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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 6:30-7:30 pm

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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of heart; and you will find rest for

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Helping Hands

St. Joseph Parish's Outreach to the

St. Joseph's Helping Hands fund was established to respond to immediate needs of parishioners and neighbors. These funds have offered a helping hand to families seeking aid to pay for rent, to reconnect utilities, to secure household items and furniture, to pay for gasoline to fill car tanks as they travel to and from work or to keep their vehicle warm or cool when they are using it as their only means of shelter.

When someone comes to the parish for help and it is determined they have a legitimate need, a check can be issued to a third party to purchase food and other essentials.

Helping Hands also allows the parish to participate in larger scale projects as well. shipping items and other incidentals during our project to help Ukrainian refugees.

*We are currently looking to replenish this fund. Please use a Helping Hands envelope in the pews to help raise our balance to allow us to offer a helping hand once again. Thanks for your care and support!

Sign-Up to volunteer for the picnic at church or at our website.



Monday 12-5pm St. John Paul II Kankakee

Tuesday 6-7am 6-8pm St. Joseph

Manteno

1-6pm St. Joseph **Bradley** (Regular adorers are needed to balance the schedule at St. Joseph Bradley. Call 815-954

-4922).

Wednesday 6-7am

St. Joseph Manteno &

3-5pm St. Rose of Lima

Chapel Kankakee

First Friday St. John Paul II 8am-6pm Herscher/Irwin/

Goodrich 8am-3pm Location Alternates (contact the parish)

St. Joseph Bradley 9-10am

Spend time with the Lord

Weeklu Kankakee County Adoration **Opportunities**

Thursday

6-7am St. Joseph Manteno

9:45-11am St. Patrick

Momence &

3-6pm

Maternity BVM Bourbonnais

Friday 6-7am St. Joseph

Manteno

*Please stop by any of these area churches to spend time with our Lord truly present in the Blessed Sacrament).

For example, the account enabled us to respond quickly to distribute donations for Parish Picnic Meeting This Tuesday, July 11 **7pm at the Parish Ministry Center**

Committee members and anyone wanting to get involved are encouraged to attend the meeting this Tuesday. Things are really taking shape. See what's happening and help keep the momentum going strong for this awesome event at St. Joseph Parish!

The Picnic is Saturday, Sept. 9th

Someone needs blood every 2 seconds. Blood transfusions are often given to NICU babies, cancer fighters, transplant recipients, trauma patients and more!

Please make your appointment to give blood on Sunday, July 30, at St. Joseph's Blood Drive by calling the parish office or by visiting our website.

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday
July 10
Season of
Ordinary
Time
Weekday
7:00 a.m.
Communion
Service

Tuesday
July 11
St. Benedict
7:00 a.m.
Mass
† Ronald Hart by Kim
& Delynn Geistwhite
† Frank & Maria
Leznicki by Anna
Kobylarzyk

Wednesday
July 12
Season of
Ordinary Time
Weekday
7:00 a.m.
Mass
† Jim Pitts by
Colleen
Brown

Thursday
July 13
St. Henry
7:00 a.m.
Mass
† Leonard
Randall
Lambert by
Family &
Friends

Friday
July 14
St. Kateri
Tekakwitha,
Virgin
8:30 a.m.
Mass
† Carol
Johnson by
Pat Ritenour

St. Bonaventure
8:30 a.m.
Mass
*The
Parishioners of
St. Joseph
Parish (living &
deceased)

Saturday

July 15

Saturday, July 15
4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
† Rose Rivard by Family † Ed Burr (Wedding
Anniversary) by Wife, Pat

Sunday, July 16

8:30 a.m. Mass † Mary Boudreau (Birthday Memorial) by Judy Denoyer † Noel Goudreau (Anniversary Memorial) by Lois, Wife, & Family 11:00 a.m. Mass *In thanksgiving for all blessings received at St. Joseph's in Bradley & God bless the people of this parish by the Babiaka Family

PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

This life on earth is hard. It's either too long or it's too short. It's frequently painful. It's riddled with problems that seem to make no sense. It is, as Dickens wrote, "made of ever so many partings welded together." But it's also shockingly beautiful. It is full of physical experiences of love, joy, and peace that are so powerful they leave you breathless. It is both these things—good and bad, hard and wonderful, just as we are both body and soul, spirit and flesh. No one knows the Father except the Son,

enslavement to it. No one knows the Son except the Father, and the means by which they know one another—the love passing between them, the Third Person himself—has been shared with us, has made its dwelling within us through baptism.

who entered into our bodily existence to free us from

-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Offerings for the weekend of July 1/2, 2023 \$9,348.20

4:00 pm: \$4,652.00 8:30 am: \$2,413.00 11:00 am: \$1,673.20

Offerings Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$610.00

Food Donations: 58 Pounds

Readings for the Week of July 9, 2023

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see

1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15/Mt 9:18-26 **Tuesday:** Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10 -11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17,

18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/ Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/ Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke

8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org



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Parish welcomes new Junior High RE Coordinator/Youth Minister

An announcement was made at all Masses last weekend informing the parish that Sandra Jefferson had accepted the job of Junior High Coordinator for our Religious Education Program/Parish Youth Minister. While making the announcement at 11am Mass, Fr. Marcin introduced Sandra to the parish as well. Excited young people in attendance were happy to welcome Sandra personally afterward.

A longtime member of St. Joseph Parish, Sandra already has a connection with many young people and families because of years of involvement in church programs and ministries and BMCS. This was surely evident by the extremely warm welcome she received from the teens. Sandra's plan is to minister to the awesome kids in this picture and all to the young people of the parish as she works to grow the Youth Ministry and Junior High Religious Education programs. She is so excited about all of the possibilities. Look for activities happening very soon!

To volunteer to help with our new Youth Group and/or our Religious Education sessions starting in the Fall, contact Anita Lovell or Sandra Jefferson in the RE Office.

BE FORMED

The 7th Season of Be Formed will focus on
Eucharistic Revival. The program, which will run
from Sept. 10-Dec. 8, 2023, will include Adoration,
fellowship, prayer, Scripture study, small group
sharing and weekly videos to help you gain a deeper
understanding of Catholicism. Registration opens
July 11, 2023. For more information, call 815-221-6150
or email jreyes@dioceseofjoliet.org. Interested in facilitating a Be
Formed small group? Contact Katie at katie@sijhinsdale.com.

Lost something?



We have a Lost and Found Basket in the Hospitality Room located near the main entrance of the church.

We recently found a valuable item in the church (not suitable for the public lost and found). Stop by the parish office to claim this piece of jewelry.

The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish

Saturday, July 8 Mass 8:30 a.m. Viail Mass 4:00 p.m. Church Sunday, July 9 Mass 8:30 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Church Monday, July 10 **Communion Service** 7:00 a.m. Church

Tuesday, July 11
Mass
7:00 a.m.
Adoration
1:00-6:00 p.m.
Rosary
6:30 p.m.
Picnic Meeting
7:00 p.m.
Ministry Center

Weds, July 12
Mass
7:00 a.m.
Church
Knights of
Columbus
Monthly
Meeting
7:00 p.m.
Ministry Center

Thurs, July 13
Mass
7:00 a.m.
Men's AA Group
7:00-9:00 p.m.
Ministry Center
Friday, July 14
Mass
8:30 a.m.
Church

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

Saturday, July 15
Mass
8:30 a.m.
Vigil Mass
4:00 p.m.
Church
Sunday, July 16
Mass

8:30 a.m. Church Mass 11:00 a.m. Church Parish Baptisr

Parish Baptisms 12:15 p.m. Church

| WEEKEND LITURGICAL ROLES | July15 4:00 PM Mass | July 16 8:30 AM Mass | July 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 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Hospitality Ministers | Becky Graf Jim Graf Mike Worby | Aliess Bedford Jasmine Elumbaugh Barb Fortin Dick Jenkins | Julie Gindy Kathy Storer Michael Storer Sherry Johnson | |
| Lectors | Chuck Carnes (both readings) | Gert Auberry (both readings) | Candi (1) & Greg Brenneisen (2) | |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Patricia Burr Peggy Blanchette | Justin Sommer Mira Brosseau Volunteer Needed | Alan Knittel Pat Knittel Volunteer Needed | |
| Altar Servers | Vicki Burgener | Adelaide Bedford | Jane Quigley Ryane Jefferson | |
| Deacons | Deacon Leon Fritz | Deacon Greg Clodi | | |
| Presiders | Fr. Marcin Michalak | Fr. Charles Wheeler | Fr. Marcin Michalak | scheduled. |

aith Buddies



Faith Buddies is an innovative program for children of Kankakee County with any form of disability. We minister to children with mild issues to severe disabilities (including but not limited to social/emotional including Autism, Physical, Intellectual, all other special needs categories, such as ADHD or TBI).

Faith Buddies includes Religious Education and sacramental formation. It's a wonderful ministry, offering a vital and compassionate service to many families. Classes are typically held on the Third Saturday of the month from 9:30-11 a.m. at St Joseph Parish in Manteno.

Upcoming sessions are planned: Saturday, July 15, 2023, and Saturday, August 19, 2023. Contact: Maria Pallissard, at Maternity BVM, 815-933-8285 or mpallissard@mbvm.org.

Grandparents Mass



You are cordially invited to the annual Grandparents Mass on Sunday, July 23, at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet at 2pm. Bishop Ron Hicks will celebrate this very special diocesan liturgy. Please RSVP by calling 815-221-6192. All are more than welcome to attend!



Quo Vadis is a camp sponsored by the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Diocese of Joliet and led by seminarians. It is filled with dynamic talks, discussions, prayer experiences and plenty of fun, including sports, canoeing, games, smores, and more! Quo Vadis is open to all 13-18 year old men who want to grow in their relationship with God and learn about the priesthood. For online registration and payment, www.eventbrite.com/e/602809448287. And email any questions to: vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org.

Bishop Ronald Hicks' Column for July 2023



A month to refresh and recharge

Recently, I visited a parish in our diocese. Immediately after the Mass, I was delighted to begin the "meet and greet" in the narthex. Per usual, the topics of conversation were widely varied. I was struck, however, by a comment made by one of the parishioners. Seemingly out of nowhere, she exhorted me:

"Picken we are all in need of the month of Inly!"

"Bishop, we are all in need of the month of July!"

I think she read the polite—yet confused—look on my face, as she explained, "Life gets so busy and crazy. It seems that July is the only month to slow down, enjoy the warm weather and just chill out!" Nodding with affirmation, I smiled and chuckled as I replied to her, "I think you are right. We all need a little summer in our lives." With that, a huge smile appeared on her face as she raised her hand to give me an enthusiastic high five.

Truth be told, I love the month of July. I have great childhood memories of mid-summer, specifically about Independence Day. Each year on the Fourth of July, my grandma would host an all-day family gathering at her house in Blue Island, Illinois. My uncles would fire up the large, charcoal grills around 7 a.m. After cooking many pounds of bacon, the eggs then were fried in the drippings. But this annual ritual divided the family down the middle—there were about half of us (including me) who viewed this breakfast as one of the greatest culinary delights of the year. The other half would not permit the grill masters to touch their plates, opting instead for kitchen-made eggs and pancakes with some coffee cake and fruit.

After this grand breakfast, the day would be filled with music, conversation, volleyball, croquet, a beanbag toss, and—for some—a walk to Western Avenue to watch the Fourth of July parade. The day concluded by sitting on lawn chairs and blankets as we watched the fireworks from the local high school as we passed around bug repellant to keep the mosquitoes away.

To this day, I still cherish those family memories of the Fourth of July at my grandma's. Instead of work, study, or chores, it was a day to truly disconnect from the obligations of life and simply enjoy a full day of food, fun, family, and friends. And like most of us, I relished a break from work and school.

As we enter fully into this month of July, maybe it is not only time to refresh and recharge our lives with some good food, fun, family and friends. Perhaps summertime also is our opportunity to refresh and recharge our spiritual lives.

One way to revive ourselves is to immerse ourselves in

God's creation. In contrast to those gray periods of winter, the sun now shines brightly as our days are longer between sunrise and sunset. The flowers are blooming with vivid colors and the canopy of full trees offer coolness and shade. We can open our windows and listen to birds chirp as we bite into garden-fresh tomatoes, peppers, cherries, and watermelon. It is also a time to notice our neighbors, as many people enjoy a morning or evening walk and children ride bikes around the neighborhood.

How will you refresh and recharge this summer? Perhaps it is the promise of a long-awaited family vacation to a nearby campsite, lake, or amusement park. Or maybe you'll take a trip to sightsee or visit family and friends afar. During your travels, consider stopping at a shrine or spirituality center along the way.

For others, a "staycation" sounds heavenly. Maybe July will provide you the time to leisurely read a recommended book, clean out the garage, play a board or card game, walk the dog a little longer, or leisurely lay in a hammock or favorite lawn chair and just stare up at the trees or the stars.

On the spiritual level, if you find yourself traveling away from home this summer, please do not take a vacation from attending Mass. Instead of looking at it as a way to merely fulfill an obligation, remember that you're participating in and receiving the greatest gift that God has given to us—Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. Attending a different Catholic church also can invigorate us while we experience new congregations, listen to different homilists, and worship with other choirs and musicians.

As Catholics, we are reminded that while we embrace the downtime of summer, there is no need to take a break from God! In fact, it's a wonderful time to invite Jesus Christ into your summer experience. For like I was told in the narthex after Mass, we need the month of July! This is the perfect month to refresh and recharge our spiritual lives.

May you have a happy summer and may God bless and protect you always.+

Religious experience, social opportunities, careers

Padre Pio Relics: Relics of St. Padre Pio will be displayed from 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11, at SS. Peter and Paul Church in Naperville. Closing Mass will be at 7 p.m. Event details, including in-depth info on this saint, are available at: sspeterandpaul.net/events/padrepio.

Summerfest: This annual event at St. George Parish in Bourbonnais is Sunday, July 16. The famous Bar-B-Qued Chicken Dinners will be \$12 and will be served from 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Summerfest will also feature a country store, kiddie tractor pull, refreshments, kids activities, live music, and raffles. More details about this local event are available at www.stgeorgeil.com.

Golf Outing: Bishop McNamara is sponsoring the Jackie Keller Memorial Golf Outing on Friday, August 4, at Aspen Ridge Golf Course in Bourbonnais. The cost is \$75 per person, which includes golf, cart, access to driving range, food, beer and pop, contests, and prizes. (Contest winners need not be present to win.) Sponsorship opportunities are still available! For more information, visit www.bishopmac.com/support/jkellermemorialgolfouting.

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