

# Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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March 17, 2024 - Fifth Sunday of Lent



## 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

“And when I am lifted up from the earth,  
I will draw everyone to myself.” - Jn 12:32

## Mass Intentions

*Please pray for all those on our prayer list...*

### Saturday, March 16 Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. ✠ Anita Morgan by Fran Fenton  
 ✠ Sam Panvo by Crockett Family  
 ✠ Frank Grunauer by Fran Fenton

### Sunday, March 17 Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. ✠ John Fetcho by Mary Fetcho  
 SI Zachary Crockett by Crockett Family  
 SI Stephen Talbot by Talbot Family

10:00 a.m. ✠ Tina Bagnola by Fran Di Genova  
 SI Parishioners of Corpus Christi

11:30 a.m. ✠ Jozef Wos  
 Mass in Polish

### Monday, March 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop

9:00 a.m. ✠ Jack Graziano Jr. Crockett Family  
 ✠ John Fetcho by Mary Fetcho

### Tuesday, March 19 St. Joseph

9:00 a.m. ✠ Joan Drozd by Husband  
 ✠ John Fetcho by Mary Fetcho  
 SI Karen Warren Birthday Blessings

### Wednesday, March 20 Lenten Weekday

9:00 a.m. ✠ Richard & Christine Santosdiaz Birthday Blessings  
 SI Judy Crockett

### Thursday, March 21 Lenten Weekday

9:00 a.m. ✠ Kenneth Sparr  
 ✠ Mary Kay Romanchuk

### Friday, March 22 Lenten Weekday

9:00 a.m. ✠ Walter Keefe Sr. by Nancy Keefe  
 ✠ Bobbie Saverino by Deacon Bill & Patty Thomas

### Saturday, March 23 Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. ✠ Jeanette Calma Pablada by Roselina

### Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. ✠ Maria & Tomas Guzman

10:00 a.m. ✠ Rita Gagliano by Debbie & Tony Molinaro  
 ✠ Vito Scarpeli by Santa Campobasso  
 ✠ Bobbie Saverino by Tony & Debbie Molinaro

11:30 a.m. SI Parishioners of Corpus Christi  
 Mass in Polish

Shannon & Jaxon A.	Dr. Dan Haraf	Sue Patterson
Joe Ernest Alonto	Samantha Harvey	Betty Pilafis
Adnan Alonto	Louise Harrison	<b>Lucy Pope</b>
Javier-Maria Alonso	Larry Hartnett	<b>Gary Reich</b>
Pat Baker	<b>Daniel Hartzell</b>	<b>Kathy Reich</b>
Asuncion Baldwin	<b>Donna Hawko</b>	AJ (Austin) Rose
Janay Bell	<b>Debbie Henke</b>	Melissa and Joe
<b>Brian Bennett</b>	Asha J.	Reynolds
Gerri Tillman Bentel	Pamela Jacobs	Dolores Salerno
Nelly Bonugli	Patricia Johnson	Martin Salerno
Cathy Brill	<b>Geoffrey Johnson</b>	<b>Donna Sanchez</b>
Brittany Brinkman	Shawn Jurgensen	<b>Christine Scardina</b>
<b>Bud Brown</b>	Maria Klisz	Russell Schauer
<b>Theresa Bull</b>	Ann Krueger	Mary Beth Sheperdson
Melanie B.	Westin LaFever	Antonio Sievert
Dave Calderone	Rose Marie Lambert	Alberto Sievert
Terry Cook	Sondra Long	Evelyn Simonetta
Alan Demascus	Jackie Lower	Steve & Barbara Smith
Tessa Dante	Patricia Lucchesi	Mark Smith
Karen Deering	Keegan Manz	<b>Lorraine Standiford</b>
Tom Donnell	Enrique Martinez	Arzy Staten
Martha Durnil	Maria	Kathy Staten
Denise Ealy	Darnell Matesi	Robert Strawn
Annette Fath	<b>Karen Mahrenholz</b>	Vicki Strawn
Joe Fenton	<b>Kevin McKinney</b>	<b>Joanne Talbot</b>
Stephanie Sliwa	Larry Miller	<b>Lorenzo Tamburello</b>
Freiwald	Josephine Miller	Baby Kyle Templin
Betty Funer	Joe Moser	Julie Tkaczuk
Carol Gatti	Mark Muzer	Mike Tkaczuk
<b>Mike Gebhardt</b>	<b>Elida Navarro</b>	<b>Juanita Torronio</b>
Cristina Gonzalez	Mary Nekyha	Andrade Valentine
Chris Gries	<b>Michael Novak</b>	Rita Whitney
<b>Clarence Groves</b>	John Numrich	<b>Rachele Zito</b>
Paula Grueder	<b>Bill Ohlhaber</b>	
Rocella Hampton		

### *In Loving Remembrance*

Barbara Pantone, Bill Staunton, Mary Thomas  
 Roberta Saverino, Tomasz Gibula

*May they Rest in Peace*

### ROSARY FOR LIFE

*Come pray the Pro-Life Rosary at  
 Corpus Christi on Tuesday mornings in  
 the church after the 9 am Mass.*



### Readings for the Week of March 17, 2024

**Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11  
**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a  
**Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42  
**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59  
**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42  
**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56  
**Next Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

**We are continuing Mass requests. Please  
 call the office 630-483-4673 or email at  
 corpuschristicc@sbcglobal.net with your  
 intention.**



# This Sunday, March 17 in Marian Hall 12:30 pm

## When is the Event?

- **Sunday, March 17 downstairs in Marian Hall at 12:30 pm.**

## Can You Help?

- Donate a Meatless or Meat dish, side, vegetables, or dessert. “Label” your donation: Meat, No Meat, served Hot or Cold, nuts, no nuts, gluten free.
- Make a monetary donation. Contact Debbie or Tony Molinaro at [tonydebmo@att.net](mailto:tonydebmo@att.net) or (630) 876-1116.

## Why Should You Attend?

- Enjoy great homemade food and wonderful desserts.
- Help us raise funds for Maryville Academy’s Residential Homes for girls.

Maryville Academy’s Casa Salama is a safe and supportive home for girls diagnosed with intellectual and mental disabilities. The residential service program helps girls, who mostly have faced trauma or abuse, develop the skills that will allow them to live independent lives. The Casa Imani program is a therapeutic residential home for parenting and pregnant adolescent girls, ages 13 to 20 and their babies, with a history of childhood trauma and intellectual disability and mental illness.

**Thursday, March 21**  
**6 pm Adoration, followed by**  
**Parish Lenten**  
**Confessions 7 pm**



**Reconciliation is also at 4 pm on Saturdays**

**Stations of the Cross are on Fridays at 7pm  
March 22 (Stations led by Knights)**



## **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

### **Palm Sunday**

Saturday, March 23: Vigil at 5 pm

Sunday, March 24: Masses at 8 am & 10 am, 11:30 am (Polish)

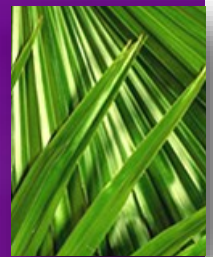


### **Holy Thursday – March 28**

Morning Prayer at 9 am

**Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 pm**

*Followed by Adoration until Midnight*



### **Good Friday – March 29**

Morning Prayer at 9 am

Stations of the Cross at 3 pm

*Divine Mercy Novena begins today at 6:30 pm*

**Celebration of the Passion of the Lord at 7pm**



### **Easter Vigil / Holy Saturday – March 30**

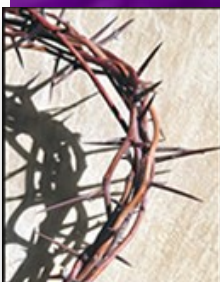
Morning Prayer at 9 am

Blessing of Easter Food Baskets at:  
11 am, 12 noon, 1 pm (all in English & Polish)

Easter Egg Hunt at 11:30 am

*Divine Mercy Novena at 7:30 pm*

**Easter Vigil at 8 pm**



### **Easter Sunday – March 31**

Masses at 8 am & 10 am, 11:30 am (Polish)

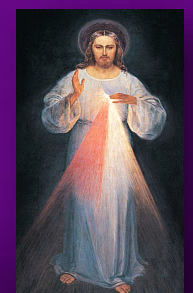
### **Divine Mercy Sunday – April 7**

Masses at 8 am & 10 am, 11:30 am (Polish)

Adoration & Confessions at 1:30-3 pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction at 3 pm

Reception at 4 pm



# Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Dinner at 6:00pm followed by Stations at 7:00pm



**CCW Council of Catholic Women**

**&**



**Knights of Columbus®**

Invite you to a light meal prior to the Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm

We will all have Soup, Salad, and Pasta in Marian Hall

*Lenten* **PASTA**  
**& SOUP** *Suppers*



**KNIGHTS KORNER**



**Interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus?**

Please contact a Knight you might know OR Grand Knight, Brent Smith at [brent360smith@gmail.com](mailto:brent360smith@gmail.com) / 630-263-8377 or Membership Director Kevin Callahan 630-235-6456. You can also visit: [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and research the Knights of Columbus further to learn about the various benefits of membership available that can help protect you and your family.



**POP TOPS FOR Ronald McDonald House**

**NEW LOCATION for the collection bin:**  
**In the hallway by the office entrance**



Pull for the House.



**SCAN HERE TO MAKE YOUR OFFERTORY**



QR Code

You may have noticed a QR code (quick response) on the back of the pews in the church. Now the code is available from our bulletin. Just use your camera phone to scan the QR code to make an offertory gift to Corpus



## Corpus Christi Council of Catholic Women (CCW) Corner

As we mentioned before, each woman of our Parish is automatically a member of the CCW. If you see us at any of the upcoming Lenten events, please consider asking questions. Consider how you could participate in the CCW. You can learn more about the **CCW Corpus Christi** by reaching out to an active member or our President **Debbie Hartigan**. We welcome new members and are open to new ideas being presented. Volunteers are always welcome and needed at events. Meetings are monthly.

**No New Upcoming Events Currently During Lent**

### The St. Vincent de Paul Society



If you are in need of help, please call our confidential hotline number: 331-229-9069.

**We welcome new members!**

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE™**  
*life is precious -defend it*

Spring Campaign  
February 22nd - April 2nd



Put your faith in action by joining your fellow parishioners for the Spring 2023 *40 Days for Life* prayer vigil to end abortion.

Please consider committing to a specific hour of prayer at the Access Health abortion clinic in Downers Grove during the hours of 7AM to 7PM from February 22nd to April 2nd, and bring a friend. Another option would be to sign up your church for an entire day or even half a day to pray.

For more information and to sign up, go to [www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove](http://www.40daysforlife.com/downersgrove)  
Access Health Clinic is located at  
1700 W. 75th St. Downers Grove.

**PRAY TO END ABORTION**



### We need many workers in the vineyard!

Please help support the PMC's "Right to Parent" Ballot Initiative" to reclaim and protect Parental Rights in Illinois for their minor children, particularly for life-altering medical procedures that include abortion services and gender-affirming services.

The PMC is collecting 500,000 petition signatures before April 15, 2024 to place an Advisory Question of Public Policy on the November 2024 ballot. Please help us!

1. Visit [www.parentsmattercoalition.org](http://www.parentsmattercoalition.org) or scan the QR Code.
2. Download and print the petition with the directions.
3. Sign the petition and secure as many signatures as possible from registered Illinois voters, including your family, friends and neighbors.
4. Encourage your full network to also circulate the petition.
5. After gathering all the signatures possible, ideally 50 each, visit a local notary public (many banks offer free services).
6. In front of the notary, complete the information below the 10th signature line on the petition sheet.
7. Mail the notarized petition sheets before April 15th to: Parents Matter Coalition, P.O. Box 1503, Wheaton, IL 60187

# Religious Education News



## Calendar

3/17 9am – Communion Parent Meeting  
3/24-3/31 NO CLASS – Holy Week, Spring Break  
3/30 11:30am – Easter Egg Hunt

## CCW Thank You!

Thank you to the CCW for providing dinner and dessert for our sixth graders prior to the Living Stations!

## Easter Egg Hunt

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on:  
**Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:30**  
All children up to age 10 are invited!



## First Communion Information

- † Banner cloths are due March 24<sup>th</sup>.
- † Practice for May 4<sup>th</sup>'s First Holy Communion will now be held on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Church. Practice for May 5<sup>th</sup>'s First Holy Communion will remain on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm.



## Good Deeds

**Noah** - clean up the kitchen after dinner for my Mom  
**Lilliana** - helped with my puppy  
**Isabella** - helped  
**Junior** - helped my Mom clean the house  
**Elena** - helped



# Confirmation

**Sofia Lech**  
**Confirmation Coordinator**



## Upcoming Service Projects

*This year, students will be required to complete ten (10) hours of service.*

Stuffing Easter Eggs – Sunday, March 17, 6pm  
Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> am  
YM meetings – Sunday, 6-8pm

Contact [corpuschristiccym@gmail.com](mailto:corpuschristiccym@gmail.com) to sign up or request further information.

## Confirmation II Requirements

*The following were due March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please be sure that your Confirmation II student has turned in all four items.*

- ♦ Letter to Fr. Marek
- ♦ Sponsor Report
- ♦ Saint Report
- ♦ Sponsor Verification form

Students will have the Sacrament of Confirmation delayed until all requirements are met.

\*Please contact the RE office with your child's height (for the Confirmation gown) at [cceducation@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cceducation@sbcglobal.net).

## Confirmation I Students

All Confirmation I students should be completing the requirements for the first year of preparation:

- ♦ Ten (10) hours of service with corresponding Service Project form
- ♦ Fifteen (15) Mass reflection sheets

**Please turn these requirements in as soon as possible.**







## Are you an adult Catholic that hasn't been confirmed?

Adult confirmation will be celebrated this year on Friday evening, May 17, 2024.

Any Catholic adult, 18 years or older, that has been Baptized and received their First Holy Communion and is practicing their faith is welcomed to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

### Preparation includes the following:

- Selection of a confirmation name
- Selection + validation of a sponsor
- Copy of baptismal certificate
- Completion of preparation workshop

In order to be part of this celebration... interested adults need to **contact the parish office by Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**, to register for preparation workshops.

The two preparation workshops are to be held in Marian Hall on Sundays

**April 21<sup>st</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Attendance mandatory at both sessions.**

from 9:00AM to 11:30AM.

If you are interested or you know of anyone who would be, please call the parish office at **630-483-4673** to register.



**CONFIRMED IN THE SPIRIT**

## Children's Choir & Family Mass

The next Family Mass is **Sunday March 17, at 10 am**. If you'd like more information about your child (2nd Graders and up) joining our St. Cecilia's Children's Choir, please contact our Music Director, Agata Olszakowska at 630.483.4673 ext. 107 or [ccmusicnote@gmail.com](mailto:ccmusicnote@gmail.com) and check out our Music Ministry website page at <https://corpuschristicarolstream.org/music-ministry/>



**OFFER  
YOUR  
SUFFERING  
TO GOD**

**Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held:  
Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am  
Join us!**



### **Upcoming Required Parent Meetings**

Parents of a student who will be celebrating First Holy Communion are *required* to attend a Parent meeting on:

**Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 9am  
in Sts. Peter & Paul room  
Thank you for your participation!**

**Congratulations to Corpus Christi  
parishioners who were nominated Carol Stream  
Citizen of the Year!**

***Debbie Molinaro  
Mark Jatczak***

**And who was named Special Citizen of the Year!  
*John Threlkeld***

## **LENTEN REGULATIONS**

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

## The Legion of Mary Invites You to Welcome the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima into Your Home.

Corpus Christi's Legion of Mary invites parishioners to bring the Lady of Fatima statue into your homes for a week to encourage families, especially those with young children, to pray together. We will provide a prayer packet to help you. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at [corpuschristicc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:corpuschristicc@sbcglobal.net) or leave a message at 312-237-6448. We will be glad to answer any questions or provide you with more details.

Our Lady of Fatima has already visited nearly 30 families in our Corpus Christi parish community since it began its journey from house to house in August of last year. The latest host to welcome the statue of Our Lady of Fatima into their home was Joe and Geri Bird.

**Here are comments and observations from people who had Our Lady of Fatima's statue in their home:**



*"Her visit was one of the best experiences. I felt her presence each day, moving me closer to her Son."*

*"Mary answered the prayers in my heart, as my husband joined me in praying the rosary and gave me the courage to speak."*

*"I would like to thank the Legion of Mary for bringing our Lady into our home. Our daughter and her 3 children came to join us to pray the rosary. It was beautiful to see and hear my 7-year-old*

*grandson saying "Mary, the Lord is with me . . ." I loved it and didn't correct him because I know the Lord is with him as he said two decades of the rosary."*

*"Thank you, Our Lady of Fatima, for the visit. Praying the rosary daily with the whole family brought us closer to God and united hearts to the Blessed Virgin."*

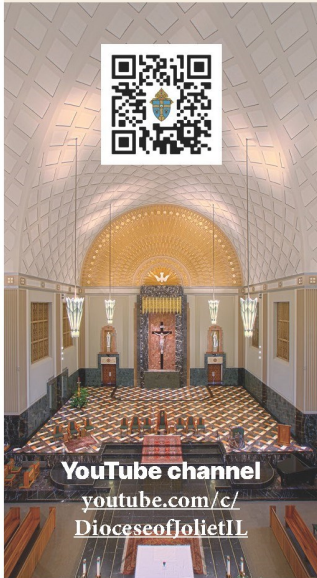


**The Legion of Mary is a lay catholic organization whose members are giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country. The goal of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active cooperation in Mary's and the Church's work. Corpus Christi's Legion of Mary meets every Wednesday at 7 pm in Marian Hall. New members are always welcome. Contact Letty at [ldino518@gmail.com](mailto:ldino518@gmail.com) for more information.**

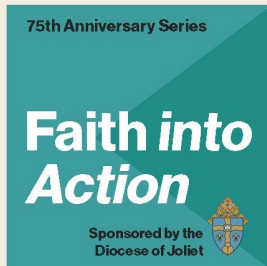


# Opening Liturgy Livestream

Watch the Opening Liturgy from the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus at 6 p.m. on Monday, December 11, 2023.



YouTube channel  
youtube.com/c/  
DioceseofJolietIL



## Podcast

The 75th Anniversary podcast series launched in November; new episodes will be released the first Monday of each month. Watch on YouTube or listen on your favorite podcast platform (search "Faith Into Action"):



Faith Into Action  
YouTube  
(video)

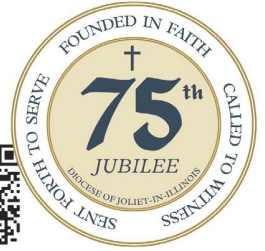


Faith Into Action  
Podcast  
(audio)

COMMEMORATING 75 YEARS OF CATECHESIS,  
EVANGELIZATION AND SERVICE

# 75th Anniversary Timeline

Visit [dijoliet.org/75th](http://dijoliet.org/75th) for the full list of events and activities surrounding the 75th anniversary



DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	DETAILS	
November 6, 2023	Episode 1 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	Guests: Bishop Hicks and Fr. Tom Paul	
November 25–December 3, 2023	Novena of Grace	<a href="http://dijoliet.org/75th">dijoliet.org/75th</a>	Featuring excerpts from St. Francis Xavier letters and daily prayers/reflections	
December 3, 2023 1 p.m.	Blessing and dedication of St. Francis Xavier statue	Blanchette Catholic Center, Crest Hill	The statue will serve as a constant reminder of the patron saint of our diocese, since its founding in 1948	
December 4, 2023	Episode 2 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	Facts about St. Francis Xavier	
December 11, 2023 6 p.m.	Opening Liturgy	St. Raymond Nonnatus	Representatives from all parishes and religious institutions	
January 1, 2024	Episode 3 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)	<p>The St. Francis Xavier statue that will be dedicated on December 3 is modeled after the patron of the diocese in the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus</p> 	
February 5, 2024	Episode 4 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
March 4, 2024	Episode 5 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
April 1, 2024	Episode 6 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
April 18, 2024	Theology on Tap	TBD		
May 6, 2024	Episode 7 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
June 1, 2024	Steubenville Youth Event	Lewis University Register: <a href="https://bit.ly/3N44OTB">https://bit.ly/3N44OTB</a>		
June 3, 2024	Episode 8 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
June 13, 2024	Theology on Tap	Blanchette Catholic Center, Crest Hill		Featuring three newly ordained priests (Fr. Alex, Fr. Jared and Fr. Jeremy)
June 22, 2024 4 p.m.	Regional liturgy	Bishop McNamara High School, Kankakee		For parishioners in Ford, Grundy, Iroquois and Kankakee Counties
July 1, 2024	Episode 9 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
August 5, 2024	Episode 10 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
September 2, 2024	Episode 11 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
September 14, 2024 4 p.m.	Regional liturgy	Montini Catholic High School, Lombard	For parishioners in DuPage County	
September 28, 2024 4 p.m.	Regional liturgy	Lewis University, Romeoville	For parishioners in Will and Kendall Counties	
October 2024	Service Day	All parishes and various religious entities will be asked to celebrate a day of service		
October 7, 2024	Episode 12 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
October 24, 2024	Theology on Tap	TBD	Featuring Bishop Hicks	
November 4, 2024	Episode 13 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
December 2, 2024	Episode 14 podcast release	YouTube (Diocese of Joliet) and podcast platforms (Faith Into Action)		
December 8, 2024 4 p.m.	Closing Liturgy	St. Raymond Nonnatus	Representatives from all parishes and religious institutions	



# Bishop Hicks' Column

March 2024

## SUPER BOWL SURPRISE



ON A SUNDAY IN FEBRUARY, I gathered with my family and friends to watch the Super Bowl. It was entertaining hearing everyone's reasons for gathering around the game that day. Some were cheering on a particular team or player. Others couldn't wait to view the halftime show or catch a glimpse of Taylor Swift. A few just relished being in the company of friends and family and indulging in the abundance of food and drink. Regardless of each person's motivation, the Super Bowl provided us with an opportunity to come together in the spirit of fun and camaraderie.

I enjoyed the gathering and the game for all those reasons, but I must admit many of the commercials left me confused! I found myself asking, "What was that commercial about?" or, "What product were they trying to sell? I just don't get it!" Thankfully, there were plenty of younger people around to explain curious ads to me.

Then, to my surprise, a 30-second commercial popped up featuring the actors Mark Wahlberg and Jonathan Roumie. I did a double-take and blurted out in surprise, "Wait a minute! Did they just actually run a positive, CATHOLIC commercial?!" I convinced my family and friends to rewind it and rewatch it with me three times. Amazingly, the commercial urged viewers to take a break from the game, thank God, and enjoy a moment of prayer on this Sunday. The ad highlighted a 40-day Lenten prayer challenge to be found on the Hallow app. The last three words in the commercial nudged us to "Stay prayed up." If you have not yet seen this commercial, you can find it on Hallow's YouTube channel ([hallow.com/youtube](https://www.hallow.com/youtube)).

I'm already a subscriber to the Hallow app. But I immediately clicked to join the 40-day prayer challenge which began on Ash Wednesday. It seems I was not alone in heeding that call! The day after Ash Wednesday, the Hallow app reached the number-one spot in Apple's App Store. I'm liking this structured and intentional Lenten challenge; it has enhanced my further spiritual growth during this season of Lent.

Here's what's stirred me: the Pray40 Community

Prayer Challenge offers a different, well-prepared meditation or reflection from a variety of presenters, including Mark Wahlberg, Jonathan Roumie, Sister Mary Bernice, M.C.; Sister Miriam James, S.O.L.T.; and Father Mike Schmitz. Many of the days guide us through the astonishing, spiritual classic, *He Leadeth Me*, written by Fr. Walter J. Ciszek, S.J. Fr. Walter was a Jesuit priest and missionary, imprisoned for more than 20 years in the Soviet Union. Amidst horrific and brutal conditions, Fr. Walter underwent a profound spiritual journey. He surrendered his life to God and gifted us with an extraordinary example of faith, humility, and hope in Christ.

I've noticed several testimonials about the positive, spiritual effects of using the Hallow app this Lent. One that was moving was from a man who shared "Hallow right now is bringing me back to my faith and I will see where it goes. I abandoned my Catholic upbringing because I struggle with religion being the root of so much division and war in our world. I've just recently introduced Hallow and am taking great comfort in welcoming God back into my life."

This Lent, I've been trying to spend less time on social media and more time in quiet and meditative prayer. So it seems like a paradox to me that Hallow's Lent Pray40 challenge is leading me back to my phone. Yet, using this particular app doesn't make me feel like I just wasted a large chunk of time—instead, it's guided me to feeling nourished, inspired, and blessed during my Lenten journey.

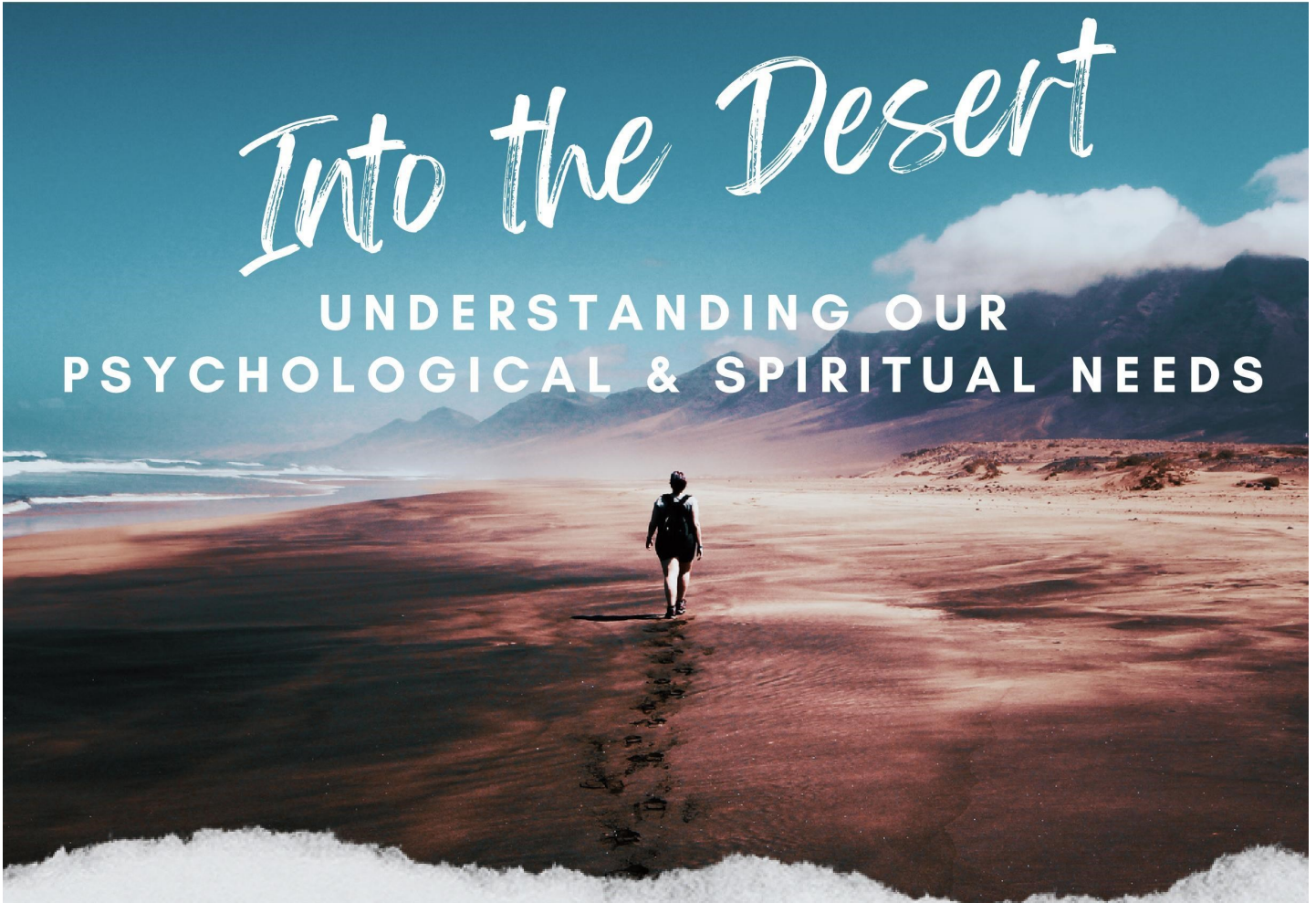
This Lent, I've noticed how many people are seeking to go deeper spiritually. So many yearn to return to God and the Church. The Church gives us so many beautiful paths to do so. Astoundingly, this year's Super Bowl commercial, which was broadcast to millions throughout the world, just might have been the voice of the Holy Spirit whispering with a megaphone to each one of us! We have been invited to draw closer to the Lord this Lent and become more fully the person God created us to be. So, here's my commercial: if you have not already done so, I encourage you to download the Hallow app and start following the Lent Pray40 challenge daily. It's never too late to stay prayed up! †



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**Date Registering** \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # (*Parish Office use only*) \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Last Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Male Head of Household** \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Email \_\_\_\_\_

Religion: \_\_ Roman Catholic \_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Female Head of Household** \_\_\_\_\_

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Primary Email \_\_\_\_\_

Religion: \_\_ Roman Catholic \_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Marital Status:** \_\_ Married \_\_ Single \_\_ Widowed \_\_ Divorced \_\_ Separated

**What Mass do you regularly attend?**  5pm Sat  8:30am Sun  11am Sun  12:30pm Sun.

**Name(s) of Child(ren) and Age(s) (*living at home*):**

First Child \_\_\_\_\_ Second Child \_\_\_\_\_

Third Child \_\_\_\_\_ Fourth Child \_\_\_\_\_

Fifth Child \_\_\_\_\_ Sixth Child \_\_\_\_\_

*Other information:*

- Or -

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