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# Easter Sunday

*When Peter arrived, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.*

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*April 9, 2023*







He Is Risen,  
Alleluia!



From Fr. Wheeler, Deacon Leon, the staff of St. Joseph Parish and myself, please know of our deepest and warmest wishes for a Blessed and Happy Easter Season. From the Passion and Crucifixion to the Triumph and Joy of Easter, we know this journey does not end with our celebration of the Resurrection, but

continues for 40 days! My prayer for all of you—parishioners and guests—during this most holy time is that you are inspired by these mysteries of our faith and carry them with you in our everyday lives during the Easter Season and beyond!-Fr. Marcin Michalak, pastor


# Thank You!!

Many thanks to all our Holy Week helpers. We are so very grateful for all of the music and liturgical ministers for sharing their talent and time and the many people behind-the-scenes for creating such a beautiful and welcoming atmosphere for this most holy time in our church. Thanks also to all those who made donations for flowers and decorations. We are extremely thankful for all the love shared by Our Parish, Our Family.

*The Parish Office will be closed this Monday, April 10th*



Our parish Religious Education's monthly K-8th Session is this coming Wednesday, April 12th



## Divine Mercy Celebration NEXT SUNDAY

St. Joseph Parish in Bradley will be celebrating the feast of Divine Mercy with a special observance next Sunday, April 16, starting at 2pm.

This is an opportunity to be blessed with extraordinary graces through receiving Reconciliation, praying the Chaplet and venerating the Divine Mercy image. It will be a powerful afternoon!

Join us for this amazing experience. You will surely leave changed. And, please spread the word in the community about this event to experience God's love in such a beautiful and profound way!



## SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b> <b>April 10</b> <i>Weekday</i> <i>Within the</i> <i>Octave of</i> <i>Easter</i> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> <b>Communion</b> <b>Service</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> <b>April 11</b> <i>Easter Octave</i> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> <b>Mass</b> † John Mazzuchi by Janice Gregoire	<b>Wednesday</b> <b>April 12</b> <i>Easter Octave</i> <b>7:00 a.m. Mass</b> † Ella (Boudreau) Langlois (Birthday Memorial) by Daughter & Families	<b>Thursday</b> <b>April 13</b> <i>Easter</i> <i>Octave</i> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> <b>Mass</b> † Danny Babinski by Jackie Cross	<b>Friday</b> <b>April 14</b> <i>Easter Octave</i> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> <b>Mass</b> † Myrtle Saffer by Timothy Buckley	<b>Saturday</b> <b>April 15</b> <i>Easter Octave</i> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> <b>Mass</b> † Dorothy Mayotte by George & Anna Roten
<b>Saturday, April 15</b> <b>4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass</b> † Gloria Zace (Anniversary Memorial) by Daughter, Vicki Burgener			<b>Sunday, April 16</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> † Danny Tomlinson by Family <b>11:00 a.m.</b> † Patti Knittel by Al & Pat Knittel		

### PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

Because they can no longer see you, when you're playing peekaboo with a baby, they believe you no longer exist.

Their little brains are unable to understand that just because a thing cannot be seen, it is still there, still alive, still full of love and care and protection. They have not yet developed object permanence. On Easter morning, Mary Magdalene sees the burial cloth but no body. Her human mind makes sense of the situation by assuming the Lord has been taken. I'm sure I would have thought the same thing. It doesn't matter that Jesus had told his disciples again and again that he will be raised from the dead. They weren't ready to understand it. In many ways, Easter is when the human race really achieved object permanence. But we still struggle with it, don't we? I certainly do. So often I can be heard accusing God: "You weren't there. Where were you? I couldn't find you." But I looked for him in the flesh. I looked for him in the stale yeast of the world—in money or success or affirmation or (worst of all) convenience and pleasure. Of course, I would not find him there, among the dead—Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Offerings for the weekend of April 1/2, 2023

**\$11,083.00**

**4:00 pm: \$4,087.00**

**8:30 am: \$4,356.00**

**11:00 am: \$2,016.00**

**Offerings Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$624.00**

**Offerings for Easter Flowers: \$1,475.00**

**Food Donations: 51 Pounds**



### In Loving Memory

*Please remember in your prayers, the loved ones of Robert Miller recently called to eternal life. May he forever enjoy the loving embrace of our God.*

### Readings for Week of April 9, 2023

**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10  
**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

**Next Sunday:** Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

**Mass Readings:** [www.stjosephbradley.org](http://www.stjosephbradley.org)



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# Learning about a meal like no other



Children preparing for First Communion spent some time focusing on a very special meal, The Last Supper. Some parents attended the Saturday morning retreat as well.

The young people kneaded and rolled dough to create their own special bread, played games, did crafts, and shared a meal together.

What an awesome, hands-on way to learn more about the gift of Eucharist. It was a great morning for everyone!

Special thanks to Gina O'Neil, Michelle Meier, and Pat Lovell for all of your help at the retreat on April 1.

Please keep the children and families in your prayers as they continue preparing for First Holy Communion, which is scheduled for May 6 at St. Joseph Church.

## *The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish*

**Saturday, April 8**  
**Morning Prayer Service**  
 8:30 a.m.  
 Church  
**Easter Decorating**  
 9:00 a.m.  
 Church  
**Blessing of the Baskets**  
 12:00 p.m.  
 Church  
**Easter Vigil Mass**  
 8:00 p.m.  
 Church

**Sunday, April 9**  
**Easter Sunday Mass**  
 8:30 a.m.  
 Church  
**Easter Sunday Mass**  
 11:00 a.m.  
 Church  
**Monday, April 10**  
**Communion Service**  
 7:00 a.m.  
 Church  
**St. Joseph's Parish Office Closed**

**Tuesday, April 11**  
**Mass**  
 7:00 a.m.  
 Church  
**Adoration**  
 1:00-6:00 p.m.  
 Church  
**Rosary Group**  
 6:30-7:00 p.m.  
 Church  
**Weds, April 12**  
**Mass**  
 7:00 a.m.  
 Church  
**Monthly RE Session**  
 4:30-5:45 p.m.

**Weds, April 12 (continued)**  
**Knights of Columbus Meeting**  
 7:00 p.m.  
 Ministry Center  
**Thursday, April 13**  
**Mass**  
 7:00 a.m.  
 Church  
**Men's AA Group**  
 7:00-9:00 p.m.  
 Ministry Center  
**Friday, April 14**  
**Mass**  
 8:30 a.m.  
 Church

**Saturday, April 15**  
**Mass**  
 8:30 a.m.  
**Vigil Mass**  
 4:00 p.m.  
**Sunday, April 16**  
**Mass**  
 8:30 a.m.  
*(Knights Corporate Communion)*  
**Mass**  
 11:00 a.m.  
 Church  
**Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration**  
 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 Church

WEEKEND LITURGICAL ROLES	April 15 4:00 PM Mass	April 16 8:30 AM Knights Corporate Communion	April 16 11:00 AM Mass	Interested in any of these ministries? Contact the parish office for training. Ministers can go online to see when they are scheduled, request subs and input when not to be scheduled.
Hospitality Ministers	Jay & Donna Karr Bev & Trisha Emme Janet Gregoire	Sorich Family	Julie Gindy Kent & Ellen Taylor Volunteer Needed	
Lectors	Beth Bisailon (both readings)	Teresa Fritz (1) Chuck Carnes (2)	Walter Babiaka (1) Tom LaRocque (2)	
Eucharistic Ministers	Patricia Croix Patricia Burr	Pat Knittel Al Knittel	Julie Gindy Pat Knittel Jonathon Storer	
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Justin Sommer Brian Mazzuchi	Veritas, Gemma & Jesse Babiaka	
Deacons	Deacon Greg Clodi	Deacon Leon Fritz		
Presiders	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak	



Thanks so much to the Holy  
Name group and their helpers!



Last Saturday's Lunch with  
the Easter Bunny was a  
nice community event and a  
lot of fun for those who  
attended. Happy Easter!!





**He Is Risen!**

**Alleluia!**

Let your hearts be glad, shout with joy and celebrate this great day!

Easter is here, and so is new life and hope.

*Easter Blessings from St. Joseph's CCW!*

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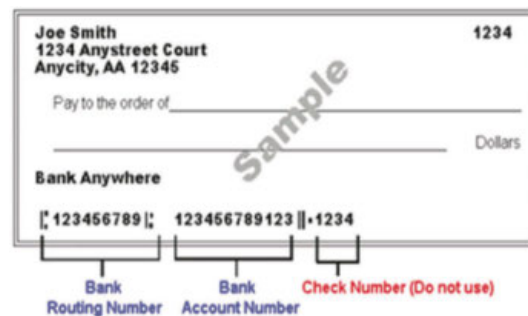
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# St. Joseph Parish Information

## 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

## Reconciliation

After 8:30 a.m. Mass Saturday; 3 p.m.

Saturday; First Friday Holy Hour or  
by appointment by calling the parish

## Adoration

Tuesdays 1pm-6pm; Rosary 6:30pm

## Baptism

1st & 3rd Sunday. Class required

## Weddings

Call the parish office for guidelines at  
least 6 months in advance

## Pastor

Rev. Marcin Michalak

## Deacon

Leon Fritz

## Music Director

Brad Benoit

## Pastoral Associate

Deacon Greg Clodi

## Business Manager

Kevin Delabre

## Communications Director

Paul Storer

## Religious Education

## Coordinator

Anita Lovell

RE Office:

815-937-9340

## Youth Ministers (Hearts of Hope)

Ken & Michelle Barrie

barrieacres@yahoo.com

## Prayer Line

Sharon Monty: 815-954-4922

## Parish Office

815-939-3573

Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

## Website

www.stjosephbradley.org

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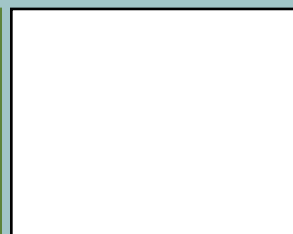
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