

LE DECINE DEL ROSARIO

THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF POMPEII

The Oldest Continuing Italian-American Roman Catholic Church
in the Archdiocese of Chicago, located in the heart of historic "Little Italy."



The term **shrine** signifies a church or other sacred place to which the faithful make pilgrimages for a particular pious reason with the approval of the local ordinary. At shrines, more abundant means of salvation are to be provided for the faithful; the Word of God is to be carefully proclaimed; liturgical life is to be appropriately fostered especially through the celebration of the Eucharist and penance; and approved forms of popular piety are to be cultivated.

Code of Canon Law, 1230 and 1234

Le Decine del Rosario is the Italian phrase for decades of the rosary, representing the twenty decades of the rosary, for which our bulletin is named.

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Dear Heavenly Father,

On this Easter day, we thank you for the gift of friendship. Bless our friends with the joy and hope of Christ's resurrection. May our relationships reflect your love and grace. Bring comfort to those facing challenges and fill our shared moments with joy. May our friendships be a testament to the transformative power of Easter. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Shining On... & consecrated to Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary, **The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii** is a place to pray for peace that embraces all people of faith. A center of hospitality and spiritual growth, the Shrine's ministry is one of spiritual assistance and service where all might experience inspirational moments of prayer, comfort and contemplation. Located on Chicago's Near West Side, the Shrine is a gift of the Italian-American community to the Archdiocese of Chicago. Our mission is to dedicate our resources to healing, prayer and pilgrimage.

All Deceased Chicago Police Officers
 All Deceased Chicago Fire Fighters
 All Deceased Members from the Old
 Neighborhood
 All Deceased Members of the Pompeii
 Auxiliary
 Ignacio Ambubuyog
 Kathleen A. Arbor
 Pietro & Gemma Argondizzo
 Mary Bartucci
 Gilda Bartuch
 James V. Battaglia
 Louis & William Biegler & Family
 Fran Breece
 Jolly Brown
 Italia Nella Calabria
 Italo & Isabella Calabria
 Calabria Family
 Rose Castelli
 Francesco & Anna Cesario
 Giovanni & Francesca Cesario
 Vittoria Cesario
 Cesario Family
 Celestino & Saletta Chiordi
 Stella Cini
 Robert S. Clementi
 Phyllis Coleman
 Robert J. Colosimo
 Magdalena Concepcion
 Robert Cullen
 Marian & Robert Cunov
 Paul D' Andrea
 Joseph J. Dalesandro
 Suzanne Dalesandro
 Dalesandro & Inendino Families
 Rose D'Alexander
 Caroline & Dr. Maurice D'Andrea
 Kathleen "Kathy" D'Andrea
 Oscar O. D'Angelo
 Danza & Messina Family
 Giovanna D'Arrigo
 Marie Davino
 Ralph Davino
 Robert Anthony Davino
 Carmen "Shoes" De Laurentis
 Sam & Vincent Desio
 Joseph & Theresa Di Buono
 Anna Marie DiBuono
 James & Antoinette DiFiore
 Dominic DiFrisco
 Joey DiGiorgio
 Maro DiGiorgio
 La Verne Dondlinger
 Elizabeth Josephine "Liz" Druss
 Jill Ann Epsteen
 Lori Ann Epsteen
 Josie Falbo
 Nicole M. Falbo
 Nello & Marilyn Ferrara
 Salvatore Ferrara
 Beverly Ann Flynn
 Alex & Mary Fosco

Mary Aragosa Fragomeni
 Joseph Gambino
 Lucien Gambino
 Vivian Gambino
 Joseph L. Gambino, Jr.
 Jo & Tom Gatto
 Elisa & David Gaytan
 Vincent Gemino
 Guadalupe & Andres Gonzales
 Angela & Mario Grespan
 Edward Grieco
 Maryann Grieco
 Michael Grieco
 Edmund Gronkiewicz
 Mary Ann Hurley
 Pasquale "Pat" Ianino
 Mary Impasto
 Peter B. Impasto
 Anna Marie Jenero
 Joe "Little Joe" Labellarte
 Clara Laino
 Dominic "Lee" Laino
 Leonard Laino
 Louis & Josephine Laino
 Anthony & Antonette "Babe" Lanzito
 Joseph & Tomasina Lanzito & Family
 Robert J. Lentz
 John LoGiudice
 Louis & Edith Luciani
 Fannie Lynch
 Grace Macaluso
 Rocco Mallardi
 Kenneth M. Maslak
 Annette Mategrano
 Dave Mc Carty
 Vincenzzo Morici
 Mosillami Family
 Nocerino Family
 Thomas Sexton O'Brien
 Peter Palumbo
 Luigina Gervasio Paparo
 Anthony & Veronica Pascente
 Francesca Perillo Camelo
 Rose Periziani
 Joseph Petullo
 John Joseph "Tim" Phelan
 Francesco Luigi Pisello
 Rose Pitzaferrero Lauria
 Marilyn "Mimi" Priley
 Tom Priley
 Maria Josephine Puzzo
 Balthasar & Sarafina Rappa
 Frank Rappa
 Saverio L. Raspa
 Louis & Phyllis Reda
 Salvatore & Carmella Restivo
 Angela Rinaldi
 Rinella & Capone Families
 Michael & Lucille Rizzo
 Denise Rodriguez
 Ben & Dorcas Roman
 Laura Roman

Lawrence & Angie Rosone
 Joseph Russo
 Ed Scannicchio
 Lena & Louis Scannicchio
 Barbara Schifler
 James Severino
 Daniel Sirridge
 Jennie Mae & Edward Strama
 Anne & Albert Taliani
 Tancredi Family
 Angela & Rudy Tarantino
 James Tavolino, Jr.
 Rudolph & Gloria Tonelli
 Donald & Frances Van Camp
 Irene Wardach
 Albert Thomas Willardo
 Agnes Zaker

EASTER FLOWERS

Barber Family
 Patrick Considine
 Crimaldi Family
 Dalesandro Family
 DeLeonardis Family
 Maria Dugo
 Margaret Erickson Bunt
 Elisa & David Gaytan
 Guadalupe & Andres Gonzales
 Joanne Grant
 Howard Family
 Inendino Family
 Keh Family
 Lanzito & Perry Families
 Lisowski Family
 LoGiudice Family
 Pascente Family
 Perillo Family
 Paula Riccio
 Spirek Family
 Edgar C. Staren
 Mary Jo Staren-Winters
 Jeannine Valentino

*Thank you for making
 our Shrine Chapel
 beautiful for the Easter
 Season..*

MASS IN REMEMBRANCE FOR APRIL:

Deceased members of all Chicago
Police & Fire Department
Carmela Caso Alberotanza
Philip & Esther Bartolotta
Gilda & Tommy Bartuch
Angelo & Betty Biagetti
Michael A. Blasucci, Jr.
Francesca Perillo Camelo
Romana & Angelo Caputo
Cindy Ciano
Phyllis Marnell Coleman
Guy & Vivian Crimaldi
Suzanne Dalesandro
Oscar O. D'Angelo
Marie Davino
Theresa Davis
Carmie (Shoes) De Laurentis
Maria del Pilar Ortiz
Joseph & Theresa DiBuono
Salvatore & Marie DiBuono
Anna Marie DiBuono
Josie Falbo
Nello, Marilyn & Salvatore Ferrara
Mario Ferreira

Josephine Fiore
Vincent Gemino
Della Mae Green
Phyllis Gronck
Mary Margaret "Peggy" Hanley
Marilyn Houle
Dennis India
John Howard
Joe "Little Joe" LaBellarte
Clara Laino
Guy LaMacchia
Anthony & Antonette "Babe"
Lanzito
Grace Macaluso
Liturri & Mirabelli Families
Anthony Mugnolo
Jeanine Navigato
Dan Overstreet
John & Arlene Pacino
Lugina Gervasio Paparo
Ernesto & Maddalena Ponticiello
Provenzano Family
Frank Rappa

Elizabeth Marie Ricci
Ryan Riccio
Nancy Richter
Angela Rinaldi
Bernard & Dorcas Roman
Laura Roman
Felicisimo & Corazon Ronquillo
Deborah J. Rose
Rose Orlando Scalzitti
Ed Scannicchio
Barbara Schifler
Marilyn Smith
Vincenza Stramaglia
Rudolph "Rudy" Tarantino
Jimmy Tavolino Jr.
Jeannine Valentino
Donald, Frances & Michael Jesse
Van Camp
Anselmo & Francisca Zuno

PRAYERFUL INTENTIONS FOR APRIL:

Valerie Barnes
Peachie Basile
Rachel Bishop
Kathy Camtrabone
Diane Cantore
Capitanini Family / Italian Village
Capuano Family
GiGi Casale
Dawn Dahlin
Barry Dalesandro
Michael D'Alexander
Mary Jo Davidson
Judith Day
Marino Demeo
Charlie DeMory
Anthony C. DeMory, M.D.
Sister Virginia Gapsis
Sergio Gaytan
Fr. Jim Halstead

Larry Infante Lanquin
Sister Eleace King HH
Eileen Knight
Denna Laing
Cathy Lentz
Angela Lisowski
Elizabeth Litzinder
Heather Malloy
Paul Marnell
Joshua Mascorro
Tim McGrath
Sister Margaret McTaggart
George Melchiorre
Lori Monelli
Mase & Laverne Narcissi
Albertina Novotny
Bernice O'Neill
Helen Pascucciello
Frank Reda, Jr

Gloriann Rinella
Sister Deborah Romanuski
Allan Schaefer
Cecile Slinkman
Alexandra Szafran

Lord, we surrender our fears
and anxieties to You. We trust
in Your promise, holding fast
to the truth that we shall run
and not be weary and walk and
not faint as we place our hopes
wholly in You. We claim this
promise with hearts full of
faith. Thank You, Heavenly
Father, for being our strength
and our song.

In Jesus' mighty name, we
pray,

Amen.

**PLEASE NOTE: Names submitted for PRAYERFUL
INTENTIONS will remain listed for one month.
Please contact the office to submit your request.**

Easter 2026

The great mystery of Easter! I find incredible joy and hope in embracing this mystery and I pray that you do, too. I am delighted, on behalf of everyone here at The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii, to wish you a Happy Easter! Buona Pasqua! Feliz Pascua! Maligayang Pasko ng Pagkabuhay!

The four evangelists, Saints Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, share similar, but varied accounts of what transpired that glorious Easter morning when humanity awoke to a new reality—that everlasting life could be found through our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

I hope that our Easter appeal will inspire you to give generously to our mission so that we can remain, with arms opened wide, to bring comfort and spiritual nourishment to those who seek it in so many ways. Your generosity this Easter season will allow us to:

- Celebrate the hope of new life with families who bring their children for baptism;
- Witness the fresh and hopeful beginnings of marriage;
- Await the promise of new life in the face of sickness and death, with those who suffer and to offer consolation to families of those who have died and seek eternal life with our Risen Lord;
- And join together at Liturgy to hear God's Word and to receive the body of Christ at the Eucharistic table of the Lord.

Through your generosity, you both embrace our mission and help us do the work of Easter all year long. So that we may continue in this ministry, will you please once again renew your life-giving support to The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii, or make your first-ever gift?

May Our Lady of Pompeii bless you and your family with the peace of Christ and help lead us all to the ultimate joy of eternal life.

Happy Easter! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Fr. Richard Fragomeni

Rev. Richard N. Fragomeni, PhD
Rector

To make an Easter gift, visit the Shrine website at www.ourladyofpompeii.org. or use the QR code.





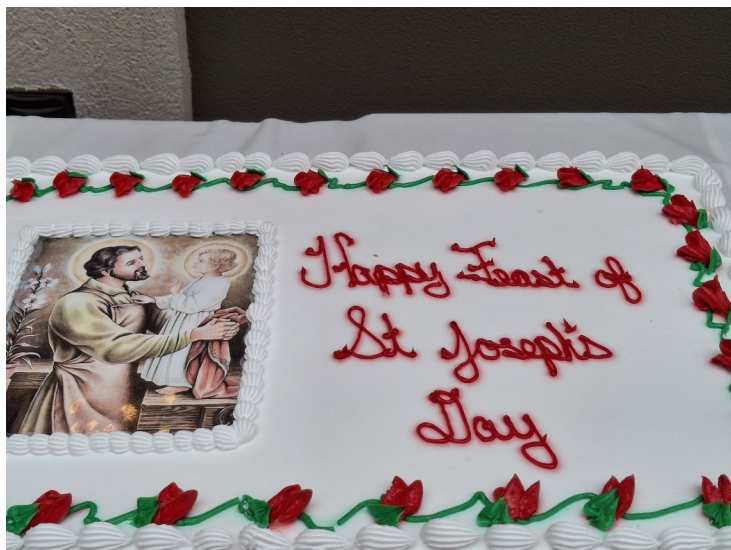
Thank you to Vito DiCecca for bringing his fabulous cheeses and wine to our Puglia to Pompeii event.

We appreciate those who attended the event, and thank Brian Roman for organizing a delightful evening.



Easter Flower Offering Envelopes in memory or honor of loved ones, living or deceased, are available on the table in the Shrine Chapel, or donate online at www.ourladyofpompeii.org (minimum online donation is \$10).

There is no deadline on Easter flowers. Your intentions and names of your loved ones will be honored from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday, May 24.



We are grateful for our St. Joseph's Table Donors

Carmela Tavolino, Pompei Restaurant
Tracey and Joe DiBuono, Tufano's
Damon Marano, Anthony Marano Company
Dominic Stramaglia, Supreme Lobster
Dave Bonomi, Peanut Park Trattoria
Nella and Bill Davy, Original Ferrara
Turano Bakery



100 YEARS YOUNG

Our good friend Carl Liture celebrated his 100th birthday on December 26, 2025.

Carl worked a series of jobs throughout his youth to help support his family, including stints at a flower and print shop, a line worker in a manufacturing company, and as an elevator operator.

Carl joined the Navy in 1944 and served as a machinist on the USS Shangri-La, from whose deck he witnessed Japan's official surrender aboard the USS Missouri in 1945.

Carl met his future wife, Norma Mirabelli, when he was 15 and she was 11. The pair stayed in constant contact during Carl's time in the service. They agreed to marry when Carl returned from the service, but Norma's mother objected to the match, so they eloped to Paducah, Kentucky and married before a justice of the peace on August 17, 1946.

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MOTHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY, MAY 10

Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet cards for living or deceased mothers, grandmothers or any woman who has been as a mother to you are available on the tables at the back of the Shrine Chapel.

Please submit your spiritual bouquet by April 19 to be listed in the May bulletin.

May Crowning * Sunday, May 3

**Children of All Ages:
Participate in our
Procession!**

First Holy Communicants

receive a special blessing. You may wear your Communion finest!
For details, please contact Tommie: tlp1314@comcast.net or
Grace: gracedv@aol.com



My Offering

Name _____

Address _____

Amount \$ _____ No. _____

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**If you have not picked up your
Sunday Collection envelopes,
they are available in the Shrine
office.**

**Thank you for all you do for
the Shrine!**

Thank you for the many ways you support our Shrine, not only through your Sunday donations but by attending our fundraisers as well as volunteering your time and talent.

If you wish, you can donate to the Shrine by visiting our website, www.ourladyofpompeii.org, via credit card by texting "Sunday" to 877-493-0127, or by using the QR code.



Garden of Remembrance: PHASE 9!

A Unique, One-of-a-Kind Gift to Commemorate Weddings, Baptisms, Anniversaries and Remembrance of Loved Ones



Each 4"x8" brick costs \$250.00, customizable with up to 3 lines with 20 spaces each.

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Brick Size 4"x8" – PLEASE ENTER YOUR TEXT IN THE TABLE BELOW:

Please PRINT Clearly and Legibly to avoid errors...

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Each 4" x 8" paver costs \$250.00. Please use the form above and proof your information, as inaccurate or unreadable info provided by you, will result in an **additional \$100.00 charge** to replace the paver.

Please complete One Form per Brick.

Make checks payable to **"The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii"**
and submit forms and checks to Marcia Piemonte.

Questions? mlp@ourladyofpompeii.org or 312.421.3757, x310

Shrine Renovation March 2026



**WE'RE ALMOST THERE!
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE SUPPORTED OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN.**



Has your Contact Information (Address, Email, Phone) Changed?

Please let us know! 312.421.3757 or cgrant@ourladyofpompeii.org.

FOR EMAIL INFORMATION ABOUT SHRINE NEWS AND EVENTS, PLEASE GO TO WWW.OURLADYOFPOMPEII.ORG/SIGN-UP-FOR-ENEWS/

Shrine Auxiliary Meeting Date TO BE DETERMINED

The Shrine Auxiliary men and women volunteer for multiple events throughout the year, and our fundraisers purchase needed items for the Shrine. You are welcome to join our meetings for more information.



Everlasting God, strengthen and sustain all those who volunteer in our churches; that with patience and understanding they may love and care for your people;



Feeding God's "Holy Family" Sundays, April 12 and May 10

PLEASE CHECK ALL EXPIRATION DATES ON YOUR DONATIONS. WE CANNOT ACCEPT EXPIRED ITEMS

- Low sugar and regular cereal
- Low salt and regular canned vegetables
- Canned soup
- Crackers
- Rice
- Pasta and pasta sauce
- Canned tomatoes and tomato paste
- Canned fruit
- Instant potatoes
- Canned chicken, turkey, tuna
- Juice (small cans or individual boxes)
- Chocolate
- Hard candy (sugar free and regular)
- Oatmeal (instant and regular)
- Dried milk
- Applesauce
- Peanut butter, chunky or creamy
- Jello
- Cookies
- Trail mix
- Chips, nuts, granola bars

Shrine Logistics:

- ✘ **DAILY MASS:** around the corner at **Our Lady of the Holy Family**, 1335 W. Harrison St., Chicago. 312.243.7400. **OLHFParish@archchicago.org** for weekly schedule and updates.
- ✘ **DAILY MASS & CONFESSION TIMES:** **St. John Paul II Newman Center at UIC**, 700 S. Morgan Street, Chicago, 312.226.1880. **Mass Times:** Su 11 a.m.; M - F: 12:05 p.m.; **Confessions:** By Appointment: **JP2NEWMAN@GMAIL.COM**
- ✘ **PLEASE REMEMBER** The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii in your will. Contact **Mary Beth Howard** 312.421.3757, ext. 319 or mbhoward@ourladyofpompeii.org. **Thank you!**

Shrine Directory

Schedule of Services, Programs and Groups

Stewardship Report

Weekday Masses:

6:00 p.m. **Wednesday evenings**
7:30 a.m. **Saturday mornings**

Sunday Eucharistic Liturgies:

8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Padre Pio Prayer Cenacle

6 p.m. **1st & 3rd Wed.** of month

Anointing of the Sick: TBD

OLP Alumni & Friends:

Join us!! gracedv@aol.com



Volunteers always welcome at the Shrine, call 312.421.3757.

Shrine LITURGICAL MINISTRY

VOLUNTEER Forms are located on tables at the back of the church.

Our Lady of Pompeii Shrine

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Schedule of Presiders through Sunday, May 3

6:00 p.m.	Wednesday, April 8	Fr. Fragomeni
7:30 a.m.	Saturday, April 11	Fr. Tverdek
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, April 12	Fr. Pizzo
6:00 p.m.	Wednesday, April 15	Fr. Tverdek
7:30 a.m.	Saturday, April 18	Fr. Fragomeni
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, April 19	Fr. Bracco
6:00 p.m.	Wednesday, April 22	Fr. Fragomeni
7:30 a.m.	Saturday, April 25	Fr. Tverdek
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, April 26	Fr. Fragomeni
6:00 p.m.	Wednesday, April 29	Fr. Fragomeni
7:30 a.m.	Saturday, May 2	Fr. Tverdek
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, May 3	Fr. Fragomeni

PLEASE SEE THE WEBSITE FOR
UPDATED PRESIDER INFORMATION

FINANCIAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR (2025-2026)

Report through March 2026

Budget	\$120,577
Actual	\$121,330
Difference	\$ 753

Source of Gifts

Mass Collection	\$ 90,062
Online	\$ 31,268

Thank you for your thoughtful generosity
& ALL you do to keep us going!

The Shrine is **not subsidized** by the
Archdiocese of Chicago and **relies solely**
on your continued generosity.

We know that you cannot always worship
with us. Your *Sunday Giving* underwrites
every annual operating expense and we
appreciate your kindness in this regard.

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

April 9	POW Recognition Day
April 12	Divine Mercy Sunday
April 29	St. Catherine of Siena
April 30	Pope Pius V
May 1	St. Joseph the Worker

Executive Board

Velda Davino
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