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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

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 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.

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

Music Director

Brad Benoit

Pastoral Associate

Deacon Greg Clodi

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Director of Communications

Paul Storer

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Sandra Jefferson
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parishadmin@stjosphbradley.org

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Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm
Friday 9am-1 pm
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nurse.

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The kingdom of heaven is like a
treasure buried in a field, which a
person finds and hides again, and
out of joy goes and sells all that he
has and buys that field. Again, the
kingdom of heaven is like a
merchant searching for fine pearls.
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price, he goes and sells all that he
has and buys it.-Mt 13-44

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July 30, 2023



Members of St. Joseph's Council of Catholic Women will be selling Mums again this year. The price is only \$10 apiece. Payment is due at the time of ordering and the ladies will be accepting cash and checks made out to: St. Joseph CCW. You can also order during the week at the parish office.

The plants, which will be coming from Benoit Greenhouse, are 5 inches or more and will be coming in 9-inch pots with color choices of orange, red, yellow, purple, pink and white.

The CCW will be taking orders starting next weekend, August 5-6, after Masses. (They will be back to take your order August 12-13 and August 19-20). Save some time by clipping the order form (right) and completing it before you come to church.

All orders must be in by Tuesday, August 22. Pick up will be Monday, Sept. 18, from 4-7 p.m. at the parish.

Thanks for your support of this fundraiser!

CCW Mums Order Form

Name (printed) _____

Phone number _____

Enter # of each color that you want to order:

Red _____ Yellow _____ Orange _____

Purple _____ White _____ Pink _____

Total plants ordered

x \$10 = _____

***Pay with Cash or Check.
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Put payment in an envelope marked "CCW Mums" and put in collection, give to the ladies at church, or bring to parish office.

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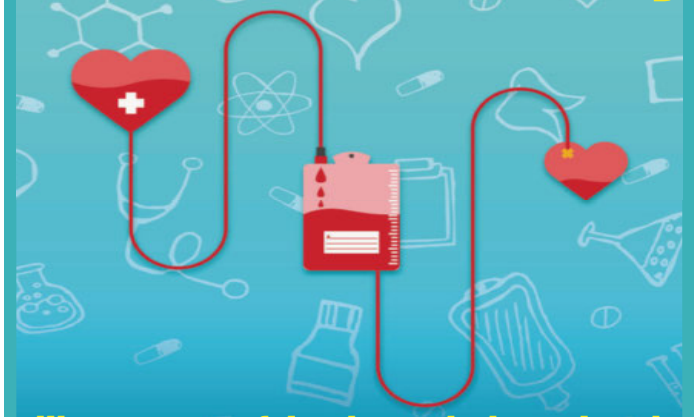


Visit our parish website to see all the style and color options and to place your order. For those who desire not to order and/or pay online, we have telephone and in-person ordering options too. Call Superior Embroidery at

815-932-2946 or stop by the shop at 200 N Washington Ave, Suite 190, Bradley. (Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm). All orders must be placed by August 20, 2023.

Nothing is cooler than Church Merch!

Blood Drive This Sunday



We are so grateful to those who have signed up to give at our Blood Drive happening from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. this Sunday, July 30. We still have openings. If you'd like to participate, stop by and see what's available. Thanks again!

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday July 31 <i>St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest</i> 7:00 a.m. Communion Service	Tuesday August 1 <i>St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop</i> 7:00 a.m. Mass † Richard Dunn by Alan & Pat Knittel	Wednesday August 2 <i>St. Eusebius of Vercelli & St. Peter Julian Eymard</i> 7:00 a.m. Communion Service † Janice Sims by Husband, Ralph <i>(Fr. Marcin will remember this Intention at Mass in Poland)</i>	Thursday August 3 <i>Ordinary Time Weekday</i> 7:00 a.m. Mass † Joan Pierce by Shirley St. Germaine	Friday August 4 <i>Ordinary Time Weekday</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Charles Ponikvar (Anniversary Memorial) by Gifford Family	Saturday August 5 <i>Mary Major Basilica</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Faye St. Pierre (Birthday Memorial) by Mike & Kathy Storer
Saturday, August 5 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass † Connie Denault (Birthday Memorial) by Wanda Warman, Daughter			Sunday, August 6 8:30 a.m. Mass † Deceased Members of the Brosseau Family by Family 11:00 a.m. Mass *Intention of thanksgiving for the generosity of Dale & Sharon Monty by Jean Lindsey		

PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

In high school, I was fairly miserable at identifying the elements of plot (exposition, rising action, climax, falling action, and resolution). To this day, the only reason I remember them is because my teacher used episodes of Scooby Doo to illustrate the different elements. Falling action vs. climax is where I tripped up, the two are similar, and only discernible if you examine them relative to each other. Every Scooby Doo episode has a big dramatic sequence (the climax) where the ghost/monster/zombie chases The Gang through the haunted mansion. The falling action is what comes after: searching for her glasses, Velma bumps into a pulley wheel behind a tapestry and realizes the ghost/monster/zombie is actually the janitor in a costume, hooked up to a cable system jerry-rigged throughout the mansion. Meddling kids. I confused the two because, to me, they are both equally dramatic: the chase and the fallout. It occurs to me that, if you look at the course of salvation history, we are living in the falling action, not the climax. Take the parable of the treasure in the field: we have found the treasure. But we haven't bought the field. I often make the mistake of thinking I am still lost in the climax, searching for the truth. But I know exactly where the truth is. What I need to be concerned with is: am I doing what I need to do to buy the field?—Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The offering numbers from last weekend will be printed with those from this weekend in the Sunday Bulletin for August 6. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Readings for the Week of July 30, 2023

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

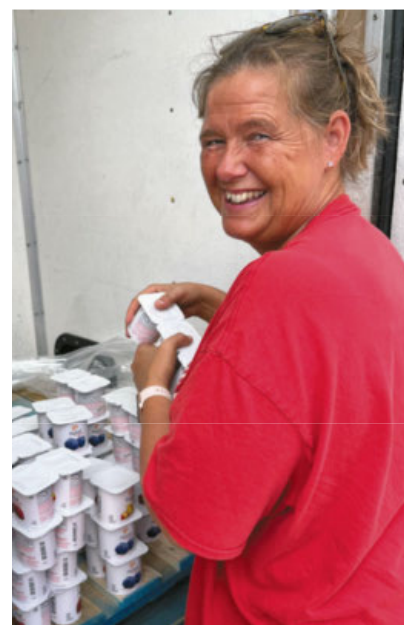
Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org



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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 your offerings. You can make automated ACH Offerings from your savings or checking accounts. Download the authorization form at the parish website; print; complete; follow the directions and put in collection basket or mail or to the parish. Or stop by the parish office to sign-up for Auto Deduct. Or look for the PayPal option at our website to set-up online contributions. Thanks for your ongoing support!

Mobile Food Pantry at St. Joseph Parish



Thanks so much to the 36 volunteers who conducted such an awesome outreach effort when the Mobile Food Pantry returned to St. Joseph Parish on Friday, July 21. In the end, 150 families received food. The MFP Team and all of the generous supporters have made this ministry of care so efficient and fun!

The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish

Saturday, July 29

**Communion
Service**

8:30 a.m.

Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m.

Church

Sunday, July 30

Blood Drive

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Mass

8:30 a.m.

Mass

11:00 a.m.

Church

Monday, July 31

**Communion
Service**

7:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 1

Mass

7:00 a.m.

**Nursing Home
Ministry**

10:00 a.m.

Adoration

1:00-6:00 p.m.

Rosary

6:30 p.m.

Church

Weds, August 2

**Communion
Service**

7:00 a.m.

Thurs, August 3

Mass

7:00 a.m.

Church

Men's AA Group

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Ministry Center

Friday, August 4

Mass

8:30 a.m.

Church

Sat, August 5

Mass

8:30 a.m.

Church

Quinceañera

Mass

1:30 p.m.

Church

Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m.

Church

CCW Selling

Mums

after Mass

Church

Sunday, August 6

Mass

8:30 a.m.

CCW Selling

Mums

after Mass

Mass

11:00 a.m.

CCW Selling

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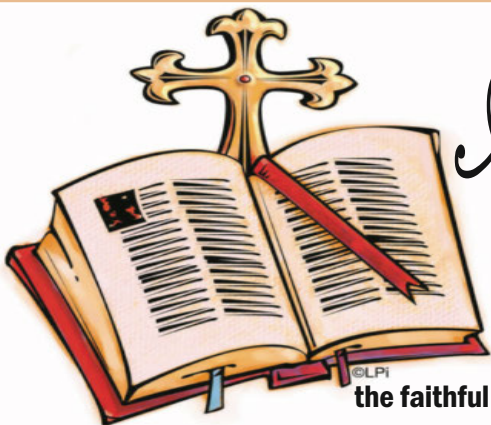
Church

Parish Baptisms

12:15 p.m.

Church

WEEKEND LITURGICAL ROLES	August 5 4:00 PM Mass	August 6 8:30 AM Mass	August 6 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	Michael Ely Jay & Donna Karr Jim Lustig	Aliess Bedford Nick Shervino Danielle Shervino	Sorich Family	
Lectors	Beth Bisailon (both readings)	Jan St. John (both readings)	Chuck Carnes (1) Lisa Robbins (2)	
Eucharistic Ministers	Becky Graf Jim Graf	Justin Sommer Daniel Trivino	Alan Knittel Pat Knittel	
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Adelaide Bedford	Shane Martin Ryane Jefferson	
Deacons	Deacon Leon Fritz	Deacon Greg Clodi	Deacon Greg Clodi	
Presiders	Fr. Sebastian Gargol	Fr. Charles Wheeler	Fr. Sebastian Gargol	



An invitation to read at Mass...

St. Joseph's Lector Training Video created to get you started

We so appreciate the men and women who come before the congregation and lend their voice to proclaim the Word of God at St. Joseph's. Our Lectors have an extremely important role at Mass to share the Scriptures with us, reminding the faithful of how our loving God created us and that He will be with us to the end of time!

Have you ever thought about proclaiming the Word at Mass? We would really like to once again have two readers at each service to help us better focus on the message of our Lord. **We have created a special Training Video for those who are interested in learning how to be a lector at St. Joseph Church.** Please call the parish office or email Paul Storer at pstorer@stjosephbradley.org if you feel that this ministry might be a good fit for you. He will send you the link to view the training video, provide you with a lector workbook and schedule you according to your availability.

Please help strengthen this liturgical ministry by answering the call to share your gifts. If you know in your heart that you have what it takes to be a lector, consider joining the others in this ministry and getting on the weekly roster.

August Vocation Prayer Calendar



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



Ministers are invited to sign-up for the Holy Day Masses (7 & 8:30am & 7pm) on Tuesday, August 15. Go online or call the office. (Outdoor rosary is planned at 6:30pm on the Assumption).



Keith Nester is a former Protestant Pastor, Catholic convert, speaker and author. He has a very popular YouTube Channel, podcast and leads an online prayer group, called "The Rosary Crew," which includes 5,000 people praying from nearly 80 countries. Through Down to Earth ministry, Keith uses his preaching gifts to speak about faith, theology and his journey to the Catholicism.

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— MARILYN LANE, CO-FOUNDER CHRIST OUR LIFE CONFERENCE



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MARIO KART
with Fr. Marcin

**Saturday
August 19th
6-8pm
Ministry Center**



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& Volunteers
are asked to
register:**

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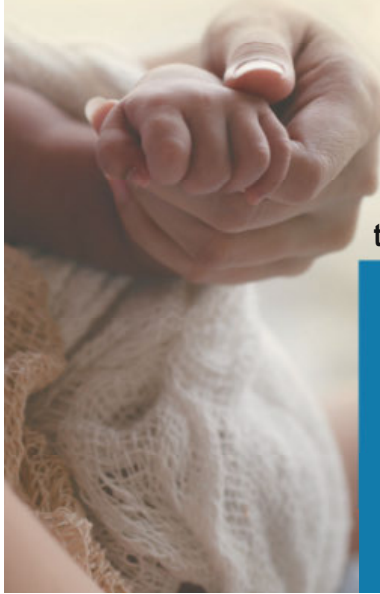
SAVE THE DATE!

**St. Joe's
Parish
Picnic**

**SATURDAY,
09 SEPT
2023**

*Volunteers can
sign-up at
church or at our
website*

Calling On Our Prayer Warriors



A parish group will be traveling to Flossmoor, IL, this Tuesday, August 1, to pray near a Planned Parenthood facility for an end to abortion and for those entering the building.

PRAYER WILL BE FROM 10-11 AM

TRANSPORTATION CAN BE PROVIDED

FOR ALL THE DETAILS, CALL OR TEXT ELLEN TAYLOR AT 815-450-7383



It's never too early to get your Fall Raffle tickets

The Knights of Columbus are selling \$10 tickets for their upcoming Fall Raffle. A winning number will be drawn everyday in October! Please get tickets from a knight or at the parish office. Proceeds help these Catholic gentlemen do some great things at St. Joseph's and beyond.

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