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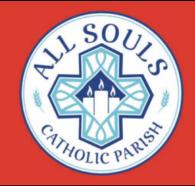
THE ASCENSION

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IN THE SPIRIT WE Call God Our Father

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May 21, 2023 All Souls Catholic Parish

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St. Ann Church & Parish Office

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22400 Torrence Avenue, Sauk Village Monday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule

All Masses are at St. Ann **Tuesday-Friday Morning Masses** 7:30 a.m. Followed by Rosary on Wednesdays **Saturday Mass** 4:00 p.m. **Sunday Masses** 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

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3:00 p.m. Saturdays

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Please call the office:

- for baptism (2nd & 4th Sundays), marriage, anointing of the sick, quinceañeras, and RCIA/ RCIY
- for Ministry of Care to the homebound or hospitalized
- to request prayers for the sick
- if you are grieving for a loved one

New Members Welcome!

We would love to have you join us! Please fill out the information below, and place in the Offertory Collection or send to the Parish Office. You may also request a registration form at 708-895-6700 or register on our website at >About >Becoming a Parishioner

Name Address Street Town/Zip Phone _____

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Once you register and have a number assigned, you will be able to receive envelopes and play the weekly 50/50.

Mass Intentions Monday, May 22 (St. Rita of Cascia)		This Week's Activities			
Tuesday, May 23		Monday, May 22			
 7:30 a.m. Mass † People of the Parish Wednesday, May 24 7:30 a.m. Mass † 95th Birthday Blessings for 		osary doration		8:00am 9:00am - 4:00pm	Chapel St. James Chapel
		Tuesday, May 23			
Elaine Edwards † Maggie Kirincic (Carol & Machiraju) Thursday, May 25 (St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi)	nerable; Fo	aily Mass Followed by I doration ood Pantry	Rosary	7:30am 9:00am - 4:00pm 10:00am - Noon	Chapel St. James Chapel St. James
7:30 a.m. Mass		Wednesday, May 24			
 † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Elda Enriquez (Alma Cabello) † Bernice K. (Carol & Machiraju) Friday, May 26 (St. Philip Neri) 7:30 a.m. Mass † Dennis Kirincic (Carol & Machiraju) Saturday, May 27 (St. Augustine of Canterbury) 4:00 p.m. Mass † Elsie, Joseph, Richard & Larry Necastro (Tom & Mary Ann Golden) Sunday, May 28 (Pentecost Sunday) 8:30 a.m. Mass 	Ad Se	aily Mass Followed by I doration ewing Club .A. Meeting	Rosary	7:30am 9:00am - 9:00pm 9:30am 8:00pm	Chapel St. James Chapel Parish Office School Hall
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	Fr	Friday, May 26			
 † People of the Parish 10:30 a.m. Mass † Jesse Ojeda (Family) † Stan Wohadlo 		aily Mass Followed by I doration	Rosary	7:30am 9:00am - 4:00pm	Chapel St. James Chapel
		Saturday, May 27 BOY SCOUTS CAR WASH			
Readings for the Week Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2 -3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/ Mt 28:16-20 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8	/Ps 47:2 Le 1:17-23/ Be co er: Ma	by Scouts Car Wash doration egion of Mary (Spanish) ereavement Group onfessions ass osary)	8:00am - Noon 9:00am 10:00am 11:00am 3:00pm 4:00pm 5:00pm	St. Ann/Chi. Ave. St. James Chapel Parish Office Parish Office Chapel Church Church
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5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-3 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10 21/Jn 17:1-11a	-11, 20- Ma Ba	asses aptisms urish Council Meeting		8:30 & 10:30am 11:30am 11:30am	Church Church Parish Office
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33- 35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11- 12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19 Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30- 31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25		For parish updates, please visit the website & click on the Calendar tab: www .allsoulscatholicparish.org To add to the calendar or to schedule the Narthex or other meet- ing spaces, please visit the Parish Office to fill out a request form. All activities MUST be on the calendar in case of emergency.			
Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or		MAY IS THE	MONT	H OF MAR	Y 🦾

WE WILL PRAY THE ROSARY ALL MONTH LONG AT ST. ANN EVERY MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT 8:00 A.M. (FOLLOWING DAILY MASS TU-FRI) AND EVERY SATURDAY AFTER THE 4:00 P.M. MASS. ALL ARE INVITED.

8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps

104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 *Extended Vigil:* Gn 11:1

-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/

Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/ Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 *Day:* Acts 2:1-11/

Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor

12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23



FEAST OF THE ASCENSION: Matthew 28:16-20

We just heard the conclusion to Matthew's Gospel. Jesus met with the Apostles in Galilee where He commissioned them to teach the Gospel to all nations, convert as many as they could and baptize them, and teach them to observe all that Jesus taught. Then Jesus promised He would be with them always. Notice there is no mention of an ascension in Mark's Gospel (16:15-20). The Gospels are very exact as to when the resurrection occurred: on the first day of the week, early in the morning; and where it happened: in a borrowed tomb where Jesus was buried outside of Jerusalem. Archeologists are nearly certain that the tomb around which the Church of the Holy Sepulcher is built is the exact tomb where Jesus was buried.

With the Ascension, it's obviously not the day or the place that is so important but the meaning of the event: Jesus' risen body entered the world of the divine. When I say He entered into the world of the divine, I do not mean He wasn't already divine, the Son of God, the second person of the Blessed Trinity. It's that His human body—which had all the limitations that our own bodies have in terms of getting hungry, tired, feeling pain—was glorified and is now taken over with the fullness of His divine nature. He was no longer present among us in a way that our senses could perceive Him. For brief moments He did make Himself visible to some of His followers, but that period of time ended shortly after the resurrection, and perhaps that's where the idea of the 40 days after the resurrection came from.

I want to tell you a story, in reference to the Gospel of Mark mentioned here above: A man who was not a frequent church goer decided to go to church with his wife one Sunday. They went to a very fundamentalist denomination that took every word in the Bible literally. During the service, this Gospel of Mark 16:15-20 was read and after the reading the pastor walked down the main aisle of church, picked up a large box, opened it up, and it was filled with all kinds of snakes. He started handing them out to people as he walked up the aisle, asking them to prove their faith. The husband asked his wife, "You don't think he's going to hand me one of those, do you?" Looking around the room, he asked, "Where's the back door?" "There ain't none," she replied. "Well then," the husband asked, "where do you think they would like to have one?" (The Joyful Noiseletter, April 2009)

I don't think Jesus expects us to go around testing God by deliberately getting bit by serpents. Jesus expects us to use our good sense. He himself told Satan, "You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test," when Satan was tempting Jesus to throw himself off the parapet of the Temple. The Ascension celebrates Jesus' glorification far above every being that could be named in this age and in the one to come (as Paul says in today's second reading). As we profess each week, Jesus ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. It is not the end of His work. He tells His disciples in today's Gospel, "I will be with you always, until the end of time." He showed He was with them by how the Church grew through the teaching of the apostles, through the miracles they worked, and through the courage He gave them — even giving them courage to face martyrdom for their faith.

So, the Ascension is not just about the glorification of Jesus; it is also a feast of hope for us, for where Christ has gone, He has promised that we who live as He has taught us will certainly follow. It is one of the few guarantees that we can have in this life.

Jesus said, "In a little while the world will not see Me, but you will see Me." What is that little while? It could be the time when Jesus was in the tomb, but most probably it is the time before the end of the world. All these things Jesus is saying apply to all of Christ's disciples in any age. For He said, "On that day you will recognize I am in the Father, and you are in me, and I in you." "On that day" usually refers to the end of time.

Our Gospel reading today is a very short but powerful one, assuring us that if we follow God's word, we are loving Him in the way He wants us to, and the more we open ourselves to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, the more They will be present to us and reveal Themselves to us. Amen.

Fr. Mark Kalema, Pastor





Thank you for your continued support! Figures include all collection basket, mailed-in, dropped-off, and online contributions.

ALL SOULS SPLIT \$ ~ 50/50 CLUB ~ \$

Our May 7 winning number was #2036. #2036 WON \$1,373.00. CONGRATULATIONS! DON'T MISS OUT ON YOUR CHANCE TO WIN!

To be eligible, both your 50-50 (\$5.00) and weekly collection envelopes (no limit, but at least \$5) with separate payments **must be in the parish office by 9:00 a.m. Monday**.

You may make your 50-50 donation at Give Central, along with your weekly and other contributions! If you donate by check, you need to write two separate checks.

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WIN EVERY WEEK!

Today's Readings

First Reading: When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. (Acts 1:18)

Psalm: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord. (Ps 47)

Second Reading: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. (Eph 1:17) **Gospel:** Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." (Mt 28:18-19)

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May 13-14 Through June 17-18

All Souls will again participate in the Baby Bottle Project to benefit the Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland, a

non-profit organization that assists mothers and families experiencing crisis pregnancies by offering emotional, financial, material, and spiritual support through counseling, clothing and monetary provisions, prayer, and other aid. Each year, the



Women's Center sees over 5,000 expectant mothers in their three locations, one of which is located at Our Lady of Knock in Calumet City. They estimate to have saved over 40,000 babies and their mothers from abortion since opening in 1984.

Please take a Baby Bottle home with you from the Narthex this weekend, May 13-14, fill it with your spare change, and return Father's Day weekend, June 17-18. If you are making a donation by check, please make it payable to The Women's Center. You may also visit GoTWC.org or call 773-794-1313 to donate.

This is a simple but crucial fundraising effort for The Women's Centers. Please note that the baby bottles cost nearly \$1 per bottle and are recycled afterwards, so please be sure to return them at the end of the project. Thank you for helping to defend life, and remember to keep all pro-life undertakings in your prayers.

ALL SOULS PARISH Holy Souls Bereavement Ministry Will Meet at the Parish Office MAY 27

Every Second Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Every Fourth Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

Our new Bereavement Ministry is a faith-based group

that provides an opportunity for those who have lost a loved one to deal with their grief in an atmosphere of care. Let us join you on your grief journey to offer comfort, encouragement, and understand-

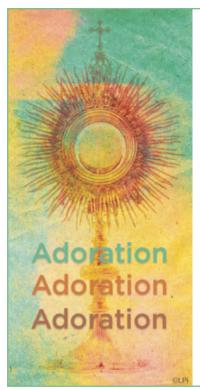
ing. All are welcome and no registration is required. Please call 708-895-6700 FMI.





Miss Me—But Let Me Go

In Loving Memory of Phyllis Dobrez



We want to increase Adoration at All Souls/St. Ann from monthly to as often as we can! When exposed, the Eucharist must be attended at all times. Do you have an hour or two per week to spend in quiet contemplation with the Eucharist? See the signup sheets in the Narthex, or call the Parish Office any time to let us know your preferred days/times so that we may begin to schedule Adoration hours. 708.895.6700



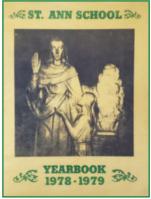
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Special, Super Duper Early Holiday Edition Bulletin Deadlines

Due to holiday office closures, our bulletin publisher has moved up deadlines for the first weekend of June following Memorial Day. **Therefore, the deadline for materials for the June 4 issue has already passed.** We are so sorry for the late notice, but this is a new holiday exception with our new publisher that we did not have with our previous one. We apologize for any inconvenience and will resume regular 10-day advance deadlines thereafter (June 1 for the June 11 bulletin). Thank you for your understanding and attention!

The best way to keep up to date with us is to like "All Souls Catholic Parish" on Facebook. The page is updated regularly with news and helpful resources.





CLASS OF '79 GATHERING - JUNE 8

The St. Ann School Class of 1979 is looking forward to getting together with our classmates on Thursday, June 8, 2023. Additional information will be coming soon, and we are also planning a reunion in the fall. Contact Karen Maravilla by email at itsjustserendipity@att.net or cell at 219-512-4298 (Please text between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.) Please provide your first and last name (including maiden name), email, cell phone number, street address, city, state, and zip code. Spread the word to other 1979 classmates and family members. I look forward to hearing from all of you!



SATURDAY, MA



MAY 28, 11:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. THE COLUMBIAN CLUB OF LANSING 17800 LORENZ AVENUE

Bring the entire family to the Knights of Columbus Council 3540 "Kick Off to Summer" outdoor event for the entire family on May 28, 2023. There will be FREE hamburgers, hot dogs, and soda for everyone. Come out and have some FUN! In addition to last weekend's wonderful First Communion, we also crowned the Blessed Mother and celebrated all the mothers in our congregation. Thanks for all you do, moms!





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Join us for our annual MEMORIAL DAY FIELD MASS May 29, 2023 at 10:30 am

All Saints, Des Plaines 847.298.0450

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Assumption, Glenwood 708.758.4772

Calvary, Evanston 847.864.3050

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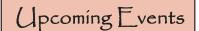
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Boy Scouts Car Wash: May 27 & June 10

K of C Raffle Ticket Sales: June 3-4

All Souls Parish Picnic: July 16

SHARING THE SCRIPTURE



Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. St. Ann Parish Office 3010 Ridge Road



There will be food and fun for the whole family, including BINGO! Won't you join our planning committee? Give us a call and leave your info so we can let you know about the next meeting. We will also be seeking donations of food and picnic supplies to help defray the cost, so if you have any connections, we have a request letter for you to pass along. Questions? Call the Parish Office at 708.895.6700.

Saturday, July 16 at St. James

"All-powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by "Dios todopoderoso, Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, water and the Holy Spirit you freed your sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their Helper and Guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of to y reverencia. Llénalos con el espíritu de asombro y wonder and awe in your presence. We ask this through asombro en tu presencia. Te lo pedimos por Cristo nues-Christ our Lord." (From the Rite of Confirmation)

This Sunday afternoon our parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Those to be confirmed will renew publicly their baptismal commitment to follow Christ, to believe His revealed truth, to renounce Satan the Prince of Darkness, and to turn away from sin. This Sacrament brings to those anointed with Sacred Chrism the fullness of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is given to them to enable them to believe more deeply in Jesus Christ and to live more courageously that faith.

Today more than ever, we live in a world where it is important to make a clear stand, a firm commitment for God and the Church. We live in a very critical time where faith should never take the back seat anymore. Instead, we must put God first and bravely stand for the Christian values that the Church teaches.

Your confirmation is a gift from God because He empowers you with the Holy Spirit that will give you all that is needed in order to be the witness that you should be to the world. The gifts, as you know, come in seven packages: wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord. Each of these are helpful in achieving the life mission that God has given you, and so make use of these very well. Let them be at work in everything you do, like special powers that are meant to protect you from the danger of losing your Christian identity, and help you overcome the enemies in your way. And as you use the gifts that you are given in the Holy Spirit, you will begin to see the fruits, the results of such spiritual life.

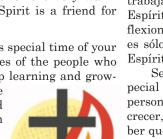
So, what more do we need than that? You and I both know that it is difficult to be a disciple of Jesus in our world today. When you are at home or at school, it is easy for us to be caught up in relationships and material things, wanting to be liked and accepted by others. It is difficult for us to say the right things, to stand against the crowd, to show the world that we truly believe what we hear in the Gospel. This is why we need the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit to help us to become more perfect disciples. The Holy Spirit will help us to make the right decisions in our lives, whether we are destined to be married, to remain single, to be consecrated. The Spirit will help us to choose our stage of life. Whether we are called to be a teacher, a nurse, a social worker, or to work in retail, the Spirit will help us with the challenges we face. If you think about what I have just said here, the Holy Spirit is not just for the very warm evening of your Confirmation. The Holy Spirit is a friend for life!

Know that I am praying for you during this special time of your life. Take to heart the efforts and sacrifices of the people who have brought you to this faith. Do not stop learning and grow-

ing, and as you find your place in the world, know that you are never alone. God bless you always, and congratulations on your Confirmation!

In Christ,

Sandra Bustamante, **PA/Director of Faith Formation**



por el agua y el Espíritu Santo liberaste del pecado a tus hijos e hijas y les diste nueva vida. Envía tu Espíritu Santo sobre ellos para que sea su Ayudador y Guía. Dales el espíritu de sabiduría y entendimiento, el espíritu de buen juicio y coraje, el espíritu de conocimientro Señor." (Del Rito de la Confirmación)

Este domingo por la tarde nuestra parroquia celebrará el Sacramento de la Confirmación. Los que serán confirmados renovarán públicamente su compromiso bautismal de seguir a Cristo, de creer en Su verdad revelada, de renunciar a Satanás, el Príncipe de las Tinieblas, y de alejarse del pecado. Este Sacramento trae a los ungidos con el Santo Crisma la plenitud del Espíritu Santo. Se les da el Espíritu Santo para que puedan creer más profundamente en Jesucristo y vivir con más valentía esa fe.

Hoy más que nunca vivimos en un mundo donde es importante tener una posición clara, un compromiso firme por Dios y la Iglesia. Vivimos un momento muy crítico donde la fe nunca más debe tomar el asiento trasero. En cambio, debemos poner a Dios en primer lugar y defender con valentía los valores cristianos que enseña la Iglesia.

Tu confirmación es un regalo de Dios, porque Él te empodera con el Espíritu Santo que te dará todo lo que necesitas para ser el testimonio que debes ser para el mundo. Los dones, como sabéis, vienen en siete paquetes: sabiduría, entendimiento, consejo, fuerza, conocimiento, piedad y temor del Señor. Cada uno de estos es útil para lograr la misión de vida que Dios te ha dado, así que utilízalos muy bien. Deja que actúen en todo lo que hagas, como poderes especiales destinados a protegerte del peligro de perder tu identidad cristiana y ayudarte a vencer a los enemigos en tu camino. Y a medida que uses los dones que te son dados en el Espíritu Santo, comenzarás a ver los frutos, los resultados de tal vida espiritual.

Entonces, ¿qué más necesitamos que eso? Tú y yo sabemos que es difícil ser un discípulo de Jesús en nuestro mundo de hoy. Cuando estás en casa o en la escuela, es fácil para nosotros quedar atrapados en las relaciones y las cosas materiales, queriendo ser queridos y aceptados por los demás. Es difícil para nosotros decir las cosas correctas, enfrentarnos a la multitud, mostrarle al mundo que realmente creemos lo que escuchamos en el Evangelio. Es por eso que necesitamos el Espíritu Santo y los dones del Espíritu para ayudarnos a convertirnos en discípulos más perfectos. El Espíritu Santo nos ayudará a tomar las decisiones correctas en nuestras vidas, ya sea que estemos destinados a casarnos, a permanecer solteros, a ser consagrados. El Espíritu nos ayudará a elegir nuestra etapa de vida. Ya sea que estemos llamados a ser maestros, enfermeros, trabajadores sociales o trabajar en una tienda minorista, el Espíritu nos ayudará con los desafíos que enfrentemos. Si reflexionáis sobre lo que acabo de decir aquí, el Espíritu Santo no es sólo para la tarde muy cálida de vuestra Confirmación. ¡El Espíritu Santo es un amigo para toda la vida!

Sepan que estoy orando por usted durante este tiempo especial de su vida. Toma en serio los esfuerzos y sacrificios de las personas que te han traído a esta fe. No dejes de aprender y crecer, y mientras encuentras tu lugar en el mundo, debes saber que nunca estás solo. ¡Dios te bendiga siempre, y felicidades por tu Confirmación!

En Cristo,

Sandra Bustamante, PA/Director de Formación en la Fe





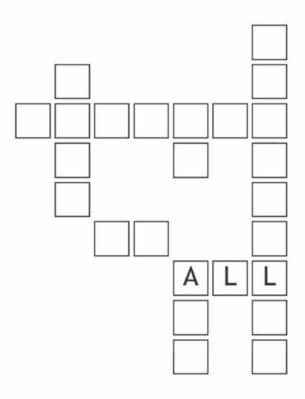


🖸 GOSPEL

Before Jesus went back to heaven, he gave his friends a very special job - to share the good news! Jesus came so that the whole world could be saved, and Jesus did not want anyone to be left out. Now it's your turn to tell your friends about Jesus, so they can go to heaven, too.



Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:





Invite a friend over to play. Ask your friend if she'd like to come to church with you.

The Ascension of the Lord • Matthew 28:16-20



Jesus, show me how to tell my friends about you.

DRAW Draw a picture of yourself telling a friend about Jesus. Lansing Meals on Wheels is in need of volunteers on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8-11:30 a.m. FMI, please call Barb Dust at 312-969-0385. You will be helping many Lansing Residents who are in need.



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SAMUEL GROUP

Discernment for young adults

Meets monthly on Sunday afternoons at two locations. Contact: Roberta Gattodoro **rgattodoro@archchicago.org**



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Join the Archdiocese of Chicago Pilgrimage at:

NCYC Fully Alive | Thursday, November 16 - Sunday, November 19, 2023

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) is a biannual event held at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN. High schoolers are invited to join 30,000 of their peers from across the United States for this electrifying pilgrimage, filled with opportunities for worship, music, speakers, a thematic park, and more.

We are excited to once again be taking a Pilgrimage from the Archdiocese of Chicago to NCYC. Scholarships are available through the Archdiocese for parishes participating in the Chicago delegation.

To learn more and register, visit pvm.archchicago.org/events/ncyc.

Please email ncyc@archchicago.org with any questions.



The Lansing Loan Closet (formerly housed at the Lansing Municipal Center), loans gently used medical equipment to area residents on a short-term, temporary basis

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AGING GRACEFULLY: INPUT, REFLECTION & CONVERSATION



Tuesday, May 23 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Fee: \$40 (lunch included)

Aging is a reality of our existence. How we age is a choice. We will explore our time of maturation with fresh eyes, finding joy for what has been and optimism for

what is to come, embracing a vision of elderhood as a blessed time to be alive. This presentation will incorporate brief videos based on Joan Chittister's book, <u>The Gift of Years</u>, stories, reflective activities on challenges and blessings received, and sharing time.

Facilitator: Janice Keenan, OSF is a co-coordinator of her community's Continuing Care Committee which has been offering programs on the Spirituality of Aging for the past several years. She is also Retreat Program Manager and Spiritual Director at the Portiuncula Center for Prayer.

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