Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding.
Luke 12:35

August 7, 2016
MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Pius X Church, a faith community in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet, Illinois, accept the challenge to restore all things in Christ through the use of our gifts and ministry. Guided by the Father, nourished by the Eucharist, and inspired by the Holy Spirit we embrace all through our commitment to worship, education, service, and stewardship.

LEMA DE NUESTRA MISIÓN

Nosotros las personas de la Iglesia de San Pío X, una comunidad de fe Católica de la Diócesis de Joliet, Illinois, aceptamos los desafíos de restaurar todas las cosas en Cristo, por medio de nuestros talentos y ministerios. Guiados por el Padre, nutridos por la Eucaristía, e inspirados por el Espíritu Santo; unidos y comprometidos todos nosotros por medio de nuestros dones, educación y servicio.

Pastor: Father George Zieba, CR
Administrator: Father Richard Grek, CR
Deacons: John Chan, Ron Knecht, Larry Lissak, Tom Rachubinski
Hispanic Ministry Pastoral Assistant: Fr. Firmo Mantovani, CS
Pastoral Care: Sr. Pauline Schutz, OSF
School Principal: Daniel Flaherty
Assistant Principal: Toni Miller
Faith Formation - Director: Colleen Lowery
Youth Ministry - Director: Mark Restaino
Music Ministry - Director: Kirsten Currie
Hispanic Ministry - Coordinator / Secretary: Laura Mora

Business Manager: John Matyasik
Administrative Assistant: Donna Cooper
Parish Secretary: Pam Matyasik
Maintenance Director: Sallie McGinn
Pastoral Council, Chair: Betty Kramer
Finance Council, Chair: Frank Enda
Stewardship Council, Chair: Leanne Newman

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parishoffice@stpiuslombard.org
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Fax: 630-627-1810
schooloffice@stpiuslombard.org
Convent: 630-627-5810
IMPORTANT TO KNOW

MASSES
Saturday:  5:00 PM  Anticipation of Sunday Misa en Español:  Sábado 7 PM 
Sunday:  8:00 AM AND 10:00 AM Holy Days:  see previous Sunday Bulletin 
Weekdays:  8:00 AM Monday through Friday Saturday:  8:00 AM First Saturday of each month

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday:  3:30 to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first Sunday at the 11:30 AM Mass (10:00 am during Summer). No Baptisms are celebrated during Lent. Parent preparation is required. The parent meeting for Baptism is generally on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information  (630-627-4526).

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Please call the Parish Office at least 6 months before your desired wedding date, to check availability.

FUNERALS
Arrangements should be made at the Parish Office before publication in the newspaper.

SICK CALLS
Homebound because of sickness or age, please call the Parish Office (630-627-4526) to arrange a visit with a Minister of Care or a priest.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the Parish Office for arrangements. Because of HIPAA Privacy regulations, hospitals can no longer contact the parish. If you are hospitalized and would like a priest or minister from St. Pius X to visit or have your name added to the Prayers of the Faithful, your family should notify the Parish Office.

INFORMATION ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH
For questions and instruction in the faith or to become a part of the RCIA process (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), call the Parish Office.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ASSISTANCE AND PANTRY HOURS
Mon. & Fri. 9:30 am—Noon - Martha Room Wed. 12:30-2:30 pm - Martha Room Information:  630-300-4353

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS
Monday through Thursday  9:00 AM—12:00 PM; 12:30 PM—3:00 PM Friday:  9:00 AM—12:00 PM

NEW PARISHIONERS
Welcome! You are invited to come to or call the Parish Office to register. Forms are also available on the website.

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS
If you are interested in one of our many ministries or wish to volunteer time or talent, please contact the Parish Office or see our website for more details.

PRAYER INTENTIONS
If you have a prayer intention that you would like the parish to pray for, write it in the Book of Prayer in Church.

BULLETIN ARTICLES
Due ten days prior to bulletin date. Attach Word file and email to bulletin@stpiuslombard.org. Please put a contact name and phone number on each article indicating the date(s) you would like the article to run. Every effort will be made to see that your request is granted.

As a general rule, we encourage using “bulletin space” instead of a separate insert whenever possible—this saves the cost of printing. The following guidelines should be observed if an insert is necessary:A proposed insert must be submitted for approval prior to bulletin insertion weekend. Approved inserts must be delivered by Thursday to the Parish Office.


Reporting Sexual Abuse:Anyone who has reasonable cause to suspect the sexual abuse of a minor by a member of the clergy or other Church personnel is urged to report the matter immediately. To inform the Diocese of Joliet, call Mrs. Judith Speckman (Victim Assistance Coordinator) at 815-263-6467 or write the Diocese of Joliet, 425 Summit Street, Joliet 60435. Contact DCFS at 1-800-252-2873 or call the local County States Attorney.
**Liturgical Calendar**

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**Rosary for Vocations**
Sunday evenings from 7:30 to 8:00 pm in the Church. Individual Adoration for Vocations from 8 to 9 pm. Please enter through door #8 on the east side of the building. Call Ken for more information: 630-818-6261.

**Ministry Schedules are available by signing onto the software from your computer/tablet. Click onto the “Ministry Scheduler Pro” button on the home page of our website: stpiuslombard.org.**

**Year of Mercy**

"God placed on Jesus’ Cross all the weight of our sins, all the injustices perpetrated by every Cain against his brother, all the bitterness of the betrayal by Judas and by Peter, all the vanity of tyrants, all the arrogance of false friends. It was a heavy Cross, like night experienced by abandoned people, heavy like the death of loved ones, heavy because it carries all the ugliness of evil. However, the Cross is also glorious like the dawn after a long night, for it represents all the love of God, which is greater than our iniquities and our betrayals. In the Cross we see the monstrosity of man, when he allows evil to guide him; but we also see the immensity of the mercy of God, who does not treat us according to our sins but according to his mercy."

— Pope Francis

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**Pray for the following parishioners and friends who are ill:**

- Mark Furjanic
- Frank Cvach
- Ronald Norman
- Dolores Pflum
- Michael Crosse, Sr.
- Elizabeth McNicholas
- Paul Pignatelli
- Marita Hooper
- Lori Patros

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**St. Pius X Prayer Chapel**

The Prayer Chapel is open Sunday through Friday evenings, 7 pm to 11 pm. Please come and adore Him. Use Door #8 on east side of church building. Would you like to sign up for an hour per week in the Prayer Chapel? Please contact our leaders to pledge your hour.

- Sunday Estelle Soger 630-738-2255
- Monday Linda Chan 630-202-2489
- Tuesday Michelle LoCoco 630-567-0373
- Wednesday John Chan 630-202-2943
- Thursday Ceil D’Acquisto 630-627-9472
- Friday Carol Gawenda 630-833-3211

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**Rosary/Prayer/Benediction-Wednesday 8 pm**

Prayer Chapel
We hear our Gospel for this Sunday close with the words: “Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.”

Contemporary Biblical spirituality has come to recognize that God has gifted every one of us, and that we in turn are obligated to use these gifts for God’s glory and for the building up of our faith community, our parish. More: we are obligated for furthering the commonweal of the whole human community, all of God’s creation. As we become aware of our specific talents and resources, we in turn are challenged to see what we can/must do to be conduits of God’s grace by the generous use of these gifts.

Accountability is the serious message of this Sunday’s Gospel closing, Reflections on what we do with God’s generosity to us is mandated here. To deny one’s gifts or to hoard one’s resources violates a central Gospel value. Authentic faithfulness to our Sacraments of Initiation embraces this sharing. God has entrusted us with a great evangelical task and hence he will hold us accountable.

Some practical ways to use our gifts and talents: 1) Parish ministries, both liturgical (priest, deacon, lector, hospitality, Eucharistic Minister, sacristan) and educational (religious education teacher/aide, Consecrated life, male and female, Liturgy of the Word for Children during Sunday Mass); 2) peace and justice areas like pro-life, non-violent advocacy, social equity work, St. Vincent de Paul society; and 3) support (financial and volunteer) for environmental concern. These are but a few of many ways to be responsible for the use of our talents (check out the parish web site for many others)

“Much will be required…” Jesus says. He will hold us accountable.

Fr. Richard Grek, C.R.
Thank you for your continued support of our ministries to the people of God.

Our Stewardship of Sharing

Weekly Offering Report

Weekly Offering Contributions - July 2016

First Sunday Offering 8,880
Electronic Giving (7/1-7/5) 5,622
Second Sunday Offering 8,721
Electronic Giving (7/6-7/12) 7,637
Third Week Offering 7,331
Electronic Giving (7/13-7/19) 3,456
Fourth Week Offering 8,663
Electronic Giving (7/20-7/26) 4,031
Electronic Giving (7/27-7/31) 1,646
Budget Income for July* 54,000
Amount over for July Offering Budget $1,987

*Budgeted offering income needed to meet monthly budgeted expenses

Weekly Offering Contributions - August 2016

First Sunday Offering 9,146
Electronic Giving (8/1-8/2) 4,805
Budget Income for August 72,115

Year to Date Sunday Offering Budget
July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016

Revenue $762,323
Budget 761,097
Over (under) Budget for year 1,226

Lot Lights Donations thru 8/2/16 $16,817
Golden Touch Donations 7/1/16-8/2/16 $1,501

2016 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL
Pledge Report

Monthly pledge payments for CMAA pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached goal in paid pledges, 65% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

PARISH GOAL: $64,489
AMOUNT PLEDGED: $56,449
AMOUNT PAID: $43,970
REMAINING BALANCE: $12,480
PLEDGES STILL NEEDED
TO REACH OUR PARISH GOAL: $8,040

Stewardship of Prayer

Since prayer should be the foundation of all that we do as Catholics, we will begin a new tradition in the St. Pius X Catholic Community - The Stewardship of Prayer. Each parish family or individual is asked to complete one of the Stewardship of Prayer Cards that will be inserted in the bulletin next weekend, indicating which types of prayer, Private or Public and the Intentions you will commit to for the coming school year. With a solid foundation in prayer, our parish community will be able to engage in our call to Restore All Things in Christ.

The Stewardship of Prayer commitment card has two sides, both of which should be completed. Please bring the right side of the card with you to Mass to place in the basket during the Offertory collection on August 20/21. Keep the left side of the card in a prominent place in your home as a reminder of your pledge to prayer this year. Additional copies of the prayer cards will be available in the Gathering Space for those who need them.

If you have any questions, please contact Leanne Newman, Stewardship Council Chair at newman.leanne@sbcglobal.net or 630-638-8509.

www.stpiuslombard.org
Making Stewardship A Way of Life

What do you think of when you hear the word *stewardship*? Money? Volunteer Opportunities?

While most people think of stewardship in terms of money or volunteer opportunities, it is actually much more than that. Stewardship is a way of life and a spirituality, which has biblical foundations. Stewardship promotes the need to give rather than giving for a specific need or a special project. Stewardship is the means by which we achieve the mission and ministry of our church, evangelization.

For stewardship to become a way of life, we must first acknowledge that God is the source of all that we have and recognize that we are responsible and accountable to God for all of the gifts He has given us. We are to be generous in return for God’s abundant grace to us, using our gifts in order to glorify God.

For stewardship to become a way of life, we need to live lives of thanksgiving for God’s gifts and blessings by:

- Making time for God in prayer and worship on a daily or weekly basis
- Sharing time and talent for the common good of our families, parish, local community, country and the world
- Nurturing and learning about the Catholic faith in order to share it with others
- Giving of our treasure generously and cheerfully
- Promoting vocations to the religious life
- Preserving the earth for our generation and the next

In the coming weeks and months, the Stewardship Council will be sharing more information on *Making Stewardship A Way of Life*, as we strive to promote the spirituality of stewardship in our parish community.

Test Drive a Ministry!

What is that? Well, every year our Stewardship Council considers a variety of effective ways to attract new members to join our ministries. Experience tells us that ministry fairs are a lot of work with very little return. And, though the annual Stewardship of Time and Talent Appeal will continue, the Council has come up with something that will supplement it. The opportunity to “Test Drive a Ministry.”

Oftentimes, the notion of “ministry” can be a mystery. What is involved? Who should participate? Is it for everyone - anyone? What will be expected of me? To help answer those questions, parishioners are invited to participate in visitor friendly meetings of the particular ministry or ministries they have an interest in along with those parishioners who are already involved so that they may get a first hand look at what they can expect: thus, the Test Drive.

“Test Drive a Ministry” will run from mid-August through September 30. Please see the “Test Drive a Ministry” calendar inserted in the bulletin next weekend for information about which ministries are participating, times and locations of meetings and contact people. Additional copies of the calendar will be available in the Gathering Space for those who need them.

Please Note: Though Council, Commission and Board meetings are open to all parishioners; they are not included in this program because membership in these groups is determined either through appointment by the Pastor or the process of discernment.

If you have any questions about “Test Drive a Ministry,” please contact Ken LeBeau of the Stewardship Council at 630-818-6261 or via e-mail at lebeau.kj@outlook.com.
### This Week’s Calendar of Events

**Wednesday—August 10**  
Rosary/Prayer/Benediction  
8:00 pm  
Prayer Chapel

**Thursday—August 11**  
Stewardship  
6:00 pm  
Parish Office

**Sunday—August 14**  
St. Vincent de Paul meeting  
8:30 am  
Convent  
Vocation Rosary  
7:30 pm  
Church

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### Support the Congregation of the Resurrection

On the weekend of **August 13-14**, members of the Congregation of the Resurrection will be here selling raffle tickets. The tickets are $25 each or 6 for $100. The profit will support the mission of the Congregation of the Resurrection. **Bring your return address labels to use on the raffle tickets to save time.** The drawing will take place on Sunday, September 25 at the annual Resurrectionist Benefit Dinner at Porretta’s Elegant Banquet Hall in Chicago. If you are interested in attending the Dinner contact: Brother William Hallas, CR Development Director, at 773-463-7506 or whallascr@gmail.com.

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### MANNA ORDER VACATION

The Manna coordinators are on vacation; we will NOT be selling Manna or processing on Sunday, August 7 or Sunday, August 14. The next green envelopes (long forms) will be processed on Sunday, August 21, with delivery on Wednesday, August 24. We will be selling quick manna at church on Sunday, August 21.

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### Faith Formation

#### 2016-2017 Registration

Are your children registered? Faith Formation classes begin in September, and are held on Monday evenings (grades 1-8) or Wednesday afternoons (grades K-5). Sacrament preparation takes place over two years - First Communion prep begins in grade one, and Confirmation prep in grade seven.  
Come learn about our Catholic faith, pray with us and grow closer in your relationship with God. All parish youth are WELCOME!!

Register after Masses on August 13 and August 14 or stop by the parish office during normal business hours, or download a registration form @ www.stpiuslombard.org and mail with payment to the FF Office. **New students will need a copy of their baptismal certificate. Questions? call 630-627-1551.**

The most important thing you can do for your children is to give them a firm foundation in the faith. We look forward to beginning this new year with you!!

**BE A CATECHIST**

Do you feel called to share your Catholic faith with your young people? The children of St. Pius X are eager to learn about Jesus, and they are counting on you!!  
If not YOU, then WHO?  
If not NOW, then WHEN?

Catechists are needed in grade 1 on Monday evenings and for Kindergarten on Wednesday afternoons. Call the Faith Formation Director at 630-627-4526 x212 to schedule an interview. It may be the most important thing you will ever do!! When we teach, we continue to learn and grow in the faith. All supplies, materials, and guidance are provided. Join our ministry team today!!

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### St. Pius X Youth Ministry

#### Community Nurse Health Center’s Resale Shop

On **Saturday, August 13**, from **9:30 am-12:30 pm**, the youth group will be volunteering at the Community Nurse Health Center’s Resale Shop in La Grange. We’ll be helping them put away their summer items and set up the store for the fall. We’ll meet at Pius at 9:30 am for carpooling and be back by 12:30 pm.

#### Funway!

As a last hurrah before school starts, on **Monday, August 15**, from **11 am-5 pm**, the youth group is going to Funway in Batavia. Funway has Mini Golf, Laser Tag, Bumper Cars, Arcade, Roller Skating, Bowling, Go Karts, Batting Cages, Bumper Boats, and more! **The cost is $25 per student and includes a meal voucher.** We’ll meet at Pius at 11 am for carpooling and be back by 5 pm.

#### Feast Day of St. Pius X

Sunday, August 21, is the Feast Day of St. Pius X. To celebrate, the youth group will meet for Mass at Pius at 10 am and afterwards, go out to lunch. The cost is $5 per student (for lunch). We’ll be back at Pius by 12:30 pm.

**For all events, please email Mark at mrestaino@stpiuslombard.org to sign up.**

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### CCW Craft/Vendor Show

St. Pius X Council of Catholic Women will be sponsoring their Christmas Kaleidoscope Craft/Vendor Show on Saturday, November 5 - we are looking for crafters and vendors to participate in the show. If you are interested, the application is on the parish website (stpiuslombard.org). For additional information, contact Carol at 630-495-2647 or carolvweiland@gmail.com. Thank you.
The St. Pius X Youth Ministry is always looking for committed adult leaders or occasional adult chaperones, ages 18-81. If you love God and have a heart for students, we would love to have you on the Youth Ministry Team or simply join us for an upcoming event. If interested, please email Mark, at mrestaino@stpiuslombard.org, for more info.

Invite for the Ladies of the Parish

St. Pius X Council of Catholic Women cordially invites ALL ladies of the parish to join us on Wednesday, August 17 in the Martha Room at 7:00 pm. We will be making No-Sew Throws which will be donated to Serenity House this year. This is a fun activity for all. If you can bring a pair of sewing scissors, that would be good.

We are also collecting underwear and socks (infant, toddler, children & adults). These items will be taken to the National CCW Convention in Indianapolis in September, where they will be donated to the Holy Family Shelter. If you can donate, please bring your items on Wednesday, August 17. Thank you. If you have any questions, please contact Carol at 630-495-2647 or carolvweiland@gmail.com.

Grand Prize

2017 Chevy Equinox or $25,000
2nd Prize $1,000 3rd Prize $1,000 4th Prize $1,000
5th Prize $500 6th Prize $500
Drawing Sept. 18th at Fall Fest – Winner need not be present

Senior (V.I.P.) Parishioners

VIP’s 2016/2017 “Senior Luncheons” will begin in September. Any “SENIOR PARISHIONER” interested in joining the VIP Senior Group for our monthly luncheons should give Mary Ann Wright a call soon (630-941-0762). Plans are underway for the year. The First VIP luncheon starts on September 13th.

Save the Date

Fall Fest 2016
Sept. 16th – 19th
Friday – Texas Hold’em
Saturday – Cruise Night/Food/Live Band
Sunday – Polka Mass/Car Raffle/Pig Roast/Games
Monday – Chicago Bears vs. Philadelphia Eagles

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stpiuslombard.org (online giving)
and St. Pius X Parish Office

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REFLEXION

1. La Noche es Tiempo de Salvación

1.1 La primera lectura de hoy y el evangelio tienen en común la hora: ambas se refieren a la noche. Y en ambos casos la noche es ambivalente, por decirlo así. En la lectura de la sabiduría, porque se habla de la noche de la Pascua de los hebreos en Egipto, que fue victoria y gozo para el pueblo de Dios, pero luto y derrota para la nación opresora. En el texto de Lucas, en cambio, la ambivalencia de la noche viene de lo que puede suceder en esas horas: el que duerme puede ser robado y despojado, pero el que está atento y obediente no se quedará sin su buena recompensa.

1.2 Un himno de completas cuando yo era fraile estudiante en el Convento de Santo Domingo en Bogotá tenía el estribillo que hemos puesto de título aquí: "la noche es tiempo de salvación." A lo largo de las estrofas se recordaban distintos acontecimientos bíblicos maravillosos que han sucedido todos de noche, incluyendo por supuesto la liberación de Egipto, pero llevando el acento finalmente a la gran noche, la noche de la Pascua nuestra, cuando Cristo venció a la muerte.

1.3 Esa lista nutrida de hechos salvadores acaecidos en la noche es como la base para otra lista más abundante de imágenes y comparaciones que los autores espirituales han utilizado tomando siempre como base a la noche. Es sobre todo San Juan de la Cruz quien nos ilustra en esta materia con sus profundas enseñanzas sobre las "noches" del alma y del espíritu. La idea fundamental es que la fe no es todavía la luz completa, que sólo contemplaremos más allá del umbral de la muerte. Y sin embargo, la fe sí es nuestra guía y para aprender a vivir de fe hay que superar más de una "noche."

2. Vigilancia y Diligencia

2.1 El tema de la noche va unido muy naturalmente con el de la "vigilia," de donde obviamente viene el "vigilar." En su sentido original, este "tener cuidado" significaba simplemente estar en "vigilia," es decir, permanecer despierto aunque todos duerman. Es una buena imagen de lo que es un cristiano: alguien que está despierto. "Dormir" equivale a dejarse llevar, por ejemplo, por los valores y solicitaciones del mundo; "estar despierto" significa entonces ver y hacer ver los engaños propios de las tinieblas. Lo mismo que en su dimensión corporal, esto de "estar despiertos" cuesta trabajo, porque lo más fácil es dejarse arrastrar por la corriente.

2.2 Vigilamos cuando sabemos que un mal puede venirnos pero también cuando guardamos con amor a alguien. Las dos cosas son necesarias y son recomendados por Cristo, Nuestro Señor. Tenemos que vigilar para que ningún ladrón nos robe pero también vigilamos porque sabemos que nuestro Amo y Señor viene. Su retorno nos invita a utilizar el tiempo con sobriedad y con esperanza.

2.3 La sobriedad es la actitud de quien sabe que hay un "después." Quien va a conducir el automóvil después de una fiesta se esfuerza y controla porque sabe que su sobriedad es requerida para guiar sin riesgos en la noche. La esperanza mira también al futuro, no sólo por evitar sus males sino por gozar de sus bienes. Sobrios y llenos de esperanza, una esperanza activa: así nos quiere Dios, así quiere que vivamos en esta tierra como preludio de su Cielo.

Por Fr. Nelson Medina, OP

CATECISMO

Las inscripciones de catecismo aun están abiertas, el próximo sábado 13 de agosto estaremos inscribiendo antes de la Misa de 7:00 p.m. o pueden pasar a inscribirlos en el horario de oficina. La reunión de padres será el sábado 27 de agosto a las 5:00 p.m. Primer día de Clases será el sábado 3 de septiembre.
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Jubilee Year of Mercy Holy Hour
3rd Tuesday of Every Month – 7 PM
August 16, 2016

On Tuesday, August 16, 2016, at 7:00 pm, the monthly Holy Hour at Immaculate Conception, our deanery’s Pilgrim Church, will focus on those who are workers and volunteers of mercy. All who volunteer in the parish and/or community are cordially invited to attend this Holy Hour. Along with Eucharistic Adoration and the opportunity for personal Reconciliation, we will pray for all who are the face of God’s mercy to others in our world. IC is located at 134 Arthur in Elmhurst. For further information, please contact 630-530-3497.

Obtaining a Plenary Indulgence during the Year of Mercy

A plenary indulgence frees a person from all of the temporal punishment due to sins and may be gained only once on any one day. Indulgences are only applicable to oneself and to the dead.

How can one obtain a plenary indulgence during the Year of Mercy?

One obtains this indulgence by:

- having the intention of acquiring the indulgence, going to confession (before or after the visit), receiving Holy Communion, making a profession of faith, praying for the Holy Father and for the intentions that he bears in his heart for the good of the Church and of the entire world, while doing any of the following:
  - The faithful by visiting one of the Diocesan Pilgrimage churches
  - The sick and people who are elderly and alone by receiving Holy Communion or attending Holy Mass and community prayer (even through the various means of communication)
  - The faithful by personally performing one or more of the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy
  - The faithful by remembering the deceased at Holy Mass and praying that they be freed from every remnant of fault and thus be embraced by God in the blessedness of life eternal.