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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**

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Sharon Monty: 815-954-4922 parishadmin@stjosphbradley.org

### **Parish Office**

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www.stjosephbradley.org

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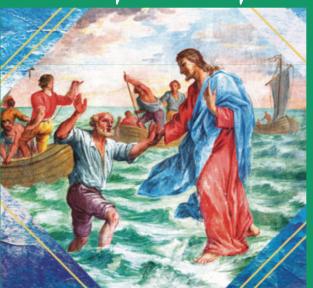
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# 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. (Mt 14:28-29)

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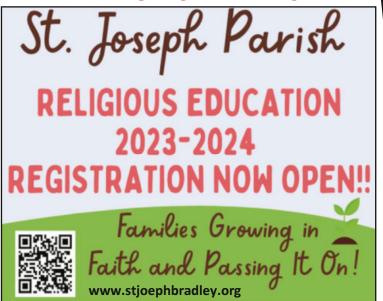
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# ASSIJMPTION of the blessed virgin Mary

Please join us this Tuesday, August 15, on this Holy Day of Obligation as we joyfully celebrate Our Blessed Mother's assumption into heaven. We will have Masses at 8:30am and 7pm. Before evening Mass, our Rosary Group will lead a special Outdoor Recitation of the Rosary. The Rosary will be prayed beginning at 6:30pm at the statue of the Blessed Mother on Perry Street. Please bring a lawn chair. (In the event of inclement weather, we will meet inside the church). Please Note: we will not have our regularly scheduled 7 a.m. Tuesday Mass on the Solemnity of the Assumption.



The Knights have scheduled another Convent Workday this coming Wednesday, August 16, starting at 2:30pm. All are invited to help out, especially those who have professional expertise or are handy with home improvements. If anyone is interested, contact Justin Sommer at 815-216-0314 or jasommer85@yahoo.com. Or just arrive on Wednesday ready for the Workday!



### **Volunteers Needed for Mobile Food Pantry**

Go to stjosephbradley.org to volunteer for the Mobile Food Pantry happening next Friday at St. Joseph's or call the parish office. And, please spread the word about this event from 10-11:30 a.m. on August 18 to receive food.



fun and make a difference. Become a member of This new ministry's first event the St. Joseph is next Saturday, August 19, Youth Ministry. from 6-8 pm at the Ministry (Adults Center. Find out what "CSI" welcome too).

means and join us for a video game challenge, pizza party and a lot of fun!

Participants and Adult volunteers are asked to register for this Youth Ministry event: sjefferson@stjosephbradley.org.

### SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday
August 14
St. Maximillian
Kolbe,
Priest &
Martyr
7:00 a.m.
Communion
Service

Tuesday
August 15
Assumption of
the Blessed Virgin
Mary (Holy Day of
Obligation)
8:30 a.m. Mass
† Myrtle Saffer by
Timothy Buckley
7:00 p.m. Mass

Wednesday
August 16
St. Stephen of
Hungary
7:00 a.m.
Mass
† Leonard
Lambert by
Family &
Friends

Thursday
August 17
Ordinary
Time
Weekday
7:00 a.m.
Mass
† Danny
Babinski by
Jackie Cross

Friday
August 18
Ordinary Time
Weekday
8:30 a.m.
Mass
† Dorothy
Mayotte by
George &
Anna Roten

August 19
St. John
Eudes
8:30 a.m.
Mass
\*The
People of
St. Joseph
Parish

Saturday

Saturday, August 19 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass † Kim Johnson by Sherry (Wife) Sunday, August 20

8:30 a.m. Mass \*The People of St. Joseph Parish (living & deceased) 11:00 a.m. Mass † Ronald Hart (Wedding Anniversary) by Joanne (Wife) & Family

### PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

My only real memory of the Mackinac Island ferry was the physical sensation of the wind against my face. I remember, distinctly, that it hurt. I was four years old, and it was, in the immortal words of Winnie-the-Pooh, a very blustery day. I remember thinking I was going to die. I'm positive now that it wasn't really all that dramatic, but at four years old, you're awfully scared of a good strong wind. Deep inside, aren't we all, really? I think of the apostles who cannot recognize Christ because he is doing something new. Something impossible. And even when he reassures them, still Peter is not convinced. He demands, essentially, a miracle. He demands that Christ make him do what only Christ can do. And even when the miracle takes place, still he is human. Scared, doubtful, distractible. No match for a good strong wind. -Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Offerings on the weekend of August 5/6, 2023 \$7,845.00

> 4:00 pm: \$2,909.00 8:30 am: \$2,553.00 11:00 am: \$1,833.00

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Readings for the Week of August 13, 2023

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

(8)/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

**Monday:** Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mt 17:22-27

1/;22-2/

**Tuesday:** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12,

16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

**Wednesday:** Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt

18:15-20

**Thursday:** Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/

Mt 18:21—19:1

**Friday:** Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/

Mt 19:3-12

**Saturday:** Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt

19:13-15

**Next Sunday:** Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom

11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org



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# Place your order for Mums

Members of St. Joseph's Council of Catholic Women are selling Mums for \$10 each with color choices of orange, red, yellow, purple, pink and white. The ladies are taking orders this weekend, August

12-13, after Masses. (They will be back to take your order next weekend, August 19-20, or place your order at the parish office). Payment is due when ordering with cash or check made out to: St. Joseph CCW. Feel free to print the order form at the parish website and complete it before coming to church. The order deadline is: Tuesday, August 22. Pick up will be Sept. 18 at the Ministry Center parking lot. Thanks for your support!

# St. Joseph's Parish Picnic

BINGO, GAMES, BOUNCE SLIDE, FACE PAINT, MUSIC, FOOD TRUCKS, CONCESSIONS, BEER TENT, ENTERTAINMENT AND MORE!

SATURDAY 09 SEPT, 2023 Live Entertainment!

"A Taste of the Silhouttes" Jerry Downs

Food: Nad Tatrami Polish Causine & Brother George's BBQ

+ Concessions will also be sold, such as popcorn, hotdogs, chips, desserts & ice cream

### Schedule

3:00 PM | Outside Mass 4:00 PM | Festivities Begin

BINGO 4:30 - 6:30pm

KIDS 4-8pm

6:30 - 8:30pm

# From the Picnic Committee:

We are happy to report that things are coming together nicely for the picnic. We hope everyone will join us. Meanwhile, we have some ways for you to help out. First, please volunteer. We have a board at the main church entrance or sign-up at the parish website. Second, we are asking for donations of gift cards for Bingo prizes. Clearly mark an envelope and put cards in the collection or bring to the parish office. Thanks so much for your gift and see you at the Parish Picnic!

# The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish

Sat, August 12 Mass 8:30 a.m. **CCW Convent** Cleaning 9:00 a.m. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. **CCW Selling** Mums after Mass Sun, August 13 Masses 8:30 & 11 a.m. Church **CCW Selling** Mums

after Masses

Monday, August 14 **Communion Service** 7:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 15 Assumption of the **Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day Mass** 8:30 a.m. **Nursing Home** 10:00 a.m. Adoration 1:00-6:00 p.m. **Outdoor Rosary** 6:30 p.m. Bring lawn chair **Holy Day Mass** 7:00 p.m. Church

Weds, August 16 Mass 7:00 a.m. **Knights Convent** Workday 2:30 p.m. Thurs, August 17 Mass 7:00 a.m. Men's AA Group 7:00-9:00 p.m. Ministry Center Friday, August 18 Mass 8:30 a.m. Mobile Food **Pantry** 10:00 a.m.

Mass 8:30 a.m. Viail Mass 4:00 p.m. **CCW Selling** Mums after Mass Church Youth Ministry **Event** 6:00-8:00 p.m. Ministry Center Volunteers & **Participants** RSVP to Sandra Jefferson **ASAP** 

Sat, August 19

Sunday, August 20 Mass 8:30 a.m. Church **CCW Selling** Mums after Mass Mass 11:00 a.m. Church **CCW Selling** Mums after Mass **Parish Baptisms** 12:15 p.m. Church Congratulations, Families!

WEEKEND LITURGICAL ROLES	August 19 4:00 PM Mass	August 20 8:30 AM Mass	August 20 11:00 AM Mass	Interested in any of these ministries?
Hospitality Ministers	Bev & Trisha Emme Jim Lustig Mike Worby Janet Gregoire	Jasmine Elumbaugh Barb Fortin Aliess Bedford Dick Jenkins	Candi Brenneisen Greg Brenneisen Lori Cornelius Sandra Jefferson	Contact the parish office for training. Ministers
Lectors	Chuck Carnes (both readings)	Gert Auberry (both readings)	Jan St. John (both readings)	can go online to see when
Eucharistic Ministers	Lori Gadbois Chuck Carnes	Annie Kidd Mira Brosseau Volunteer Needed	Julie Gindy Jenna Jamros Volunteer Needed	they are scheduled, request
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Adelaide Bedford	Ryane Jefferson Aiden Jamros	subs and input when not
Deacons	Deacon Leon Fritz	Deacon Greg Clodi		to be
Presiders	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Charles Wheeler	Fr. Marcin Michalak	scheduled.

HOLY DAY ROLES AUGUST 15, 2023	Assumption Mass 8:30 AM Mass Tuesday	Assumption Mass 7:00 PM Mass Tuesday
Hospitality Ministers	Jim Lustig Mike Worby Kathy & Michael Storer	Janet Gregoire Sherry Johnson 2 Volunteers Needed
Lectors	Teresa Fritz (both readings)	Brian Zasada (both readings)
Eucharistic Ministers	Vicki Burgener Daniel Trivino Patricia Burr	Peggy Blanchette Pat Knittel
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Shane Martin Justin Sommer
Deacons	Deacon Greg Clodi	Deacon Leon Fritz
Presiders	Fr. Charles Wheeler	Fr. Tony Nugent

Please Note: We will not have our regularly scheduled 7 a.m. Tuesday Mass on the Solemnity of the Assumption.

# St. Joseph Parish hosts Natural Family Planning Classes



Reasons may arise that cause a married couple to limit the size of their family, including financial stresses, physical illness, and psychological difficulties. Natural Family Planning is a moral way to accept God's gift of fertility while cooperating with His plan. Our parish hosts NFP classes on the last Friday of the month. Registration is required by contacting Lupita at SorichLifeCoach@gmail.com.

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## "Travel Lessons"-Bishop Ronald Hicks' August 2023 Column



"WHAT I DID THIS SUMMER" is usually the first essay of the school year for students. My own essay would include a trip to El Salvador, staying at Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (Spanish for "Our Little Brothers and Sisters"). NPH was originally founded in Mexico, by Father William Wasson in 1954, as a home to care for orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children. He created a safe place where children could thrive within a culture of unconditional love and faith at its core. Currently, NPH nurtures children and transforms lives in nine countries in Latin America and the Caribbean.

After showering, I dressed in my black suit, roman collar and pectoral cross and got into a pickup truck to drive across the border to Guatemala—a trip that should have taken about two-and-a-half hours. However, because of the condition of the roads scattered with potholes and fallen trees, the drive took almost four hours.

I arrived in the town of Santa Rosa de Lima to ordain Juan Carlos Pirir. For the past four years he has been a seminarian studying for the Diocese of Joliet. After completing his studies, I ordained him a priest there in his hometown as he was surrounded by his parents, siblings, relatives and just about everyone else from the town.

Before and after the Mass, fireworks were launched. And outside of the church, with its large choir and sacred music, the spirit of fiesta filled the air with booming music along with colorful balloons, banners and decorations. It was an amazing celebration and reflected the deep faith in that community, which formed Father Juan Carlos Pirir and fostered his vocation.

Back in El Salvador, a strong storm came through and knocked out the power my last night there. But instead of being upset by this inconvenience, I was thankful for the rain which cooled everything down, including me.

As I went to bed, I thanked God for keeping me safe during my travels. I asked for special blessings upon the dear children of NPH and upon Father Juan's proud family and supportive community. My "summer essay" would thank God for the comforts we enjoy "back home" and often take for granted: our safety, food, water, electricity and our parish communities.

Do enjoy the rest of your summer!+

With permission from Cardinal George, I worked as a priest as the Regional Director of our NPH homes in Central America from 2005 until 2010. Last month, I returned to El Salvador, and as I walked through the enormous doors, the aromas of handmade tortillas mixed with the cow farm next door instantly filled me with memories from five years of service there. I instantly smiled and thought to myself, what a blessing to be back here! I knew, of course, I would be sacrificing many of the creature comforts of home during my visit.

While I was there, NPH celebrated its 24th anniversary of operating a home in El Salvador. We began the day with an early Mass, and I was uplifted knowing the tradition of full and active participation in the liturgy still exists there, as over 500 children enthusiastically sang and responded to the prayers.

After Mass, everyone changed out of their "church clothes" and into their "play clothes." By 9 a.m. it was already 95 degrees, so I, too, decided to change out of my black suit and roman collar and into a T-shirt and sandals. It was a good decision because the day's next activity was an hour-long Zumba/salsa class! Did the bishop Zumba and salsa? Yes! However, trust me when I say that I lacked all skill and grace while doing it—it was an exercise in true humility that also got my heart pumping.

The rest of the day was filled with games and soccer tournaments as we basked in each other's warm friendship and lively conversation. The highlight for the children was being served hotdogs, a bag of chips and a can of pop for lunch. While you may think this is rather basic food, these children are accustomed to eating rice and beans daily, so this was a wonderful and welcomed treat.

After my morning holy hour the next day, I waited for the daily ritual of the water trickling on at 6 a.m.

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