

# st. philip the apostle parish

1233 W. HOLTZ IN ADDISON, IL

JULY 28, 2024 | The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish;  
but what good are these for so many?"*

*Jesus said, "Have the people recline."*

*So the men reclined, about five thousand in number.*

*Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and  
distributed them to those who were reclining,  
and also as much of the fish as they wanted.*

John 6:9-11



## Worship Schedule

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 8:00 a.m.  
Communion Service on Wednesday at 8:00 a.m.

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

### ROSARY

Monday-Friday at 8:30 a.m.

### ADORATION

First Fridays of the month  
From 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### INDIVIDUAL RITE OF PENANCE

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.  
Tuesday following 8:00 a.m. Mass

## PARISH DIRECTORY

### Rectory Offices

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### Fr. Binu Varghese

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### Dina Lanzi

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Rectory Summer Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m.-Noon

### Parish Center Offices

1233 W. Holtz Avenue in Addison, IL

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## WELCOME!

*We're Glad You're Here*

If you are a new visitor today, welcome!

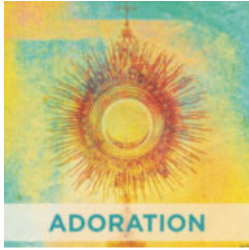
If you would like more information or would like to register in the parish, please contact any of the staff members or fill out a simple online registration form at [st-phil.org](http://st-phil.org).

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[instagram.com/StPhilipAddisonIL](https://www.instagram.com/StPhilipAddisonIL)

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As members of the Diocese of Joliet, we are a faith community united in Christ by a common bond to the universal Catholic Church. Our words and actions are a reflection of Christ's presence among us. We manifest God's Word through active participation in spiritual, liturgical, educational, service, and social ministries directed at bringing all people to Christ.



## First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

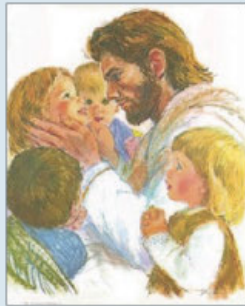
**August 2, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**  
**St. Philip the Apostle Church**

All are welcome. The church will be open for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please take the opportunity to spend some quality time with our Lord. You may stay for any amount of time. Feel free to contact Deacon Phil with any questions.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume on **September 22nd at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.**

Anyone interested in assisting with this ministry please contact Deacon Sean or Ann McGreal and plan on attending our meeting on August 4th at 9:00 a.m. in Room 1. Any teens interested in assisting and getting service hours are also encouraged to join!



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF July 29 to August 4, 2024	
<b>Monday 7/29/24</b>	8:00 a.m.-Mass (Church) 6:30 p.m.-Legion of Mary (Room 1)
<b>Tuesday 7/30/24</b>	8:00 a.m.-Mass (Church) 8:30 a.m.-Confessions following Mass (Church)
<b>Wednesday 7/31/24</b>	8:00 a.m.-Communion Service (Church)
<b>Thursday 8/1/24</b>	8:00 a.m.-Mass (Church)
<b>Friday 8/2/24</b>	8:00 a.m.-Mass (Church) 4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.-Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Church)
<b>Saturday 8/3/24</b>	4:00 p.m.-Confessions (Church) 5:00 p.m.-Mass (Church)
<b>Sunday 8/4/24</b>	<i>Food &amp; Fellowship after Masses</i> 8:00 a.m.-Mass (Church) 10:00 a.m.-Mass (Church)

"Come and See"

**St. Philip the Apostle  
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Addison, IL**

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*"Welcome Home"*

Teachers & Alumni are invited to an evening social to reunite  
- high school & above

**Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024**

- spread the word to your classmates & former teachers
- scan the QR code to sign up for the newsletters & to RSVP

Enjoy a delicious light reception & tour your school

tinypurl.com/SPAalumniSignUp

St. Philip the Apostle School Gym  
1233 W. Holtz Ave  
Addison, IL  
contact: GCano@st-phil.org



St. Philip the Apostle students transcend life beyond the school community to become leaders of faith and knowledge in the global community.

**SAVE THE DATE - September 8, 2024**, we will be celebrating **St. Philip the Apostle Parish's 60th Anniversary.** We'll start with an outdoor Mass followed by food, games, an ice cream social, & bingo. Please mark your calendars and come celebrate!





## Bishop Hicks' Column

July 2024



### Summer Travels, Part I: Kentucky

Twice a year, all the bishops across the U.S. gather for meetings held by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). A few weeks ago, we met in Louisville, Kentucky. One of the committees I serve on made an unconventional decision to hold our half-day of meetings not in the hotel, but at the proto-cathedral in Bardstown, Kentucky.

What is a proto-cathedral, you might wonder? Generally, a proto-cathedral is a church that functions as the temporary cathedral of a diocese until a more suitable cathedral can be built or until the existing cathedral can be repaired or renovated. Bardstown's cathedral was designated a proto-cathedral because it is the first or original cathedral, completed and opened in 1819, in what is now the Archdiocese of Louisville.

So, ten bishops, plus USCCB staff members, climbed into a van and drove past horse farms and distilleries for about 30 minutes until we arrived at the Basilica of Saint Joseph Proto-Cathedral in Bardstown, Kentucky. When we arrived, the exterior and façade immediately reminded me fondly of the Chapel at Mundelein Seminary with its use of red brick and stone in the Early American tradition. We were promptly treated to great Kentucky hospitality with a lunch that included homemade pot roast with potatoes, carrots, celery, and rice krispie treats for dessert (yes, I have a sweet tooth!).

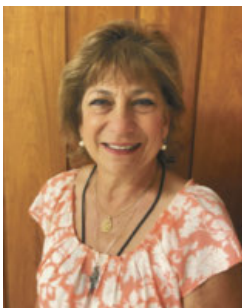
We conducted our normal course of business which was enlivened by a tour of the Cathedral guided by the Rector. He began with an interesting history lesson. The Diocese of Bardstown, Kentucky, was established on April 8, 1808, along with the Dioceses of Boston, New York, and Philadelphia. As one of the earliest dioceses in the United States, it was created to serve the growing Catholic Church population, particularly west of the Appalachian Mountains. The territory included most of Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan. (To keep things in perspective, here in the Diocese of Joliet we are celebrating our 75th Jubilee while the Diocese of Bardstown was established some 216 years ago; such a rich history!).

To build the church, bricks were baked nearby, and poplar trees were positioned in a circular pattern to form the majestic columns inside and out. The foundation was built with limestone, which is so solid that the walls have never cracked. Exquisite religious paintings adorn the interior space, donated mostly by European royalty.

People had originally arrived in the Kentucky area by horse and wagon, so the diocese was established inland. However, with the popularity of the steamboat, the city of Louisville swiftly grew alongside the banks of the Ohio River. With this population shift, in 1841 the Diocese of Bardstown was transferred to Louisville, and St. Louis Church, now the Cathedral of the Assumption, became the new cathedral. The Diocese of Louisville was then elevated to an archdiocese in 1939. Even with all these changes, the proto-cathedral of Bardstown still functions as a Catholic parish church.

How delightful it was to travel and learn something new about the history of the Church in the USA. It also caused me to reflect on the fact that change in the Catholic Church is not something new. As you know, we in the Diocese of Joliet are in our third and final phase of targeted restructuring. It struck me that the Catholic Church has always had to respond to and even adjust to new demographics and shifting realities. When they laid that magnificent cornerstone in Bardstown in July 1816, I am sure no one was predicting that one day their very diocese would be relocated to Louisville. Like them, we continue to trust in the Holy Spirit and adapt to the changing times to embrace a Church that is always on the move and yet still beautifully thriving.

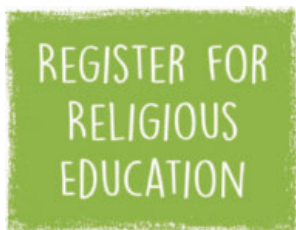
As I shift gears and travel to Indianapolis later this month for the National Eucharistic Congress, I look forward to sharing my experience and reflections in next month's "Summer Travels, Part II: Indianapolis" article. Until then, enjoy the summer, be safe, and may God bless you along the journey.



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Just a reminder that registration for Religious Education class is continuing. Please pass on the information below to any friends, neighbors, or family members who have children who would be new to the program next year. How to obtain forms is listed below. There are also forms in the literature rack in the narthex. I hope all of our families have a fun-filled summer, and I look forward to seeing all of you in September.



#### Register for Religious Education Today!

Registration is open for the 2024/2025 Religious Education Program. Registration forms are available in the narthex and online at st-phil.org. Completed registration forms may be returned by scanning/photographing them and emailing them to cjaskey@st-phil.org. They may also be put in an envelope marked "RE Office" and dropped in the weekend offertory basket or mailed to 1233 W. Holtz Ave, Addison, IL 60101. If you would like to pay by cash, please call 630-543-1754 to make an appointment to stop by the RE Office.



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*holy moments* was the subject of last week's article about Catholic author Michael Kelly's "A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life." He describes it as follows:

"A Holy Moment is a single moment in which you open yourself to God. You make yourself available to Him. You set aside personal preference and self-interest, and for one moment you do what you prayerfully believe God is calling you to do..." Kelly continues:

"Life is choices. We are constantly asking them. But are we choosing wisely? We are not born great decision makers. It is something that must be learned...When you have a decision to make, consult your future self. Imagine yourself twenty years from now, looking back on this moment, and honor what your future self advises you to do."

"We teach little children that choices have consequences. It is one of life's fundamental truths. But adults often adopt the temporary insanity of imagining that our choices will only have the consequences we intend. But it is the unintended consequences of our choices that often wreak havoc in our lives and in the lives of other people..."

"Holy Moments are choices with powerful and positive consequences...are choices that are easy to live with....The Good Samaritan is the Patron Saint of Holy Moments...Is your heart inclined toward the needs of others? Or is it leaning away from others?"

"When we make ourselves available to God amazing things happen. Throughout history God has collaborated with the most unlikely people to make amazing things happen...The rest of your life begins the moment you make yourself available to God...we need to set aside our personal preferences, so we can look at a situation through God's eyes."

"The more we evolve spiritually, the more we want what is good for us. Learning to desire what is good for you requires getting beyond your personal preferences and self-interest. This is essential to bring about alignment between God's desires and your desires. And every Holy Moment you create with God strengthens this alignment."

Kelly's further suggestions will be the basis of next week's article. May God help you to find holy moments in your life.

<b>Ministry Schedule for August 3 &amp; 4, 2024</b>	
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 p.m.	<p><b>Lector:</b> Mike Steidele  <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> Cathie Lorenzo, Joanne Leone, Janet Baier  <b>Altar Servers:</b> Two needed  <b>Ushers:</b> Michael Grigsby, Jim Panzarella, Mike Provinzino, Dave Schwichtenberg, Fran Schwichtenberg</p>
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<p><b>Lector:</b> Karyn Ustas  <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> Anthony Amato, Judy Alber, Peter Skocik  <b>Altar Servers:</b> Franklin Meeks, Ryder Reyes  <b>Ushers:</b> Dan Fachel, Ethan Fachel, Mike Gawlik, Jack Ochocinski, one needed</p>
<b>Sunday</b> 10:00 a.m.	<p><b>Lector:</b> Laurie Ann Ardito  <b>Extraordinary Ministers:</b> Valerie Loftus, Deacon Phil Heitz, Joanne Panno, Lilly Katavic, Michael Bruntz  <b>Altar Servers:</b> Abigail Trevino, Bella Velsasco  <b>Ushers:</b> Angela Addante, Pat Corcione, Dave Marshall, Rudy Tamondong, Trinh Tran</p>

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**Upcoming Events:**  
 A regional liturgy celebrated by Bishop Hicks was held on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at Bishop McNamara High School in Kankakee. Two other regional liturgies will be held on the following dates:  
**September 14, 2024 (DuPage County)**  
 4 p.m. at Montini Catholic High School in Lombard  
**September 28, 2024 (Will and Kendall Counties)**  
 4 p.m. at Lewis University in Romeoville

October will be a month of service throughout our diocese. Be on the lookout for ways to participate!

**Faith Into Action Podcast**

The Diocese of Joliet is producing a 14-part series for our 75th Anniversary. New episodes are released on YouTube and podcasts platforms monthly. Find it anywhere you get your podcasts, and be sure to hit follow or subscribe so you never miss an episode! Our latest episodes:

- Episode 7: The Virgin Mary with Sr. Dominic Dybel and Fr. John Abulag
- Episode 8: DOJ Trivia with Fr. Tom Paul

**Do you hear God calling you to ministry in the church?**

**IS GOD CALLING YOU?** We need men, women, and children to become Lectors, Communion Ministers, Ushers, and Altar Servers. Please contact Deacon Philip Heitz, OFS if you want to answer the call.

EPISODE 7

EPISODE 8

75th Anniversary Series

**Faith into Action**

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**DEACON SEAN MCGREAL**  
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Many people, including myself, wonder from time to time about what is the reason for so the many troubling things that are happening in society today. Who to believe, what direction is our world moving. Some try to make sense of it, others retreat and ignore it. We only have so much control within us, but we do have control on our own lives. With this in mind, ponder, how do we discern what to accept in this world that seems so contrary to our beliefs? What lens should we use in forming our opinions and in expressing these to others?

Please consider this passage from an essay titled "A Life that Matters."  
The author is unknown but the message is profound:

So what will matter? How will the value of your days be measured?  
What will matter is not what you bought, but what you built; not what you got, but what you gave. What will matter is not your success, but your significance. What will matter is not what you learned, but what you taught. What will matter is every act of integrity, compassion, courage or sacrifices that enrich, empowered or encouraged others. What will matter is not your competence, but your character. What will matter is not how many people you knew, but how many will feel a lasting loss when you're gone. What will matter is not your memories, but the memories that live in those who loved you. Living a life that matters doesn't happen by accident.

Peace, Deacon Sean

**PREVIEW THE BIBLE SCHOOL IN OUR DIOCESE!**

The acclaimed **Biblical Institute in the Diocese of Joliet** is registering students for Years 1 and 2 this Fall: Attend in person classes at **Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church** in Oakbrook Terrace for Year 1 on Saturdays 9-11 a.m. Year 2 in person classes will be held at **Visitation Parish** in Elmhurst on Mondays 7-9 p.m. OR **Zoom Live Online** classes for Year 2 on Wednesdays 7-9 p.m. If you want to learn the Bible from a Catholic perspective, come and see if this program is for you.

**In Person Preview Events in August:**

- **Immaculate Conception** (Elmhurst) **August 5 (Monday) 7-8:30 p.m.**
- **St. Mary of Gostyn** (Downers Grove) **August 10 (Saturday) 9-10:30 a.m.**
- **Mary, Queen of Heaven** (Elmhurst) **August 12 (Monday) 7-8:30 p.m.**
- **Holy Ghost** (Wood Dale) **August 13 (Tuesday) 7-8:30 p.m.**
- **Christ, The King** (Lombard) **August 17 (Saturday) 9-10:30 a.m.**
- **Visitation Parish** (Elmhurst) **August 19 (Monday) 7-8:30 p.m.**
- **Ascension** (Oakbrook Terrace) **August 24 (Saturday) 9-10:30 a.m.**
- **St. Joseph's Parish** (Downers Grove) **August 27 (Tuesday) 7-8:30 p.m.**

**In Person Preview Events in September:**

- **Ascension** (Oakbrook Terrace) **September 7(Saturday) 9-10:30 a.m.**
- **Visitation** (Elmhurst) **September 9 (Monday) 7-8:30 p.m.**

Meet an instructor, talk to current students, see the books, get a feel for a typical class!



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- Email jgorski@mayslakeministries.org
- Web site [mayslakeministries.org](http://mayslakeministries.org)

**2024 Ros-a-Ree Retreat**

Saturday, August 10  
8am - 8pm



Join the courageous "Mario" brothers on their spiritual adventure!

A one-day retreat for Catholic Scouts, age 12+ from Scouts BSA, Girl Scouts of the USA, and American Heritage Girls!

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**Weekend Offertory for July 13/14, 2024**

**Actual Offertory:** \$10,220

**Budget Offertory:** \$12,323

**Favorable/(Unfavorable):** **(\$2,103)**

**Weekend Offertory for July 20/21, 2024**

**Actual Offertory:** \$9,442

**Budget Offertory:** \$12,323

**Favorable/(Unfavorable):** **(\$2,881)**

**Fiscal Year to Date - July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025**

**Actual Offertory:** \$32,840

**Budget Offertory:** \$36,969

**Favorable/(Unfavorable):** **(\$4,129)**

**Fiscal Year to Date - Current Year Vs. Prior Year**

**Total Fiscal 2024 Year to Date Offertory:** \$32,840

**Prior Year to Date Offertory:** \$37,115

**Favorable/(Unfavorable):** **(\$4,275)**

***Thank you for your generosity!***



The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA, previously known as RCIA) is a process for welcoming new members into the Catholic Church: for those seeking to become Catholic, those

seeking the sacrament of Eucharist / Confirmation, and those simply exploring the Catholic faith. To learn more about OCIA at St. Philip the Apostle Parish, please contact Deacon Sean McGreal.



## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, JULY 29

*Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus (Memorial)*

**8:00 AM** Jakob Bachmeier

### TUESDAY, JULY 30

*St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**8:00 AM** Lori Truppa

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

*St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (Memorial)*

**8:00 AM** (Communion Service)

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

*St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)*

**8:00 AM** Alex Wohn  
Theresa Verzak

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

*St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;  
St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest*

**8:00 AM** Mary Novosel

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

**4:00 PM Individual Rite of Penance**

**5:00 PM Anticipated Mass for Sunday**

Sandi Milazzo / Joe Educate / Angela Caldarone  
The Casaccio Family / The Martin Family  
The Podesta Family / The Groth Family  
The Meccia Family / Rose Lorenzo

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

**8:00 AM** Ralph Treccia / Donald Facht  
Charles Hang / Roi Lombardi

**10:00 AM** People of the Parish

Let us remember in prayer our deceased relatives, friends, and parishioners, especially:



**Lourdes Arriola**

**Barbara Celler**

Our sympathy to their friends and families.

*Please pray for our sick & shut-in and those who are healing & convalescing...*



Jenny Bellezza,  
Tania Brewer,  
Ray Bugielski,  
Alison Carey,  
Toni Cheloni,  
Brian Cherry,  
Tim Kullum Cherry,  
William Czerniak,

Jack D'Angelo, Rosanna DePinto, Michael DeStefano, Leo Di Fazio, Elios Gallardo, Todd Gardener, Anna Marie Gubenko, Lucas Hameau, Anita Harshbarger, Tom Hemstreet, Ifrena Holtz, Judy Jaskey, Zachary Kasper, Joyce Klein, Kroll Family, Domenico Latrofa, Shirley Legaspi, Janet Lombardi, Sandra Lundgren, MacMillan Family, Diane McLaren, Cindy Miles, Rosemarie Miller, JoAnne Moberg, Rhodes Modelski, Vito Montana, Bill Montroy, Sam Mulay, Geri Mulcahy, Avery Quarles, Cindy Reboletti, John Rossi, Rita Seidl, John Silvestri, Bill Slovik, Wanda Slupik, Josephine Smith, Louis Sommesi, Bella Sosa-Cortes, Larry Spino, Mary Taschetta, Raymond Troksa, Zarko Vecerkovic, Diana Waden

*Please get permission from family members or the person who is ill before requesting that their name be added to the prayer list. To add names to the list, please call 630-543-1754 or email [cjaskey@st-phil.org](mailto:cjaskey@st-phil.org).*



*Please pray for all of our young men and women currently serving in the Armed Forces, especially:*

Richard Avila, Marines  
Salvador Bonilla, Jr., Air Force  
Elijah Burgins, Marines  
Emiliano Carrazco, Marines  
Kevin Catano, Marines  
Steven J. DeMarco, Army  
Matthew Deimling, Army  
Jack Domek, Marines  
Adam Dorney, Army  
Samantha Fallon, Navy  
Diego Feros, Army  
Blaze Galardy, Air Force  
Martin Garcia, Army  
Mark Jastowski, Marines  
Dylan Johnson, Army  
José Juarez, Navy  
Paul Keppler, Navy  
Ben Krause, Marines  
C. J. Loveland, Air Force  
Trevor Martin, Marines

Kristofferson Marzo, Army  
Andrew Maslanka, Army  
Matthew Maslanka, Army  
Anthony Milazzo, Navy  
Ryan Mills, Air Force  
Billy Moncatch, Marines  
Jason Okara, Army  
Enrique Ospina, Marines  
Adam Ostrander, Navy  
Cole Parent, Marines  
Randall Petrbok, Air Force  
James Roman, Marines  
Ryan Ruizol, Navy  
Andrew Tarchinski, Army  
Patrick Tobias, Air Force  
Isaiah Wuich, Marines

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**Baptism Information:** Baptisms are celebrated on the second & fourth Sunday of each month. A pre-Baptism program must be attended by the parents. Please call the rectory to register for a program.

**Marriage Information:** Please call the rectory to make arrangements at least six months (a year is preferred) in advance of the wedding date. It is recommended you do not rent reception facilities until your wedding date is confirmed with the pastor. Your preferred wedding date may be unavailable, and we do not want you to lose your deposit with the reception venue.

**Parish Registration:** New families are welcome and are asked to register at the rectory. Also, previously registered parishioners are asked to notify us of any address changes.

**Emergency Sick or Anointing Calls:** Please notify us immediately of any serious illness in your family. If you have a hospitalized loved one who would like a visit, please call the rectory with contact information since the hospitals and hospices no longer notify parishes. Please do not wait until the last minute to have someone anointed. There are always accidents/emergencies, but sometimes there is less panic when the anointing can be done prior to someone passing.

YOU ARE INVITED TO  
A CANDIDACY MASS

The following  
Joliet Seminarians will  
respond to their priestly call.

Peter Davis  
Duc Phu Nguyen  
Daniel Steven Obendorf  
Christopher Oyoo Otieno

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2024  
10:00 A.M.

OUR LADY OF MERCY  
701 S. Eola Road  
Aurora, Illinois

*We have low-gluten hosts available which make it possible for people who have celiac disease or allergies to wheat or gluten to be able to receive communion. If you have celiac disease or an allergy to wheat or gluten, please let us know before Mass so that arrangements can be made for you to be able to receive communion at Mass.*

The abundance God promises is not always easy to see. We are often weighed down by a lack of resources - there is never enough time or energy or money to accomplish all we feel we should. But when God is with us, we most often find we have enough, whether that means creatively reversioning how we use existing resources or stripping away excess so that our resources are well-dedicated to our mission. Where do you find abundance in your life? Where do you feel lack? Have you had an experience of God making abundance from scarcity? How might you be called to share what you have, no matter how scarce it may seem? (*Living Liturgy*)

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