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St. Procopius Parish still standing tall 150 years after founding

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When St. Procopius Parish was formed a century and a half ago, an offshoot of St. Wenceslaus at Desplaines and DeKoven Streets on the West Side, it was the third Bohemian national parish in what was then the Diocese of Chicago.

Parishioners and St. Wenceslaus pastor Father William Coka organized the parish in 1875 and, on Easter Sunday in 1876, celebrated the first Mass in a building purchased from a Methodist congregation and moved to 19th Street and Halsted Streets, in a neighborhood named for a city in modern Czechia.

Then the Methodists found out that the Bohemian Catholics were using the building before it was fully paid for and locked the doors, according to “A History of the Parishes of the Archdiocese of Chicago.”

Maybe it was an inauspicious start, but St. Procopius-Providence of God Parish still stands tall, with parishioners worshipping in a Romanesque brick sanctuary dedicated in 1883 on the corner of 18th and Allport streets, just over a half-mile from the original site.

Since then, it has given rise to a suburban college, a national network of high schools, and the Archdiocese of Chicago’s first dual-language Catholic elementary school, as well as home for the Missionaries of Charity, who have maintained a contemplative convent on the parish campus for 40 years.

But what is special, parishioners said, is the community they have created.

“It’s the dedication of its parishioners, its volunteers,” said Cecilia Hernandez, who was baptized and raised in the parish. “When you need that help, when you need that prayer, when you feel a need for community, you can find it there.”

After its founding, the parish was placed into the hands of Bohemian Benedictines, then, after close to a century, given back into the care of archdiocesan priests.

Eight years later, the Jesuits began pastoring the parish as part of their “Pilsen Project,” an effort to assess and address the educational needs of the mostly Mexican and Mexican-American families who began filling the neighborhood in the mid-20th century.

Finally, in 2016, the Jesuits returned the parish to the care of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Longtime parishioners say St. Procopius has thrived because of the willingness of its community to accept change.

“We’re kind of used to challenges, and because of that, we’re expecting that around the next corner, something new is going to come our way,” said Gelacio Rodríguez, who was also baptized at St. Procopius more than 50 years ago. “How do we deal with it? We’re open to new ideas. We’re open to accepting God’s plan for our community. That’s probably our big-

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Cardinal Francis George, seen near the chapel behind the church, prepares to celebrate the 125th anniversary Mass at St. Procopius Parish on Sept. 21, 2000. Chicago Catholic file photo



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Cardinal Samuel Stritch presides at a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating the 75th anniversary of St. Procopius Parish on Nov. 10, 1950. See more photos at chicagocatholic.com/photos. Chicago Catholic file photo

Left, Aztec dancers perform during the Day of the Dead celebration at St. Procopius Parish on Oct. 31, 2021. Karen Callaway/Chicago Catholic

St. Procopius

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gest reason.”

St. Procopius and its pastor, Dominican Father José Santiago, welcomed Cardinal Cupish at a 150th anniversary Mass Sept. 5. The Mass was followed by coffee and baked goods in the garden.

“The parish has just been a pillar that has stood in our community for these many years,” Hernandez said. “There are many changes still happening, with the different religious orders that have overseen our parish. I was overcome with joy that we’re still here.”

Hernandez and Rodríguez, who knew one another as children in the parish, are both catechists at St. Procopius. Their families were among the Mexican Americans who moved to Pilsen in the 1950s and 1960s, as the University of Illinois at Chicago displaced people living around St. Francis of Assisi Parish at Roosevelt Road and Halsted Street, which had been ministering to people from Mexico since the 1920s.

They came to a parish that had been a Bohemian powerhouse. It was the first home of the Czech Benedictine St. Procopius Abbey, which moved to Lisle in 1914 and created what would become Benedictine University, and the Bohemian Benedictine Press, which had several publications. The parish offered both elementary and high school education, which at one time enrolled more than 1,200 stu-

dents.

The Benedictines welcomed their new parishioners, starting both Spanish- and Czech-language weekly Masses in 1961. The following year saw the first novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe, and Cursillos were held at the parish beginning in 1966, the same year the shrine and garden of Our Lady of Guadalupe was dedicated.

In the 1970s, St. Procopius started its “kermes,” or summer festivals, events Rodríguez remembers with joy, and the parish was one of the founders of the Pilsen Way of the Cross, which ends with the crucifixion scene in Harrison Park.

Then, in 1986, the Benedictines left and the parish was once again administered by archdiocesan priests.

Father Ted O’Keefe, the first archdiocesan pastor in more than a century, started a parish pastoral council, welcomed a charismatic prayer group and began organizing small Christian communities within the parish, an effort continued by Father Don Nevins, who became pastor in 1989.

O’Keefe also welcomed the Missionaries of Charity, St. Teresa of Kolkata’s religious community, who established a contemplative convent and house of formation on the campus.

In 1990, St. Procopius joined other Pilsen parishes in establishing the Resurrection Project, a community organization that does social outreach and works to provide affordable housing.

Two years later, the Jesuits’ Chicago Province took responsibility for the par-

ish as part of its “Pilsen Project,” which led to the creation of Cristo Rey Jesuit High School. The high school used a groundbreaking model of having students participate in corporate work-study programs in which their wages pay the majority of their tuition.

Cristo Rey High School, opened in 1996, is specifically for students who come from Spanish-speaking homes and works to maintain students’ Spanish language skills and culture. At around the time Cristo Rey opened, St. Procopius School began offering dual-language instruction in Spanish and English to its elementary school students as well.

As the neighborhood began to change again in the early 2000s, with more affluent residents moving in and some immigrants and first-generation Mexican-Americans moving further away, the Jesuits returned the parish to archdiocesan care in 2016.

That coincided with a wave of parish consolidations in Pilsen, and St. Procopius was united with Providence of God Parish, retaining both worship sites for a time. Now all Masses are at St. Procopius Church.

Hernandez said some of the changes brought sadness for her, especially when the Jesuits left, and that has helped her relate to new parishioners who have had to adopt a new church home.

“Everyone who came through the parish probably had the same feelings,” Hernandez said. “We change with the times.

We continue to worship together. Anyone who wants to come through our doors and worship with the same faith that we all have is welcome.”

Rodríguez said that other parishes that have been consolidated with St. Procopius — not just Providence of God, but also Holy Trinity from 18th and Throop streets in 2004 — have brought their own groups and their own customs and traditions.

A cross from Holy Trinity was used in the Sept. 5 anniversary Mass, he said, and people from Providence of God were represented among the liturgical ministers.

“And the ladies’ social club from Holy Trinity — those are some really compassionate people. They’ve taken on the sale of baked goods,” he said.

The group provided the coffee and cake after the anniversary Mass, he said, and had enough left over to sell as a fundraiser after Sunday Masses the next day.

The club is reminiscent of the generation of women that Hernandez’s and Rodríguez’s mothers belonged to.

“My memory of all these women who have sustained our parish kind of renewed my commitment to the parish,” Hernandez said.

“There’s a lot of good people,” Rodríguez said. “I want to really give props to the generation before me. Without them, the doors would probably be closed. The women in our parish are the leaders. ... I like to go on Sundays and see my mom’s friends who are still around and give them a smile.”

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ANNIVERSARIES

Pope John XXIII School 40th anniversary celebration: Oct. 17; 5 p.m. Mass at St. Nicholas Church; 6-9 p.m. celebration at Pope John XXIII School, 1120 Washington St.; 21 and older; \$35 before Oct. 1, \$50 after Oct. 1; heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine, music; for information, call Theresa Buckman

at 847-475-5678 or visit givebutter.com/40PJ23.

DANCES

Sts. Bruno and Richard Parish autumn dance: Oct. 24, 6 p.m. to midnight; dinner, music by Los Cometas and a DJ, drinks; \$50 or \$400 for table of eight; at the St. Richard Parish Center, 5030 S. Kostner Ave.; call the parish office at 773-585-1221 for information.

DEVOTIONS

Healing Mass with anointing of the sick: Sept. 26, 10 a.m.; at St. Gianna Parish, 10233 S. Central Park Ave., Evergreen Park; call 708-423-8110.

Blue-Green Mass: Sept. 27, noon; for first responders and active and reserve military service members and veterans; attendance in uniform requested; hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 16369 at St. Francis of Assisi, 15050 S. Wolf Road, Orland Park; for information, call 708-789-0257.

Transitus with music: Oct. 3, 7-8:30 p.m.; a musical prayer remem-

bering the death of St. Francis of Assisi; at St. Peter's in the Loop, 110 W. Madison St.; part of the Jubilee of St. Francis; for information, visit stpetersloop.org, email connect.spl@stpetersloop.org or call 312-372-5111.

Feast of St. Francis of Assisi: Oct. 4; 9 and 11 a.m., solemn Masses; 12:30 p.m., blessing of animals outdoors on Madison Street; at St. Peter's in the Loop, 110 W. Madison St.; part of the Jubilee of St. Francis; for information, visit stpetersloop.org, email connect.spl@stpetersloop.org or call 312-372-5111.

Pet blessing: Oct. 4, 1:30-2 p.m.; hosted by Two Holy Martyrs Parish in honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi; in the parking lot of St. Rene Goupil Church, 64th Street and New England Avenue; pet scarves available for a \$5 donation.

Mass with healing service: Oct. 7, 7:15 p.m.; with Fr. Michael Sparough, SJ; at St. Theresa Church, 445 N. Benton St., Palatine; for information, contact Deacon Lou Riccio at 847-

358-7760 or Iriccio@att.net.

ENTERTAINMENT

"Autumnal Delights": Sept. 23, 12:15-1 p.m.; concert performed by Margie Arito, oboe; Denise LaGiglia, flute; Fr. Bob Huttmacher, OFM, piano; Michael Silhavy, piano; part of the Jubilee of St. Francis; at St. Peter's in the Loop, 110 W. Madison St.; for information, visit stpetersloop.org, email connect.spl@stpetersloop.org or call 312-372-5111.

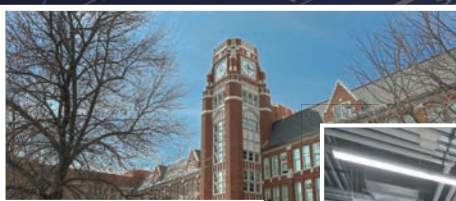
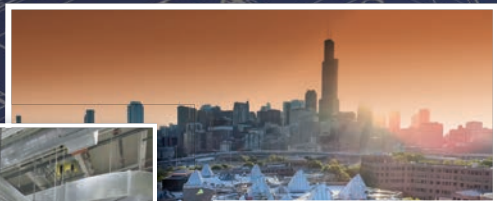
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“El Corazón de Mi Entraña”: Oct. 14, 12:15-1 p.m.; a program of bolero, danza and art song of Puerto Rican composers that weaves together stories of love, loss, heartbreak and nostalgia; performed by Eric Miranda, baritone; Gabrielle Timofeeva López, mezzo soprano; Paula Gelpi, piano; at St. Peter's in the Loop, 110 W. Madison St.; part of the Jubilee of St. Francis; for information, visit stpetersloop.org, email connect.spl@stpetersloop.org or call 312-372-5111.

FESTIVALS

St. John Neumann Parish Autumn Fest: Sept. 26, 4-9 p.m.; games, food, DJ; at St. John Neumann Parish, 17951 Dixie Hwy., Homewood; for information, call the rectory at 708-798-0622.

GAMES

Holy Guardian Angels Parish bingo: Sept. 20 and most third Sundays, doors open at noon, games start at 2 p.m.; in the Colonnade Room of St. Louise de Marillac School, 1112 Raymond Ave., La Grange Park; \$25 admission includes all games; refreshments available; ample free parking; for information, call Matt Sinde at 847-682-7404.

Trivia night: Sept. 26, 7 p.m.; hosted by Jesus, Shepherd of Souls Parish at Our Lady of Knock School, 501 163rd St., Calumet City; bring snacks, beverages available; prizes; for information, call George at 630-697-6432.

St. Gianna Parish bingo: Beginning Oct. 1 and continuing every Thursday, doors open at 6 p.m., games start at 7 p.m., in Vitha Hall, 3550 W. 103rd St.,

Evergreen Park; concessions available; for more information, call 708-423-8110.

Trivia night: Oct. 24, 6:30-10 p.m.; hosted by the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Altar and Rosary Society; \$30 includes dinner, water or soda, dessert; in the Our Lady of Mount Carmel gym, 1101 N. 23rd Ave., Melrose Park; for information or to register, call 708-344-4140 or visit olmcparrish.org.

LECTURES

“Love in the Bible”: Mondays, Sept. 21 through Nov. 9; weekly course with DePaul University Prof. Scott Morringiello studying the theme of love in the Old and New Testaments with help from the early Church Fathers; at St. Gregory the Great, 1609 W. Gregory St.; for information, contact Mark Franzen at 773-561-3546 or visit stgregoryhall.org.

Lumen Christi Institute West Suburban Catholic Culture Series: “How to Live, Move, and Be as a Catholic”: Sept. 23, 6:30 p.m., Daniel Wasserman-Soler presents “How to Pray as a Catholic”; Oct. 28, 6:30 p.m., Cassandra Sever presents “How to Grieve as a Catholic”; Nov. 18, 6:30 p.m., Joshua Hren presents “How to Read Literature (and Life) as a Catholic”; all at Ruth Lake Country Club, 6200 S. Madison St., Hinsdale; \$100 for each evening; discounts available for young professionals, OCIA participants, high school teachers, religious and clergy; includes dinner with wine; registration required; for more information, visit lumenchristi.org/wscs or call 773-955-5887.

“The Role of Secular Franciscans Today”: Sept. 30, 12:15-1 p.m.; talk given by C. Vanessa White, FSO; part of the Jubilee of St. Francis; at St. Peter's Church, 110 W. Madison St.; for information, visit stpetersloop.org, email connect.spl@stpetersloop.org or call 312-372-5111.

“The Need for Sacred Silence So That God's Voice Is Heard”: Oct. 3, Mass at 5 p.m., talk at 6 p.m.; part of “First Saturdays at the Sanctuary” with talk by Fr. Anthony Bus, CR, pastor; followed by prayers of reparation;

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“Can We Simulate the Dead? A Symposium on Technology, Grief, and the Afterlife”: Oct. 7, 5:30 p.m.; the Lumen Christi Institute hosts a conversation among Joe Davis, Laurie Zoloth, and Paul Scherz, moderated by Cassandra Sever, about advances in “grief tech” and what disrupting conceptions of death through technology might mean; wine and cheese reception follows the discussion; University of Chicago Swift Hall, 3rd Floor Lecture Hall, 1025 E. 58th St.; free; registration required; for more information, visit lumenchristi.org or call 773-955-5887.

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Celebration of the beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen: Sept. 24, doors open at noon; livestream of

the beatification Mass of Archbishop Fulton Sheen and exhibit about his life followed by a program and supper; hosted by the Mother of Perpetual Help Society at Casa Italia Cultural Center, 1621 N. 39th Ave., Stone Park; \$40; reservations required; visit casaitaliachicago.org for tickets.

“What Kind of Neighbor Will We Be?”: Oct. 3, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; day of education, advocacy and prayer focused on migrant and refugee justice in Chicago; begins with Mass celebrated by Cardinal Cupich; panel discussion; workshops; volunteer fair; at Old St. Patrick’s Church and Fellowship Hall, 700 W. Adams St.; presented by Old St. Patrick’s Parish, Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph Parish and the Coalition for Spiritual and Public Leadership; \$25 includes lunch; to register, visit osp.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/1310/responses/new.

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Oct. 9-11; hosted by Monastery of the Holy Cross, 3111 S. Aberdeen St.; for men ages 20-35 interested in learning more about contemplative life; join the monks in their daily round of liturgical

and personal prayer; to register, visit chicagomonk.org or email vocations@chicagomonk.org.

Visit of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima: The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima will visit several archdiocesan parishes in October; Oct. 10, St. Ansgar Parish, 2040 Laurel Ave., Hanover Park; Oct. 12, Little Flower Parish (St. Anastasia Campus), 624 Douglas Ave., Waukegan; Oct. 13-14, St. John Cantius Parish, 825 N. Carpenter St.; Oct. 15, St. Joseph Parish, 114 N. Lincoln Ave., Round Lake; Oct. 26, St. Odilo Parish, 2244 East Ave., Berwyn; for information, visit fatimatourforpeace.com.

“Come and see” visit: Oct. 17, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., for young women ages 17 to 30; at the Poor Clare Monastery of the Immaculate Conception, 12210 Will Cook Road, Palos Park; RSVP to 708-361-1810 by Oct. 8.

REUNIONS

St. Bruno School all-class reunion: Sept. 26, beginning with 4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Bruno Church, 4751 S.

Harding Ave.; reception with food and cake follows in the school; free, tickets required for reception; to obtain a ticket, call 773-585-1221.

Immaculata Alumnae all-class annual luncheon: Oct. 18, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Chateau Ritz, 9100 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles; reunion for classes ending in “1” or “6”; for information, email ImmaculataHSCChicago@gmail.com or call/text 773-338-2211.

Alvernia Alumnae Association annual luncheon: Oct. 18, doors open 11:30 a.m., lunch at 1 p.m.; at the Cottillion, Northwest Highway and Route 53, Palatine; for information, call Barbara Annoreno at 847-627-9297.

RUMMAGE SALES

St. Ferdinand community rummage sale: Sept. 26, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; hosted by Knights of Columbus Mater Christi Council 14284; vendors wanted; tables \$35; in the parking lot of St. Ferdinand, 3127 N. Mason Ave.; for information, call Peter Holod at 773-354-0070 or email peterholod@sbcglobal.net.

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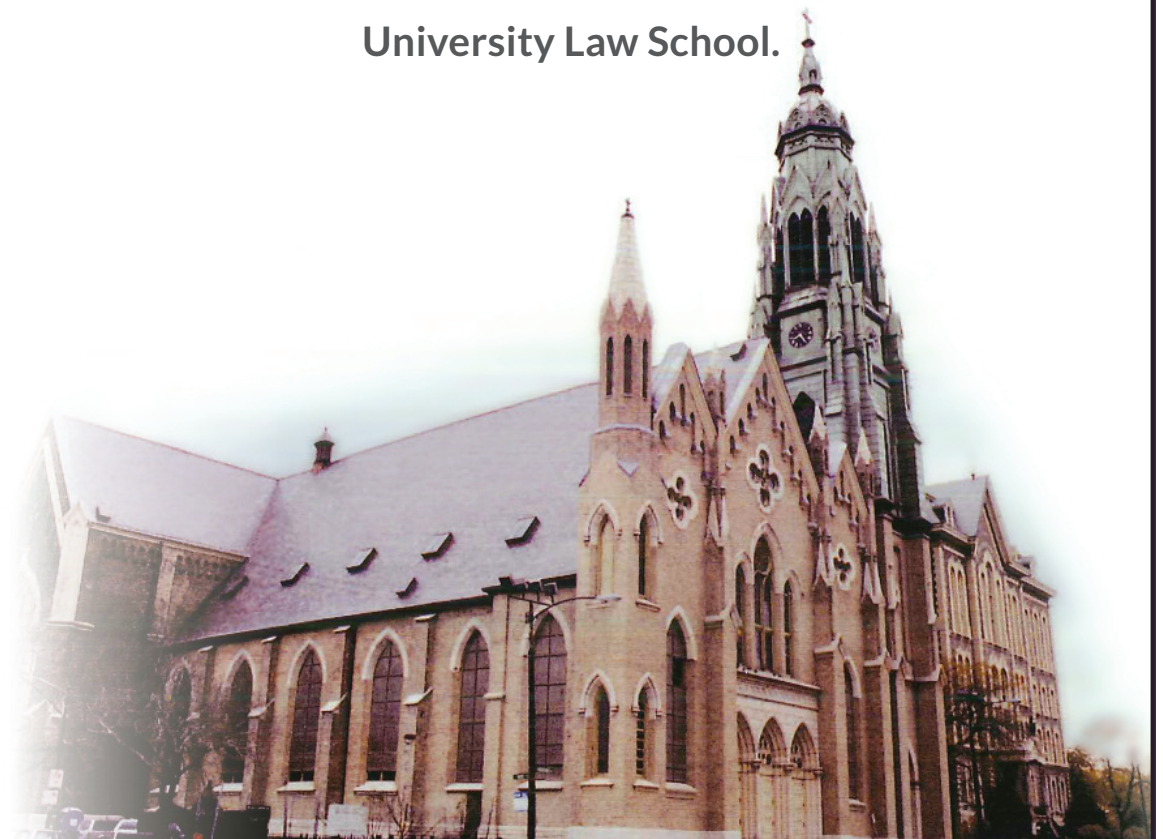
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