

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

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Mass Times
Sunday 9:15 am
Holy Days See Schedule

Confessions can be heard by appointment.

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 15, 2026

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Nov 16	(SJ)	8:00 AM	No Mass	Fr. Eustace day off
Tuesday	Nov 17	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Intentions of Larry Zembala	
Wednesday	Nov 18	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Valerie Schorr Family	Mr. & Mrs. John Frantz
Thursday	Nov 19	(SC)	6:00 PM	Don Greulich	Mr. & Mrs. Don Greulich
Friday	Nov 20	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Virginia Cler	Phil Cler
Saturday	Nov 21	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Claire Jean Till	Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Till
Saturday	Nov 21	(SJ)	4:00 PM	For the People	
Sunday	Nov 22	(SJ)	7:30 AM	Ruth Eschbach	Robert & Kim Eschbach
Sunday	Nov 22	(SC)	9:15 AM	Alex Trabert	Mr. & Mrs. Wally Trabert
Sunday	Nov 22	(SJ)	11:00 AM	Liv. & Dec. Howe Family	Becky Howe
(SJ) St. Joseph (SC) St. Catherine					

	Cantor	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Ushers	Servers
Nov 21 (SJ) 4:00 PM	J. Root	B. Ehereman	T. Donahue/K. Schneider	M. Ehereman/B. Dwyer	Volunteers
Nov 22 (SJ) 7:30AM	K. Kehmeyer	D. Snodgrass	K. Walter/T. Winans	D. Walter/M. Trevino	Sorg Family
Nov 22 (SC) 9:15 AM	J. Kehmeyer	J. Hilligoss	D. & C. Greulich	L. Lickey/D. Hinen	J. Hesting/J. Trabert
Nov 22 (SJ) 11:00AM	M. Glenn	M. Ely	M. Zwick/P. Mattes	T. Smart/D. Meitzler	N. Didier

Nov 22 Contribution Counter P. Mattes S. Close
B. Miller

Prayers for St. Catherine's

Sheryl Winters Julie Kelly Cayce Cobb Carol Ness

Alan Bogg George & Judy Young Deedee Felger

Shirley Smith Jackson Longenbaugh Debbie York

Beau Craft Alberta Nix Mike Woenker

Tommy Duffy David Pressman Coulten Malcum

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.

For Prayer request please call Carol Greulich 260-609-5269

ST. Joseph Facebook Page

St. Joseph's has a facebook page! Please visit us at **St. Joseph Catholic Church - Roanoke, Indiana** and help us promote our parish!

Prayers for St. Joseph's

Kathy Carol Heather Barry Tommy Joe

Brandon Hilary Patty

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 Sue Keller at 260-760-3626.

Thanksgiving Food Drive – Knights of Columbus

From **October 24 through November 22**, our Knights of Columbus council will be collecting canned and boxed food items to help those in need in our community. Donation baskets will be available in both church vestibules. Please consider donating nonperishable food items to help make Thanksgiving a little brighter for our neighbors in need.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

Flocknotes Sign-up

To sign up for Flocknotes text stacutis to 84576 & follow the directions.

Fr. Eustace's Column



Theme: DO NOT BURY YOUR TALENT

Dearest brothers and sisters in Christ, today's readings remind us that God has blessed each one of us with gifts and talents. He has not created anyone empty-handed. What matters, however, is not how many gifts we possess but how faithfully we use them for the good of others.

In the first reading, the Book of Proverbs presents a virtuous woman who uses her gifts through hard work, kindness, and generosity. In the second reading, St. Paul encourages us to remain spiritually awake and vigilant, making good use of every opportunity God gives us.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us the parable of the talents. While two servants multiplied their talents, one servant buried his out of fear. My dear friends, how many of us today have buried our God-given talents through laziness, jealousy, fear, and unhealthy comparison with others?

Remember, **God does not expect you to be somebody else; He only expects you to be faithful with what He has given you.** Your little kindness can change someone's life, your prayer can strengthen a weak soul, and your service can bring someone closer to God.

Let us therefore stop comparing ourselves with others and start using our gifts for God's glory.
Three lessons to remember:
1. Appreciate whatever gifts God has given you.
2. Never allow fear, jealousy, or laziness to bury your talents.
3. Remember that one day, we shall give an account to God for every gift entrusted to us.

May we never stand before God with talents we buried and opportunities we wasted, but may we be worthy to hear those beautiful words:
"*Well done, good and faithful servant. Come and share your master's joy.*" (Matthew 25:21).
Amen. Fr. Eustace

Grateful Thanks

We are very grateful for the gardening done on the grounds of St Joseph's church, and flower arrangements inside the church on a volunteer basis by Kathleen Wisel, Missy Eherenman, and Bonnie Beam. When you see them, tell them thanks for an excellent job!

Christmas Trees

St. Joseph and St. Catherine are assisting children from Catholic Charities this Christmas season. Tags will be on the trees in the vestibules the weekend of November 14-15. If all the tags are gone and you want to buy a gift please call Shirley at 260-615-2302 and I can contact Catholic Charities to see about additional gifts that may be needed.

All gifts must be new. Do not the wrap any gifts.

All gifts need to be returned by Sunday, December 6. If you have any questions please contact Tim or Shirley by phone or text at 260-615-2302.

CALL OUT FOR CHRISTMAS COOKIE BAKERS

The Rosary Society needs your help filling the tables with treats for the St. Joseph Ultimate Cookie Walk! Please bake your favorite Christmas cookie recipe and drop off your homemade cookies at the Parish Hall on Friday, December 4, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. All proceeds will be donated to charity. Then, come to the sale on Saturday, Dec. 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to select from the wonderful assortment. Our goal is to sell 250 dozen cookies!

We need your help! Please use the sign up sheet in the vestibules if you wish to bake. You may contact Sara Smart at 260-433-3346 with any questions. Thank you for supporting our parish event!



Parish Office Closed

Office will be closed November 20, 23, 26 & 27.

Week of November 8, 2026	St. Catherine	St. Joseph
Weekly Budget Goal:	$2,335.12	$5,881.65
Adult Envelopes	$975.00	$2,845.00
Online Giving	$45.00	$1,978.00
Offertory Income Loose	$214.00	$494.00
Preservation-Building	$20.00	$5,305.00
Votives	$33.00	$37.00
Holy Day	$30.00	$67.00
Cemetery	$10.00	$105.00
Military	$0.00	$254.00
Flowers	$0.00	$20.00

Wreaths Across America

This Christmas, help us ensure that every veteran resting in **St. Joseph and St. Catherine Cemeteries** is remembered and honored.
We have identified **45 veteran graves at St. Joseph Cemetery** and **27 at St. Catherine Cemetery**, for a total of **72 veterans** who deserve our remembrance.
Ceremony will be at 12 Noon on December 19th at Roanoke American Legion, followed by placing the wreaths.
For just **$17 per wreath**, you can help us honor their service and sacrifice. Please consider sponsoring one or more wreaths and helping us reach our goal of covering every identified veteran's grave.
Sponsor a wreath today: Return a donation in the next collection basket, marked for "Wreaths Across America".
Remember the Fallen. Honor Those Who Serve. Teach the Next Generation.



Canned Food Drive

St. Catherine's Parish will be collection canned food now through December 13th. No paper products. Place donations in bos in back of church. Donations go to food pantry at St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church in Columbia City.



Queen of Angels Square Dancing

On Saturday, November 21, a Square Dance will be held from 6:30-9:30 pm in the Queen of Angels Activities Center. Open to beginners and experts; recommended age is 13+. Cost is $10/person or $70 for an 8-person "square" if purchased by Nov 20. Prices increase if purchased at the door. Each admission includes free popcorn & first non-alcoholic drink. Cash Bar (21+). To purchase tickets, visit square.link/u/cr15Bx7L.

December

December 5 Cookie Walk 10am-2pm St. Joseph church basement

December 5 Rosary before 4pm Mass at St. Joseph

December 6,13,20 Religious Education Classes at St Catherine 7:45-9am Religious Education Classes at St. Joseph 9:30-10:45am

December 6 Donuts & Coffee at St. Catherine after 9:15 Mass

December 7 Rosary Meeting at St. Joseph at 6pm

December 13 Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious

December 16 Knights of Columbus meeting 6:30pm in St. Joseph church basement

December 17 Confessions at St. Catherine after 6pm Mass

December 18 Confessions at St. Joseph 6:30pm

December 22 Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph after 8am Mass until 6pm

December 24 Mass at 4pm at St. Joseph
Mass at 6pm at St. Catherine
Mass at 8pm at St. Joseph

December 25 Mass at 10L30 at St. Joseph

December 31 Mass at 6pm. at St. Catherine

January 1 Mass at St. Joseph at 8am

Eucharistic Adoration

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).



Adoration is Tuesday November 24th, after the 8am Mass until 6pm.

November

November 15,22 Religious Education Classes at St Catherine 7:45-9am Religious Education Classes at St. Joseph 9:30-10:45am

November 17,24 Knit Chicks 1-3pm at St. Joseph

November 19 Senior Dinners at 12pm please RSVP to Gretchen at 403-0365.

November 17 First Reconciliation 6pm at St. Joseph

November 18 Knights of Columbus meeting at 6:30pm at St. Joseph

November 19 First Reconciliation after 6pm Mass at St. Catherine's

November 22 Collection for Human Development

November 23 Rosary meeting at St. Catherine 6pm

November 24 Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph after 8am Mass until 6pm



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.

Advent Confessions

Confessions will be held at St. Catherine's December 17th after 6pm Mass. Confessions will be held December 18th at St. Joseph's starting at 6:30 pm.

Join us for the St. Joseph Ultimate Holiday Cookie Walk

Our Cookie Walk will be a festive, self-serve event for the whole community. Just grab a container, stroll the tables, and fill a box with delicious homemade Christmas cookies weighed by the pound! Arrive early for the best selection—sold until we run out!

Host: St. Joseph Roanoke Rosary Society

When: Saturday, December 5, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where: Parish Hall (641 N. Main St., entrance on 6th Street.)



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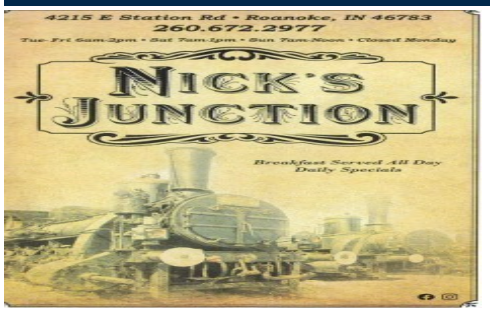

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