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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

#### Rosarv

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.

# St. Joseph Church

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# 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Mt 21:31)

### Pastoral Staff

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#### Deacon

Leon Fritz

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# **Blood Drive This Sunday at St. Joseph's**

We are so grateful to those who have signed up to participate at our Blood Drive happening from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. this Sunday, Oct. 1. With the emergency shortage of blood, your gift is even more appreciated! Meanwhile, we still have openings.

Giving is easy. Stop by the North Lot and see what's available. Thanks again!

# Denut Sunday Is Back this Weekend! After 11am Mass October 1 in the Parish Hall

\*Please do not enter through the school building. Use the parish hall entrance on Center Avenue or the back doors of the hall from the alley.

# Blessing of the Pets at St. Joseph Parish



We are concluding this year's celebration of St. Francis of Assisi with one final outdoor Pet Blessing Service this Sunday, Oct. 1, at 2:30 pm. Please bring your pet and join us for this very fun and really special tradition at St. Joseph Parish.

# Holy Hour is Next Friday



We offer this beautiful opportunity on the First Friday of the month for reflection in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament with optional Reconciliation. You can pray the rosary or other prayers or read Scripture or other texts. What you do is not important. Being with Jesus in this very personal way is what really matters. You are cordially invited after the 8:30am Mass next Friday, Oct. 6.



| SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS   |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| Monday October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels 7 a.m. Communion Service  | Tuesday October 3 Season of Ordinary Time Weekday 7 a.m. Mass † Frank & Maria Lesnicki by Anna Kobylarczyk | Wednesday October 4 St. Francis of Assisi 7 a.m. Mass † Myrtle Saffer by Verna Tompkins 9 a.m. BMCS Mass | Thursday October 5 St. Faustina Kowalska & Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos 7 a.m. Mass † Joan Pierce by Stacy Reiss Family  | Friday October 6 St. Bruno & Bl. Marie Rose Durocher 8:30 a.m. Mass † Joe Frankowski by Friends | Saturday October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary 8:30 a.m. Mass *In thanksgiving and prayers for Alex & Anna Kobylarczyk by Family |  |  |  |
| Saturday, October 7 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass † Joseph R. Coy (Anniversary Memorial) by Mom, Louie & Mike † Paul Raymore (Birthday Memorial) by Norma Lovell |  |  | Sunday, October 8 8:30 a.m. † Marie Ellison (Wedding Anniversary) by Williams Family † Bill Magruder by Cavender Nieces & Nephews 11:00 a.m. † Janice Mae Sims (Anniversary Memorial) by Ralph, Husband |   |   |  |  |  |

#### PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

It doesn't matter if we intend to work in the vineyard. It doesn't matter if we promise to, if we think about it a lot, or if we make grand plans for what we will accomplish there. None of that matters if we don't show up. Before we show up, we have to find the way. Our baptismal call is to the vineyard. Where is our vineyard? How do we show up? We are ready, Lord, we say. We intend to work. But where do we go? My vineyard is not your vineyard, and so it's not my place to tell you how to get there. I am glad you want to go, but you'll have to find your own way, just like I will. But I can tell you this: only one voice will lead you there. If you listen to it, you will find your vineyard.-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Offerings for the weekend of September 23/24, 2023 \$5,953.67

4:00 pm: \$2,690.00 8:30 am: \$1,614.67 11:00 am: \$1,264.00

Offerings Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: 385.00

**Food Donations: 45 Pounds** 

Debt Reduction for September 2023: \$552.00 PayPal Offerings for September 2023: \$620.00 Auto-Deduct Giving for September 2023: \$8,081.34 Mobile Pantry Giving for September 2023: \$979.00 Readings for the Week of October 1, 2023

**Sunday:** Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, (6a)/Phil 2:1 -11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

**Monday:** Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Tuesday:** Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56 **Wednesday:** Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday:** Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Lk 10:1-12

**Friday:** Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16 **Saturday:** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-

20 (Isaiah 5:7a)/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43 **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 offerings. You can make automated <u>ACH Offerings</u> from your savings or checking accounts. Clip the authorization form on Page 7 or download one at the parish website, complete and put it in collection basket or mail it to the parish. Or stop by the parish office to sign-up for Auto Deduct. Or look for the <u>PayPal</u> option at our website to set-up online contributions. Thanks for your ongoing support!

## **Mobile Food Pantry**



Thanks so much to the 39 volunteers who conducted such an awesome outreach effort when the Mobile Food Pantry returned to St. Joseph Parish on Sept. 22. 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! Thanks again!!









### VETERANS EXITING HOMELESSNESS PROGRAM

Members of the Knights of Columbus are collecting
Move-In-Essentials for veterans transitioning to
permanent housing. Please donate some new
household items at the back of church. Personal
hygiene items are requested, such as bath soap,
shampoo, razors, shaving cream, combs, nail clipper,
toothpaste and mouthwash. Bathroom items are
requested, such as shower curtain, toilet paper, bath
towels and washcloths, hamper, and bathroom
cleaning supplies. Miscellaneous items are
requested as well, such as smoke detector, garbage
bags, light bulbs, aluminum foil and storage bags.
Donations will be accepted at the back of our church
through Sunday, Oct. 29. Other details and more
example items are available at the parish website.

### THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!





### **October Vocation Prayer Calendar**

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

### The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish

Sat, Sept. 30 Mass 8:30 a.m. **Pet Blessing** 2:30-3:00 p.m. **Outside Church** Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. Church Sunday, Oct. 1 **Blood Drive** 8:00 a.m.-1 p.m. North Parking Lot Mass 8:30 a.m. (Knights Corporate Communion) Mass 11:00 a.m. (Youth & Family

Mass)

Sunday, Oct. 1 (continued) **Donut Sunday** 12:00 p.m. **Parish Baptisms** 12:15 p.m. **Pet Blessing** 2:30-3:00 p.m. **Outside Church** Monday, Oct. 2 Communion Service 7:00 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3 Mass 7:00 a.m. **Nursina Home** 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 3 (continued) Adoration 1:00-6:00 p.m. Rosarv 6:30 p.m. Parish Council Meetina 7:00 p.m. Ministry Center Weds, Oct. 4 Mass 7:00 a.m. **BMCS Mass** 9:00 a.m. **Choir Practice** 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Thurs, Oct. 5 Mass 7:00 a.m. Church Men's AA Group 7:00-9:00 p.m. Ministry Center Friday, Oct. 6 Mass 8:30 a.m. Church First Friday Holy Hour after 8:30 a.m. Mass (Adoration & optional Reconciliation)

Sat, Oct. 7 Mass 8:30 a.m. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. Church (Knights' Veterans Collection) Sunday, Oct. 8 Mass 8:30 a.m. **Holy Name** Meetina 9:30 a.m. Ministry Center Mass 11:00 a.m. (Knights' **Veterans** Collection)

See page 1 for the Weekly Schedule for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Appointments for Confession can also be made by calling the parish office at 815-939-3573.

Church

| LITURGICAL<br>ROLES      | October 7<br>4:00 PM<br>Mass   | October 8<br>8:30 AM<br>Mass   | October 8<br>11:00 AM<br>Mass                               | Interested<br>in any of<br>these<br>ministries? |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| Hospitality<br>Ministers | Marian Worby<br>Jay Karr<br>Donna Karr   | Aliess Bedford<br>Danielle Shervino<br>Nick Shervino                                 | Candi & Greg Brenneisen<br>Sandra Jefferson<br>Kent Taylor  | Contact the parish office for training.         |  |
| Lectors                  | Gisel Waide<br>(both readings)   | Ryan Adams (1)<br>M. K. Blankestyn (2)   | Tom LaRocque (1)<br>Greg Brenneisen (2)                     | Ministers<br>can go                             |  |
| Eucharistic<br>Ministers | Pat Yurkowski<br>Michael Yurkowski<br>Marian Worby<br>Michael Ely<br>Diane Ely | Annie Kidd<br>Mary Kay Pittman<br>Daniel Trivino<br>Jonathon Storer<br>Nick Shervino | Jim Graf<br>Becky Graf<br>Jenna Jamros<br>Stephanie Quigley | online to see when they are scheduled, request  |  |
| Altar Servers            | Vicki Burgener   | Adelaide Bedford   | Ryane Jefferson<br>Aiden & Eleanor Jamros                   | subs and input when                             |  |
| Deacons                  | Deacon Greg Clodi  |  | Deacon Greg Clodi   | not<br>to be                                    |  |
| Presiders                | Fr. Charles Wheeler  | Fr. Marcin Michalak  | Fr. Marcin Michalak   | scheduled.                                      |  |

# Beginning sacramental formation for Confirmation







Our confirmation candidates came together for their first session last

Sunday, Sept. 24. To launch the formal formation process, the young people received a special blessing from Fr. Marcin during Sunday Mass. Later, in the parish hall, the candidates and parents were introduced to the sacrament itself, played a game, decorated their folders and received an overview of the preparation program. We ask Our Parish, Our Family to hold

our candidates and families in your daily prayers as they begin this sacramental journey. May God bless and guide them as they learn about Confirmation and prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

# New 'Word Among Us' booklets at the entrances of the church



Make sure to grab an issue of the *Word Among Us* from one of the baskets at the church doors. All Scripture readings for October are included and this month's reflections focus on three different encounters Christ had during his ministry and how he welcomed each person according to who they were in life. May this issue help you to hear the voice of Jesus calling your name.

# Holy Name men's group has a meeting next Sunday



The Holy Name has a meeting coming up next Sunday, Oct. 8, after 8:30am Mass (about 9:30am) in the Ministry Center. Please join these men of the parish as they discuss and seek help for upcoming projects and make your own suggestions for future efforts. The goal of this parish men's group has always been to help others.

Right now, the Holy Name is working to improve access to the church for people with walkers and wheelchairs. While the south west doors are working well, the other entrances need attention. The Holy Name raises funds for their projects with efforts, including Drive-Thru lunches. Be a part of this group and you might just learn the secret for making those sandwiches so delicious! We can certainly use fresh ideas! See you soon.



St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus have created a Book Sharing Library. Look for it in one of the former confessionals at the back of church. Please feel free to borrow, share and contribute Catholic themed books to this growing library. Thanks so much to Dr. Robert Koziol and the other Knights for this opportunity to share with others and learn more about our faith.

**Diocesan Celebration:** Families and individuals are invited to join Bishop Hicks for the annual Persons with Disabilities Mass at 2pm on Sunday, Oct. 15, at St. Mary Immaculate in Plainfield. For details or to register, call Renata at 815-474-2782.

Annual Fundraiser: The Black Cat Bash is scheduled for Saturday, Oct 15, at Quality Inn in Bradley starting at 6pm benefitting New Beginnings, a non-profit cat shelter, and including cocktails, dinner and auction. The cost is \$55. A raffle for a beef package will be held at the event. (Winner need not be present). The meat, which will be supplied by Southside Meats in Momence, is valued at nearly \$300. Raffle tickets are \$10. For complete details, follow this event on Facebook or call or text 815-474-2782.

**Online Program:** Catholic Charities is sponsoring four virtual sessions of "Breaking Barriers: Men's Guide to Mental Wellness" starting on Oct. 16. Sessions are on Mondays at 4:30pm. Registration is open at https://form.jotform.com/232625602509150.

**Teen Health Sessions:** Catholic Charities is sponsoring four virtual sessions of "Teen Talk: A Teen's Guide to Mental Wellness" for ages 13-17 starting on Oct. 18. Sessions are on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30pm. New topics will be discussed each week. Please talk to your teen and tell him or her about this program. Registration is open at https://form.jotform.com/232615112487049.

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