

Services

Weekend Liturgy

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 am

Daily Services

Monday 7:00 am Communion Service Tuesday-Thursday 7:00 am Mass Friday & Saturday 8:30 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 1:00 pm-6:00 pm First Friday after 8:30am Mass

Tuesday 6:30pm

Sacramental Life

Reconciliation

After 8:30 a.m. Mass Saturday & 3 p.m. on Saturday; First Friday or by appointment by calling the office.

Baptism

The first and third Sundays of the month at 12:30 pm or during the Liturgy. Parents must reserve and attend a baptism class.

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. At least one of the engaged persons (or their parents) must be a registered parishioner.

Communion to Homebound

Call Deacon Leon Fritz 815-932-6909

Registration

Newcomers are welcome to register online or stop by the parish office.

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5th Sunday in Ordinary 7ime



When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. (Mk 1:29-39)

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Throat Blessing this weekend at St. Joseph Church

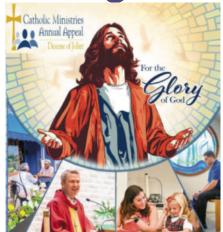


The feast of St. Blaise is celebrated in the Catholic Church on February 3. So, we are offering the traditional blessing of throats this weekend at the end of each of the Masses at St. Joseph Parish. St. Blaise was a bishop who lived in fourth century Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide. One day, a mother came to him with her son who had a

fish bone lodged in his throat. At the bishop's command, the child was able to cough up the bone. The miraculous incident has evolved into a beautiful tradition of asking our Lord to keep us healthy.

The priest or minister crosses two candles against the throat, and says this prayer: **Through the** intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Your gift to the CMAA makes an impact!



The opening report for the 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal in this weekend's bulletin reflects how we, as Christians, are called to serve those in need For the Glory of God. Through the CMAA, we show generosity toward the vulnerable in our community. We also benefit, as a parish, from the ministries the CMAA supports, that touch our lives. Ministries that include vocations, Catholic education, and faith formation.

St. Joseph Parish's CMAA Goal for 2004 is \$49,100.00. Please consider supporting this effort. The diocese will return 70% of any amount we raise over this goal to us to be used within our Bradley faith community.

Please review the CMAA materials you received in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's appeal.

Palm Collection at St. Joseph Church

You're invited to bring the Old Palms that are displayed in your home back to church. We have containers at each entrance for these branches. They will be burned before Lent as is our tradition to provide ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Our schedule for Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14) is: Mass at 7am, 8:30am, and 5:30pm and Service at 12pm. *Liturgical Ministers are needed for Ash Wednesday. Please check the web terminal and volunteer for an open position or call the parish office.



Boxes of the original glazed donuts will be on sale for \$14.50 per dozen on Tuesday, Feb. 13, at the Ministry Center starting at 11am until they are all sold out. Proceeds will benefit RE/Youth Ministry.

Anna Kobylarczyk

9 a.m.

BMCS Mass

*The People

of St. Joseph

Parish

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS Tuesday Wednesday **Thursday** Saturday Friday February 6 February 7 February 8 February 9 February 10 Ordinary Time St. Paul Miki St. Jerome & Ordinary Time St. & Companions Weekday St. Josephine Weekday Scholastica, 7 a.m. Mass 7 a.m. Mass 7 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. Virgin † Anna *For the Health of † Madeleine Mass 8:30 a.m. Ponikvar Walter Lesnicki by "Madge" † Ray C. Denoyer Mass

Power by

Dennis &

Debra Baron

Saturday, February 3 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass *The People of St. Joseph Parish

(Anniversary

Memorial) by

Gifford Family

Monday

February 5

St. Agatha,

Virgin &

Martyr

7 a.m.

Communion

Service

Sunday, February 11
8:30 a.m. Mass † Denise (Auberry) Belt by
Teddy Brosseau 11:00 a.m. Mass † Linda Spivey
by Al & Pat Knittel

(Birthday

Memorial) by

Judy, Wife

PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

We all project our feelings, fears, insecurities, and desires onto the word of God. I certainly do. Most of my projections spring from my current role as a mom of little kids. I think there is a fear inside many of us of God's purpose for us. What if it's not aligned with what we think we need, or what we want? Most of the time, I think I need a nap, and I imagine that no one is asking me for any kind

of help. And here I am, perpetually napless and always

asked to render assistance. The actions of Peter's mother

-in-law were the only actions we would expect of a woman who had just received a miracle. She jumped up and served the Lord! But couldn't she rest? Couldn't she serve him later? Couldn't she thank him with a smile and take a nap? Well, I suppose. But it was a miracle! I have received my miracle—my family. My purpose. So why am wanting to lay down-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Offerings for the weekend of January 27/28, 2024 \$6,207.67

4:00 pm: \$2,840.00 8:30 am: \$1,582.42 11:00 am: \$1,465.25

Offerings Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$320.00
Offerings for the Church in Latin America: \$586.00
Food Donations: 65 Pounds

Debt Reduction for January 2024: \$860.00 PayPal Offerings for January 2024: \$1,957.45 Auto-Deduct Giving for January 2024: \$7,981.34 Mobile Pantry Giving for January 2024: \$1,439.00

Readings for the Week of February 4, 2024

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53 -56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/ Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19 -20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org



Many thanks to all who have signed up for electronic giving. These two options are the most convenient ways for giving and staying consistent with offerings. You can make automated <u>ACH Offerings</u> from your savings or checking accounts. Clip the Authorization Form on page 7 or download one at the parish website, complete it and put it in collection basket or mail it to the parish. Or stop by the parish office to sign-up for Auto Deduct. Or look for the <u>PayPal</u> option at our parish website to set-up online contributions with your PayPal account or credit card. Thanks for your kindness and faithful stewardship.

Goal exceeded at the Blood Drive! We're off to a great start in 2024!!





Enjoy this riddle. If the bus arrived at 7am, had 26 people come aboard during five hours and ultimately departed at 1pm, how were 74 lives impacted? That's easy! It was a blood drive!

We are so very happy to report that we exceeded our goal at the Blood Drive on Jan. 28 at St. Joseph Parish! In the end, a total of 25 units were collected!! This means that the lives of 74 patients have the potential to be impacted because of the kindness and compassion of those who took a little time to give blood last Sunday.

It's sometimes hard to believe that such important, live-saving acts are happening on that bus parked at our parish. Even the best riddle solvers cannot come up with the answer for synthesizing blood. So, it's up to those physically able to share this gift from God with others.

To everyone who participated—members of St. Joseph's and friends from the community—please accept our heartfelt thanks and congratulations as we truly could not host the blood drive here without you! Make sure to take a few minutes and reflect upon your donation and all the lives you touched (individuals and families) by simply climbing aboard that bus! Way to go!





The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish

Tues, Feb. 6

Nursing Home

1:00-6:00 p.m.

Parish Council

Ministry Center

Mass

7:00 a.m.

Church

Ministry

10:00 a.m.

Adoration

Rosary

Church

Meetina

7:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 3 Mass 8:30 a.m. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. Church **CMAA Announcement** Weekend Sunday, Feb. 4 Mass 8:30 a.m. **CMAA Announcement** Weekend **OCIA Class** 9:30 a.m. **Rectory Meeting** Room **Holy Name** Meeting

9:30 a.m.

Ministry Center

Sunday, Feb. 4 (continued) **Confirmation Retreat** 10:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. **Parish Baptisms** 12:15 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5 7:00 a.m. Church **Diaconate Deanery** Meetina 7:00 p.m. Ministry Center

Communion Service

See page 1 for the weekly schedule for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Joseph's. Appointments for Confession can also be made by calling the parish office at 815-939-3573.

Weds, Feb. 7 Mass 7:00 a.m. **BMCS Mass** 9:00 a.m. Church All Sacraments Session 4:30-5:45 p.m. **Choir Practice** 5:30-7:00 p.m. Church Thurs, Feb. 8 **Mass** 7:00 a.m. Church Men's AA Group 7:00-9:00 p.m. Ministry Center Friday, Feb. 9 Mass 8:30 a.m.

Church

Saturday, Feb. 10 Mass 8:30 a.m. Church Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. Church **CMAA Commitment** Weekend Sunday, Feb. 11 Mass 8:30 a.m. Church **CMAA Commitment** Weekend **OCIA Class** 9:30 a.m. Ministry Center Mass 11:00 a.m. Church

WEEKEND LITURGICAL ROLES	February 10 4:00 PM Mass	February 11 8:30 AM Mass	February11 11:00 AM Mass	Are you Interested in any of these
Hospitality Ministers	Jim Lustig Jim Graf Becky Graf Janet Gregoire	Aliess Bedford Kathy Storer Michael Storer	Julie Gindy Candi Brenneisen Greg Brenneisen Sandra Jefferson	liturgical ministries? Contact the parish office for
Lectors	Beth Bisaillon (both readings)	Gert Auberry (1) Roland Boguszewski (2)	Tom LaRocque (both readings)	information and training.
Eucharistic Ministers	Michael Yurkowski Pat Yurkowski Patricia Burr Vicki Burgener Becky Graf	Daniel Trivino Kathy Storer Michael Storer Mira Brosseau John Chinski	Mollie Grizzle Jason Grizzle Lupita Sorich Stephanie Quigley Julie Gindy	Ministers can go online to see when they are
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Adelaide Bedford	Ryane Jefferson Mia Burns Joshua Sorich	scheduled, request subs and input dates
Deacons		Deacon Greg Clodi		when not to be
Presiders	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Charles Wheeler	Fr. Marcin Michalak	scheduled.

February Vocation Prayer Calendar

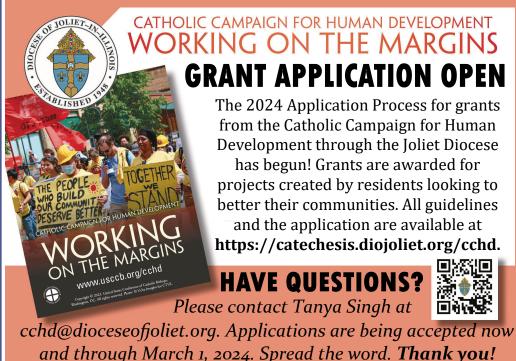


The Diocese of Joliet Vocation Prayer Calendar was designed for people to pray each day for those who have committed their lives to the church. It lists names of diocesan priests, seminarians, religious priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, and men and women in formation. You can access February at St. Joseph's website. Please pray for those listed for the given day, asking our Lord to continue to inspire and sustain them, and that others will hear the call and respond similarly to ministry in the Catholic Church.



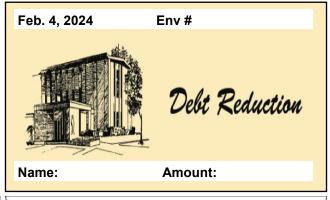
Thanks to everyone who purchased squares for the Super Bowl Fundraiser sponsored by St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus. You can view the entire grid at the parish website, www.stjosephbradley.org.

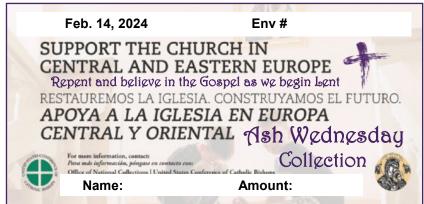
GOOD LUCK!

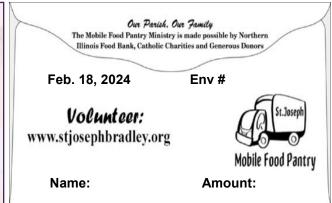


In addition to the Sunday collection, we have some special envelopes for February 2024

Many parishioners who use our electronic giving options have opted not to receive contribution envelopes from the parish. This desire is perfectly fine, but the decision has caused these registered members not to receive any of the holy day or special collection envelopes. Some of these parishioners have reached out to us for a solution as they want to participate and give to various ministries, causes and outreach efforts. So, at the beginning of each month, we have been trying to publish these special envelopes in the bulletin.







Estate Planning: As we embrace leap year, we are gifted with an extra day. This is a perfect opportunity to reflect on our faith journey and plan ahead. The Diocese of Joliet is offering a simple and free way for you to create your estate plan. Visit FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet and take the opportunity to ensure that your wishes express your values and faith.

Senior Companion Program: Catholic Charities is looking for people 55 years and older interested in visiting with a homebound senior living in Kankakee or Iroquois County. (This is strictly a friendly visit; no homecare duties are involved). For complete details, please call 815-933-7791 ext. 9928 or send an email to americorpsseniors@cc-doi.org.

Lenten Programs: The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary will have several offerings during Lent. They have three retreat options. A Weekend Retreat, "From Lenten Thirst to Easter Joy," is scheduled at Nazareth Spirituality Center in Batavia, IL, from the evening of Feb. 23 through the afternoon of Feb. 25. A Day Retreat from 8:30am-4pm on Saturday, March 9, will take place at One Heart, One Soul Center in Kankakee (or online via Zoom). And, the "Busy Person's Retreat" with just you and one of the spiritual directors can take place according to your schedules. The Sisters have several other upcoming programs, including the "Lenten Gospel Film Series" that will be presented online from 3-6pm on Sundays Feb. 18-March 17 and the "Exploring the Holy Week Scriptures" program that will be offered from 9-10:30am on Wednesday, March 20, at One Heart, One Soul Center in Kankakee or via Zoom. Visit, https://www.sscm-usa.org/Workshops-Retreats.html.

Catholic Singles Retreat: This life-changing REFLECT weekend is Feb 23-25, 2024, at Joseph and Mary Retreat House in Mundelein, IL. The cost is \$285 for meals and lodging. Catholic singles (mid-30s-50s) are invited. For an overview, visit ReflectRetreat.com, for other details, e-mail reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com, or to speak with someone, call 630-222-8303.

Fundraising Event: The annual Vocation Dinner/Auction is Saturday, March 9, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Kankakee. Cocktails are at 6pm followed by Dinner at 6:30pm. The cost is \$23, which includes your choice of stuffed chicken, pork chop, or beef. If you can't attend, we are also accepting monetary donations. This is a great opportunity to help support local vocations. For details or to RSVP, call Deacon Pat Skelly at 815-922-4228 or email him at Singerskelly@msn.com.

Jobs with the Joliet Diocese: There are several career opportunities in the offices with the Diocese of Joliet, such as a Shared Administrative Assistant position. Jobs are also available at parishes and within the diocese's seven-county area, including Music Director at Divine Savior in Downers Grove and Custodian at St. Joseph in Manhattan. You can find out more about these positions and details about the many other jobs associated with the diocese at: www.diojoliet.org/offices/careers.

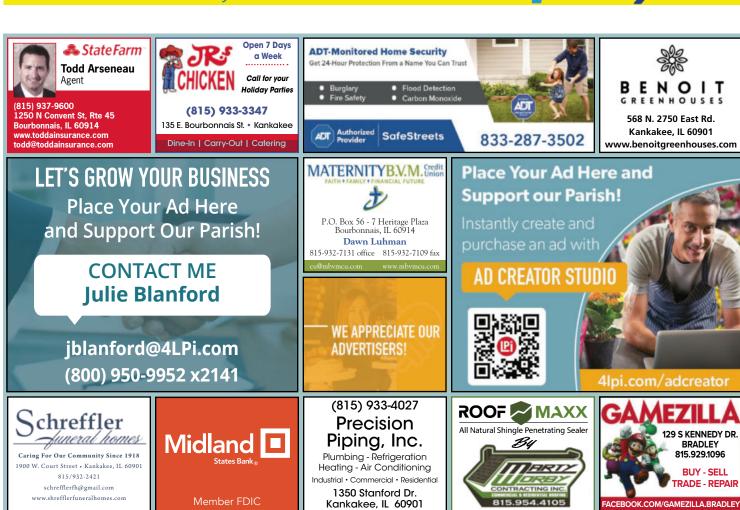
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