

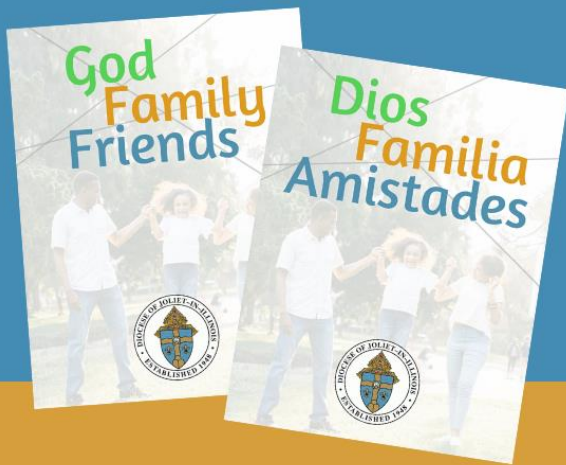
Dear Friends,

This weekend is the Fourth Weekend in Ordinary Time. Below is God, Family, Friends to use in your Domestic Church throughout the week. Our weekend Mass times are Saturday at 4pm, Sunday at 8:30, 10:30am and 1pm for our Polish speaking parish family members. Go to our parish website and click on "Reserve A Seat" to register you and your family. Join us!! We would love to see you at Mass.

We hear this weekend that Jesus is the Light of the World. At this time of year...winter, when darkness prevails, know that we always have the light of Jesus within us to shine. Our light can shine by helping and being kind to our family members, to our friends, and to all in which we come in contact. The light of Jesus gifts us with kindness, understanding and patience with ourselves, and with others. Let's be Lights of Jesus to and for one another.

Our Mother of Good Counsel, Pray For Us!

~Janet



Helping families focus on what matters most

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Themes: Jesus teaches with the authority of God
Jesus is the light of the world

GOD

Livestream Mass

Our parish Masses are now livestreamed. Check our parish website for the link; www.omgccc.org. Click on "Livestream Available" or you can go directly to our Vimeo link, <https://vimeo.com/omgc>, where you can view our weekend Masses.

Readings

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/013121.cfm>

Gospel Videos

<https://youtu.be/tcXRw0q8KJQ>

Lectio Divina Guides

<https://catholicdotbible.files.wordpress.com/2020/12/ot-4.pdf>

Tuesday, February 2 - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)

Readings

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/020221.cfm>

Candlemas explained

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GqWaTsekEYg>

Candelaria origins and traditions

https://youtu.be/EA_4WPMGIbk

FAMILY

Coloring Page:

<http://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/jesus-drives-out-an-impure-spirit-mark-121-28-1>

Candlemas with children

<https://www.catholicicing.com/ideas-for-celebrating-candlemas-feb-2/>

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12).

When we have a relationship with God, he brightens our hearts and brings light to our whole being. Even during times of sorrow, he comforts us and offers us *light in the darkness*. How does he do this? As we draw closer to him, and he draws closer to us, we are fervently aware that we are not alone. God lights our path and provides us the guidance, hope, and peace we need to take another step forward.

Dinner Conversation:

1. How does your family know that *God is light* in the world?
2. What example of God's light can each of you share in your own life?
3. When has another person revealed God's light to you?
4. How do you build a relationship with God so as to know him better?
5. What stands in the way of you experiencing God's light in your life?

"I am the Light of the World" <https://youtu.be/28Jc6-EICqM>

Family Activities: Jesus is the Light of the World

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FRIENDS

Share the light of Christ! This week use the craft activity above to make paper candles to put in your windows - or place electric candles in the windows of your home to light up the neighborhood. You can also share the light of Jesus that is in you, by calling relatives or friends you have not seen lately to have a friendly conversation. We bet you can think of some other ways you can share the light!

