather ideas and feedback to help shape this new program.

HYBRID PROGRAM INTEREST MEETING

Friday, April 24
 Following the 8:15 AM Mass

Everest Academy Lemont
 11550 Bell Rd.
 Lemont, IL 60439

During this meeting we will discuss:

- Academic schedule & hybrid learning model
- Curriculum & classical Catholic education
- Faith formation & community life
- Opportunities for homeschool families to collaborate and connect



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St. Joseph's Corner

The grace of Easter is not simply joy at the empty tomb. The Resurrection gives us hope for the road ahead, yet the journey itself demands purification.

This Sunday, the Church gives us the road to Emmaus: two disciples walking in sorrow, confusion, and disappointment, while the risen Christ is already beside them. They do not recognize Him at first. Their sight must be healed through the long road, the opening of the Scriptures, and finally the breaking of the bread.

How often is this our own road?

We, too, can walk with Christ and fail to see Him—present in His Word, in the Eucharist, in prayer, and even in the least of these. Worse still, in a world crowded with spectacle, substitutes, and false images, we can begin to mistake what is not of Christ for the Lord Himself.

This week's reflection, "When False Images Fade, and Christ Alone Remains," considers the healing of our sight, the grace of Emmaus, the Church's role in guiding the faithful from confusion to recognition, and the Easter victory of confessing that Christ alone saves.

Read the full St. Joseph's Corner online
<https://sebastianabbinanti.substack.com/>

-Sebastian Abbinanti



April 25/26	Sat 4:00pm	Sun 7:30am	Sun 9:00am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 12:00pm	Sun 4:00pm
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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION



Baptism: Baptisms are scheduled on the second Sunday of each month. Polish Baptisms are at 1:00 p.m., and English Baptisms are at 1:30 p.m. Please contact the Faith Formation Office before booking a venue for the celebration. Parents must be registered with our parish. Both sponsors must be over 16 years old, with at least one being a practicing Catholic.



Marriage: The bride and groom should be active members of our parish. The couple should contact the Faith Formation Office at least six months in advance to schedule their marriage, allowing for adequate preparation. Schedule the church date for your marriage before securing your venue.



Funerals: The family of the deceased will coordinate with the chosen funeral home. The funeral home will then contact us at Our Mother of Good Counsel about the upcoming funeral Mass. We will then get in touch with the family to organize the funeral liturgy.



Eucharist for the Homebound and Hospitalized: If you are unable to attend Mass please contact the Parish Office for the Sacraments of the Eucharist. Our Homebound ministry would be happy to assist you.



Anointing of the Sick & Hospital Visits: Please contact the Parish Office if your loved one requires an anointing. Please do not wait until death is imminent to request anointing, as it may take some time to find a priest for the sacrament.



Religious Education: We offer religious education classes for grades 1-8. Call the Faith Formation Office for more information. Classes meet Wednesday, 6:00-7:30PM September through March.



Newcomers: Welcome to our Parish! Please stop in the Parish Office or visit our website for a Parishioner registration form. We are so happy to have you.



Prayer Request Line: Submit your intention to omgcpayers@gmail.com, and our prayer warriors will discreetly pray for you intention. If you would like to join the prayer warriors, send omgcpayers@gmail.com an email

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