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8th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." (Lk 6:45)

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

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February 27, 2022

Ash Wednesday Schedule

This Wednesday March 2nd

Masses: 7am,
8:30am, & 5:30pm
Service: 12pm

While Ash Wednesday is not a holy day of obligation attending a Mass or a service is a very good idea because it is a concrete way of repenting as we mark the beginning of the solemn season of Lent.

Despite all of the comparisons to the desert, Lent can be very fruitful for our spiritual growth! Beginning this season with the reception of ashes is a sign of our commitment to God. (All of our Masses and our service will have distribution of ashes).

IMPORTANT Announcement

With the state of Illinois lifting the mask mandate for indoor public spaces on Monday, February 28, the Diocese of Joliet will revise its protocols and lift restrictions. The guidelines affect all church and office activities; schools and religious education will continue to follow their own requirements.

Thus, masks will no longer be required at our church, but will be recommended at services starting this Monday; holy water will be returned to each of the doors and side pews will continue to provide space for social distancing during worship.

Thank you for your vigilance and concern for others. Remember not to judge anyone who may or may not be wearing a mask or sitting on the sides. We have been and continue to be all in this together.


Diocese of Joliet
Catholic Ministries
Annual Appeal
2022




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This is Commitment Weekend for the CMAA. Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support our annual appeal and help St. Joseph Parish reach our goal of \$45,700. This year's theme, *Devoted to the Works of the Lord*, highlights the ministries serving people across the Diocese of Joliet. When all the parishes work together, we can do so much to help the poor and vulnerable, form our children in the faith, strengthen vocations, and more. Look for the Ministry Minutes videos at our Parish Website to see these programs in action. Seventy percent of the amount we raise over goal will be returned for our needs. Please make a commitment today by completing a pledge envelope available in the pews or through the mailing at home or at our parish website. St. Joseph Parish is counting on you for your support. Thank you for making the most generous pledge possible to this year's CMAA.

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday February 28 <i>Season of Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i> 7:00 a.m. Communion Service	Tuesday March 1 <i>Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i> 7:00 a.m. Mass † Rose Mary LaMore by Family & Friends	Wednesday March 2 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> 7 a.m. Mass † Jose Orozco (Birthday Memorial) & All of the Faithful Departed 8:30 a.m. Mass 12:00 p.m. Service 5:30 p.m. Mass	Thursday March 3 <i>St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin</i> 7:00 a.m. Mass † Dick Paraday by Tim & Trina Ritma	Friday March 4 <i>St. Casimir</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Elmer "Butch" Fries by Friends & Family	Saturday March 5 <i>Lenten</i> <i>Weekday</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass *The People of St. Joseph Parish
Saturday March 5 4:00 p.m. Vigil † Leona Pearman (Birthday Memorial) by Family † Rose Mary LaMore by Family & Friends			Sunday March 6 8:30 a.m. † Brosseau Family Members 11 a.m. † Sid Kane by Dennis Smith & Pauline Smith-Pelliccino 4 p.m. Family Mass		

STEWARDSHIP

Grocery apps are all the rage, and I can't deny the convenience. But there is one aspect that seems to make a lot of shoppers nervous—fruits and vegetables. A lot of us have strong opinions on our fresh produce and aren't ready to delegate this highly subjective selection process to a total stranger. If your thumb is green enough, you know that you can tell a lot about a gardener from the produce he grows. We Christians who are planted in the house of the Lord—what do we reveal about our Gardener? What do our actions show of His teachings? What do our words reflect of His voice? What does our strength reveal of the soil from which we sprang and the life-giving waters that nourished us? When we open ourselves up to those we encounter, let's make a special effort to show the care we have had—lest our peers come away from the experience thinking God doesn't know how to garden, when in reality, it's us who don't always know how to grow.—Tracy Earl Welliver

Offerings for the weekend of February 19/20, 2022

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4:00 pm: \$2,066.00

8:30 am: \$1,217.02

11:00 am: \$892.00

Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$850.00

Food Donations: 149.2 Pounds

Readings for Week of February 27, 2022

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org

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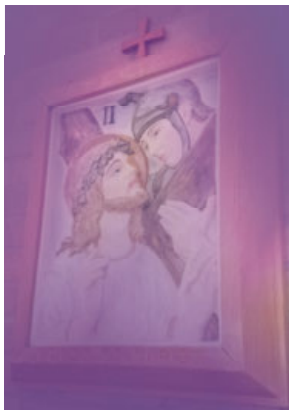
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What a wonderful group of volunteers!!



Because of the snow and icy conditions, the Mobile Food Pantry was delayed in getting here on Feb. 18. Thanks again to our volunteers for being so accommodating and getting the job done despite the wait and the cold. Once again thank you to the traffic people who come early to register and direct the traffic in a safe manner. Also, thanks to Pat Knittel for providing coffee and hot chocolate for our warming area at the main church entrance. A special thank you to Al Knittel, Bill Hingl, Dave Berg, Mike Worby, Jim Blanchette and Billy Blanchette who helped our parish maintenance with salting and snow removal at the church and our food distribution area beforehand. In the end, we served 65 families with 28 wonderful volunteers. Thank you to our excellent Team and coordinators and all of our amazing supporters for your commitment to St. Joseph's Mobile Food Pantry!

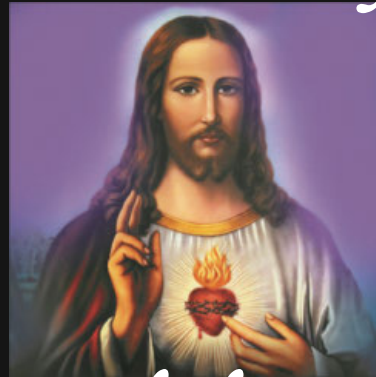
Stations of the Cross start next Friday



I'm wondering, "What can I offer Jesus this Lent?" How about giving a half hour to meditate on his love and sacrifice for me? Please join us for Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's on Fridays at 4 p.m. during Lent.

It's such a peaceful time to pray and reflect on the Gospel of our Lord's Passion.

First Friday Devotion



St. Joseph Parish offers a Holy Hour after 8:30 a.m. Mass on the First Friday of the month with an opportunity for private Reconciliation. Please join us next Friday, March 4.

An ideal way to begin Lent

Family Mass Happening Next Sunday



Please join us for our monthly Youth/Family Mass happening next Sunday, March 6, at 4 p.m. This is a great opportunity to celebrate Mass with our young people and families. It's always a lively atmosphere and great spirit at these afternoon Liturgies at St. Joseph's!

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are obliged to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Catholics ages 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent. Please remember that these disciplines are to help you mirror the self-giving love of Jesus and to honor that love through your sacrifices as well as acts of mercy.

LITURGICAL ROLES	March 5 4:00 PM	March 6 8:30 AM	March 7 11:00 AM	Are you interested in any of these liturgical ministries? Please contact the parish office for details and training. Our ministers go online to see when they are scheduled, request subs and input dates not to be scheduled.
Hospitality Ministers	Mike Worby Jim Lustig Michael Ely	Dick Jenkins Aliess Bedford Volunteer Needed	Sorich Family	
Lectors	Gisel Waide (both readings)	Mary Kay Blankestyn (both readings)	Margie McCalester (1) Emily Rose Storer (2)	
Eucharistic	Patricia Croix Patricia Burr	Annie Kidd Volunteer Needed	Justin Sommer Chuck Carnes	
Altar Servers	Marian Worby	Adelaide Bedford Isabelle Jackson	Joshua Sorich David & Sean Quigley	
Deacons	Deacon Greg	Deacon Greg	Deacon Leon	
Presiders	Fr. Wheeler	Fr. Marcin	Fr. Marcin	
The Online Sign-Up for the Cleaning Crew is available at our website. Please check your calendar and take some slots when you can stay after weekend Mass. If you have not used the Fogger, please note that the backpack weighs about 16 pounds. We have a training video that we will email you. Please sign-up and help us keep our parishioners and guests safe. Thanks for your help!				

Ash Wednesday Ministers

7:00 a.m. Mass	8:30 a.m. Mass	12:00 p.m. Service	5:30 p.m. Mass
Eucharistic Ministers Deacon Leon Fritz Fr. Marcin Michalak Altar Server Vicki Burgener Lector Gert Auberry Ash Distributors Deacon Leon Fritz Fr. Marcin Michalak	Eucharistic Ministers Jennifer Stevens Dana Berg	Stations of the Cross at 4 p.m. Fridays during Lent	Eucharistic Ministers Lindsay Adams Peggy Blanchette
Each of these Masses and Scripture Service on Ash Wednesday (March 2) will have Distribution of Ashes	Altar Servers Angel Perez Jane Quigley		Altar Servers Adelaide Bedford Ryane Jefferson
	Hospitality Ministers Mike Worby David Berg Sandra Jefferson		Hospitality Ministers Mike & Kathy Storer Barb Fortin Jasmine Elumbaugh
	Lector Teresa Fritz		Lectors Ryan Adams (1) Lupita Sorich (2)
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The Parish Party Planners!

We've had some interest. We are hoping to have a meeting soon to get together and discuss ideas and maybe schedule a couple events. The hope is to host social opportunities for individuals and families to come together at the parish for regular events, such as game and movie nights, cookouts, pizza parties, and trivia contests.

Stay tuned about the Parish Party Planners. To get your name on the committee's roster as we move forward, please call the parish office at 815-939-3573 or email us at parishadmin@stjosephbradley.org. This is such an exciting project! Please consider being part of this fun and worthwhile effort!

What a great way to instill in the children a love of the sacraments!



Dinner Auction Event in Kankakee

The Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus Assembly #202 will be hosting a Dinner Auction on Saturday, March 26, at Knights of Columbus Hall in Kankakee. Please attend for a nice meal and fun night out.

Cocktails are at 6 p.m. followed by dinner. The cost is \$23 and reservations are requested by March 18. The evening will feature silent and live auctions and a chance to win a cash prize. All proceeds will be used to help seminarians and religious in formation. For reservations or to donate auction items, contact Deacon Pat Skelly at 815-922-4228.



The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary have created many enrichment programs to help enhance your Lenten journey. Please visit www.sscm-usa.org or call 815-937-2380 for complete details about each program. **Luke in Lent-Morning of Prayer** presented via Zoom from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 3; **Pray It Forward-An Online Retreat** offered via Zoom on March 5 or 7, March 12 or 14, March 19 or 21, March 26 or 28, April 2 or 4 (Saturday Sessions: 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Monday Sessions: 6:30-8:30 p.m.); **Lent Film Series** presented via Zoom from 3:00-6:00 p.m. on Sundays March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3; **Busy Person's Retreat** offered by scheduling it individually. For details, 815-937-2380 or samann@sscm-usa.org.

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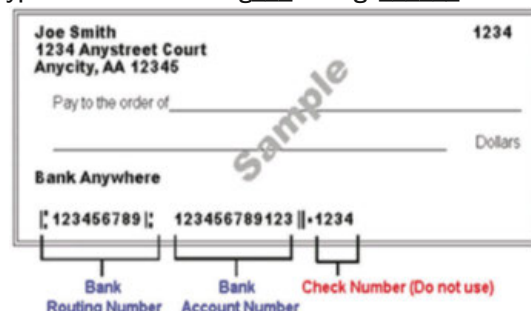
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Proceeds from their various fundraisers have enabled the Holy Name to purchase closers for both sets of church doors at the

entrance near the baptismal font.

These will allow the doors to stay open longer for anyone who needs extra time to get through. Thanks so much to the Holy Name for making this project happen at St. Joseph Parish!



And, the Holy Name is making plans for another Drive-Thru Event on April 3 to help fund a new project. Save the date.

Help Wanted

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St. Joseph Parish has an opening for a part-time Maintenance Employee.

Hours would be from 1-5 p.m.

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