

Our Lady of the Ridge - St. Linus Parish

**Solemnity of the
Ascension of the Lord**

May 17, 2026



Worship Sites

**Our Lady of the Ridge
10836 S. Oxford Avenue
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**Saint Linus
10300 S. Lawler Avenue
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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
2026/2027 REGISTRATION
NOW BEING ACCEPTED**

Registration packets for the 2026/2027 Religious Education (RE) program were distributed to student families at the last RE session. Registration packets were also mailed to those not in attendance. **FOR YOUR CHILD(REN) TO BE INCLUDED IN THE 2026/2027 RE PROGRAM, REGISTRATION FORMS ARE DUE BY JUNE 5, 2026 OR SOONER.** Registration forms can be returned to the Our Lady of the Ridge RE building any Saturday in May from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM or any time at the parish office located at St. Linus rectory. Registration packets for new RE students can also be picked up at either the Our Lady of the Ridge location on these Saturdays in May or any time at the parish office.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

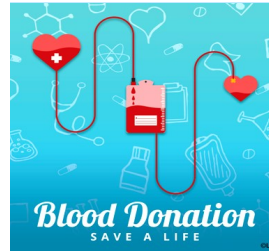
Eternal life, Jesus tells us, is about knowing God. It's not about power or accomplishment. It's not earned or won. It's not a prize, and it's certainly not a finish line. It's a relationship — one that is ours to begin. How will we know God this week? ©LPi



The words of the Hail Mary — undoubtedly the most recognizable Catholic prayer after the Lord's Prayer — are deeply rooted in scripture. The opening lines of the prayer are taken from the words of the angel Gabriel at the Annunciation — “Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.” This line is known as the Angelic Salutation. The following words — “Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus” — echo the sentiments expressed by Elizabeth at the Visitation.

The Angelic Salutation is regarded as the earliest devotional prayer to Mary, since it forms the very first words spoken to her as the Mother of God, but Catholics did not begin to utilize the Hail Mary prayer in its current form until around the 11th century.

An in-depth explanation of each line of this prayer is provided in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2676-2677. ©LPi



**THE PARISH BLOOD DRIVE
SCHEDULED FOR
JUNE 14TH HAS BEEN
CANCELLED.
WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR
A FUTURE DATE AND TIME.**

**ARE YOU THE VOLUNTEER THE SPRED
GROUP HAS BEEN LOOKING FOR?**

I have been a volunteer with the OLOR-STL SPRED group for more than 15 years. SPRED is religious education for people with special needs and OLOR-STL offers SPRED for the 6 to 10 age group. It has been a blessing to enrich their faith.

My new role as the President of the Archdiocesan Council of Chicago Society of St. Vincent de Paul has made it difficult for me to continue to devote the time and attention these children deserve. I have come to the difficult decision to step aside.

I want to help ensure that the SPRED group gets the volunteer they need and deserve. Can you step into one of the most rewarding ministries our parish has to offer? Are you that person?

The OLOR-STL SPRED group has 8 dedicated volunteers. As a volunteer, you will receive training. You will be a member of a special group that is vital and very important in these children's lives. You become an essential part of their connection to the Church and God. Please call the rectory for more information on how you can help. We do need you.

Sincerely,
Dana Pyzik

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK:

1st Reading

We hear how the Apostles gathered in prayer with others (including Mary) in Jerusalem shortly after Jesus' ascension into heaven. When do you find yourself being called to prayer?

2nd Reading

Peter teaches that we may suffer insults and ridicule for our belief in Jesus. Have you ever been insulted by others for your faith?

Gospel Reading

We hear Jesus praying for us to his heavenly Father. Have you ever prayed for Jesus in prayer? ©LPi

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of the Lord
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Mass Schedule for May 16—24, 2026

At STL: Saturday 4:00PM; Sunday 7:30AM, 10:30AM;
M - F 6:00AM Comm. Service, 7:30AM Mass

At OLOR: Sunday 9:00AM; Monday 8:30AM Mass;
Wednesday & Friday 8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, May 16, 2026 Vigil Mass

4:00PM Josephine & Joseph Leja, Jean & Eugene Witowski,
Eugene F. Shipanik, Sheila Creghin

Sunday, May 17, 2026 The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

7:30AM Joanna & Josef Sroka, Charles McGonigal,
Helen & Ken Hunnicutt, Ann & Don Perreault
9:00AM William Doyle, Lou Ann & Ray Jarolimek,
Everette Klein-Wolff, Donald Warwick,
Paul Giancarlo

10:30AM Winifred Latronica, Joshua Peter Gunther,
Mark Bednarz, 28th anny., Charmaine Errico

Monday, May 18, 2026 St. John I, Pope and Martyr

7:30AM Mary Tobin, Kelly Bojan, Margaret Pierce
8:30AM Libero & Julia Rodighiero,
Anthony & Andriana Krivicich

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 Easter Weekday

7:30AM Hugh Doyle

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

7:30AM John Berry
8:30AM Communion Service

Thursday, May 21, 2026 St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

7:30AM Lucille Marszalek, Geraldine Beres

Friday, May 22, 2026 St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

7:30AM Sheila Creghin, Frank Oskvarek
8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, May 23, 2026 Vigil Mass

4:00PM Norman B. Reno, Maribeth Nagy, Sheila Creghin,
Kathleen O'Donnell

Sunday, May 24, 2026 Pentecost Sunday

7:30AM Isabel Ulanowski, Emil Biel, Flann & Mary Boland,
Bernadette McDermott
9:00AM Ed & Marie Isenegger, Michael & Marion Maher,
Arthur & Dolores Mallo, Giuseppe DiBrita
10:30AM Deceased Members of Ugochukwu Family and
Relatives, Rosemary Hunt, Kathleen O'Donnell,
Zofia Szaflarski



We pray for members of our parish family who are homebound, or in hospitals, nursing homes, rehab centers and hospice. We also pray for their caregivers. This list will be frequently revised. We remember especially:

Judy Zalalsis, Leroy Almanza, Catherine Hoffman,
Phyllis Gruchot, Josephine Cordell, Jeff Fraher



Thank Jesus for all He has done for us by His Passion, Death, and Resurrection! Come and spend what time you have in quiet with the Lord.

Jesus, Light of the World Adoration Chapel
Monday - Friday 8AM - 4PM at St. Linus

Friday, 5PM - 7PM at Our Lady of the Ridge Church



Banns of Marriage

*I—Allie Jones and
Matt Gates*

Women's Evening of Recollection

There will be an evening of recollection for women on **Thursday, May 21st** from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. in **St. Linus Church**. The evening will be given by a priest from Opus Dei. There will be short talks, Adoration, Benediction and Sacrament of Reconciliation. All women are welcome.



MEMORIAL DAY



Please join us in remembering all those who gave their lives in service to our country, and praying for peace in our world at the **8:30AM Mass on Monday, May 25th** at **Our Lady of the Ridge Church**. **NO MASS** at St. Linus.

The rectory office will be **CLOSED** on Memorial Day, and **reopen on Tuesday May 26th at 9:00AM**.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society *LOVE IN OUR WORK*

Please call the **food pantry line** directly at **708-289-0406** to **enroll**. You will need to provide ID and proof of residency in Our Lady of the Ridge - St. Linus parish boundaries. Pantry is the second Saturday every month. For **financial assistance** call **708-289-4180**.



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Total:	\$17,015.45



17 | The Ascension of the Lord;
World Communications Day
22 | St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
24 | The Solemnity of Pentecost

CALLING ALL ST. LINUS CLASS OF 1976 GRADUATES

We are looking for all our classmates.
Please send your information to

Mhaves@stlinusschool.org

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Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic Schools Golf Outing

Monday, June 22, 2026
Chicago Highlands Golf Club
Westchester, Illinois

Neighborhood News...

Amateur Boxing Benefit: *Letz Knock Out DIPG*, Friday, June 12, St. Rita HS gym, 7740 S. Western Ave.; **Doors open at 6PM**, Fights at 7PM; Concessions available; Tickets: donorbox.org/events/918958/steps/choose_tickets.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC): Matches skills of adults 55+ with Chicagoland nonprofits; Info session **Thursday, June 25th, St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish**, Oak Lawn; Register at: www.ivcusa.org/chicagoinfosessions.

Tutoring Available: Mount Assisi Convent, 13900 Main St., Lemont; **Mid-June to early August**; Grades K-8; Cost: free-will offering; Contact **Sr. Marjorie** or **Sr. Jimene (630-257-7495)**.

Vitas Healthcare: Looking for knitters, crocheters and sewers for our comfort care hospice program. Call **Nancy Zable** at **708-781-4405** or nancy.zable@vitas.com.

From Fr. Mark's Desk:

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

The words of Jesus 'I will be with you always' have always been a source of comfort. Often in life, we find ourselves asking, "Where are you God?". The response is that he is present in our need and in our acts of kindness. When we feed another, God is there; when we visit another, God is there; when we forgive another from our heart, God is there.

The Gospel of Matthew presents the Sermon on the Mount in which we are reminded that we are blessings. These blessings are intended to be shared. The sermon centers on the Lord's Prayer and how to pray. The sermon concludes with the admonition to build the house (of our lives) on solid ground. This sermon is delivered as a reflection on our destiny as children of God, who is always by our side.

"One of the most compelling qualities of life in the Spirit of Jesus is that we are always being sent out to bring and receive the gifts of God to and from all peoples and nations. It is spiritually impossible to enter into the house of God and to meet there all of humanity without coming to the inner awareness that the fruits of the Spirit grow and mature in a worldwide process of giving and receiving." Henri Nouwen

On this Solemnity of the Ascension, I pray you realize as Jesus walks with you, your acts of discipleship make him recognizable to you and others.

Have a great week!

Fr. Mark Walter

**Cardinal Blase Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago**

**Most Reverend Robert M. Fedek
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago**

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708-422-2400 ext. 139

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10859 S. Ridgeland Ave. Chicago Ridge, IL 60415
www.stlinusoaklawn.org/ReligiousEducation

Parish Offices: at St. Linus Rectory
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Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday: 9:00AM—4:00PM
Friday: 9:00AM—3:00PM
Weekend: CLOSED

PARISH STAFF:

PASTOR: Rev. Mark Walter
CHAPLAIN: Rev. Wissam Mansour
Our Lady of the Holy Land Community
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SUNDAY SCHEDULE: (at St. Linus): Saturday, 4:00 PM;
Sunday, 7:30 AM and 10:30 AM
(at Our Lady of the Ridge): Sunday, 9:00 AM
(Our Lady of the Holy Land at OLOR): Sunday, 12:00PM
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 6:00 AM Communion Service (STL)
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 7:30 AM Mass (STL)
MONDAY: 8:30 AM Mass (OLOR)
WED. & FRI.: 8:30 AM Communion Service (OLOR)
HOLY DAYS: See the bulletin for Mass schedule.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Confession)
Saturday 12:00 to 1:00 PM in Saint Linus Church or by ap-
pointment.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Monday-Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM in Jesus, Light of the World
Adoration Chapel at St. Linus (enter from parking lot)
Friday evening from 5-7 PM in Our Lady of the Ridge Church

MARIAN DEVOTIONS: The Rosary
Each weekday after the 7:30 AM Mass at STL.
Each M-W-F at 7:45 AM before services at OLOR.

BAPTISM: Sunday
Our Lady of the Ridge after 9:00 AM Mass;
St. Linus at 1:30 PM;
One-hour Baptismal preparation class required for first
child only.

MARRIAGE:
Please contact Fr. Mark to arrange the date and time of your
marriage celebration at least four months prior to the date.

SPRED: (SPecial RELigious Development)
Ministry to developmentally disabled children and adults.
Tuesday evening from 6:30-8:00 PM at OLOR in the FFC.

AA MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP:
Saturday morning at 10:00 AM in the FFC at OLOR
Sunday evening at 7:00 PM in the Cardiff Center at STL.
NA GROUP:
Monday evening at 7:00 PM in the FFC at OLOR.

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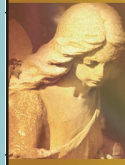
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