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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

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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March 6, 2022



Please save the date as St Joseph's Council of Catholic Women will once again host the St. Joseph Table event in honor of our parish patron. This special gathering is scheduled for March 19 (the Solemnity of St. Joseph) following the 4 p.m. Saturday Mass. Join us at the Parish Hall for all the festivities and a wonderful potluck dinner!

Those with last names A-M are asked to please bring a vegetable or potato dish and those with last names N-Z please bring a salad or desert to share. (Feel free to bring your dish to the hall before Mass).

Chicken will be provided as well as coffee, lemonade and water and plates and silverware will be furnished too. There's always a lot of good fixings and delicious desserts. Mark your calendar now and come and enjoy the fun.

This is going to be an excellent celebration of Our Parish, Our Family and a chance to get reacquainted and meet some new friends!

Holy Name Meeting



This Sunday!

The Holy Name of St. Joseph Parish will hold their monthly meeting this Sunday, March 6, at 9:30 a.m. at the Ministry Center.

All men of the parish are invited to come and get involved.

This month's meeting will focus primarily on the group's upcoming Drive-Thru lunch event scheduled for Sunday, April 3.

Come and learn more about this men's group and see how you can give some time to help out.

PARISH COUNCIL *Date Change*

Just a quick reminder that we have moved the date of this month's Parish Council Meeting. The group will meet at the Ministry Center this coming Tuesday, March 9, at 7 p.m. Thank you for understanding. (If you're interested in this advisory group, please come and consider being part of the Parish Council).

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday March 7 <i>St. Perpetua & St. Felicity, Martyrs</i> 7:00 a.m. Communion Service	Tuesday March 8 <i>St. John of God</i> 7:00 a.m. Mass † Elmer Fries by Family & Friends	Wednesday March 9 <i>St. Frances of Rome</i> 7 a.m. Mass † Elmer Fries by Family & Friends	Thursday March 10 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> 7:00 a.m. Mass † Janice Sims by Mrs. Humenick	Friday March 11 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Dick Paraday by Wayne & Donna Spangler	Saturday March 12 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Vincent Messier (Birthday Memorial) by Connie & Family
Saturday March 12 4 p.m. Vigil Mass † Louis Rivard (Anniversary Memorial) by Judy Wolfe & David Rivard † Ed Burr by Dorothy & Myron Lemenager			Sunday March 13 8:30 a.m. Mass † Helena Szczesna by Robert & Ruth Tomlinson 11 a.m. Mass † Neil Carroll by Norma Lovell		

STEWARDSHIP

Lent calls us to deeper stewardship because it creates opportunities to be mindful of Christ's call. Many will participate in penance, or "giving something up." If you're struggling with ideas here are the characteristics of Everyday Stewardship. **What is keeping you from being mindful of the call of Christ?** If you listen, you'll hear it. **What is keeping you from being prayerful?** What keeps you from bowing down to thank Him? **What keeps you from being grateful?** Don't forget about the small things that so often go unnoticed. **What keeps you from being gracious?** Do you leave people smiling after a conversation? **What keeps you from being committed and accountable?** And, the final characteristic centers on justifying our actions. **Where do excuses come from and what makes you indulge them?**-Tracy Earl Welliver

Offerings for Ash Wednesday on March 2, 2022
(Church in Central/Eastern Europe Collection)
\$910.86

Offerings for the weekend of February 26/27, 2022
\$8,444.04
4:00 pm: \$4,310.00
8:30 am: \$1,800.04
11:00 am: \$1,294.00

Mailed to St. Joseph Parish: \$1,040.00
Food Donations: 57.5 Pounds

Debt Reduction for February 2022: \$1,135.00
PayPal Offerings for February 2022: \$3,406.80
Auto-Deduct Giving for February 2022: \$8,568.34
Mobile Pantry Giving for February 2022: \$1,376.00

Readings for Week of March 7, 2022

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

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org

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First Reconciliation at St. Joseph Church



What a great experience our young people had at the recent First Reconciliation Service at St. Joseph Church. "It's hard to say what we've done wrong, but it's important that we do," Fr. Marcin told the children and families gathered for the service. "But, the biggest thing is to allow the sacrament to transform us to be better," added our pastor. (Please continue to pray for these young people and parents as they prepare for First Communion happening in April).

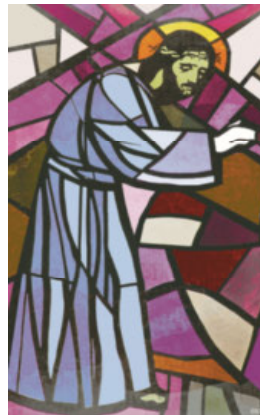
Many thanks to the visiting priests who helped Fr. Marcin hear confessions on that special evening and all who made the service such a happy experience. (And, thanks also to the parents who shared these pictures from the celebration).



As repentance is part of the Lenten journey, we will have a Parish Penance Service at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 6, at St. Joseph Parish. Our regular Reconciliation schedule is as follows: after 8:30 a.m. Mass on Saturday and at 3 p.m. on Saturday; from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Tuesday during adoration and during the First Friday Holy Hour. Or call the parish for an appointment. Through this sacrament, we are really, truly forgiven by God Himself. We receive an outpouring of grace and strength.



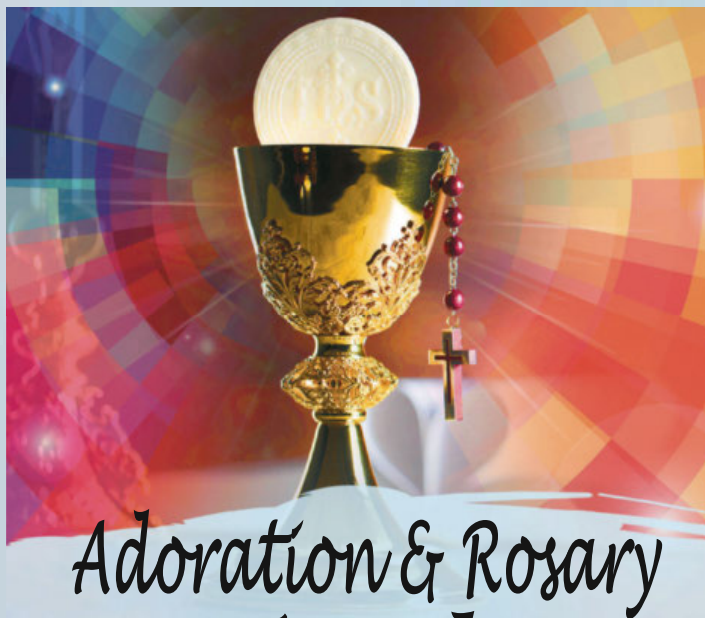
Stations of the Cross



Please join us for Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph Church on Fridays at 4 p.m. during Lent and walk with Jesus on the way to Calvary. Listen and pray as the Gospel account is proclaimed and personally reflect on Christ's Passion and what it means to us.

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC Women's MEETING

The next CCW Meeting is at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, at the Ministry Center. Join us as we make plans for the St. Joseph Table celebration and more.



Adoration & Rosary on Tuesdays

Eucharistic Adoration is offered from 1-6 p.m. on Tuesdays at St. Joseph Church. Come spend some time with Jesus in prayer and reflection. The Rosary is recited before the Blessed Sacrament at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays. All are invited.

LITURGICAL ROLES	March 12 4:00 PM	March 13 8:30 AM	March 13 11:00 AM	Are you interested in any of these ministries? You're invited to have a special role at Mass. Please contact us for details and training. Our ministers can go online to see when they are scheduled, request subs and input dates not to be scheduled.
Hospitality Ministers	Janet Gregoire Paul Storer Emily Sue Storer	Kathy Storer Michael Storer Nick Shervino	Sandra Jefferson Greg Brenneisen Candi Brenneisen	
Lectors	Diane Hardy (1) Chuck Carnes (2)	Jan St. John (1) Ryan Adams (2)	Walter Babiaka (1) Tom LaRocque (2)	
Eucharistic	Michael Yurkowski Pat Yurkowski	Mira Brosseau Lindsay Adams	Julie Gindy Margie McCalester	
Altar Servers	Marian Worby	Harrison Adams	Veritas Babiaka	
Deacons		Deacon Greg Clodi	Deacon Leon Fritz	
Presiders	Fr. Marcin Michalak	Fr. Charles Wheeler	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.				

Snoozing at the center



This fella took a little nap as his parents visited and received some services at the River Valley Pregnancy Resource Center, which is located four blocks from St. Joseph's (200 N Washington). Our parish has had a long friendship with the ladies at the center.

They are currently looking for volunteers. Helpers are needed to sort clothing; to clean; answer the phones and help with some mentoring programs. Monetary donations are most welcome as well. Most of all prayers are needed! For more details, 815-802-9917 or www.rivervalleyprc.org.

Annual Credit Union Meeting
The annual meeting of Maternity BVM Credit Union will be held on Wednesday, March 9, at our new location, 7 Heritage Plaza, Bourbonnais, at 5:00 pm. Due to COVID-19 we will have limited attendance again this year and no food or drinks will be provided. Please call 815-932-7131 if you would like to attend.

Dinner Auction Event

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 per person 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.

Marriage Enrichment Program

The Inter-Parish Marriage Enrichment Team of the Joliet Diocese is presenting "Dreaming Together: A Faith-filled Journey for Your Marriage" on March 19 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton Parish in Naperville. For details and online registration and payment, visit www.imetevents.org. To register by phone, call 630-971-240.

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.

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Beginning Lent on Ash Wednesday



Lent is not about giving up pop or chocolate. This year, seek Jesus by doing something different and try changing for the better by Easter.



Thanks to all the parishioners who ministered and helped on Ash Wednesday, those who worked to get the church ready and everyone who came to pray with us.

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