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5th Sunday of Lent



"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." (Jn 8:7)

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

Holy Days

7pm Vigil; 7am, 8:30am & 7pm

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 on Saturday & 3 p.m. on Saturday; from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays during adoration; First Friday Holy Hour or by appointment.

Baptism

The first and third Sundays of the month at 12:30 pm or during the Liturgy. Parents are required to reserve and attend a baptism class. Please consult the parish office for guidelines.

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Do not reserve a hall before confirming date. At least one of the engaged (or their parents) must be a registered parishioner. Weddings not scheduled on Saturday evenings or Sundays.

Communion to Homebound

Call Deacon Leon Fritz 815-932-6909.

Registration

New parishioners are most welcome to register at the parish website or stop by or call the parish office.

Pastoral Staff

Pastor

Rev. Marcin Michalak

Deacon

Leon Fritz

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Brad Benoit

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& Weds 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

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April 3, 2022

First Shipment has arrived in Ukraine!



The first shipment of boxes has reached St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Ukraine! The clergy, religious and all the people so appreciate the efforts of their friends from Illinois. We have two more shipments in transit. We will keep you informed as we move forward.

Thanks again for the ongoing support! This effort continues to amaze all of us!!

**Drive-Thru
Church
Parking
This
Sunday!**

It's grill time! The Holy Name is having a Drive-Thru fundraiser, cooking and selling their now famous Pork Chop Sandwiches!

Stop by from 10:00 a.m.-1 p.m. this Sunday, April 3. Sandwich, chips and applesauce for \$8. (Add water or soda for \$1). Proceeds will help purchase additional closers for the other doors in our church for easier access. **Drive-Thru for some speedy service and tasty sandwiches!**

**This
Wednesday
April 6th
6:00 p.m.**

**Lenten
PENANCE
SERVICE**

Seeking the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lent?

We have a Parish Penance Service at 6 p.m. this coming Wednesday, April 6. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity for forgiveness and healing.

Something to consider on Palm Sunday



Next weekend, on Palm Sunday, we will hear how Jesus offered so much for us! We will recount His crucifixion and recall what he faced. *We have a Blood Drive scheduled next weekend too (Sunday, April 10).* Maybe one way we can be with Christ in His painful last moments is by donating blood. Cancer patients often need transfusions to help restore their strength; people facing surgeries and victims of accidents need blood too and the list goes on and on. Perhaps the start of Holy Week is a good time to participate in this virtually painless sacrifice. *You can make your appointment at the parish website or by calling the parish office.*

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday April 4 <i>St. Isidore,</i> <i>Bishop &</i> <i>Doctor of</i> <i>the Church</i> 7:00 a.m. Communion Service	Tuesday April 5 <i>St. Vincent</i> <i>Ferrer, Priest</i> 7:00 a.m. Mass † Rose Mary LaMore (Birthday Memorial) by Family & Friends	Wednesday April 6 <i>Season of</i> <i>Lent</i> <i>Weekday</i> 7 a.m. Mass † Elmer Fries by Family & Friends	Thursday April 7 <i>Lenten</i> <i>Weekday</i> 7:00 a.m. Mass † Dick Paraday by Ben & Itsy	Friday April 8 <i>Lenten</i> <i>Weekday</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Kathy Lehman by Al & Pat Knittel	Saturday April 9 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Barbara Rittmanic (Anniversary Memorial) by Mark & Kerry Hoffman
Saturday April 9 4 p.m. Vigil Mass † George Ray by John & Kim Crays			Sunday April 10 8:30 a.m. Mass † Verna Ponikvar (Birthday Memorial) by Family 11 a.m. Mass † Ella Langlois (Birthday Memorial) by Daughter, Nelda		

STEWARDSHIP

We all have our comfort zones. But did you realize that you can have a spiritual comfort zone too? We all have “those songs” we feel aren’t exactly the best at Mass. We all have “those people” in our parish whose ideas we aren’t so sure about. Also, when was the last time you sat on the other side of the church? What if God had a comfort zone? What if He viewed us, in our sin, as too “far away” from Himself to reach? Thankfully, our God “opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters.” Our God does “something new.”

The call to stewardship demands that we look outside of ourselves. Our thoughts, our opinions, our preferences—these things are not important to the steward. Even if there is a vast desert of discord, or an endless wasteland of opposing views between us and our neighbor, God challenges us to “make a way” out of our comfort zone, that together we may announce His praise.—Tracy Earl Welliver

Offerings for the weekend of March 26/27, 2022

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4:00 pm: \$3,039.00

8:30 am: \$1,304.03

11:00 am: \$1,984.00

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Catholic Relief Services Offerings: \$875.00

Food Donations: 85.7 Pounds

In Loving Memory

Please remember in prayer the family of Candida Neba recently called to Eternal Life. May she enjoy forever the warm embrace of our loving God.

Readings for Week of April 3, 2022

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/
Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or
13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn
8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53,
54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-
59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn
10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/
Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-
18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—
23:56 or 23:1-49

Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org

Many thanks to all who have signed up for electronic giving. These 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. Please clip the form on page 6 or download it 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 Button** at our website to set-up contributions through this online payment method. Thanks for your support!

A Milestone of the Journey



This is a picture of our Confirmation Candidates journeying as part of an activity during their retreat in early February. A huge milestone of their faith journey happened this past Friday, April 1, as the young people received the Gifts of Holy Spirit. Confirmation is not graduation, meaning the journey never ends. Look for pictures from the parish Confirmation celebration in next weekend's bulletin.

Obligation to attend Sunday Mass returns next weekend

We have received a letter from Bishop Hicks informing us that the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass will be lifted next weekend, April 9 and 10. (Of course, if individuals are ill, Canon law allows them to decide for themselves if they should attend). The complete letter will be mailed to parishioners this week.



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Easter Triduum Schedule

(4-14) Holy Thursday Mass at 7pm

(4-15) Good Friday Service at 3pm & Stations of the Cross at 7pm

(4-16) Blessing of Easter Baskets at 12pm & Easter Vigil Mass at 7:30pm

(4-17) Easter Sunday Masses
8:30am & 11am



Pope Francis wants to hear from you

Synod
2021
2023

The Synod is a way for us to join together and voice our hopes for the future of the Catholic Church.

The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary are sponsoring listening sessions from 6:30-8:00 p.m. April 18 and April 25. Catholics of Ford, Iroquois and Kankakee counties will be able to share thoughts in a guided format so all will be heard. Register for these Zoom meetings at sscm-usa.org.

Vocation Prayer Calendar



The Diocese of Joliet Vocation Prayer Calendar lists daily the names of diocesan priests, seminarians, religious priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, and men and women in formation within the diocese.

You can access this calendar at St. Joseph's website. Names are assigned randomly to dates. Please pray for these men and women, asking that our Lord will continue to sustain them, and remember to pray that others will respond to God's call to join them.

LITURGICAL ROLES	April 9 4:00 PM	April 10 8:30 AM	April 10 11:00 AM	Are you interested in any of these ministries? Please contact the parish. Ministers can go online to see when they are scheduled, request subs and input when not to be scheduled.
Hospitality Ministers	Donna & Jay Karr Sandra Jefferson Bev Emme	Dick Jenkins Barb Fortin Jasmine Elumbaugh	Emily & Katelyn Michael & Kathy Storer	
Lectors	Sharon Monty (both readings) Chuck Carnes (Passion)	Ryan Adams (both readings) Jan St. John (Passion)	Greg Brenneisen (both readings) Candi Brenneisen (Passion)	
Eucharistic Ministers	Peggy Blanchette Lori Gadbois	Mary Kay Pittman Wayne Delabre	Margie McCalester Paul Storer	
Altar Servers	Ryane Jefferson	Harrison Adams	David, Sean & Jane Quigley	
Deacons	Deacon Greg Clodi	Deacon Leon Fritz	Deacon Greg Clodi	
Presiders	Fr. Wheeler	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak	

A special way to enhance your Easter this year

These spheres represent the different days of Holy Week. Please join us as we change the liturgical environment for each of these various days and celebrations in our church.

Help decorate on the days that work for you:

- 9:15am, Saturday, April 9, for Palm Sunday
- 1pm, Wednesday, April 13, for Holy Thursday
- 12:30pm, Friday, April 15, for Good Friday
- 9:30am, Saturday, April 16, for Easter
(This is the day we will need the most help)

Helping decorate the church always gives you a special feeling of closeness and teamwork with fellow parishioners.

Volunteer this year and notice the sense of accomplishment you will receive as Holy Week unfolds. Your time and energy will surely inspire those coming to services at St. Joseph Church. Thanks in advance!

Electronic Giving

Please realize, that although you are not here a given week, your parish still needs your support.

Below is the authorization form enabling you to have your Sunday contribution electronically provided to St. Joseph's via ACH Auto-Deduct. If you choose to sign up, you will continue to receive your Sunday/Special Collection envelopes in the mail. Your contribution envelopes have a box that can be checked stating "I give electronically". You can continue to use your offertory envelopes and simply check this box.

All that is required is to fill out the form below, attach a Voided check, and return by mailing to the parish office or putting in collection. Your banking information is kept secure and confidential.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the business office at (815)939-3573.



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Spring
Musical

Volunteers Urgently Needed



There is a critical need for volunteers at the Gift of God Street Church in Kankakee. This is somewhere that those without a place to go can come for a meal, clothes, resources and support to find stability in life. Many parishioners of St. Joseph Church are already volunteering at this shelter. For more information, call parishioner Chuck Carnes at 815-474-3590.

Forget the happy ending! There's a new witch in town and things have gone completely haywire in Oz!! Showtimes for this high school musical: 7pm on Saturday, April 2, and 2pm on Sunday, April 3, at Bishop McNamara's Kankakee Site. Tickets are \$5 apiece and children 6 and under are free.



Stations of the Cross at 4 p.m. on Friday, April 8, & at 7 p.m. on Good Friday, April 15

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