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CATHOLIC CHURCH & PARISH SCHOOL

2019-2020 Guide Book



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VISION STATEMENT

St. Gilbert Parish in the Archdiocese of Chicago:

The Catholic family of St. Gilbert is a faith-filled community living out our Baptismal call. Empowered by the Gospel message, we celebrate the sacraments, share in fellowship, and reach out to serve all.

This we will accomplish when we:

- Accept everyone as he or she has been created
- Create opportunities for continued spiritual growth and lifelong faith formation
- Celebrate the Sacraments
- Nourish family life
- Develop strong leadership from within our community
- Welcome others to be a part of our faith and community
- Build bridges to those disconnected from the church community
- Empower people to work for justice
- Reach out and serve others both locally and globally
- Nourish and help heal the broken

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Masses:

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday: 5PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9AM** (Signed for the hearing impaired,
except on 4th Sunday) 11AM, 5PM

Monday thru Saturday: 8AM (In the Chapel* except Wednesday when
school is in session the Mass is in the Church)

HOLY DAYS:

***Holy Day - Mass Times except as noted.**

***Ash Wednesday Masses with Ash Distribution:**

6:30AM, 8AM, 12 Noon, 4PM & 7PM

***Easter:**

Vigil 7:30PM; Day 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM & 5PM

***Thanksgiving: 9AM**

***Christmas Eve Vigil Masses:**

2:30PM, 4:30PM, 6:30PM & 10PM Church (Carols begin 9:30PM)

***Christmas Day: 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM**

***New Year's Eve (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God): 5PM Vigil**

Mass for Solemnity

***New Year's Day (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God): 9AM**

Please note: We do offer a hearing looping for those members that are
hearing impaired. Switch hearing aid to T-Coil.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:

Rev. John Chrzan pastor@stgilbert.org

Associate Pastor:

Rev. Christian Shiu cshiu@stgilbert.org

Pastor Emeritus:

Rev. Eugene Nowak

Principal, St. Gilbert Catholic School:

Open Position

Director of Youth Faith Formation:

Kathleen Faurbo youthmin@stgilbertschool.org

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Tom Biegel biegs101@yahoo.com

Mark Plaiss mark.plaiss@gmail.com

Richard Globis - Retired Deacon

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

On behalf of our entire community it's my pleasure to welcome you to St. Gilbert Parish! We regard ourselves not just as a warm and welcoming Catholic congregation but as a family of committed disciples of Jesus Christ, broad and diverse yet reflective of our small-town heritage.

The life and mission of our parish expresses itself in three areas of endeavor - liturgy and prayer, faith formation, and community-building and service. This statement of mission can be summarized in three simple words - prayer, learning and service - because that's what we believe the Gospel and the Church call us to as intentional followers of Christ.

I'm partial, of course, but I believe we at St. Gilbert do these three things effectively, and that's attributable to the commitment and efforts of many dedicated volunteers, members of parish ministries and staff who carefully plan, organize and direct the work of building Christ's Kingdom in our midst. I hope you find this ministry directory helpful. We're privileged to serve you in the name of Christ, and we invite you to join with us by offering your talents and what time you're able, to the service of others.

Peace,

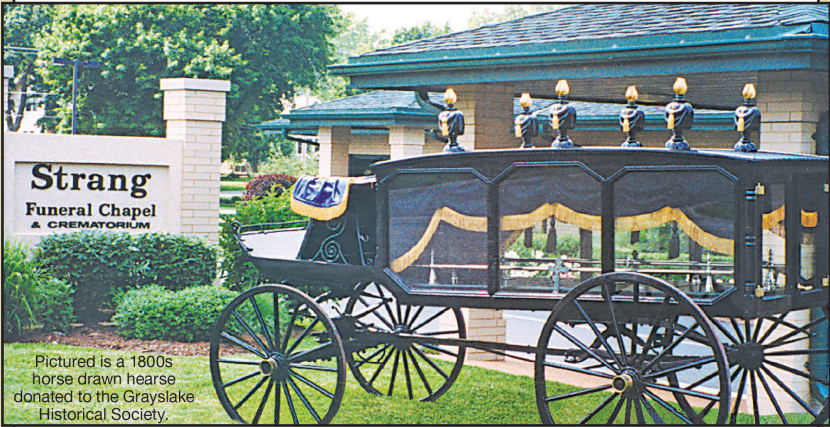
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LETTER FROM OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR

“May the Holy Spirit urge you on as you run this race. The Church needs your momentum, your intuitions, your faith. We need them! And when you arrive where we have not yet reached, have the patience to wait for us” (Pope Francis). These are the words of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, in his recent apostolic exhortation to young people entitled *Christ is Alive*.

Welcome to St. Gilbert Parish and School! Although these inspiring and impactful words are directed towards young people, regardless of our age, this speaks to us today. God has a great plan for all of us, and we each have unique and wonderful gifts that help to build up the Kingdom of God: in our world, in our neighborhoods, and right here at St. Gilbert in Grayslake.

Here at St. Gilbert, we are a vibrant Catholic community that seeks to do just that. With our many ministries, and the wonderful volunteers and staff that comprise them, we are proud to proclaim Jesus and the Gospel through word and action, thus giving witness to that new commandment to “love one another” (Jn 13:34), for as Jesus tells us, “Whatever you did for one of these least of mine, you did for me” (Mt. 25:40).

As you peruse this ministry handbook, I hope that you will find this to be a helpful resource and can benefit from what we have to offer. And as you continue to discern your own gifts and talents, please consider joining a ministry, too! Indeed, we, the Church, need “your momentum, your intuitions, your faith.”

May God bless you, and I look forward to seeing and greeting you at our amazing school, in church, or around town.

Peace and joy,

Fr. Christian

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

Parish Staff:

The Pastor is the chief administrator and legal representative of the parish. The other members of the staff work together to serve the many needs of our faith as well as local community. The staff must work together to assist the Pastor in the implementation and maintenance of policies and procedures required by the Archdiocese and civil law and for effective operation of the parish.

Parish Pastoral Council:

The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body of parishioners who collaborate with the Pastor and Associate Pastor by serving as a unifying and coordinating structure for all aspects of parish life: worship, service, education, formation, evangelization, stewardship, justice and community outreach. The Council strives to develop a unified vision among parishioners and also provides direction for the appropriate actions necessary to attain this vision. The primary concern of the Parish Pastoral Council is implementation of the parish's Mission and Vision.

Parish Finance Council:

The Parish Finance Council is a consultative body of parishioners who collaborate with the Pastor, Associate Pastor and Business Manager regarding budgeting, fiscal reporting, and analyzing parish financial data for both the parish and the school. The Council and the Pastor have the responsibility to keep the parishioners updated on the financial condition of the parish.

MINISTRIES, FORMATION & OUTREACH

Welcome and Hospitality Ministries

Welcome and Information Center: The purpose of the welcome and information center is to provide parishioners and visitors with up-to-date information about all ministries and upcoming parish events.

Welcome Committee: The Welcome Committee is available after each of the Masses on the third weekend of every month to register new parishioners and answer any questions you might have.

Contact: Corinne Giernoth - cor33@aol.com

Ushers & Greeters: Ushers and Greeters serve the parish community in the celebration of the liturgy. As ministers of hospitality, users assist in seating as needed. The responsibilities include coordinating the offering of gifts, distributing bulletins, assisting anyone with special needs and other duties as necessary for special occasions. Greeters warmly greet parishioners and visitors as they enter our place of worship.

Contact: Ushers - Dave Rennolds - djrennolds@sbcglobal.net

Greeters - Andrea Baczek - andreabaczek@aol.com

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Music Ministry: The members of the Music Ministry sing and play to accompany the weekly Sunday Liturgies at 5PM Saturday and 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM and 5PM Sunday, as well as join together for special parish events and celebrations.

All voice parts and instruments are welcome. Instrumentalists should be proficient on his/her instrument.

Contact: Mark Konchan - music.director@stgilbertschool.org

Teen/Young Adult Choir - Paul Spheeris - pspheeris@comcast.net

Cantors: Cantors are the leaders of song for weekend Masses. The cantor's responsibilities include leading the assembly in hymns, songs and responses, proclaiming the Responsorial Psalm and teaching new music. Cantors meet and rehearse as necessary and attend choir rehearsals if possible.

Contact: Mark Konchan - music.director@stgilbertschool.org

Children's Choir: The ages of children in our choir range from Second Grade through Eighth Grade. The Children's Choir sing an average of once per month at a weekend Mass, as well as other parish special events and celebration. Children in Grades 6-8 are encouraged to consider the ministry of Cantor.

Contact: Mark Konchan - music.director@stgilbertschool.org

Instrumentalists/Accompanists: Instrumentalists are welcome to work with the Music Director to accompany Parish Liturgy. While many musicians play weekly, additional musicians join us in playing for Christmas, Easter, Holy Days or other Parish Events and celebrations or as needed.

Contact: Mark Konchan - music.director@stgilbertschool.org

Altar Servers: Children and youth in 5th grade and above are welcome and encouraged to serve as altar servers. This ministry provides children and youth the opportunity to assist in the celebration of the liturgy as book bearers and table servers. Because of the intimate involvement with the liturgy, the ministry of altar server leads children to a better understanding and appreciation of the Mass, and a deeper awareness of the importance of Christian service within their parish. Schedules are created based on family availability and the needs of the parish.

Contact: Kathy Booher - tschanzkm@yahoo.com

Lectors: Lectors proclaim the Word of God during liturgy, at all weekend Masses and Holy Days. Preparation includes praying with the readings before Sunday and individual practice of the readings. Lectors are trained through both Diocesan programs and our local parish. Lectors are encouraged to practice at the ambo with the microphone, and to participate in various continuing formation opportunities. Schedules are created based on individual availability and the needs of the parish.

Contact: Fr. Christian Shiu - cshiu@stgilbert.org



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Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for Liturgy serve the community by assisting in the distribution of communion at all parish liturgies. Ministers distribute both the Precious Body and Precious Blood, as communion is offered under both forms at all Masses. Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion are trained through the both Diocesan programs and by our local parish. Once training is complete, we welcome you to serve our parishioners. Schedules are created based on individual availability and the needs of the parish.

Contact: Angela Landmesser - landmesser@mac.com

Leaders of Eucharist Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest:

As demands on our Parish Priests increase and availability of Priests decrease, it may become necessary for a weekday Mass to be celebrated by someone other than a priest. These lay presiders are experienced Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and offer a reflection on the reading of the day.

Contact: Rev. John Chrzan - pastor@stgilbert.org

Mass Coordinators: Mass Coordinators arrive early in order to prepare for the parish liturgies. With reverent and careful attention to set up and the handling of sacred vessels, they help make sure everything is ready for both Sunday and weekday liturgies.

Contact: Tom Griffin - tfgcsmi@gmail.com

Altar Linen Ministry: The volunteers for this ministry are responsible for the care of all the linens used for liturgy. Members are scheduled on a rotating basis to clean, press and fold purificators and corporals from daily and weekend Masses.

Contact: Kate Milchuck - milchuck@att.net

Art and Liturgical Environment Committee: The members of the Art and Liturgical Environment Committee help plan and create the liturgical environment for our worship space. This ministry helps the community by preparing the space in which we receive God's word and enter into communion with God and one another. The liturgical year comes alive through the visual arts and attention to the color and beauty of each season.

Contact: Gloria Venzon - gl8vnzn@comcast.net

LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

Catechists: Volunteer Catechists share their faith through a planned and guided curriculum with students in grades Pre-K through Grade 10. Volunteers are given the tools that they need to assist parents in the challenging tasks of developing and fostering their child/ren's faith.

Contact: Sr. Donna - rep@stgilbertschool.org

Contact: Kathleen Faurbo - youthmin@stgilbertschool.org

Elementary Faith Formation Classes (Religious Education):

The Elementary Faith Formation or Religious Education Program strives to partner with parents in the challenging task of developing faith-filled children who are led to a relationship with god that is continuing, personal, and communal. Classes are offered late afternoons on Monday for grades 1-6 and on Sunday mornings for grades Pre-K through 6. In lieu of individual grade level classes, families may opt to join the Family Program which meets on Sunday morning a month. We also offer a Summer Program in June.

Contact: Sr. Donna - sr.donna@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-3071

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Those who facilitate this ministry proclaim the Sunday readings to children during the 9AM and 11AM Sunday Mass. Following the Opening Collect, the children are dismissed to follow adult facilitators to a specific location within the school building. The facilitators proclaim the day's Scripture readings and encourage the children to participate in a scripted, interactive homily. Facilitators are scheduled based on availability. CLOW is appropriate for children 4 years of age through 5th grade.

Contact: Marcia Turner - ramfangram@aol.com

Mothers of Young Children: We are a group that comes together and supports other moms of young children. We believe in the simple but awesome idea that remarkable things happen when moms come together, face to face. That's why we rally women to come together and help each other through this thing called motherhood, one gathering at a time.

Contact: stgilbertmoyc@gmail.com

SPRED (Religious Education for Children with Special Needs):

This is an Archdiocesan program that welcomes persons with developmental and intellectual challenges, as well as other special needs, into full participation into our Faith Community. The goal is to increase an awareness of God in their lives, prepare them for Sacraments, and help them to understand that they are an integral part of our parish community as well as the entire church. We are always looking and welcoming volunteer catechists that will serve as a model for a friend with disability throughout an entire session. Sessions are designed to meet a friend at his or her level, provide them with a sense of belonging and facilitate their uninhibited participation in our faith-filled community. At St. Gilbert we welcome friends ages 6-10 and 11-16. Other local parishes serve friends of different ages. Please contact the religious education office for details on other participating parishes. Contact: Sr. Donna - sr.donna@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-3071

Vacation Bible School: St. Gilbert parish offers VBS to children aged 4 years to entering 5th grade. Volunteer help is needed to lead groups of children through activities, prepare refreshments, assist with arts and crafts, games and skits. VBS runs from Monday thru Friday, 9AM-Noon one week each summer in June.

Contact: Anne-Marie Miller - stgilbertvbs@hotmail.com

SAINT GILBERT SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Baptism: Baptism Preparation sessions are intended to support parents as they prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism. Our program provides a welcoming environment that is structured around small group sharing along with discussion. Parish members serve as facilitators. Individuals interested in joining the facilitation team are always welcome. Contact: Jeanne Blair - jblair@stgilbert.org/847-223-4731

Baptism Garment Makers: This ministry sews and embroiders a baptismal bib as a reminder of an infant's first Sacrament. Contact: Trish Menoni - patricia.a.menoni@gmail.com

First Reconciliation Preparation: Children in Second Grade, together with their parents or guardians, prepare for and celebrate this Sacrament of God's love, mercy, and forgiveness. First Reconciliation precedes the celebration of the Sacrament of First Eucharist. Contact: Sr. Donna - sr.donna@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-3071

First Eucharist Preparation: Children in Second Grade together with their parents or guardians prepare to celebrate this Sacrament. During the year, among other things, the children study the meaning of the Mass focusing especially on the mystery of receiving the bread and wine. Parents attend two meetings and participate in a half-day Saturday retreat with their child (Jesus Day) in preparation for receiving this Sacrament. Contact: Sr. Donna - sr.donna@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-3071

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Rejoice in God: This program was created to assist parents who became aware of or are drawn to the Catholic Church, and have asked that their children be welcomed into the faith community. These children are typically older than the usual age for the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation. With their parents, these students are given the tools necessary to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and, in some cases, Baptism.
Contact: Sr. Donna - sr.donna@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-3071

SAINT GILBERT YOUTH FAITH FORMATION/MINISTRY

7th - 9th Grade Faith Formation Program: This is a credit-based program where students can choose classes (as they would in college) that explore the mysteries of our faith and provide a basis upon which they can become an active and prayerful member of the Church community ever mindful of their ultimate goal to continue their personal growth in faith and service to others.

Contact: Sr. Donna - sr.donna@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-3071

Confirmation Preparation Program: This program prepares Sophomore age students or older to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring. This program is built on service learning. Small groups meet several times throughout the school year to prepare for the Sacrament. The program includes a mid-year retreat held on property at St. Gilbert.
Contact: Kathleen Faurbo - youthmin@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-5875

Middle School Youth Ministry: L.I.F.E. - Living in Faith Everyday
Students in Middle School are invited to grow in community and spirituality. The objective is to encourage students to begin to ask deeper questions about faith and spend time with one another while recognizing solidarity and growing in maturity.
Students participate in games, music, dance and movies along with prayer.
Contact: Kathleen Faurbo - youthmin@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-5875

High School Youth Ministry: T.G.I.F. - Teens Growing in Faith
The objective of this program is to build a community of faith. Growth in our faith is present through interactive presentations, service learning, leadership building, mentoring, prayer and networking - all in a safe, friendly and fun atmosphere. Students are given opportunities to deepen their understanding of God through Catholic Social Teachings, scripture and the world in which they live.
Contact: Kathleen Faurbo - youthmin@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-5875

SAINT GILBERT ADULT FAITH FORMATION/ YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Breaking Open the Word: This group meets twice a month during the school year on Thursday mornings after morning Mass to discuss scripture. The participants read and reflect on the Gospel for the coming Sunday, share their insights and pray with one another. All are welcome.

Contact: Sr. Donna - sr.donna@stgilbertschool.org/847-223-3071

Christ Renews His Parish (Women's Group): This is an opportunity for spiritual and parish renewal through prayer, scripture, witness, and fellowship. Open to all adult members of St. Gilbert Parish. CRHP retreats are held annually on a weekend. The weekend begins on Saturday morning and concludes on Sunday afternoon.

Contact: Lisa Hironimus for Women's CRHP - sgwomenscrhp@gmail.com

Parish Library: We have a parish library located in the Church. Feel free to check out a book and/or donate a book on Christianity, Faith, Religion and more.

Contact: Phyllis Steffan - phst1642@aol.com

RCIA Ministry: This is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) to become Catholic. RCIA Team members assist with the catechetical and formation process and serve as sponsors. In companioning others on their journey, team members enter a deeper relationship with the Lord as they walk with catechumens and candidates for the fullness of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. Formation gatherings with catechumens and candidates are held most Sundays beginning in the Fall. Individuals interested in becoming a candidate or in joining the team are always welcome.

Contact: Ray and Melissa Henderson - hendersr22@att.net

Wedding Coordinator Ministry: This ministry provides hospitality for wedding couples, their families, and guests. Coordinators assist the Clergy and confirm wedding details with the couple, work with photographers and florists, conduct the rehearsal, help ensure that the church is set up on the wedding day, and assist in various ways at the wedding liturgy.

Contact: Annette Wynn - anne2773@hotmail.com

Young Adult Ministry: This program invites young adults to spend time in fellowship and stewardship as they strengthen their understanding of faith and community through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching in seeking to live in the world as disciples of Christ. This ministry reaches out to young adults ages 18 to 35 years old who are married or single.

Contact: Rev. Christian Shiu - cshiu@stgilbert.org

Daphne Kinzig - daphne.kinzig@gmail.com

JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

We seek to educate parishioners in the rich heritage of Catholic Social Teaching, advocate for change to help those who are poor and marginalized or simply in need of some type of assistance, and provide compassionate care to those members of our community.

Bayanihan Ministry: This group is made up of Filipino-American parishioners. Bayanihan in “Tagalog” means communal work to accomplish a task. We fundraise for our annual Simbang Gabi event at Christmastime. We always represent the Philippines at our annual St. Gilbert International Fest and we hold a summer picnic to promote friendships among the Filipino-Americans in our parish. We promote active participation in our parish.

Simbang Gabi (Filipino “Mass at Night”) - is a devotional 9 days of consecutive Masses, at various parishes, as a spiritual preparation for Christmas and also to honor the Blessed Virgin Mother.

Contact: Heidi Metz - hkdb@hotmail.com

Bereavement Ministry: Our ministers assist families at the time of their loved one’s death. We help families before grief has even been realized by assisting them in planning a wake service and funeral liturgy. We continue to support these families with follow-up communication for 18 months after a loved one’s passing. We also plan an All Soul’s Day Mass inviting those who have lost a loved one during the year.

Contact: Lois Brondy - loisbrondy@comcast.net

Discipleship Group: This group creates and coordinates spiritual opportunities that enable people to have authentic encounters with Jesus Christ. Committed to serving as intentional disciples to help support the parish. Emphasize ways to enhance prayer, promote the Sacraments, support faith formation, and encourage discipleship. The Discipleship Group aims to answer Jesus’s call “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.” (Matthew 28:19)

Contact: Brian Fisher or Letty Medina - discipleship@stgilbert.org

St. Gilbert Food Pantry: This supports those who are local parish or community members and need food on a temporary basis. All help is confidential. Please call and leave a message. A member will return the call. Contact: svdpsbs-sg@yahoo.com/224-360-9161

Giving Tree - help for families at Christmas: At Christmas, parishioners can pick up an ornament from our “giving tree” and buy a gift or a gift card for those served by our committee, currently PADS, Catholic Charities and St. Benedict, our sharing parish. There will be announcements in the bulletin and at Mass when this will take place. Cheryl Olmschenk - c14m28@comcast.net



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Grief Support Ministry - Sharing the Journey: This is a support group for those who have ever lost a loved one. The ministry offers a 6-week session in the spring and fall which is open to anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one. Please understand this is not a professional counseling group. Instead we simply gather to pray, to share memories, and to support each other. The path from darkness to light is very personal. Yet, no one has to walk that path alone.

Contact: Sheryl Hobbs - sherylhobbs@att.net
or Sr. Donna - sr.donna@stgilbertschool.org

Hospitality Weekend Ministry: This hospitality ministry enables parishioners to socialize after Mass. Coffee and donuts are served on one Sunday per month after the 7:30, 9AM and 11AM Masses during the year and on special occasions.

Volunteers are welcome to help serve coffee, replenish the donuts and to help clean up.

If you would like to volunteer or to donate towards the cost of the donuts, Contact: Rose Castillo - rose_castillo@att.net

We also enjoy wine and cheese after one of the Saturday 5PM Masses once per month.

Volunteers are welcome to help pour the wine, set up the cheese platters and to help clean up. If you would like to volunteer or to donate towards the cost of the wine and cheese,

Contact: Jamie Ott - whataminx2@aol.com

Knights of Columbus: Knights of Columbus are Catholic gentlemen committed to the exemplification of charity, unity, fraternity, patriotism, and defense of the priesthood. The Order is consecrated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Order is unequivocal in its loyalty to the Pope, the Vicar of Christ on earth. It is firmly committed to the protection of human life, from conception to natural death, and to the preservation and defense of the family. It was on these bedrock principles that the order was founded over a Century ago and remains true to them today. If interested in joining, Contact: Ed Jung - drjung76@att.net

Ministers of Communion to the Homebound: Eucharistic ministers visit and take communion to the homebound. If interested in having communion brought to you or a loved one or if you are interested in volunteering for this ministry,

Contact: Peter Meyer - pgpmyr@gmail.com

Respect Life Ministry: Members of this Pro-Life Ministry, in response to the Gospel of Life, commit to prayer, education and action in defense of life. The mission is to foster in our parish community an awareness of the dignity and sanctity of all human life, from conception to natural death. If interested in joining our ministry,

Contact: Anne Marie Miller - mommlr@hotmail.com

PADS (Providing Advocacy, Dignity & Shelter): Today, as the only emergency shelter system in Lake County, PADS operates 15 emergency shelter sites, a Day Resource Center and numerous programs within it, as well as a number of scattered site long term supportive housing units. PADS also provides a multiplicity of services with a vision and mission of placing all of Lake County's homeless on a secure path to sustained independence. If interested in helping,
Contact: Margaret Hilliard - maggie4233@aol.com

Sharing Parish - St. Benedict the African in Englewood: The parish of St. Gilbert is committed to a relationship with the family of St. Benedict the African. We hold an annual summer rummage drop off to benefit member of St. Benedict as well as our annual gift card and gift program at Christmas for families of their parish and community. Please consider donating on a monthly basis, or anytime either in the collection basket or on-line at either of our on-line venues Give Central or WeShare. All donations in any form are enthusiastically and gratefully received.
Contact: Brian Wulf - brianandpat@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul: In the spirit of Justice and Charity, our members seek to help those who are in need. The society takes care of those in need of food, clothing and other necessities of life. The society members meet on a regular basis to enhance their own spirituality and to discuss how they can be of service. The work of the Society depends on the donations of the good people of our parish.

If you would like to support the works of the SVdP Ministry that is active at St. Gilbert Parish, consider these ways you can help:

Pray right now for our volunteers and all those they service - our neighbors in need. Use the **monetary donation boxes or the food pantry donation boxes** in the narthex of the church. Place a gift envelope in the regular collection basket, mail it to the parish office or go to Give Central and make a donation on-line. **Join the team** and work directly with our neighbors in need or behind the scene. **Attend** a monthly meeting which takes place on the 3rd Monday of the month and discover more about SVdP Ministry.

Contact: svdpsbs-sg@yahoo.com/224-360-9161

Women's Club of St. Gilbert: We are an inclusive and intentional group nurturing the spirituality of the women of St. Gilbert. We offer a wide variety of topics or presentations of interest to women throughout the year. All women of the parish are invited to any of our events.
Contact: Lisa McKernan - jlmccker@sbcglobal.net

SAINT GILBERT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Gilbert School is a premier Elementary School in Grayslake that serves students from Preschool 3 through Eighth Grade. We are known for our welcoming, Christ-centered, and family focused atmosphere where every student is treated with the love and respect that are inherent in our Catholic faith values. We believe that all our students matter, and we strive to meet their individual needs through a curriculum that challenges students and helps them to reach their full spiritual, academic, and social potential.

St. Gilbert offers half-day and full day Preschool programs as well as full day Kindergarten to meet the needs of our diverse parent population. We offer a Resource Center that provides a diverse approach to helping students with special needs. All of our learning programs challenge students with exceptional potential and are able to assist those with different learning styles. We have a wide range of athletic opportunities and sports teams for our students as well as many social and learning clubs.

We invite you to come and tour our school, meet our students and teachers and find out why St. Gilbert School is a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence.

Principal: Open Position

School Phone: 847-223-8600

Web Page: <http://www.stgilbertschool.org/>

FACILITY USE REGULATIONS

Groups using our facilities are restricted to the activity hours stated on their returned and approved calendar.

Cancellations should be made at least 48 hours (M-F) in advance of the scheduled event time.

St. Gilbert Parish reserves the right to cancel any reservation should the need arise. Occasionally, dates conflict with events that come up unexpectedly. Should this occur, every effort would be made to find another appropriate space.

When school is cancelled due to inclement weather or physical problems, activities scheduled after school, or in the evening are cancelled.

Please include special requests when applying for space. There may be a fee for use of some equipment. Use of school equipment must be approved prior to use.

All doors must remain locked if they are locked when you enter. NO DOORS MAY BE PROPPED OPEN UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. PROPPING OPEN DOORS WILL RESULT IN A LOSS OF FACILITY USE PRIVILEGES. If you need assistance, contact our building maintenance director at: angela.corti@stgilbertschool.org



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All groups should have a first aid kit on site with them at all times.

An adult leader, at least 21 years of age, should be present from the time of entry until all participants have left the premises. It is the responsibility of the leader to maintain control of the behavior of children involved in the activity (and those children whose parents are involved in the activity) and to ensure that they remain in the area authorized in the event schedule.

The individual named on the event request form may be issued a building code for the date and time of your event. That person will be responsible for the use of the building and will accept responsibility for any damage done to parish property. To report damage, please email business.office@stgilbert.org. For the security of everyone that enters our space, sharing a building access code will result in the termination of facility use privilege.

Food and drink may only be served or consumed in Multi-Purpose Room, Chapel Hall, lounges and other approved locations. All food and/or drink brought into a parish facility must be removed at the end of the meeting even if you have a recurring event. NO GARBAGE OF ANY KIND MAY BE LEFT BEHIND. ALL GARBAGE, FOOD OR NOT, MUST BE REMOVED AT DEPARTURE.

The parish facility will be left in the same condition (or better) in which it was found. The group is responsible for setting up equipment before and returning rooms used to original order after activities.

Classroom materials and information on bulletin boards, white or blackboards will not be disturbed or erased. Classroom supplies and teacher's desks will not be disturbed.

No decoration or other materials may be applied to walls, ceilings or floors that will mar, deface, or injure these surfaces.

Groups/individuals may not assign or transfer their approved facility use to any other group/individual.

St. Gilbert Parish will assume no liability or responsibility for any personal items or equipment of the individual or group, which is used during your event.

City and State fire, safety and security regulations will be observed at all times.

Parking in designated handicap lanes is prohibited (without visual approved designated handicap placard.)

Gambling, drinking, smoking, or the possession of weapons, intoxicants and illegal chemicals in our buildings, including the parking lots, is prohibited unless prior authorization has been granted and/or a liquor license has been granted by the Village of Grayslake.

St. Gilbert Parish policy prohibits all forms of sexual harassment and violence.

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