

St. Joseph Catholic Church
641 North Main Street
P.O. Box 250
Roanoke, IN 46783
Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 7:30 am & 11:00 am

Holy Days See Schedule

Confessions can be heard every Saturday at
3:15 pm at St. Joseph or by appointment.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
4th Tuesday of the Month 8:30AM to 6:00PM.

Online Giving: www.osvhub.com/st-joseph-church-roanoke/funds

Pastor: Father Eustace Okorie

Deacon: The Rev. Mr. Daniel Avila

Secretary: Mrs. Pam Reust

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St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church
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Mass Times

Sunday 9:15 am

Holy Days See Schedule

Confessions can be heard by appointment.

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 26, 2026

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Jul 27	(SJ)	8:00 AM	No Mass	Fr. Eustace day off
Tuesday	Jul 28	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Linda Pulver	Phil & Nancy Grote
Wednesday	Jul 29	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Jim Reed	Bobbie Wilhelmus
Thursday	Jul 30	(SC)	6:00 PM	Wilma Kumfer	Mark & Jane Trabert
Friday	Jul 31	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Liv. & Dec. Tony Maurer Family	Kurt Kehmeyer
Saturday	Aug 1	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Perolio	
Saturday	Aug 1	(SJ)	4:00 PM	Jill Abbott	Jim & Joan Abbott
Sunday	Aug 2	(SJ)	7:30 AM	For the People	
Sunday	Aug 2	(SC)	9:15 AM	Steven Josephson	Don & Jo Hinen
Sunday	Aug 2	(SJ)	11:00 AM	Lisa Falotico Vanetta	Melinda Kinder/Barbara

(SJ) St. Joseph (SC) St. Catherine

	<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Servers</u>
Aug 1 (SJ) 4:00 PM	J. & J. Abbott	K. Quickery	T. Donahue/M. Kemp/D. Osterholt	R. Kaufman/J. Osterholt	Volunteers
Aug 2 (SJ) 7:30AM	K. Kehmeyer	T. Winans	D. & C. Snodgrass/M. Smith	A. Baker/M. Trevino	Sorg Family
Aug 2 (SC) 9:15 AM	J. Kehmeyer	K. Scheumann	N. Josephson/D. & C. Greulich	K. Trabert/B. Trabert	W. Scheumann/V. Hesting
Aug 2 (SJ) 11:00AM	M. Glenn	An. Yaney	Al. Yaney/M. Zwick/I.	J. & N. Didier	A. & E. Didier

Aug 2 Contribution Counter V. Moring S. Keller

Prayers for St. Joseph's

Bob Kehmeyer Patty Bob Mike Dick Karen
Jenny's daughter Mike Gase Carol Bridget Kelly
Suzanne Edna Rob(Renne Gase brother) Patrick
Fr. George Louise (Marie Ehner's sister) Mel Tom Jeff

Prayers for Adoration and devotion to the Blessed Mother to flourish more than ever.

Prayers for parishioners discern how to assist and help our parish to be the Holiest possible.

Prayers for the homebound, extended and attendant care, that they can have the help that is needed for them.

Prayers for our nation to be truly brought back to God including the ridding of all false ideologies.

Prayers for all marriages to be Holy and strained relationships to be healed.

Prayers for all the ordained especially for those that served at St. Joseph and St. Catherine's. For Fr. Eustace, Deacon Dan, Fr. Kummer, and for our brother priest Fr. Benedict in Nigeria. For all the missionaries who have been at our parishes and for their special needs.

For Prayer request please call Susie Close at 214-587-0915.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Consider OCIA, if you are:

- Unbaptized
- A baptized non-Catholic
- A baptized Catholic who has not been confirmed



"That One, True Church founded by God incarnate was indeed, The Holy Catholic Church"

... Isaac (St. Joseph OCIA 2026)

For more information go to
stjosephroanoke.org



Fr. Eustace's Column

Theme: The Kingdom of God: The Highest Treasure

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Word of God today asks us a simple but life-changing question: **What is the greatest treasure you are living for?**

Many people spend their lives chasing money, power, pleasure, fame, or possessions, only to discover that none of these can satisfy the deepest hunger of the human heart. We may gain the whole world and still feel empty. That is why Jesus says, *"What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?"* (Mk. 8:36).



In the first reading, King Solomon had the opportunity to ask God for anything. He did not ask for riches, long life, or victory over his enemies. Instead, he asked for wisdom—a heart that could know and do God's will. Because he chose what was eternal over what was temporary, God blessed him with everything else.

In the Gospel, Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to a hidden treasure and a pearl of great price. The men who found them sold everything with joy because they knew they had discovered something far more valuable than anything they owned. The Kingdom of God is worth every sacrifice because it gives what the world can never give: peace of conscience, purpose in life, and eternal happiness.

St. Paul reminds us that *"all things work together for good for those who love God."* Even our trials, disappointments, sickness, and losses become stepping stones to heaven when we place God first.

Dear friends, one day we shall leave behind our houses, our bank accounts, our titles, and everything we have worked for. The only treasure that will accompany us into eternity is our relationship with God and the love we have shown to others.

Today, let us examine our hearts. **What occupies first place in my life? Is Christ my greatest treasure, or have I allowed worldly things to take His place?** If we truly discover the beauty of God's Kingdom, we will gladly let go of whatever keeps us away from Him.

May we have the wisdom of Solomon, the courage of the merchant in the Gospel, and the faith to choose the Kingdom of God above every earthly treasure. For where our treasure is, there our heart will be also.

Amen. Fr. Eustace

Canned Food Drive

St. Catherine Parish will collect canned food/paper products now through the month of July. Donations will be given to the food pantry at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Columbia City.

Fr. Eustace Installation

To the parishes of St. Joseph and St. Catherine Bishop Kevin Rhoades has delegated very Rev. Matt Coonan to represent him for the Mass of installation of Fr. Eustace Okorie as Pastor. The Mass will be Thursday August 6th at St. Joseph at 6pm. Pastoral Council & Finance Committee from both parishes are required to be there for Mass. All parishioners from both parishes are welcome to attend.

Religious Education Classes

Religious Education Classes will begin August 23 in both of our parishes. If you are new to the parish, or have not had a student in Religious Education previously, please contact the Parish office or Ingrid Mattes at ingridmattesdre@gmail.com.

We are still in need of a K/1 teacher at St. Catherine Parish. Please contact Ingrid Mattes if you are willing to serve in this role. The class size is small and it is a very rewarding experience to teach our young children about Jesus!

Thank You

Thank you so much for your generous donations of school supplies. Roanoke Elementary and Catholic Charities are extremely grateful for all your donations. We had a van full of supplies to donate.

Prayers for St. Catherine's

Sheryl Winters	Ariel Scieska	Julie Kelly
Darwin Zumbrun	Debbie York	Cayce Cobb
Sharon Ruhe	Sister Maria	Alan Bogg
George & Judy Young	Shirley Smith	Beth Lahr
Jackson Longenbaugh	Carol Ness	Sharon Hesting

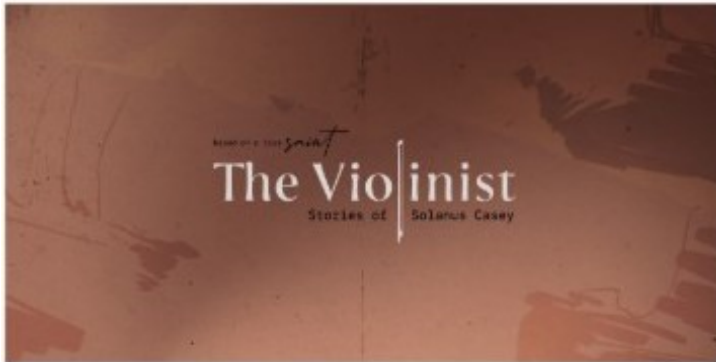
Prayers for Deacon Dan, Father Eustace and all former priests at St. Catherine's.

Pray for those that have passed before us, the homebound and the ill.

Week of July 19, 2026	St. Catherine	St. Joseph
Weekly Budget Goal:	\$2,335.12	\$5,881.65
Adult Envelopes	\$735.00	\$2,592.00
Online Giving	\$45.00	\$2,194.00
Offertory Income Loose	\$103.00	\$491.00
Preservation-Building	\$10.00	\$1,170.00
Votives	\$21.00	\$57.00

Stream Catholic Content!

Our Parish has recently acquired a subscription to FORMED, a Catholic streaming service with many inspirational and informative content for all ages! This is free to all Parishioners from both Parishes, their families and friends. To Join go to: 1) <https://signup.formed.org/>, 2) Enter your parish zip (46783/St. Joseph), 3) Enter your name and email..



The Violinist: Stories of Solanus Casey | Based on a True Saint

The Violinist is a must-watch documentary that chronicles the inspiring life of a humble Capuchin friar known for his deep faith, simplicity, and profound impact on those he served. Featuring personal stories from the people who knew Bl. Solanus, the film showcases his remarkable ability to inspire others, sharing heartwarming anecdotes about his modest lifestyle and passion for playing the violin.

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Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus will have an Exemplification Ceremony after the 11am Mass at St. Joseph on 7/26/26. Family & parishioners are welcome to attend the ceremony.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is this Tuesday July 28th from after 8am Mass until 6pm. Saint Catherine and Saint Joseph form one faith community, and we would love to see *St. Catherine parishioners join in the many blessings offered in Adoration.* Please call Nancy Rodgers at 260-432-8223 (landline) or 260-271-3414 to sign up for any time slot between 8:30 a.m. And 5:30 p.m. Children are welcome, for Jesus Himself said, "Let the little children come unto me" (Matthew 19:14).

Save the Date

Please save the date for Saint Catherine's Church Picnic on Sunday, September 13 at 3PM. Meat, drinks, and tableware will be provided. Please bring a covered dish. There will be games and prizes. A sign up will be in the back of church in August. Please plan on coming and join the fun and fellowship! For questions, please call Carol Greulich (260) 609-5269



Money Counters Needed

We are in need of some parishioners to count money after the 11am Mass on Sunday. Please see Fr. Eustace or call the parish office Monday-Friday 9am –3pm at 260-672-2838. Thank you for your help in this matter.



July

July 28 Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph after 8am Mass until 6pm

August

August 1 Rosary said before 4pm Mass

August 3 Rosary meeting at St. Joseph 6:30pm

August 6 Fr. Eustace installation Thursday at 6pm Mass

August 16 Breakfast after 7:30 am Mass at St. Joseph

August 16 Donuts & coffee after 9:15am Mass at St. Catherine

August 19 Knights of Columbus meeting at 6:30pm in St. Joseph basement

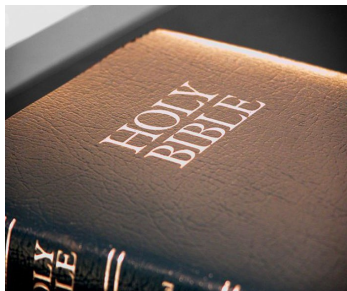
August 23, 30 Religious Education Classes at St Catherine 7:45-9am and Religious Education Classes at St. Joseph 9:30-10:45am.

August 26 Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph after 8am Mass until 6pm

High School Bible Study

We are excited to offer a free High School Bible Study this fall at St. Joseph. We will be starting with an overview of the Bible using the Venture Bible Timeline Program and will meet during Religious Education Classes select Sundays from 9:30-10:45 am. Please text or email Ingrid Mattes (260-466-3025)

ingridmattes-dre@gmail.com for Questions or register.



PRAYER FOR SYNOD 2026

Blessed Trinity, Source of our life and our unity. We ask for your presence with and within us as we undertake this synodal journey. Create in us, and all those responsible for preparing the synod, a discerning spirit. Help us to deepen our relationship with you and with one another over the months and weeks ahead. Grow in us the fire of your love, that we may eagerly respond to your loving invitation to spread the joy of the Gospel and to serve the poor, suffering, and vulnerable. Form us to be better disciples, creating vibrant, mission-oriented communities of faith, hope and charity. We ask this through the intercession of our diocesan patrons, Mary, the Immaculate Conception, and St. Matthew.

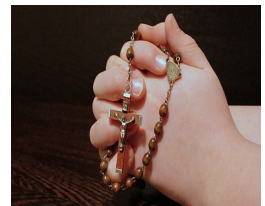
Amen.

Rosary

The Rosary Sodality recognizes the urgent request of the Holy Mother in her Fatima message to recite the Holy Rosary on the first Saturday of each month. Please join us each first Saturday as we recite the Holy Rosary before 4pm Mass.

For more information please visit Americaneedsfatima.org

If you would like to lead on a Saturday, please contact Barb Rumsey 260-417-5660.



Save the Date for the Picnic

The St. Joseph Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, Sept. 20 from 3:30-6:00 p.m. We will serve grilled hot dogs and hamburgers; please bring a side to share. Sign-ups for attendance and volunteering will be available on Aug. 29. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Rumsey at 260-417-5660.



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