



LANDMARKS ILLINOIS

2012 Legendary Landmark Father Jack Wall

A lifetime Chicagoan, Father Jack Wall was ordained in 1968, after receiving his M.Div. and S.T.L. from the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary. He has served in numerous capacities for the Archdiocese of Chicago.

In 1983, Father Wall became pastor of Old St. Patrick's Church, the second parish founded in the city of Chicago and the city's oldest public building – a Romanesque-style church completed in 1856. He oversaw the restoration of the church in the 1990s. Father Wall successfully revitalized this urban parish, building attendance from the 25 people who attended his first Mass to more than 2,000 people who now attend weekly Sunday Mass at the church.

The Vatican appointed Father Wall as President of Catholic Extension in 2007. He brings an energetic approach to his leadership role, raising awareness of Catholic Extension's mission to build faith, inspire hope and ignite change in 86 mission dioceses across the United States.