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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.

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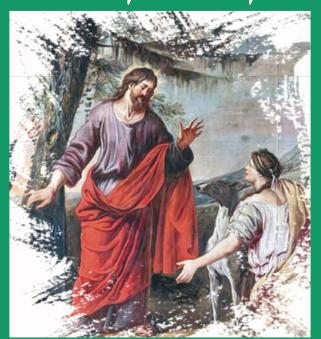
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20th Sunday in Ordinary 7ime



Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. (Mt 15:28)

Bulletin Advertiser of the Week



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CSI

Next weekend, we have a milestone event in the faith lives of young members of St. Joseph Parish.

On Saturday, August 26, at 5:30 pm, at the parish Ministry Center, the youth are invited to make a commitment to our CSI Youth Ministry by completing special membership forms.

Sandra Jefferson, our youth minister, will talk about this new ministry, including some possible activities and gatherings. She will also explain about service hours, field questions and seek ideas and suggestions from the students.

Parents are invited to this meeting as well to learn about the program and to sign-up to volunteer to be part of the leadership team.

Students and adults will also find out what "CSI" means and how it relates to our everyday life.

Please plan on attending this very important gathering at our parish.



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. This weekend, August 19-20, will be your last chance to order from the ladies at church. But, you can still order at the parish office until this coming Tuesday, August 22.

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 the office. Pick up will be Sept. 18 at the Ministry Center.



merchandise and to order online.

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	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday

Monday August 21 St. Pius X. Pope 7:00 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday August 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7:00 a.m. Mass † Rita Tutoky by Mike & Kathy Storer

Wednesday August 23 St. Rose of Lima 7:00 a.m. Mass † Jim Pitts by Angela Peterson

Thursday August 24 St. Bartholomew, **Apostle** 7:00 a.m. Mass † Mary Lou Brownsey by Mike & Kathy Storer

Friday August 25 St. Louis & St. Joseph Calasanz 8:30 a.m. Mass † Rose Rivard by Margie Burch Family

August 26 Ordinary Time 8:30 a.m. Mass *The People of St. Joseph Parish

Saturday, August 26 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

† Rose Rivard by Wilkens & Griffiths Families

Sunday, August 27

8:30 a.m. † Cliff & Lucille DeMarah (Wedding Anniversary) by Connie Messier 11:00 a.m. † Dan Mazzuchi (Birthday Memorial) by Mom & Family

PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

When I was a child, my mother bought a book called "The Prayers God Will Always Answer." I remember my anticipation as I opened it for the first time. I had been spending a lot of time asking God for some specific things that were not materializing. To the great disappointment of my pre-teen heart, the book was not a directory of magical phrases that would compel God to obey. It was a list that included things like "Forgive me" and "Help me." I marvel at the wisdom and the confidence of the Canaanite woman who persists in begging Jesus to heal her daughter. She is ignored, and still not deterred. The disciples try to dismiss her, but she presses on. Christ himself challenges her, and her faith

she would have still dropped to her knees and worshiped him, because she knew what I did not: God is not a vending machine, and he's not the genie from "Aladdin." Prayer is not a negotiation, but a relationship. The story of the Canaanite woman is not about how to get God to give you what you want. It is a story about the prayers God always answers.-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

makes her ready with a reply. I am sure that even if Christ

had said, "No, it cannot be done for you as you wish,"

Offerings for the weekend of August 12/13, 2023 \$7,271.22

> 4:00 pm: \$3,164.02 8:30 am: \$2,655.00 11:00 am: \$1,302.20

Offerings Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$150.00

Food Donations: 55 Pounds

Readings for the Week of August 20, 2023

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

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 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!

THANK YOU

To our Visiting Priests. & To our Deacons

We just wanted to drop a small note to
Fr. Sebastian, Fr. Tony and Fr. Wheeler to thank you
for leading services here at St. Joseph Parish while
Fr. Marcin was away. We want you to know how
much we as a faith community valued you traveling
to our church and taking the time to worship with
us. We are truly grateful. To our Deacons, please
know of our gratitude as well for the many ways
you went above and beyond to assist our visiting
priests and to make sure daily services were
offered at our church. Again, as a parish we thank
all of these very generous clergymen. May the Lord
continue to reward your efforts and ministry.



The Knights of Columbus will be selling raffle tickets after all the weekend Masses during the rest of August and throughout September. These \$10 tickets are for their upcoming Fall Raffle. A winning number will be drawn every day in October! Please get tickets at church or at the parish office. Proceeds help these Catholic gentlemen do some great things throughout the year at St. Joseph's and beyond. Thanks for your ongoing support of the Knights!

Thanks for your support!



Thank you so much to our Mobile Food Pantry Team of volunteers and coordinators! We certainly also appreciate all those who offer monetary donations each month to cover the costs.

The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish

Sat, August 19 Mass 8:30 a.m. Church Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. Church **CCW Selling** Mums & **Knights Selling** Raffle Tickets after Mass Church **CSI Youth** Ministry Event 6:00-8:00 p.m. Ministry Center Sun, August 20 Mass 8:30 a.m. CCW Selling Mums & Knights Selling Raffle **Tickets** after Mass Mass 11:00 a.m. **CCW Selling** Mums & Knights Selling Raffle **Tickets** after Mass Parish Baptisms 12:15 p.m.

Monday, August 21 Communion Service 7:00 a.m. Church Tuesday, August 22 Mass 7:00 a.m. **Nursing Home** 10:00 a.m. Adoration 1:00-6:00 p.m. Rosary 6:30 p.m. Weds, August 23 Mass 7:00 a.m.

Thurs, August 24 Mass 7:00 a.m. Men's AA Group 7:00-9:00 p.m. Ministry Center **Baptism Class** 7:00 p.m. Meeting Room Friday, August 25 Mass 8:30 a.m. **NFP Class** 5:30 p.m. Ministry Center Couples must register to attend

Saturday, August 26 Mass 8:30 a.m. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. **Knights Selling Raffle Tickets** after Mass **CSI Youth Ministry** Meeting 5:30-6:30 p.m. Sunday, August 27 Masses 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. **Knights Selling Raffle Tickets** after Masses

See page 1 for Reconciliation times. Appointments can also be made by calling the parish office.

LITURGICAL ROLES	August 26 4:00 PM Mass	August 27 8:30 AM Mass	August 27 11:00 AM Mass	Interested in any of these ministries? Contact the parish office for training. Ministers can go online	
Hospitality Ministers	Diane Gonczy Janet Gregoire Becky & Jim Graf	Bruce Adams Mary Adams Dick Jenkins	Sherry Johnson Kathy Storer Michael Storer		
Lectors	Gisel Waide (both readings)	Ryan Adams (1) Mary Kay Blankestyn (2)	Lisa Robbins (1) Tom LaRocque (2)		
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike & Diane Ely Volunteer Needed	Wayne Delabre Lindsay Adams	Paul Storer Lupita Sorich	to see when they are scheduled, request subs and input when not	
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Harrison Adams Hudson Adams	Emily Rose Storer Jane Quigley		
Deacons		Deacon Leon Fritz	Deacon Greg Clodi	to be scheduled.	
Presiders	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak		

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ST. JOE'S PARISH PICNIC PROJECT

PRAYERS ON PINWHEELS

Let's join together in prayer, gratitude & celebratian!

COLLECTING PRAYERS Until Sept. 3rd

The annual parish picnic is a time to come together and celebrate our parish! It is also a great time to reflect on the past year, express our gratitude, and pray for our parish. St. Joe's invites all parishioners to join their prayers and share their appreciation by writing a prayer intention or a message of gratitude that will be used to make a pinwheel display at the picnic! Look for the display at the main church entrance and pick up a colored sheet at the back of church this weekend!



The Parish Picnic is coming together, but we have some tasks. Volunteers for the event are needed. We have a board at the main church entrance or sign-up at the parish website. Also, we are asking for donations of gift cards for Bingo prizes. Clearly mark an envelope and put cards in the collection or bring them to the parish office. And, don't forget about our Prayers on Pinwheels Project. Thanks so much for your participation. It's going to be such a great celebration of Our Parish, Our Family!

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

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SEPT. 2023

Entertainment!

"A Taste of the Silhouettes" Jerry Downs

Rood: Nad Tatrami Polish Cousine & Brother George's BBQ

+ Concessions, hotdogs, desserts, popcorn

Schedule

3:00 PM Outside

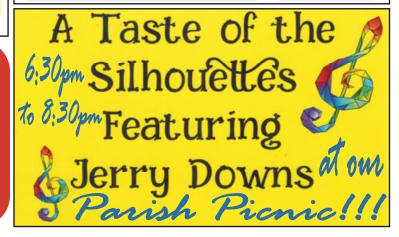
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BINGO 4:30 - 6:30

MUSIC 6:30 - 8:30pm





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Families Growing in Faith and Passing It On!



Dear Parish Families, We just want to wish everyone a smooth start to what we pray will be an amazing school year! And so, we offer this simple back-to-school prayer for everyone: Heavenly Father, As summer break comes to an end and we all head back to school, we thank you for all of the blessings you give us each day, especially the gift of your constant Presence and Guidance. Throughout this year, help us to remember you are always with us, wanting to strengthen us in our challenges and celebrate with us in our successes. We know you only want the best for us, so we ask the Holy Spirit to help us keep our minds and hearts open to following your will each day. We look forward to this new year and the opportunity to grow, bloom and become our best selves so that we can bless those around us, making the world a better place. We ask all of this through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

God's peace, Anita Lovell & Sandra Jefferson, RE Coordinators

St. Joseph Parish is hosting 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. St. Joseph Parish hosts NFP classes on the last Friday of the month. Registration is required by contacting Lupita Sorich at SorichLifeCoach@gmail.com.

Forty Hours Devotion: St. Joseph Church in Manteno will host this prayer opportunity with the Eucharist exposed on the altar for adoration for 40 consecutive hours. This will begin following an 8:15pm Mass on Thursday, Sept. 7. Adoration will continue until 12:45 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 9, when the devotion concludes with benediction. (However, the adoration period will be paused for the 7 a.m. Daily Mass on Friday, Sept. 8). We encourage as many people as possible to attend throughout the Forty Hours Devotion. Individuals and families can commit to being present for an hour by calling St. Joseph Parish in Manteno at 815-468-3403.

Adult Protective Services: Catholic Charities is sponsoring programs for you to learn to protect yourself and others. The first training will be from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Sept. 13 for APS clients (18-59 persons with disabilities/60-plus residents) to recognize abuse, neglect, exploitation and self-neglect. The second training will be from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sept. 14 for professionals in the community to recognize when abuse, neglect, and exploitation are occurring and how to make a report. Both sessions will be held at KCC and lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by August 30 by calling 815-933-7791 ext. 9947 or by emailing APS@cc-doj.org.

Fall Festival: Good Shepherd Manor in Momence is having this annual event on Saturday, Sept. 16. Gates open at 10 am; food begins to be served and games start at 11am; bingo starts at 12pm; High Anxiety classic rock performance starts at 12:30pm; raffle drawing at 3:45pm and festival ends at 4pm. For more details, call 815-472-3090 or email info@goodshepherdmanor.org.

Diocese Careers: The Diocese of Joliet has career opportunities in its offices and at many parishes throughout the seven-county region, including associate director of music and liturgy at St. Thomas the Apostle in Naperville, communications, bulletin and special projects manager at SS. Peter and Paul in Naperville, accounting clerk at Immaculate Conception in Elmhurst, office assistant at Sacred Heart in Lombard and wellbeing and ministry coordinator at St. Thomas the Apostle in Naperville. Find out complete details about these positions and all the jobs available and begin the application process at: www.diojoliet.org/offices/careers.

Holy Mary, assumed into heaven, pray for us!



Thanks so much to Ellen and Kent Taylor and the rest of St. Joseph's Rosary Group for organizing and leading the Outdoor Rosary Gathering prior to the evening Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15. What a beautiful display of devotion to our Blessed Mother and a powerful demonstration of the faith!

*Don't forget that St. Joseph's Rosary Group meets on Tuesdays at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome to join them to pray in the tranquil setting of our church. With the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the monstrance, the Lord Jesus is truly present as well. All are invited!









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