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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*.

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ATTENTION ALL

To better serve you, Saint Mary Oratory invites EVERYONE to participate, and become official Oratory members, by filling out this registration card found in the upper vestibule.

This will allow members to participate more fully in the life of the Oratory!

If you have filled out this registration card and returned it to the office, thank you, no need to do it again!

REGISTRATION CARD

If you are interested in becoming a member at St. Mary Oratory, please fill out this card and return it to the Rectory office.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Upon receipt of this card, the office will send you a welcome letter and a census form to complete.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING OUR COMMUNITY!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Jesus Christ has founded the Catholic Church in order to pass on His teachings to a world so desperately in need of truth and in order to lead all men to heaven.

Are you a non-Catholic interested in becoming a Catholic? Do you know a non-Catholic or a lapsed Catholic who has questions about the Catholic faith?

If you would like to learn more about the claims and teachings of the Catholic Church, please contact the office to set up a meeting with Canon O'Connor.

**There is nothing to lose,
and eternity to gain!**

CLASSES BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER



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Monday - Friday:
9:00am - 2:00pm
Sat., Sun. & Holy Days: CLOSED

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MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am
Monday: 12:00pm
Tuesday - Friday: 7:00am
Saturday: 8:00am

CONFESSIONS
Monday & Wednesday-Friday:
11:15am-11:45am
Saturday: after 8:00am Mass
& 3:30pm-4:30pm
Sunday: 7:15am & 9:45am
ANYTIME BY APPOINTMENT

OTHER SACRAMENTS
PLEASE CONTACT
CANON O'CONNOR

DEVOTIONS
Fridays:
*Exposition, Adoration,
& Benediction*
7:30am - 8:30am

GROTTO HOURS
Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 2:00pm
Sat., Sun., & Holy Days: CLOSED

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tue. Jul. 4.....**Low Mass at 7:00am**
(Office & Grotto is closed)
Sat. Jul. 8.....**55+ Group** Cantigny Park field trip
at 7:30am *(flyers in the vestibule)*
Sat. Jul. 8.....**Altar Server Outing**
Sun. Aug. 6.....Parish Picnic & Potluck
(more details to come)

**JULY SCHEDULE CHANGES
DURING FLOOR PROJECT**

No Friday adoration
Sunday 10:30am Low Mass
Monday 6:00pm Low Mass



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OF THE SISTER ADORERS.

KNOW THAT YOUR
CONTRIBUTIONS ARE WELL-USED
AND APPLIED WHERE THEY ARE
NEEDED MOST!

*"The wicked fear the good, because
the good are a constant reproach to their
consciences. The ungodly like religion in
the same way that they like lions,
either dead or behind bars;
they fear religion when it breaks loose
and begins to challenge their consciences."*

~Venerable Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

WEEKLY COLLECTION GOAL: \$7,258

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:
TOTAL: \$5,126

ACTUAL - FISCAL YTD: \$331,578
GOAL - FISCAL YTD: \$377,416

MAY GOD REWARD YOUR GENEROSITY!

Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, July 2

5th Sunday after Pentecost
8:00am - William Kussner, RIP
10:30am - Jordan Schneider

Monday, July 3

St. Irenaeus

▶▶▶ 6:00pm - Mary Cotter

Tuesday, July 4 - NO CONFESSIONS

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7:00am - Gloria Althoff, RIP

Wednesday, July 5

St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria

7:00am - Jim Harrington, RIP

Thursday, July 6

Votive Mass of Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest

7:00am - Troy Matson & Family

Friday, July 7 - NO ADORATION

Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00am - Laura Maurizzi, Birthday

Saturday, July 8

St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:00am - Jovita Alvarez

Sunday, July 9

6th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am - Cheryl K. Elder

10:30am - Robert Miller, RIP



Registration for Confirmation
classes are now open.
Please contact the office
if you have a 7th grader
(or older) ready to be
confirmed.

Classes will begin in September.



*A parishioner of St. Mary Oratory
is maintaining a prayer chain.*

*If you would like to join this list,
please email:*

*stmaryrockford@institute-christ-king.org
and we will forward your request.*



The **55+ Group** is hosting a One Day Field Trip
on Saturday July 8, 2023, to Cantigny Park.
(1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton, IL 60189)

This 500-acre estate has a military museum,
display gardens, walking trails, and several
lunch options. *Admission is \$15.00 per car.*

Flyers are available in the vestibule!



ST. MARY'S PRO-LIFE GROUP

prays at 611 Auburn St. on the
2nd Monday & 4th Thursday
of the month.

Please come pray with us to end abortion.
**Your prayers do make a difference
in this fight for life!**



Monthly
Book
Recommendation

*"The
Anti-Communist
Manifesto"*

By Jesse Kelly

Catechism Corner

CONFIRMATION

Lesson 25 from the Baltimore Catechism (cont.)

336. Why does the bishop give the person he confirms a slight blow on the cheek?

The bishop gives the person he confirms a slight blow on the cheek to remind him that he must be ready to suffer everything, even death, for the sake of Christ.

337. What are the effects of Confirmation?
Confirmation increases sanctifying grace, gives its special sacramental grace, and imprints a lasting character on the soul.

And when Paul had imposed his hands on them, the Holy Ghost came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. (Acts 19:6)

338. What does the sacramental grace of Confirmation help us to do?

The sacramental grace of Confirmation helps us to live our faith loyally and to profess it courageously.

339. What is the character of Confirmation?
The character of Confirmation is a spiritual and indelible sign which marks the Christian as a soldier in the army of Christ.

340. What is necessary to receive Confirmation properly?

To receive Confirmation properly it is necessary to be in the state of grace, and to know well the chief truths and duties of our religion.

341. After we have been confirmed, why should we continue to study our religion even more earnestly than before?

After we have been confirmed, we should continue to study our religion even more earnestly than before, so that we may be able to explain and defend our faith, and thus cooperate with the grace of Confirmation.

342. Why should all Catholics be confirmed?
All Catholics should be confirmed in order to be strengthened against the dangers to salvation and to be prepared better to defend their Catholic faith.