

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

Rosary

Tuesday 6:30-7:30 pm

Sacramental Life

Reconciliation

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

Weddings

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.

Pastoral Staff

Pastor

Rev. Marcin Michalak

Deacon

Leon Fritz

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Brad Benoit

Pastoral Associate

Deacon Greg Clodi

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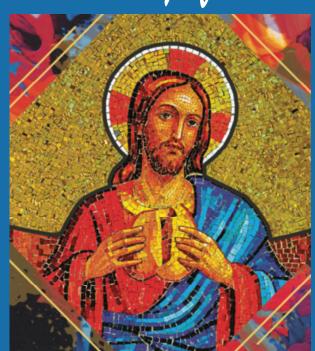
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3rd Sunday of Easter



And it happened that, while Jesus was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. (Lk 24:30-31)

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Defibrillator installed at St. Joseph Church



Cardiac arrest needs to be treated fast. Having this AED onsite could save critical time if someone collapses during a service or event.

Thank you to everyone who made contributions to purchase this life-saving piece of equipment for the worship space. You responded so quickly and generously and we are extremely grateful for your concern for the wellbeing of our parishioners and guests. We certainly also appreciate the CCW for initiating this project, reaching out to the parish for assistance and ordering the AED.

Members of the CCW have received instructions from medical personnel in the community about operating the device and the necessary procedures that need to be followed in the event of a cardiac emergency. A handy training video is available at https://americanAED.com/dvd/frx or by scanning the QR code in the picture above. Of course, our prayer now is that the AED in our church won't ever be needed!



Recently initiated into the faith!



Sarah (Themer) Martin is one of our newly initiated members. She and her husband, Tom Martin, have been married for six years and they have two daughters, Stevie, 5, and Maggie, 3. They have been parishioners for about a year at St. Joseph's. Sarah is as an oncology nurse and Tom works in law enforcement.

At the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday, April 8, Sarah's conversion journey culminated. "I had had an interest in joining the Catholic Church for a long time," she said, explaining that as a child, she would often attend parish programs and events and Sunday Mass with friends. "When I married into a Catholic family I grew to love it even more."



What a
wonderful
moment as her
children, nieces
and nephews
and many
family
members



watched from the front pews as Sarah was baptized by Fr. Marcin and received Confirmation and First Communion.

Sarah has learned a lot during the RCIA process. "I want to continue to expand my faith and strengthen my relationship with Jesus. I also want to help guide my children as they embark on their religious journey." Congratulations and many blessings, Sarah! Please know how happy we are for you!

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday April 24 St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr 7:00 a.m. Communion Service Tuesday
April 25
St. Mark, the
Evangelist
7:00 a.m.
Mass
† Mary Lou
Brownsey
(Birthday
Memorial)
by Michael &
Kathy Storer

Wednesday
April 26
Easter
Weekday
7:00 a.m.
Mass
† Leonard
Lambert by
Family &
Friends
9:00 a.m.
BMCS Mass

Thursday
April 27
Easter
Weekday
7:00 a.m.
Mass
† Cecelia
Freigo by
Friends,
Parishioners &
Family
Members

April 28
St. Peter
Chanel &
St. Louis
Grignion
8:30 a.m.
Mass
† Mary Ann
Mulligan by
Family &
Friends

Friday

Saturday
April 29
St. Catherine
of Siena,
Virgin and
Doctor of the
Church
8:30 a.m.
Mass
*The People of
St. Joseph
Parish

Saturday, April 29

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
† Ronald Hart by Steve & Jana Wunder

Sunday, April 30

8:30 a.m. Mass † Fr. John Antczak by Hebert Family 11:00 a.m. Mass † Don O'Brien by Al & Pat Knittel † Helena Stekala by Family

PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

We have all had jobs that leave us feeling unfulfilled. Most of us have also been lucky enough to have a job that we love—a vocation, a calling that makes us look in the mirror and think, "This is who I'm supposed to be. I recognize this person." For me, that work is the work of marriage and motherhood. The hours are terrible and the pay is even worse-but it doesn't matter. When I look in the mirror every morning and see my tired face, choruses of "I don't want the blue shirt, mommy!" and "Honey, I need to go in early, I have to run," in my mind, I think to myself: "I recognize this girl. She was born to do this." Christ's own disciples didn't recognize him on the road to Emmaus. It wasn't until he broke the bread that their eyes were opened. In that moment, he was doing the very work he was born to do, making the sacrifice. I don't know what kind of vocation you are called to. I don't know what kind of work reveals your true self. But I hope that whatever you are doing, you can look in the mirror and feel your heart burning within you.-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Offerings on the weekend of April 15/16, 2023 \$7,309.00

4:00 pm: \$2,709.00 8:30 am: \$1,629.00 11:00 am: \$1,221.00

Offerings Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$1,750.00

Food Donations: 51 Pounds

Scripture Readings for the Week of April 23, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org



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Celebrating the feast of Divine Mercy at St. Joseph Church

St. Joseph Parish celebrated the feast of Divine Mercy with a special afternoon observance last Sunday, April 16.

Deagon Lean Fritz led the prayer service, which included advertion of the Blossed.

Deacon Leon Fritz led the prayer service, which included adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayer and veneration of the relic of St. Faustina. Meanwhile, Fr. Marcin heard individual confessions as the public celebration unfolded in the worship space.



Thanks so much to the parishioners and all of the guests who

attended the prayerful celebration.

We are so grateful to everyone who had a hand in creating this powerful opportunity, especially parishioners Kent and Ellen Taylor who organized the



event and donated the beautiful Divine Mercy image to the parish. Please take some time before or after Mass to view the striking picture hanging above the tabernacle in the church.

The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish

Weds, April 26

Saturday, April 22
Mass
8:30 a.m.
Vigil Mass
4:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 23
Mass
8:30 a.m.
Mass
11:00 a.m.
Monday, April 24

11:00 a.m.
Monday, April 24
Communion
Service

7:00 a.m. Church Tuesday, April 25
Mass
7:00 a.m.
Nursing Home
Ministry
10:00 a.m.
Adoration
1:00-6:00 p.m.
Rosary Group
6:30-7:00 p.m.
Church

Mass
7:00 a.m.
Church
BMCS Mass
9:00 a.m.
Church
First Sacraments
Session
4:30 p.m.
Parish Hall

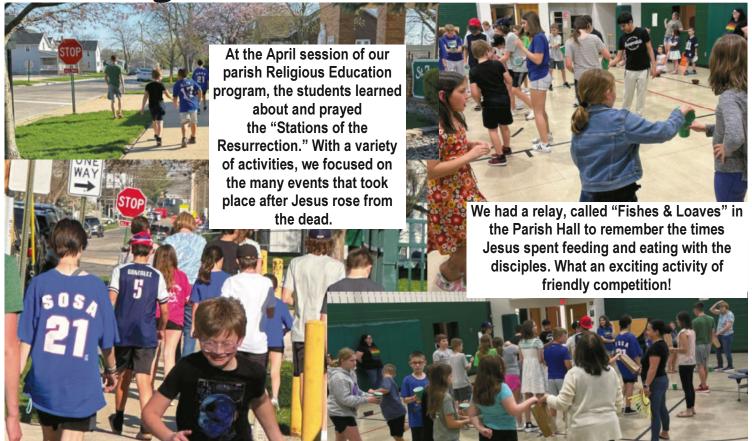
See page 1 for the weekly schedule for Reconciliation at St. Joseph's. Appointments can also be made by calling the parish office. Thursday, April 27
Mass
7:00 a.m.
Church
Baptism Class
7:00 p.m.
Rectory Meeting
Room
Men's AA Group
7:00-9:00 p.m.
Ministry Center
Friday, April 28
Mass
8:30 a.m.

Church

Saturday, April 29
Mass
8:30 a.m.
Vigil Mass
4:00 p.m.
Church
Sunday, April 30
Mass
8:30 a.m.
Church
Mass
11:00 a.m.
CCW presenting
Woman of the
Year to the parish

WEEKEND LITURGICAL ROLES	April 29 4:00 PM Mass	April 30 8:30 AM Mass	April 30 11:00 AM Mass	Interested in any of these ministries? Contact the parish office for training. Ministers can go
Hospitality Ministers	Bev & Trisha Emme Diane Gonczy Mike Worby Jim Lustig	Pruss Family Barb Fortin	Sorich Family	
Lectors	Beth Bisaillon (both readings)	Gert Auberry (both readings)	Emily Storer (1) Tom LaRocque (2)	online to see when
Eucharistic Ministers	Michael & Pat Yurkowski Peggy Blanchette	Mary Kay Pittman Daniel Trivino	Pat Knittel Alan Knittel	they are scheduled, request subs
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Volunteer Needed	Aiden Jamros Sean Storer Shane Martin	and input when not to be
Deacons		Deacon Leon Fritz	Deacon Greg Clodi	scheduled at
Presiders	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Mass.

Focusing on the Resurrection at RE



We also took an outdoor walk mirroring how Jesus walked with the two disciples on the way to Emmaus.

Thanks so much to all of our dedicated RE volunteers for taking these activities and running with them to make our program such a valuable time for enhancing the faith lives of young parishioners! We sure couldn't do it without you!!

Social activities, enrichment programs and job and volunteer opportunities

+New Horizons Band will present a concert at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 1, in the Larsen Music Building at ONU with a variety of selections, including Sousa's march, El Capitan, The Beach Boy's greatest hits, Duke Ellington's best songs and Parade of the Charioteers from Ben-Hur. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased at the door or from any New Horizon member, including Voneda Denault of St. Joseph Parish's Music Ministry. Proceeds will benefit the Bradley Lion's Club.

+The Bradley Lions Club is sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, May 6, at the Bradley American Legion. The cost is adults—\$10 and kids 10 and under—free. For tickets and to-go orders, 815-953-1393.

+Catholic Charities is offering a Create Better Health program from 10-11 a.m. on Tuesday mornings May 16-July 18 at Kankakee Valley Park District Rec Center (150 N. Indiana Ave., Kankakee). There will be no classes on May 16 and July 18. To reserve your spot, call 815-933-7791 ext. 9910 by Friday, May 12. Participants will discuss the food pyramid, arocery shopping on a budget, creating a balanced meal, and more. This is for adults 60-plus on a fixed income.

+The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary are sponsoring a Watercolor Workshop from 9 a.m.-noon on Wednesday, May 17, at Nazareth Center in Batavia, IL. Seeing colors and God's masterpieces in creation helps us to see the world from a different perspective. Everyone is artistic in their own appreciation and gratitude of what God shares with us and working with watercolor awakens us to beauty all around us. In quiet relaxation, we will experiment and be surprised with what we can do. For registration, send an email to samann@sscm-usa.org or call 708-790-8141.

+The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary are sponsoring a Pentecost Retreat at Nazareth Center in Batavia, IL, starting at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 19, and concluding at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 21. In the gospel, Jesus encounters the woman at the well and offers her living water. Is Jesus offering her the gift of the Holy Spirit? Do we receive that living water at Baptism? This quiet experience is for women desiring a closer relationship with the Holy Spirit. For registration, price details and complete information, visit https://www.sscm-usa.org/Workshops-Retreats.html or call 708-790-8141.

+Attention Teenagers! The Joliet Diocese is forming a delegation to attend the life-changing Refuge Conference July 28-30, 2023, at University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, MN. Parish or school groups, individual teen delegates (incoming high school freshmen through graduating seniors), seminarians, priests, and deacons are invited! We will leave from Crest Hill and travel by coach bus. All details and registration can be accessed at: https://sites.google.com/view/dojsteubie.

+The Diocese of Joliet has openings for two positions. If you are interested in either of these job opportunities, please send your resume and cover letter to humanresources@dioceseofjoliet.org. 1. The Communications Director is responsible for developing and distributing diocesan content to all media outlets and working with parishes and diocesan agencies according to the diocesan communications strategy and policy. Candidate must have a Bachelor's degree in communications or public relations, along with a minimum of 10 years experience in a comparable position and a knowledge and use of communication principles, practices and skills. The Communications Director must have knowledge of church organizational and procedures and must be a practicing Catholic in good standing, and must know, profess and act consistently in accordance with the mission, philosophy, objectives, and policies of the Diocese of Joliet. 2. The Finance Analyst and Consultant compiles and analyzes parish financial reports, provides parish metrics, performs parish financial and operational reviews, assists parishes, schools, and business managers and will travel to parishes to conduct audits. This employee will also assist parishes and schools to ensure compliance with diocesan policies relating to payroll taxes, human resources, insurance, etc., and will perform additional duties as assigned. The Finance Analyst and Consultant must have a bachelor's degree, with emphasis in accounting or finance with 5-plus years of accounting experience. Candidate must be a practicing Catholic in good standing, and must know, profess and act consistently with the mission, philosophy, objectives and policies of the Diocese of Joliet.

+St. Joseph Catholic Church in Joliet is seeking a part-time employee to coordinate liturgical ministry schedules, arrange booking for events at parish facilities, assist with wedding and funeral planning and help with other miscellaneous office and ministerial duties. Resumes and cover letters can be sent to Fr. Tim at tpandres@stjosephjoliet.org or Judy Halsne at jhalsne@stjosephjoliet.org. For the complete job description, please visit www.stjosephjoliet.org.

+Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers for its Senior Companion Program. Candidates should be 55 years and older interested in visiting with a homebound senior living in Kankakee or Iroquois counties. (No homecare duties are involved). Volunteers who meet income eligibility guidelines will receive a tax-free hourly stipend and a mileage reimbursement for time spent with clients. Are you ready to forge new relationships and make a significant difference in someone's life? For details, call 815-933-7791 ext. 9928, or email americorpsseniors@cc-doj.org.

Glazin' the Trail: 5K Family Run/Walk

Supporting the programs and services of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet Saturday, May 20, 2023 at 9:00 AM

Kankakee Community College

Join us for a beautiful journey through the woods along the Kankakee River. Donuts will help fuel your energy as you enjoy this morning event! The cost is \$35 per participant and children 12 and under are free. Proceeds will support the programs and services of Catholic Charities. To make a monetary donation for this great cause or to register for the run/walk, visit https://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org/glazin or call 815-724-1168.

*St. Joseph parishioners with businesses, parish groups and organizations are asked to become event sponsors. To learn about all of the various sponsorship opportunities, contact Rick Pesavento at rpesavento@cc-doj.org or 630-519-6531.





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