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OUR PARISH



OUR FAMILY

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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Rev. Marcin Michalak

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Parish Office

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Friday 9am-1 pm
Phone: (815) 939-3573

Parish Website

www.stjosephbradley.org

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Parish Nurse-Call the Parish
Office; enter #307 and leave
your message for the parish
nurse.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants." (Mt 21:41)

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VETERANS EXITING HOMELESSNESS PROGRAM

Members of the Knights of Columbus are collecting Move-In-Essentials for veterans transitioning to permanent housing. Please donate 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.



BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

*Presentation at October
CCW Meeting*


All of the women of the parish are invited to the CCW meeting this coming Tuesday, Oct 10, at 7pm in the Parish Hall. We will have a presentation on Breast Cancer Prevention by medical professionals.



Game Night Too!!

Following the presentation, we will have Game Night. Bring your favorite game! See you this Tuesday for a fun time!

ATTENTION



**FAMILIES OF
FIRST SACRAMENTS
(RECONCILIATION
AND COMMUNION)**

PARENT-STUDENT SESSION

Please save the date for Wednesday, Oct. 25, at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Come and learn a little more about sacraments and what to expect during this special year of preparing for and receiving Reconciliation and Communion for the first time! For info, contact Anita Lovell in the RE Office at 815-937-9340 or alovell@stjosephbradley.org.

Arriving for the Pet Blessing...



See page 5 for pictures of the Pet Blessing Services held last weekend. What a nice way to thank God for our pets and the love shared with and by them.



Parish Office Closed for Columbus Day

The Parish Office will be closed this Monday, Oct. 9, in observance of the Columbus Day holiday.

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday October 9 <i>St. Denis & Companions</i> <i>&</i> <i>St. John Leonardi,</i> <i>Priest</i> 7 a.m. Communion Service	Tuesday October 10 <i>Ordinary Time Weekday</i> 7 a.m. Mass † Walter & Anna Kobylarczyk & Ludwika & John Mrowca by Anna Kobylarczyk	Wednesday October 11 <i>St. John XXIII, Pope</i> 7 a.m. Mass † Daniel Babinski by Damian & Mary Denault 9 a.m. BMCS Mass	Thursday October 12 <i>Ordinary Time Weekday</i> 7 a.m. Mass † Leonard Randall Lambert by Family & Friends	Friday October 13 <i>Ordinary Time Weekday</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † George Langevin (Birthday Memorial) by Tricia & Gary Langevin	Saturday October 14 <i>St. Callistus, Pope & Martyr</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Joseph & Helena Las by Anna Kobylarczyk
Saturday, October 14 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass † William Chinski by Adeline Chinski † Tom Mitchell (Birthday Memorial) by Alice			Sunday, October 15 8:30 a.m. Mass † Deceased Members of the Brosseau Family † Bob LaFontaine (Birthday Memorial) by Regina & Family 11:00 a.m. Mass † Rosella Knittel by Al & Pat Knittel		

PRACTICING STEWARDSHIP

My spouse and children are the jewels in the crown of my life. But the kids need constant care. And my husband—a flesh-and-blood creation of God, entrusted to me by God, to help me be holy and relying on me for holiness in turn—well, that relationship is a lot of work! I have a “full life.” But, I admit that sometimes I yearn for a life that is little less full. A full life can leave you pretty tired at the end of the day. I would imagine it’s the same for everyone, no matter circumstances or vocation. Your greatest blessings are also those things that require much of you. The biggest jewels make the crown heavy. In this same way, the work of the vineyard is opened to us through baptism; we are given the chance to produce fruit for the kingdom. It’s a chance we never dared to dream would be given to us. It’s a gift. But just like with any gift worth having, it requires effort. Upkeep. Work. It requires that we give in return. And it’s the giving that somehow, mystically, transforms us. It’s the giving that turns into the gift itself.—Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Offerings for weekend of September 30/October 1, 2023
\$8,367.00

4:00 pm: \$3,089.00

8:30 am: \$2,574.00

11:00 am: \$1,652.00

Offerings Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$1,052.00

Food Donations: 73 Pounds

Readings for the Week of October 8, 2023

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

Monday: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/ Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (6cd)/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

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 ACH Offerings from your savings or checking accounts. Download the authorization form 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 PayPal option at our website to set-up online contributions with your credit card. Thanks for your ongoing support!

Thanks to all of our Blood Donors!



Please accept our heartfelt thanks as we truly could not have this life-saving ministry at St. Joseph's without parishioners and friends who participate in this special way. We are so grateful that you gave a little time last Sunday for this very important effort.

Thank you for being a Beacon of Hope and donating lifesaving blood at our Blood Drive last Sunday! Your contribution is so important to hospital patients and families! Although we did not meet our goal this time, we collected 18 units, which has the potential to impact 54 lives!

Join us!



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 Parish in Plainfield. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the liturgy. Please register by Oct. 10 at St. Joseph's website.

The Week at a glance at St. Joseph Parish

<p>Saturday, Oct. 7 Mass 8:30 a.m. Church Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. Church <i>(Knights' Veterans Collection)</i> Sunday, Oct. 8 Mass 8:30 a.m. Church Holy Name Meeting 9:30 a.m. Ministry Center Mass 11:00 a.m. Church <i>(Knights' Veterans Collection)</i></p>	<p>Monday, Oct. 9 Communion Service 7:00 a.m. Church Parish Office Closed Columbus Day Tuesday, Oct. 10 Mass 7:00 a.m. Nursing Home Adoration 10:00 a.m. 1:00-6:00 p.m. Rosary 6:30 p.m. Church CCW Meeting 7:00 p.m. Parish Hall</p>	<p>Weds, Oct. 11 Mass 7:00 a.m. BMCS Mass 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice 5:30-7:00 p.m. Church Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00 p.m. Ministry Center Thurs, Oct. 12 Mass 7:00 a.m. Men's AA Group 7:00-9:00 p.m. Ministry Center Friday, Oct. 13 Mass 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Saturday, Oct. 14 Mass 8:30 a.m. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. Church <i>(Knights' Veterans Collection)</i> Sunday, Oct. 15 Mass 8:30 a.m. Church Mass 11:00 a.m. <i>(Knights' Veterans Collection)</i> Parish Baptisms 12:15 p.m. Church</p>	<p><i>See page 1 of the Bulletin for the weekly Reconciliation Schedule. Appointments for Confession can also be made by calling the St. Joseph Parish Office at 815-939-3573.</i></p>
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LITURGICAL ROLES	October 14 4:00 PM Mass	October 15 8:30 AM Mass	October 15 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	Jim Lustig Mike Worby Janet Gregoire Volunteer NEEDED	Bruce Adams Mary Adams Barb Fortin Jasmine Elumbaugh	Sorich Family	
Lectors	Beth Bisailon (both readings)	Gary Gross (both readings)	Lisa Robbins (1) Jan St. John (2)	
Eucharistic Ministers	Patricia Burr Patricia Croix Vicki Burgener Kathy Storer Michael Storer	Sharyn Gross Nick Shervino Jasmine Elumbaugh Teresa Fritz	Julie Gindy Mollie Grizzle Pat Knittel Alan Knittel Jason Grizzle	
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Harrison Adams Hudson Adams	Mia Burns Lucy & Allie Quigley	
Deacons		Deacon Leon Fritz	Deacon Greg Clodi	
Presiders	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Charles Wheeler	

Parish Blessing of the Pets in honor of St. Francis



We had a lot of smiling, laughing and maybe a little bit of barking last weekend at the Pet Blessing Services held at St. Joseph's!

Thanks so much to Fr. Marcin for offering such a fun tradition and all the people who attended this very happy time for Our Parish, Our Family.



From the RE Office:



Wednesday, October 18, 2023

RE Session for K-8 @4:30-5:45 pm

in teh Parish Hall/Gym



Saturday, October 21, 2023

Faith Buddies:

Religious Education

for those with Special Needs

@9:30-11:00 am

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Sunday, October 22, 2023

"Saints & S'Mores"

Confirmation/Pre-Confirmation Session
and Youth Ministry (Grades 7 and up)

@3:30 Parish Hall/Gym

Contact Anita Lovell or Sandra Jefferson
in the RE Office 815-937-9340



Virtual Sessions: Breaking Barriers: Men's Guide to Mental Wellness is a series of four online group programs starting on Monday, Oct. 16. Sessions will be held on Mondays at 4:30pm. New topics are planned to be discussed each week. Please register online at <https://form.jotform.com/232625602509150>.

Caregiver Wellness Series: This program will present various topics and will be held at the Bradley Public Library. "Balancing Act: Nurturing Yourself While Caring for a Loved One's Mental Health" is on Monday, Oct. 16, "Counseling Caregivers: Unveiling the Healing Power Within" is on Thursday, Nov. 16, "Strength in Seekers: Empowering Caregivers to Ask for Support" is on Friday, Dec. 15. Each program is scheduled from 11am-12pm. Please register at 815-523-9919 or afoltz@cc-doj.org.

Sessions for Young People: Teen Talk: A Teen's Guide to Mental Wellness: Four virtual sessions have been scheduled for young people ages 13-17 starting on Oct. 18. Sessions are on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30pm. New topics are planned to be discussed each week. Please register online for this innovative program at <https://form.jotform.com/232615112487049>.

Senior Companion Program: People 55 years and older are invited to volunteer to visit with a homebound senior living in Kankakee or Iroquois County. This is strictly a friendly visit; no homecare duties are involved. Those meeting income guidelines will get a tax-free stipend and mileage reimbursement. For more information, 815-933-7791 or americorpsseniors@cc-doj.org.

Money Management Program: Volunteers are available to meet with low-income seniors ages 60-plus to help with basic money management tasks. Volunteers will assist with household budgeting, paying bills, balancing the checkbook, making major purchases, keeping track of financial matters and intervening with creditors. To register, 815-523-9921 or sfunk@cc-doj.org.

For more information about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org or call 815-933-7791.



The Diocese of Joliet has many career opportunities in its offices, such as Multimedia Coordinator. This employee would be responsible for producing and coordinating content for diocesan communication platforms. Several job opportunities are also available at parishes, including director of Elementary Religious Education and coordinator of Middle School Faith Formation at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Naperville, campus manager at St. Pius X Parish in Lombard, finance manager at Visitation Parish in Elmhurst, coordinator of Christian service at St. Petronille Parish in Glen Ellyn, and business manager at St. Jude Parish in New Lenox. An administrative support employee at Assumption Catholic Cemetery in Wheaton and an administrative support employee at Resurrection Cemetery in Romeoville are also needed. You can find out details about each of these listed positions and all the other jobs available and begin the application process at: www.diojoliet.org/offices/careers.

Welcome Back, Donut Sunday!!!



Thanks to everyone who took a little time to stop by for some donuts and fellowship in the Parish Hall.

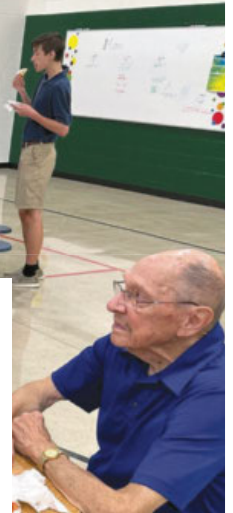
Great time and turnout last weekend for Donut Sunday!



We are so grateful to the volunteers who hosted last weekend.



An online sign-up is being prepared for future hosting teams. Meanwhile, call the parish office if you're interested.



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