

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

Rosarv

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

Music Director

Brad Benoit

Pastoral Associate

Deacon Greg Clodi

Business Manager

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Paul Storer

Religious Education

Phone: 815-937-9340 Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9:30a.m.- 3p.m & Weds 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Anita Lovell Coordinator

Youth Ministers

Ken & Michelle Barrie barrieacres@yahoo.com

Prayer Line

Gert: 815-932-8902

Parish Office

Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm Fri 9am-1 pm Phone: (815) 939-3573 Fax: (815) 939-3138

Parish Website

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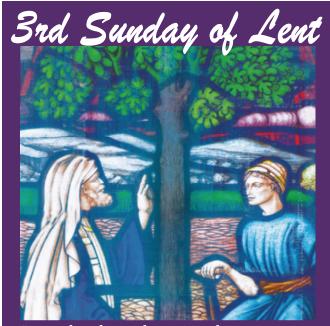
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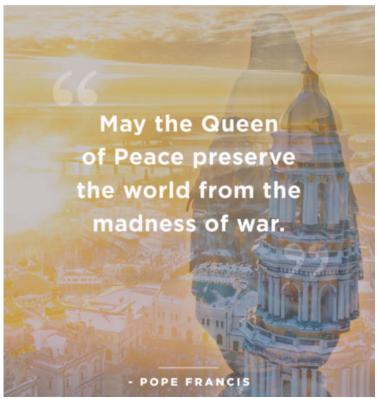


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Since we started this humanitarian project, the response has been incredible. Donations have been arriving daily. Thus far, St. Joseph Parish has collected approximately 7,000 pounds of food and other items for refugees fleeing Ukraine.

People have been tremendously generous with monetary donations as well. In fact, we were able to defray the entire cost of our portion of the first shipment with these monies.

While we plan to continue our relationship with
St. Lawrence Church in Ukraine, we are
temporarily suspending the collection of items.
Again, thank you for your support and for
spreading the word. Stay tuned for details
moving forward.

We will still accept monetary donations for future shipments and other incidental costs. Envelopes are in the pews (make checks payable to Helping Hands with Ukraine as the memo).

Thanks again for your love and care!

Get more details at the parish website and accept this invitation.

Thanks for your support!



Thanks as always to our amazing Mobile Food Pantry Team and our volunteer

coordinators and everyone who continues to be so generous with donations to help cover the costs. It is because of all of you that we are able to continue this community outreach.



Thanks to everyone who brought dishes to share after 4 p.m. Mass this Saturday and the CCW for hosting. What a wonderful way to honor our patron and celebrate Our Parish, Our Family.

Programs for many types of families

The Office of Family Ministry of the Diocese of Joliet strives to form committed Catholic families who live as missionary disciples, and to promote hope and healing among all those who are hurting and in need of God's infinite grace. This ministry has many upcoming programs designed to share this mission with the people of the diocese, including marriage enrichment, annulment and divorce support, retreats for those who have lost a spouse, and activities for children, parents and grandparents. A link for complete details about each program is at St. Joseph's website or call 815-838-5334.



Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent at 4 p.m.

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS								
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
March 21	March 22	March 23	March 24	March 25	March 26			
Weekday of	7:00 a.m.	St. Turibius of	Lenten	Solemnity of the	8:30 a.m.			
the 3rd	Mass	Mogrovejo,	Weekday	Annunciation of	Mass			
week of	*Health of	Bishop	7:00 a.m.	the Lord	† Dan			
Lent	Vincent	7 a.m. Mass	Mass	8:30 a.m. Mass	Mazzuchi			
7:00 a.m.	Crump by	† Rita Jean Hall	† Dick Paraday	† Jose Orozco &	(Anniversary			
Communion	Araminta	by Nelda	by Tim & Trina	All the Faithful	Memorial) by			
Service	Crump	Ravens, Cousin	Ritma	Departed	Mom & Family			
Saturday March 26 4 p.m. Vigil Mass † Cheryl Chinski by Adeline			Sunday March 27 8:30 a.m. Mass † William Ponikvar (Anniversary Memorial) by Family 11 a.m. Mass † Elmer Fries by					

STEWARDSHIP

Chinski

Maybe you're doing well in your Lenten resolutions but you're in danger of coasting. Or maybe, like many of us this year, you don't feel that you have even really begun your Lenten journey. Either way, chances are that the fire that was in you on Ash Wednesday is burning a bit low. All fires eventually do, once they consume whatever fuels them. So here we would do well to remember what fuels our Lenten fire. Sometimes we make resolutions that have the appearance of being spiritual, but also have an earthly motive. We give up chocolate hoping to lose weight. We stop gossiping so our friends may like us more. There is nothing wrong with these sacrifices—just with their motivations. As Moses removes his sandals to approach the bush, he sees that the fire burns brightly, strongly—but does not consume. It is propelled by something inexhaustible, something which is not of this world. Is your Lenten fire fueled by God? Are you daily surrendering yourself to the same voice that boomed from the bush in Genesis—the voice that commanded the Israelites to do what seemed like the impossible?-Tracy Earl Welliver Offerings for the weekend of March 12/13, 2022

> \$6,135.00 4:00 pm: \$3,259.00 8:30 am: \$1,261.00 11:00 am: \$1,135.00

Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$480.00 Food Donations: 178 Pounds

In Loving Memory

Memorial) by Family 11 a.m. Mass † Elmer Fries by

Family & Friends



8-9/Mt 18:21-35

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

Readings for Week of March 20, 2022 Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 **Monday:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk

4:24-30 **Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc,

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-

20/Mt 5:17-19 **Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk

11:14-23 **Friday:** Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/

Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

[9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 **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 <u>ACH Offerings</u> 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 <u>PayPal Button</u> at our website to set-up contributions through this online payment method. Thanks for your support!

Eucharist: A Very Special Meal



Springtime is a busy season in the church, not only do we celebrate some of the most holy days of the year, we also celebrate a few very holy moments in the lives of some of our parishioners. On Saturday, April 30, we will have nearly 30 children come to the table to receive Communion for the very first time!! What an exciting time for these families!

Our First Communion children and their parents recently gathered in our Parish Hall to learn more about the Mass by comparing it to sharing a meal in our homes, and how we are all supposed to use the Eucharist as our strength to go share God's love with the world.





The children were asked have you ever noticed how you feel after a good meal? Replies were, "happy," "peaceful," "filled up," and "stronger."



Pretty insightful responses, especially when you think of how we should feel after receiving Jesus in the True Presence of the Eucharist. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they continue to move forward on their faith journey!

Catholic Relief Services Collection Next Weekend

Dear Friends, Our diocese will take up the annual second collection for Catholic Relief Services on March 27, and it could not come at a more fortunate time. (An envelope is in your packet from St. Joseph Parish. Please be generous).

As the arm of the Catholic Church that helps the poor and vulnerable overseas, CRS plays a vital role during emergencies such as the war in Ukraine. When Russia launched a military invasion of Ukraine last month, Catholic Relief Services immediately contacted its partners in that country to help families fleeing to safety. The agency and its workers set up field kitchens that offered food. They established evacuation centers to provide shelter, food and counseling for displaced families. They rescued children from areas of conflict and relocated them to safe zones.

Your support of Catholic Relief Services funds organizations dedicated to aiding people affected by war and natural disasters, migrants and refugees in need of material and legal assistance, and people worldwide whose livelihoods are impacted by changing political and environmental conditions. (Put your envelope in the basket or mail to the parish).

This is life-saving work. Thank you for your support of our neighbors overseas with your donation to the humanitarian mission of Catholic Relief Services. Paz y bien, **Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks**, Bishop of Joliet

LITURGICAL ROLES	March 26 4:00 PM	March 27 8:30 AM	March 27 11:00 AM
Hospitality Ministers	David Berg Diane Gonczy Janet Gregoire	Dick Jenkins Aliess Bedford Nick Shervino	Lori Cornelius Kent Taylor Ellen Taylor
Lectors	Gisel Waide (1) Diane Hardy (2)	Mary Kay Blankestyn (both readings)	Candi Brenneisen (1) Greg Brenneisen (2)
Eucharistic Ministers	Doug Hardy Lori Gadbois	Wayne Delabre Teresa Fritz	Jason Grizzle Volunteer Needed
Altar Servers	Marian Worby		Joshua Sorich Emily Rose Storer Jane Quigley
Deacons	Deacon Leon		Deacon Greg Clodi
Presiders	Fr. Marcin	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Marcin Michalak

The Online Sign-Up for the Cleaning Crew for March is available at our website. Please check your calendar and take some slots when you can stay for just a little while after weekend Mass. If you have not used the Fogger, please note that the backpack weighs about 16 pounds. We have a training video for your to view. Sign-up at www.stjosephbradley.org and help us keep our parishioners and guests safe.

Are you interested in any of these ministries?

Please contact the parish for details and training.

Our ministers can go online to see when they are scheduled, request subs and input the dates not to be placed on the schedule.

Jeremiah Day

The Vocation Office of the Diocese of Joliet is inviting young men grades 7-10 to Jeremiah Day on Saturday, April 2, 2022, at Mundelein Seminary.





Join our seminarians for a day to grow closer to God and see where these men study and prepare to be ordained priests for our diocese. The day will include a tour of the campus, lunch, open gym, adoration and Mass. We have a link for more information and registration at: www.stjosephbradley.org

BING Octro

BINGOCIZE® is a 10-week health promotion program that combines the game of bingo with fall prevention exercise. Play bingo with us and meet new people while learning about techniques to reduce falls.

It is being offered at Kankakee Valley Park District RecCenter on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons April 19-June 23, 2022, from I:30-2:30 p.m. and Manteno Church of the Nazarene on Tuesday and Thursday mornings April 19-June 23, 2022, from I0-II a.m.

To reserve your spot for either location, please contact Kelli at 815-933-7791 ext. 9910 by April 15. This class is for individuals 60-plus who live in Kankakee County. Masks and social distancing are required.

Crafting Connections

Please join us for an afternoon of painting!

We will recreate this artwork with acrylic paints.



Participants will receive a canvas, paints and brushes. This free event will be held at the Kankakee YMCA from 2-4 p.m. April 11 (Kankakee County residents only). Masks and distancing required. To register, 815-933-7791 ext. 9910 by April 6.



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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Learning about St. Joseph



Ever wonder why St. Joseph is often depicted holding a lily? In honor of St. Joseph Day, the youngsters in our Religious Education program learned about our parish patron this past Wednesday. The lily has a couple meanings. It indicates the integrity of St. Joseph and the purity of his spouse, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Here's Matthew Findlay holding the lily he made during the recent RE session. The children traced their hand and cut and folded the paper into the shape of a flower.

Donate to Get Away Sweepstakes

Donate Blood at St. Joseph Parish on April 10th for a chance to win a \$500 Airbnb.com

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