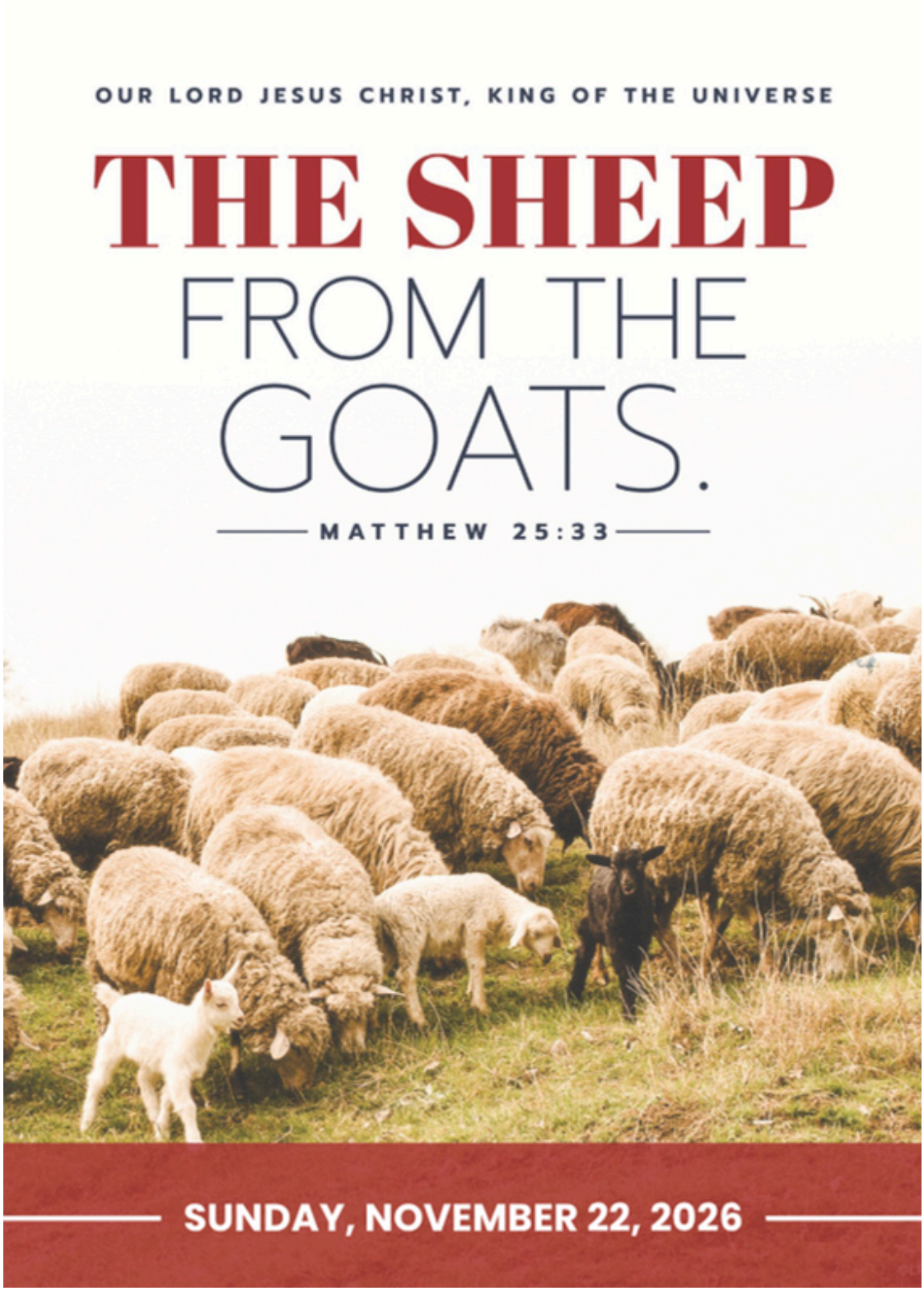
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Mass Intentions

Monday 8:30 am
Nov. 23- *Weekday*
Deceased Members of the Clark & DiPrima Families†

Tuesday 8:30 am
Nov. 24 - *St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs*
Dorothy Knopacz†

Wenesday 8:30 am
Nov. 25 - *Weekday*
Marge Schroedter*

Thursday 9:00 am
Nov. 26 - *Thanksgiving Day*
Braun and Liss Families†

Friday 8:30 am
Nov. 27 - *Weekday*
Chris Estrada*

Saturday 8:30 am 4:30 pm
Nov. 28- *Weekday*
Gene Niewoehner†
John Haag†/Jerry & Yolanda Lullo†/
Tom & Anne Jones†/Chris Sorapuru/Keith Sprovieri†

Sunday
8:30 am
10:30 am
12:30 am
6:00 pm
Nov. 29 - *First Sunday of Advent*
Patricia Lindahl†/Marian & Peter Kurasz, Jr./Holy Souls in Purgatory†/Matt Schmit†/Earl Schadtler†
George Bode†
The People of St. Alexander
Virginia Jimenez†

†Denotes Deceased ***Denotes Living Intention**

Facility Schedule

Mon. 11/16:

Rental - ICGS practice	Hall/Gym	4:00pm
OCIA	Fr. Tuan Rm	6:00pm
Scout Troop 199	Hall/Gym	7:00pm

Tues. 11/17:

Legion of Mary	Fr. Tuan Rm	9:00am
Rental - ICGS practice	Hall/Gym	3:30pm
Children's Choir practice	Church	5:45pm
Sons of Thunder Meeting	Barrett Rm	6:30pm
Music-Chancel Choir	Church	7:00pm

The parish center closes at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, November 25, and will be closed Thursday, November 26, and Friday, November 27 for the Thanksgiving Holiday. The parish center will reopen on Monday, November 30 at 9:00 am.







Join us for hospitality after Mass in the gathering space.

1st weekend of the Month
after Spanish Masses
4th weekend of the month
after all English Masses



Reconciliation
Mondays and Thursdays
from 5:00 pm— 6:00 pm
or by appointment: 630-833-7730

Parish News





A message from Fr. Rosenbaum

Dear family in Christ,

I wanted to offer a quick thank you to God for all we do for our parish. Seeing more people come back to our Masses continues to embolden my faith and encourages me in my offering as well. I thank all who have stepped up to serve. May the Lord continue to send His graces upon us and keep our hearts grounded in thanksgiving for His Eternal love for us. Continue to encourage those who have been away from the Mass to come back to this offering every Sunday as the family into which Christ has brought and invited all of humanity. May God bless you and your families at this Thanksgiving time as we gather at the Lord's Eternal table and the Heavenly banquet every Sunday at Mass with our Heavenly family. Thank you for choosing this blessedness with your hearts and presence.

With prayers and blessings,
Fr. Rosenbaum

The Giving Tree Sign-up will close soon. Thank you to everyone who has already donated.





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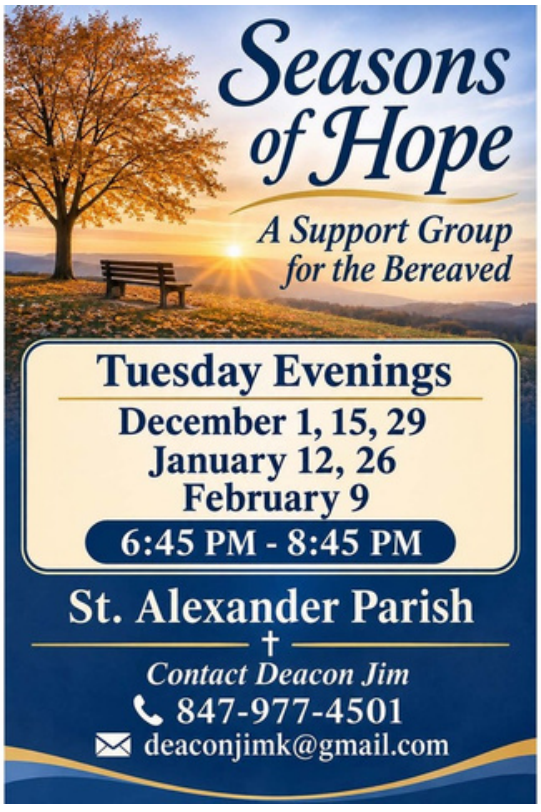
Thanksgiving Day Mass Thursday, November 26 @ 9:00 am

The Parish Center will close at 1:00 pm on Wed., November 25, and will be closed on November 27 and 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be no confessions on Thanksgiving. The Parish Center will reopen on Monday, November 30th at 9:00 am.

May this Thanksgiving be full of joy, peace and blessings from God for you and your families.

From Fr. Rosenbaum, Deacons, and the Staff of St. Alexander







Parish News

Mittens for Mary Knitting Group

Below are pictures of the hats, mittens, scarves and headbands our Mittens for Mary Knitting Group have made throughout the year. These items are donated to St. Vincent de Paul to hand out and to the Franciscan Outreach Community homeless shelter.

Mittens for Mary Knitting Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 9:30 am in the Library of the Parish Center. If you would like to learn to knit, the ladies would be happy to teach you. If you can't attend the meeting time but like to knit, they accept donated items as well.







Bulletin Submission Deadlines

Bulletin	Articles Due
November 29	Mon. Nov. 16 at 9:00 am
December 6	Mon. Nov. 23 at 9:00 am
December 13	Mon. Nov. 30 at 9:00 am
December 20	Mon. Dec. 7 at 9:00 am
December 27	Mon. Dec. 14 at 9:00 am
January 3, 2027	Mon. Dec. 21 at 9:00 am

Please send bulletin articles to bulletin@stalexanderparish.org. *Thank you!*



Congratulations!

One of St. Alexander parishioners and a member of the Council of Catholic Women, Pam Sifuentes, was installed as the Joliet Diocese CCW President on October 24, 2026. Congratulations Pam!





Ann Krueger and Pam



Parish News

HOLY PILGRIM TOURS

PILGRIMAGE TO THE MARIAN SHRINES







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Faith Formation

Director of Faith Formation: Claudia Gruett - stasfaithform.dre@gmail.com

Weekly Scripture



Virtues, *Explained!*

Confidence, in its virtuous aspect, describes the hope that man has in himself when he is under God's care and inviting the direction of the Holy Spirit. Its very name is derived from the Latin noun fides, which means faith.

Confidence is connected with the virtue of fortitude, but also with the virtue of hope, writes St. Thomas Aquinas, who quoted the Book of Job: "And you shall be secured, because there is hope; you shall look round you and lie down in safety" (Job 11:18).

It is confidence that Abraham exhibits when he petitions God to spare the righteous of Sodom (Genesis 18:25). Though he knows he is "only dust and ashes," Abraham has learned enough of the ways of God to be able to articulate them in prayer. This is the same confidence we have when we pray, entrusting our needs to God (1 John 5:14).

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD,
I will judge between one sheep and another,
between rams and goats. (Ez 34:17)

Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23)

Second Reading

When everything is subjected to him,
then the Son himself will also be subjected
to the one who subjected everything to him,
so that God may be all in all. (1 Cor 15:28)

Gospel

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory,
and all the angels with him,
he will sit upon his glorious throne,
and all the nations will be assembled before him.
And he will separate them one from another,
as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats." (Mt 25:31-32)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

At the end of time, the ones who neglected God will claim ignorance. "We never saw you!" they'll insist. But God is everywhere, making Himself known in every time and place. We can see Him, respond to Him — or we can look the other way. Which will we choose?

Prayer Intentions



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Remember these men & women in your daily prayers—
Priests, Deacons, Seminarians & Women and Men Religious in the Diocese of Joliet.

23. Dcns. Edward Szymanski, Jesus Tagle, Timothy Taylor, Terrence Taylor, Dennis F. Theriault, Thomas Thiltgen
24. Fr. Luis Ron
25. Sr. Margaret McGuckin OSF
26. Sr. Mary Jean Morris OSF
27. Dcns. John Jensen, Charles Scott Parks
28. Fr. Philip Timko OSB



We pray for those who have recently been added to our prayer list for the sick. Names will remain in the bulletin list for 1 month. If someone can be taken off this sick list, please let the Parish Office know. Thank you.

Pam Baldwin, Juan Gallegos, Rufina Delfin, Marsha Schmit, Christina Baldwin and Resugio De Letorre

We continue to pray for all the names listed on our online prayer page for the sick. Please visit our website www.stalexanderparish.org



Remember in your Prayers
<u>Our Faithful Departed</u>
Kevin Delaney, John Cabay, Sonia Ratliff Hernandez, Rita Spearman and Anthony Nix

Eucharistic Adoration



The Adoration Chapel is open:
Tuesday: 3:00pm—10:00pm
Wednesday: 3:00pm—9:00pm
Thursday: 3:00pm—9:00pm

The Adoration Chapel will be closed on Thurs., November 26, Thanksgiving Day.

The Chapel is located in the Kennedy Center building North of the Church on Cornell Avenue.

Rosebud Program



"Please pray for the following who have requested prayers of CCW's Rosebud Program."

CONGRATULATIONS
Kristin and Tim on the birth of their son, Rory.

Colleen and Josh due in December 2026
Kim and Jake due in February 2027
Amanda and Drew due in April 2027

Special Intentions for:

Tracey &Bob	Maria & Bobby	Carl & Terrie
Tony & Andrea	Amy & Sam	Amanda & Scott
Rose & Eleodoro	Mary Frances	Bob & Cyndy Julie &
Rus	Jason & Leah	Kristin & Tim
Lisa & Jim	Cin	Anthony &April

Please call Michele if you have any questions or would like to add a name or update: 630.564.8423.



Vocations Cross (3rd Sunday of the Month @ 10:30 Mass)

Recognizing the importance of praying for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life, the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) is asking one family a month to pick up the Vocations Cross at Mass and pray for an increase of vocations that month.

If you are interested, please contact Judy Emerson @ 630-620-1425 to sign up for the Vocations Cross.

Stewardship

Due to an early bulletin deadline, donations could not be reported at this time.

Thank you for your continued support.
****Please note: St. Alexander's fiscal year is July 1—June 30.***

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PLEDGE REPORT: November 8, 2026

Thank you to all those who have made pledges. Please continue to make your **2026 CMAA** pledge payments. **Once** we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Parish Goal:	**$69,700**
Amount Pledged:	**$89,926**
Amount Paid:	**$87,563**
Remaining Balance:	**$ 2,363**
Donor Count:	**284**
2026 Rebate:	**$12,504**

Parishioner Registration

Why register with St. Alexander Parish?

Faith is a Journey, not a Destination. Registering with the parish is a commitment to your Faith Journey, and St. Alexander would like to walk with you.

Benefits to registering as a Parishioner:

1. Registration helps you stay connected with the parish, builds community, and helps the parish stay connected with you.
2. Other parishes (*including St. Alexander*) often request verification of a person's status as a practicing Catholic, attendance at Mass, sacraments, etc., when that person has been asked to be a **Godparent** or **Confirmation Sponsor**. Without registration, no such verification can be made.
3. Census numbers may determine how many priests are assigned to a parish and how many Masses and enrichment programs are planned and scheduled.

Welcome to St. Alexander!

We are blessed to have you with us today—andevery weekend! Our liturgies are enhanced by your presence and participation. We hope that you find the experience here at St. Alexander's to include a warm and inspiring celebration of the Eucharist and the faith that we profess.

If you are not registered at St. Alexander's or are registered and need to make changes, please complete the form below and place it in the offertory basket or mail it to the Parish Office at 300 S. Cornell Avenue, Villa Park, IL 60181.

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Name: _____

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How did you hear about St. Alexander? _____

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Attend the 2027 Caregiver's retreat

Join the Diocese of Joliet for the annual disABILITY Ministry Caregiver's Retreat on Sunday, January 31.

- Open to all who are caregiving for a loved one.
- The retreat will be held at the Carmelite Spiritual Center, 8419 Bailey Road in Darien. Check-in is at 8:30 am and the retreat ends at 4 pm.
- Cost is $10 per person.
- ASL interpretation provided.



Scan here to see the full agenda and to register for the 2027 Caregiver's Retreat



Parish Center: 630.833.7730

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 12:00 Noon
12:30 p.m.— 4:00 p.m.
4:30p.m.—7:30p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m.— 1:00 p.m.

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Mass Schedule:

Mon/Tues/Wed/Fri/Sat: 8:30 a.m.
Thursday..... 6:30 p.m.
Saturday:..... 4:30 p.m.
Sunday:..... 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Domingo en Español: 12:30p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Monday & Thursday: 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.(Eng/Span)
Domingo en Español 5:00 p.m.—5:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism
Attendance at a pre-Baptismal class is required for both English and Spanish Baptisms. Pre-registration is necessary before class.
2nd and 4th Sunday of the month @ 2:15 p.m.

Bautismo en Español:
3rd Sunday of the month @ 2:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Marriage
Arrangements must be made **AT LEAST SIX (6)** months inadvance before making other arrangements**.**

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel
Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00 pm—10:00 pm;
Wednesday from 3:00 pm—9:00 pm

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Fr. Larry Brunette/Rev. Nhan Van Tran SVD/
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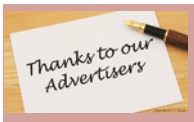
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