



### WELCOME TO SAINT MARY ORATORY

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.

*“Veritatem  
Facientes  
In Caritate”*

*(Live the Truth in Charity)*



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*For homebound or sick calls,  
please contact the office  
so we can schedule a time  
for Canon to visit.*



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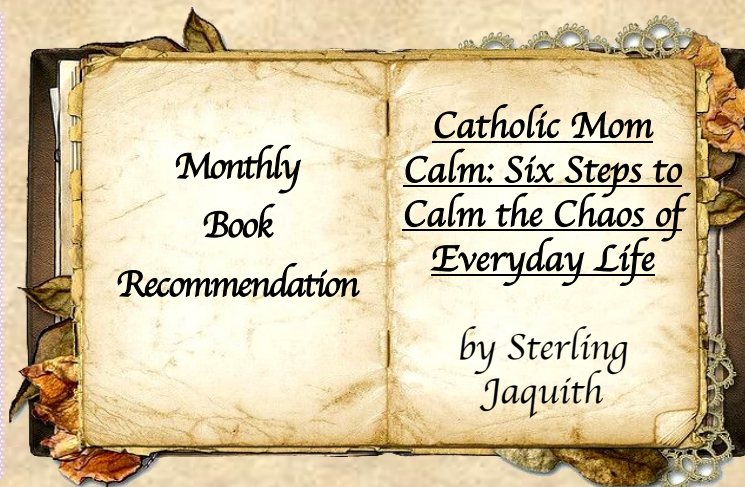


*\*To preserve the  
Sacramental Seal  
please leave  
phones outside  
of the confessional.\**

*“You learn to speak by speaking, to study by studying, to run by running,  
to work by working, and just so, you learn to love by loving.  
All those who think to learn in any other way deceive themselves.”*

*-St. Francis de Sales*

Our **Change for Life** campaign to benefit The *Pregnancy Care Center of Rockford* has come to an end, and your baby bottles should be returned to church as soon as possible. If you weren't able to collect much change, dollar bills and checks are fine, too! **Other churches will be using the baby bottles**, so your timely return is most appreciated. Thank you on behalf of all the moms and babies who will benefit from your generosity!



**Resurrexit  
Sicut  
Dixit,  
Alleluia!**

## Saint Mary Oratory

*INSTITUTE OF  
CHRIST THE KING  
SOVEREIGN PRIEST*

### UNITED STATES PROVINCE:

VERY REV. MSGR. R. MICHAEL SCHMITZ,  
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### ORATORY CLERGY

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### ORATORY RECTORY

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### ORATORY STAFF

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MISS MARIAH EHRKE

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday:  
9:00am - 2:00pm  
Friday - Sunday &  
Holy Days: CLOSED

### GROTTO HOURS

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

### 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  
Sunday: 7:15am & 9:45am

OTHER SACRAMENTS  
& ALL APPOINTMENT  
PLEASE CONTACT  
THE OFFICE

*\*For baptisms, please contact  
the office a month before the  
baby is due. Baptisms should  
be done within 1 to 3 weeks  
after the baby is born*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun Mar 31 - Easter Sunday Family Stroll  
in the North Garden after both Masses

### EASTER WEEK

Mon Apr 1 - Fri Apr 5 - confessions at 11:15am  
followed by High Mass at noon

Sun Apr 7 - Confirmation class  
in the hall 9:30am to 10:30am

Mon Apr 8 - St. Mary Oratory's Day  
to pray at the abortion clinic

Sat Apr 13 - Maria Auxilium Christianorum  
group meeting after 8am Mass

Sun Apr 14 - Good Shepherd Sunday  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Institute Seminary

Sun Apr 14 - Confirmation class  
in the hall 9:30am to 10:30am

Mon Apr 25 - St. Mary Oratory's Day  
to pray at the abortion clinic

Sun Apr 28 - Altar Server practice  
in the Church 9:30am to 10:30am

GOING FORWARD, IF YOU HAPPEN TO MISS THE  
COLLECTION, PLEASE PLACE YOUR  
CASH OR CHECK CONTRIBUTION IN  
ANY OF THE DONATION BOXES.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION  
AND GENEROSITY!



## EASTER SUNDAY FAMILY STROLL after both Masses

You are invited to join us in the  
north garden TODAY for a family  
stroll in celebration of  
Christ's resurrection!  
*To add to the joy, there will be  
treats for the children.*



## 2024 First Holy Communion classes have concluded!

Please contact the office  
(after Easter Week)  
to schedule your child's 30-minute  
meeting with Canon O'Connor.

## Mass Intentions

### SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Easter Sunday  
Sandy Bally, RIP  
Mary Sue Scordato, RIP

### MONDAY, APRIL 1

Easter Monday  
Sr. Ellassara

### TUESDAY, APRIL 2

Easter Tuesday  
Kopec Deceased Family Members

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Easter Wednesday  
Sherry Maloney Hall, RIP

### THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Easter Thursday  
Keith Najdowski & Family

### FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Easter Friday  
David Kascir & Ralph Lauwagie

### SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Saturday in Albis  
Rick & Pam Roberts

### SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Sunday in Albis  
Mildred Gibbs, RIP  
Msgr. Wach

The office and grotto are closed  
Thursday, March 28 — Friday, April 5.  
Standard hours will resume Monday, April 8.

### WEEKLY COLLECTION GOAL: \$8,022

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:

TOTAL: \$6,054

ACTUAL - FISCAL YTD: \$243,346

GOAL - FISCAL YTD: \$312,858

MAY GOD REWARD YOUR GENEROSITY!

## EASTER SUNDAY

*"But the sepulchre is not to remain shut: it must be thrown open, and testify to men, that He, whose lifeless Body lay there, is indeed risen from the dead. As when our Jesus expired upon the Cross, so now, immediately after His resurrection, an earthquake shook the foundations of the world; but, this time, it was for joy. 'The Angel of the Lord descended from heaven, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it. And his countenance was as lightning, and his raiment as snow. And for fear of him, the guards were struck with terror,' and fell on the ground 'as dead men.' God has mercy on them; they return to themselves, and quitting the dread sepulchre, they hasten to the city, and relate what they have seen.*

*Meanwhile, our risen Jesus, seen by no other mortal eye, has sped to His most holy Mother. He is the Son of God; He is the vanquisher of death; but He is, likewise, the Son of Mary. She stood near Him to the last, uniting the sacrifice of her mother's heart with that He made upon the Cross; it is just, therefore, that she should be the first to partake of the joy of His resurrection. The Gospel does not relate the apparition thus made by Jesus to His Mother, whereas all the others are fully described. It is not difficult to assign the reason. The other apparitions were intended as proofs of the resurrection; this to Mary was dictated by the tender love borne to her by her Son. Both nature and grace required that His first visit should be to such a Mother, and Christian hearts dwell with delight on the meditation of the mystery. There was no need of its being mentioned in the Gospel; the tradition of the holy Fathers, beginning with St. Ambrose, bears sufficient testimony to it; and even had they been silent, our hearts would have told it us. And why was it that our Saviour rose from the tomb so early on the day He had fixed for His resurrection? It was because His filial love was impatient to satisfy the vehement longings of His dearest and most afflicted Mother. Such is the teaching of many pious and learned writers; and who that knows aught of Jesus and Mary could refuse to accept it?"*

FROM: THE LITURGICAL YEAR  
BY THE VERY REV. DOM PROSPER GUÉRANGER

## THE COMPENDIUM

### CREDO

#### Part One-The Profession of Faith-Section Two

#### CHAPTER ONE

*"I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth."*

46. What did Jesus Christ reveal to us about the mystery of the Father?  
Jesus Christ revealed to us that God is "Father", not only insofar as he created the universe and the mankind, but above all because he eternally generated in his bosom the Son who is his Word, "the radiance of the glory of God and the very stamp of his nature" (Hebrews 1:3).
47. Who is the Holy Spirit revealed to us by Jesus Christ?  
The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Most Blessed Trinity. He is God, one and equal with the Father and the Son. He "proceeds from the Father" (John 15:26) who is the principle without a principle and the origin of all trinitarian life. He proceeds also from the Son (Filioque) by the eternal Gift which the Father makes of him to the Son. Sent by the Father and the Incarnate Son, the Holy Spirit guides the Church "to know all truth" (John 16:13).
48. How does the Church express her trinitarian faith?  
The Church expresses her trinitarian faith by professing a belief in the oneness of God in whom there are three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The three divine Persons are only one God because each of them equally possesses the fullness of the one and indivisible divine nature. They are really distinct from each other by reason of the relations which place them in correspondence to each other. The Father generates the Son; the Son is generated by the Father; the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son.
49. How do the three divine Persons work?  
Inseparable in their one substance, the three divine Persons are also inseparable in their activity. The Trinity has one operation, sole and the same. In this one divine action, however, each Person is present according to the mode which is proper to him in the Trinity.