

## Parish Directory

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## Parish Staff

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- Cristina Rodriguez, Ministry of Charity
- Jose Luis Favela, Spanish choir leader
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**Youth Ministry:** Jose Luis Favela is in charge of Youth Group. Meetings are every second and fourth Friday of the month from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm.



# St. Patrick Catholic Church

[www.stpatrickrockford.org](http://www.stpatrickrockford.org)

(815) 965-9539

2505 School Street, Rockford, IL 61101

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday– Friday: 9:00am-1:00pm

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:** 8:00am (In the chapel)

**Wednesday:** 6:30pm (Spanish ~ In the church)

**Saturday:** 4:00pm (Bilingual)

**Sunday:** 8:00am\*, 10:00am, 11:30am\* (\* in Spanish)

### FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

No Mass and confession in the morning.

Confession 5:00pm-6:00pm

Mass with Anointing of the Sick 6:00pm

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, Thursday, Friday** 8:30am (Parish office)

**Wednesday** 5:30pm

**Saturday** 3:00pm-3:45pm

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Tuesday & Thursday** 8:30am– 6:00pm  
(In the chapel)

**Fr. Ariel A. Valencia**  
Parochial Administrator

## Baptism

Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism class in English and date of baptism. Los papas y padrinos deben asistir una platica pre-bautismal (cada primer Sábado del mes, 1:00pm en la oficina). Donación de \$50 cada familia. Favor de no traer niños. Celebramos el Bautismo durante las Misas Dominicales.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should call the office to begin the process of marriage preparation. A minimum of six months is required.ayer and participation in the sacraments are helpful.

## Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office to make arrangements to receive this sacrament of healing.

For emergency, call Fr. Ariel (815) 505-7471.

## Presentation of a 3-year old/Las Presentaciones

This blessing is done at a Sunday Mass. Please call the parish office to schedule.

## Financial Blessings



### April 26, 2026

Sunday Envelopes.....\$ 1,711.00  
 Offertory.....\$ 2,894.36  
 Total.....\$ 3,605.36

Diocesan Appeal Goal.....\$22,655.00  
 Diocesan Appeal Paid.....\$22,655.00  
 Diocesan Appeal Balance.....\$ 0.00  
 Actual refund (2/05/26).....\$6,198.31

En la colecta Diocesana un porcentaje de cada dolar apoya en las siguientes areas:

- 15% Formando y apoyando al crelo
  - 62% anunciando el Evangelio y transmitiendo la fe
  - 23% Cuidando a los pobres y vulnerables
- Comparta su Alegria y haga la diferencia!

The Diocesan Appeal a portion of every dollar given to these key areas:

- 15% Forming and Supporting Clergy
  - 62% proclaiming the Gospel and passing of the Faith
  - 23% Caring for the Poor and vulnerable
- Share your Joy and make a difference!

All Saints Catholic Academy Rockford, IL is an area Catholic grade school.

All Saints Catholic Academy is proud of their teachings and values, rooted in community, Tradition and faith. Please check the website for more details. [www.allsaintsrockford.org](http://www.allsaintsrockford.org)



Cristo conmigo,  
 Cristo delante mí,  
 Cristo detrás de mí,  
 Cristo dentro de mí,  
 Cristo debajo mí,  
 Cristo sobre mí,  
 Cristo a mi derecha,  
 Cristo a mi izquierda,  
 Cristo cuando me acuesto,  
 Cristo cuando me siento,  
 Cristo cuando me levanto,  
 Cristo en la anchura,  
 Cristo en la longitud,  
 Cristo en la altura.  
 Cristo en el corazón de todo hombre que piensa en mí,  
 Cristo en la boca de todo hombre que hable de mí,  
 Cristo en los ojos de todos los que me ven,  
 Cristo en los oídos de todos los que me escuchan.  
 (La Coraza de San Patricio)

**MAY 3, 2026 ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



### Reflecting on the Word:

When our hearts are troubled, we often find ourselves wondering what we should do or where we should go from here. Today, Jesus reminds us that he is the answer. He is the way, the truth, and the life. He is the path to what we need. He is God's response to the deepest longings of our hearts. He is the help that we need when we are struggling. In this Easter season, Jesus reminds us that he can lead us to the abundant life we long for.

### Living the Word:

Thomas asks Jesus a question in today's Gospel story and Philip makes a request of Jesus. What question would you like to ask Jesus? What would you like to ask Jesus for? Have a family conversation about your questions and your needs. If you have questions but no one in your immediate family is sure of the answer, seek out help from a priest or someone else (maybe someone who works in faith formation or catechesis in your parish) and set up time to have a conversation.

### Reflexion de la Palabra:

Cuando nuestro corazón está preocupado, a menudo nos preguntamos que deberíamos hacer o hacia donde ir ahora. Hoy Jesús nos recuerda que él es la respuesta. Él es el camino, la verdad y la vida. Él es el camino hacia lo que necesitamos. Él es la respuesta de Dios a los anhelos más profundos de nuestro corazón. Él es la ayuda que necesitamos cuando estamos luchando. En este tiempo de pascua, Jesús nos recuerda que puede llevarnos a la vida abundante que anhelamos.

### Vivir la palabra:

En el relato de evangelio, tanto como Tomas como Felipe le piden algo a Jesús. ¿Qué les gustaría preguntarle a Jesús? ¿Qué les gustaría pedirle a Jesús? Conversen en la familia sobre sus preguntas y sus necesidades. Si tienen preguntas para las que nadie de su familia tiene respuesta, recurran a un sacerdote u otra persona (tal vez alguien que trabaje en formación de fe o catequesis en su parroquia) y programen un tiempo para conversar.

“I Will Come to You” is the theme for the 2026 Diocesan Appeal. Our theme comes from the Gospel of John. When Jesus speaks with His disciples about heaven and finding the way to the Father, Jesus reassures his disciples by telling them, “I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.” (John 14:18) His disciples were apprehensive about Jesus leaving them and they felt uncertain about the future. At different stages of our lives we have all felt that same uncertainty. In our more difficult times in life, as it was with the disciples, God's presence is a sure guide for each of us today. Our ministries at the Diocese of Rockford seek to share God's presence with people across our diocese. Your donation to our 2026 Diocesan Appeal will allow us to fund our ministries that guide people closer to Christ. Would you please prayerfully consider a contribution to our appeal? Your support allows us and to care for the souls of young and old, prepare men for the priesthood and permanent diaconate, and continue to respond to all those in need.

*The Diocesan Appeal directly helps your parish through its support of Catholic Charities, education, vocations, and administration. Your donation helps keep your parish and our diocese strong. A portion of every dollar given to our Diocesan Appeal supports these Key Areas of need, 15% Forming and Supporting Clergy, 62% Proclaiming the Gospel and Passing on the Faith., 23% Caring for the Poor and Vulnerable.*

*La Colecta Diocesana ayuda directamente a su parroquia mediante su apoyo a las Obras de Caridad Católicas, la educación, las vocaciones y la administración. Su donación contribuye a mantener fuertes a su parroquia y a nuestra diócesis. Una parte de cada dólar donado a nuestra Colecta Diocesana respalda estas áreas clave de necesidad: 15% Formación y apoyo al clero, 62% Proclamación del Evangelio y transmisión de la fe, 23% Atención a los pobres y vulnerables.*



## DAILY READINGS

### Readings for the Week of May 3, 2026

<b>Sunday</b>	Acts 6:1-7, 1 Pt 2:4-9, Jn 14:1-12
<b>Monday</b>	Acts 14:5-18, Jn 14:21-26
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 14:19-28, Jn 14:27-31a
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 15:1-6, Jn 15:1-8
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 15:7-21, Jn 15:9-11
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 15:22-31, Jn 15:12-17
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 16:1-10, Jn 15:18-21
<b>Next Sunday</b>	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17, 1 Pt 3:15-18, Jn 14:15-21

### Prayer before reading the Bible

+Come, O Holy Spirit, fill my heart and mind and inflame them with the fire of your Divine love.+

## MASS INTENTIONS



### Tuesday, May 5, 2026

8:00 am Souls in Purgatory

### Wednesday, May 6, 2026

6:30 pm Souls in Purgatory

### Thursday, May 7, 2026

8:00 am Souls in Purgatory

### Friday, May 8, 2026

8:00 am Souls in Purgatory

### Saturday, May 9, 2026

4:00 pm Souls in Purgatory

### Sunday, May 10, 2026

8:00 am Miguel Belmontes

10:00 am Mary Aiello Grandmothers and Aunts

11:30 am People of St Patrick

## What's Happening This Week?—¿Que esta pasando esta semana?

### Monday, May 4

6:00 pm - Rosario de Sanacion

### Tuesday, May 5

8:30 am - 6:00 pm - Eucharist Adoration/ Adoracion Eucaristica

6:00 pm - Educacion Religiosa

6:00 pm - Rosario de Sanacion

### Wednesday, May 6

5:30 pm - Confession / Confesion

5:30 pm - Rosario de Sanacion

6:30 pm - Misa en Español

7:00 pm - Grupo de Oracion

### Thursday, May 7

8:30 am - 6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration/ Adoracion Eucaristica

6:00 pm - Rosario de Sanacion

7:00 pm - Reunion Grupo Emaus

### Friday, May 8

5:45 pm - First Communion Practice/ Practica

7:00 pm - Rosario de Sanacion

### Saturday, May 9

11:00 am - First Communion / Primera Comunion

1:00 pm - Rosario de sanacion

3:00 pm - 3:45 pm - Confession

4:00 pm - Bilingual Mass



## Nominate the St. Patrick 2026 Woman of the Year!

Each year the Rockford Deanery Council of Catholic Women sponsors the "Women of Inspiration" event to honor one woman from each parish in the Rockford Deanery. These are women who are 18 years or older and have, over the years, given outstanding volunteer service to their parish, community, or school with satisfaction of serving others as their primary payment. Qualifications for the St. Patrick 2026 Woman of the Year include: a faith-filled woman, a variety of interests, outstanding volunteer service to the parish, school and/or community. Nomination forms are available in the back of the church and at the parish office. Deadline to submit the nomination form is on June 26, 2026.