

KANKAKEE - GRIEF SUPPORT - Offered by Schreffler's Funeral Home, 815-932-2421.

HOSPICE OF KANKAKEE VALLEY

482 Main St, NW, Bourbonnais, IL 60914. Offering grief support group meetings for adults, children and teenagers. Call for information 815-939-4141.

OSWEGO ~

ST. ANNE PARISH – *Butterflies Grief Support.*

Meets 4 consecutive Thurs evenings twice yearly. Carolyn 630-553-7780 or the parish office at 630-554-3331 meeting times and dates.

BOLINGBROOK ~

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH -- If you have lost a loved one and would like to talk to Deacon Marco Lovero, please call the parish at 630-759-7588 and leave a message for him.

FRANKFORT ~

ST ANTHONY PARISH—Bereavement Support for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Call Deacon Rich Rosko at the parish at 815-469-3750 for more information and meeting dates.

ST ANTHONY PARISH—Widows & Widowers Group. Call Mary at 815-469-4351 for meeting information.

MOKENA ~

ST. MARY'S PARISH - 19515 S. 115th Ave. Support Group for any loss through death. Evening group meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 7 pm. Daytime group meets on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 11:00 am in the church hall. Call the Christian Service Director at 708-326-9323 for more information.

JOLIET ~

JOLIET AREA COMMUNITY HOSPICE— 250 Water Stone Circle. One-on-one bereavement support. For more information or an appointment, contact Mary Ann Burns 815-740-4104.

PRESENCE ST. JOSEPH MEDICAL CENTER – Perinatal Bereavement Support Group—Offering emotional support for resolving grief after losing a child through miscarriage, stillbirth or early infant death. Call Pastoral Care at 815-725-7133 x3474.

L.O.S.S. Suicide Loss Group. Meets at Presence St. Joseph Medical Center. Call Jessica at 312-655-7284 for dates and times

PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN—Meets at Provena St Joseph Medical Ctr. in Meeting Room 2 on the lower level on the 1st Monday of the month from 7-8:30pm. Call Yvonne at 815-588-1341 or 630-252-2053 or email diane71154@sbcglobal.net. Relatives and close friends are also welcome to attend.

ST. MARY NATIVITY PARISH – 706 N. Broadway St. **Grief Support Group.** For more information about meetings and times call Pat at 815-723-7141

LOCKPORT ~

ST. DENNIS PARISH - 1214 S Hamilton Street. **Rafael Bereavement Group.** For information call: Matt Furjanic at 815-838-2592 x 110.

NEW LENOX ~

ST. JUDE PARISH – 241 W. Second Ave. **Grief Support Group** for parishioners grieving the loss of a loved one by death. Call Maureen Dunne McGraw at 815-485-8049 for group information.

CHICAGO ARCHDIOCESE ~

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES: Contact: Eva Bustamante, Bereavement Ministry Coordinator, who can provide the names and locations for support groups in the Chicago Archdiocese 708-423-0471, 708-449-6100 or Ebustamante@cathcemchgo.org.

EVERGREEN PARK ~

LITTLE COMPANY OF MARY HOSPITAL
2800 W 95th Street, Evergreen Park. Offering Adult Bereavement Groups, Children's Grief Support Groups, Perinatal Loss Groups, Parents of Murdered Children Support Group, and Compassionate Friends (for bereaved parents due to a death of their child of any age). Call Pastoral Care at 708-229-5480 for information on any of these groups.

ORLAND PARK ~

W.O.W. - WIDOWS OR WIDOWERS – Meets at Zion Lutheran Church, 17100 S 69th Ave, Tinley Park. Contact Gene at 630-834-9597 or Jean at 708-598-9916 for more information.

ROCKFORD DIOCESE ~

FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

555 Colman Center Dr., Rockford, IL 61125
(815) 399-4300. Contact them for support groups in the Rockford area.

SHARE - NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Offers support for Miscarriage, Stillbirth, or Neonatal death. Call 1-800-821-6819 or visit their website at www.nationalshareoffice.com/history.asp

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS—For parents who have lost a child. To find a chapter in your area, call the National Headquarters at: 630-990-0010 or Toll Free: 877-969-0010 or go to www.compassionatefriends.org/home.aspx

OTHER GROUPS ~

ST. RAPHAEL PARISH, NAPERVILLE – ANEW – Social group for widows and widowers. Meets 4th Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Call the Service Ministry office at 630-615-7613.

DIOCESAN - WIDE PROGRAMS ~

ELIZABETH MINISTRY - This parish based program offers emotional and spiritual support for women during the special times of motherhood, including the experience of loss during miscarriage, birth defects, neonatal, early infant and childhood death. For information, please call 815-838-5334.

JOYFUL AGAIN! - A program for widows and widowers who want to resolve the grief they feel inside and begin to live again after the death of their spouse. For information call Charlotte Hrubes 708-354-7211.

RAINBOWS

Support groups for children, adolescents and adults who have experienced a loss through death or divorce of someone significant in their life. For more information or referral to a group in your area, call **Rainbows International Headquarters** in Evanston at 847-952-1770.

**DIOCESE OF JOLIET
PARISH-BASED
BEREAVEMENT
SUPPORT GROUPS**



Diocese of Joliet

**For information or to update a listing
CONTACT: DIOCESE OF JOLIET
OFFICE OF FAMILY MINISTRY
Phone: 815-838-5334/ Fax: 815-221-6089
Email: familyministry@dioceseofjoliet.org**

ADDISON ~

ST PHILIP PARISH – 1223 W Holtz Ave. Bereavement Support Group. Call Deacon Sean McGreal at **630-628-0900 x 105** for more information.

CAROL STREAM ~

CNS HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE - 690 E. North Avenue, Carol Stream. Contact: Lillian Morgan-Lewis, Coord. of Bereavement Services, at **630-665-7000**. Please call for more information and times of various bereavement groups available.

CLARENDON HILLS ~

NOTRE DAME PARISH – Bereavement Support Group. Meets on Wednesday evenings 7-9 p.m. Contact Doug Muir for meeting information **630-654-3365** or dmuir@notredameparish.org.

DARIEN ~

OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH—Two 4-wk sessions a year. Call Margaret Pinas at the parish for more information **630-852-3303**.

DOWNERS GROVE ~

ST. MARY OF GOSTYN - 445 Prairie. **Bereavement Peer Support Group** - Open to all denominations, however, not a drop-in group. Call the parish at **630-969-1063** for more information.

ELMHURST ~

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – “Cup of Hope” Support group for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Meets the first Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. in the parish admin ctr/rectory at 134 Arthur St. Contact Loretta **630-834-8664** for information.

For other Bereavement Support, call Pam Stefik at the parish **630-530-3498**.

GLEN ELLYN ~

ST PETRONILLE PARISH – 420 Glenwood Ave. *Grieving Hearts* support group. For information on group or individual support, call **630-469-0404 x 2106** and speak to Mary Miller.

HINSDALE

HINSDALE HOSPITAL- STILL MISSED PARENT SUPPORT GROUP - 119 N Oak Street in Tupper Hall. A grief support group for those who have experienced any type of pregnancy loss. Meets the 2nd Monday of each month 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Call: **630-856-4497**.

ADVENTIST ST. THOMAS HOSPICE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP. 119 E Ogden Ave, Suite 111. Call **630-856-6990** for more information.

LISLE ~

“WAY OF HOPE” -- St. Joan of Arc Church, 820 Division St. A support group for those experiencing the loss of a loved one or dear friend. For meeting times and dates contact Sandy Razka, Parish Nurse srazka@sjalisle.org or call her at **630-353-4533**.

NAPERVILLE ~

JOURNEY TO WHOLENESS Grief Support Group—A grief support group for persons 18 yrs or age and older who have suffered the loss of a loved one. There is no charge or pre-registration. First time attendees are welcome to bring a friend or family member. Meets Wednesday 10-11:30 a.m. and Thursday 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Edward Hospital Education Ctr., 3rd Floor. Call **630-527-5056** or go to www.ehealth.org under Spiritual Care.

SHARE GROUP—A support group for parents who have lost a baby through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth or neonatal death. Meets at 7:15 p.m. on the 2nd Tues of the month at Edward Hospital Education Ctr., 3rd Floor. Call Brenda, Lynn or Kristin at **630-527-3263**.

ST MARGARET MARY PARISH—1450 Green Trails Dr.—Bereavement Support. Call Patti Mcgehee at **630-305-9038** after 6:30 p.m. or Deacon Terry Taylor at **630-369-0777** for more information.

ST RAPHAEL – GRIEF GROUP
If you have suffered a loss of a loved one, our support group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Service Ministry at **630-615-7613**.

ST. RAPHAEL - NEW BEGINNINGS
1215 Modaff Road – Self-help group for divorced and widowed. Meets each Tuesday evening at 7:15 p.m. Contact: the Service Ministry Office: **630-615-7613**.

ST. RAPHAEL—Stephen Ministry: One-on-one confidential care for persons struggling through a difficult time. Please contact Service Ministry at **630-615-7613** for more information about this ministry.

ST. RAPHAEL—SHARING THE JOURNEY Bereavement Support: Meets for six week sessions on Thursdays, in the Spring and in the Fall. Call the Service Ministry office at **630-615-7613** or Elizabeth at **630-420-1570** for meeting times and dates.

STS. PETER & PAUL—Bereavement Support: A unique, Christ-centered support group for those who have lost a spouse, family member or close friend through death. For times and dates, call Deacon Joe Verdico **630-718-2155** or Parish Nurse Paulette Shea **630-718-2127**.

VILLA PARK ~

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS - For Parents who have lost a child. Meets 2nd Monday, from 7:30-9:30 p.m., at **St. Alexander Parish Ctr.** Contact parish at **630-833-7730** or Mary Collins at **630-941-0726**.

SURVIVING SPOUSES – Bereavement, educational and social group for widows and widowers. Meets 2nd Sunday of month at 1 p.m. at St. Alexander Parish Ctr. and every 2nd month meets at a local restaurant. Call Carol **630-834-8152**.

WARRENVILLE ~

ST. IRENE - 28 W 451 Warrenville Road. For Support Group referrals, contact Deacon Joseph Urso at the parish office: **630-393-2400**.

WHEATON ~

PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN – Support group for any family member or friend of a loved one taken away by violence. Meets 2nd Thursday of the month 6-8 pm. in the Dupage County State’s Atty office, 503 N County Farm Rd, Wheaton. Camera phones are not allowed in the building. Call Terrie at **630-407-8008** for more information.

SUICIDE SURVIVORS: Suicide loss group. Meets at St Daniel the Prophet Parish, 101 West Loop Drive. Call Jessica at **312-655-7283** for meeting information.

“SEASONS OF HOPE”– St. Michael Catholic Church, 310 S Wheaton Ave. A support group for those experiencing the loss of a loved one or dear friend. For meeting times and dates contact Thecla Rettberg, Parish Nurse trettberg@stmichaelcommunity.org or call her at **630-462-5042**.

WINFIELD ~

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH – Grief Support Group meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. Contact the parish at **630-668-0918** for more information.

WOODRIDGE ~

ST. SCHOLASTICA PARISH – Bereavement Support Group for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Meets every other Friday from 10 am-11:30am in Room 113. Call Shawn Denning **630-985-2351 x130** or email sdenning@stscholasticaparish.org for more information.

PAXTON ~

STS MARY & JOSEPH PARISH – 407 W Pells St. “Solace en Caritas” Adult Grief Support group. For information and to register, call Fr. Scaria Thoppil, CMI at **217-379-4033**.

PLANO ~

ST. MARY’S PARISH- Under Mary's Mantle A Support Group for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Meets 5 consecutive Thursday evenings in the Fall and early Spring. Contact Kathy Robbins at 815-970-4109 or krobbins450@yahoo.com for more information.

COAL CITY ~

ASSUMPTION PARISH - 245 S. Kankakee Street **815-634-4171**. Call for information on support groups in the area.

MORRIS ~

ADULT BEREAVEMENT GROUP—2nd Tues of the month, 7-8:30, 518 W Illinois Ave. Call Joan Sereno at Grundy Co Hospice at **815-942-8525** for information.

WIDOWS GROUP: Meets 2nd Thurs of the month, 6-7:30, 518 W Illinois Ave. Call Joan Sereno at Grundy Co Hospice at **815-942-8525** for information.