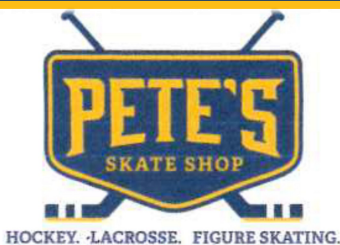




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With the gracious permission of His Excellency, David Malloy, Bishop of Rockford, Holy Mass is offered according to the Traditional Roman Rite at Saint Mary Oratory by the *Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest*. We are pleased to have you join us in this venerable act of worship and invite you to return often.



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canon.oconnor@institute-christ-king.org.

To setup an appointment, schedule a house
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Luke 2:40

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 11:00am - 3:00pm
Tuesday-Friday:
9:00am - 3:00pm
Sat., Sun. & Holy Days:
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am
Monday-Thursday: 12:05pm
Friday: 12:05pm & 6:05pm
Saturday: 8:00am

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday:
11:15am-12:00pm
Saturday: after 8:00am Mass
& 3:30pm-4:30pm
Sunday: 7:15am & 9:45am
(45 minutes before each Mass)

OTHER SACRAMENTS

PLEASE CONTACT
CANON O'CONNOR

DEVOTIONS

*Friday:
Exposition, Adoration,
& Benediction
5:00pm - 6:00pm

GROTTO HOURS

Monday-Friday:
8:00am-2:00pm
Saturday: 7:30am - 2:00pm
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2ND ANNUAL RESTORATION RAFFLE !!!

2 WEEKS LEFT TO SELL 1900 TICKETS...

We would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who has already participated in this year's raffle!

Please prayerfully consider picking up additional tickets.

All proceeds go towards a new rectory boiler. We need to sell every ticket to fully fund the replacement and keep Canon warm this winter!

19 CHANCES TO WIN CASH PRIZES

(TWO \$2,500, TWO \$1,000 & FIFTEEN \$100)

- ◆ Pick up a book of 10 tickets from the downstairs table after Mass.
- ◆ Sell tickets (\$10 each) to friends, family & co-workers.
- ◆ Return ticket stubs, proceeds, & unsold tickets to the table by **January 23rd.**

DRAWING WILL BE HELD JANUARY 29TH

Please call, text or e-mail Holly Hilby hahilby@gmail.com or (317)775-9823 with questions.

Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, January 9

Holy Family

8:00am - Zar Erckman

10:30am - Szymon Dabrowski & Family

Monday, January 10

Feria

12:05pm - David Kascir & Ralph Lauwagie

Tuesday, January 11

St. Hyginus

12:05pm - Special Intention

Wednesday, January 12

Feria

12:05pm - Hess Anniversary

Thursday, January 13

Baptism of Our Lord

12:05pm - Edmund Ciembronowicz, RIP

Friday, January 14

St. Hilary

12:05pm - Daniel Keen

6:05pm - Msgr. Wach

Saturday, January 15

St. Paul the Hermit

8:00am - Karen Matrick, Birthday

Sunday, January 16

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

8:00am - David Kascir & Ralph Lauwagie

10:30am - Cindy Palm

PLEASE NOTE:

The Office & the Grotto will be closed through Jan. 10

Thank you for your understanding!

THE HOLY FAMILY

“What adds particular emphasis to the fact of His obedience was that Our Blessed Lord was subject to parents so much His inferiors — even as a creature is far below a Creator. One day the sun in the heavens, in obedience to the voice of a Man, stopped in its course. So, obedient to the voice of Mary, the Light of the World submitted for thirty years — I might almost say that it stopped in full midday to illumine, embrace, and enrich her for all eternity.”

“If Joseph ever bade Him search for a tool that was lost, it was the Wisdom of God and the Shepherd in search of lost souls who was actually doing the seeking. If Joseph taught Him carpentry, He Who was taught was One Who had carpentered the universe and Who would one day be put to death by the members of His own profession. If He made a yoke for the oxen of a neighbor, it was He Who would call Himself a yoke for men — and yet a burden that would be light.”

“But there is no evidence that Jesus limited Mary and Joseph to the mere nominal right to command. The Gospel says: “He lived there in subjection to them.” Two great miracles of humility and exaltation are involved — God obeying a woman, and a woman commanding her God. The very fact that He makes Himself subject endows her with power. By this long span of voluntary obedience, He revealed that the Fourth Commandment is the bedrock of family life. For, looking at it in a larger way, how could the primal sin of disobedience against God be undone except by the obedience in the flesh of the very God Who was defied? The first revolt in God’s universe of peace was the thunderbolt of Lucifer: “I will not obey!” Eden caught up the echo, and down the ages its infraction traveled, winging its way into the nook and crevices of every family where there were gathered a father, a mother, and a child. By making Himself subject to Mary and Joseph, the Divine Child proclaims authority in the home and in public life to be a power granted by God Himself.”

From a Speech titled Obedience and Love by Venerable Bishop Fulton Sheen



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

CLASSES WILL BE STARTING SOON!

CLASSES WILL BE HELD FROM 9:15AM-10:15AM ON SUNDAYS.

PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE ORATORY OFFICE TO SIGN YOUR CHILDREN UP.

ANY QUESTIONS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE ORATORY OFFICE

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW...



ST. MARY ORATORY

Holy Mass & Rosary for Life



**Saturday, January 15th
8AM Mass followed by Confessions, Rosary and Coffee & Donuts in St. Joseph Hall.**

At 10:15AM we will depart together on foot for the Rockford Walk for Life with Canon O’Connor & the St. Mary Oratory Banner.

Don’t miss this opportunity to be a witness for the unborn right here in Rockford!

