

# Saints Mary & Joseph Parish

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Diocese Victim Assistance Coordinator and liaison between the Diocese & anyone with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor- (217) 321-1155.

## Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday (Vigil) 5:30pm -- Sunday 9:30am  
 Daily Mass: Thursday: 8:00am  
 Communion Service: Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri.: 8:00am  
 Confessions: Thurs 8:30-9:15am, Sun 9-9:25am or by Appt.  
 Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Monday 8:30am  
 Scriptural Rosary: Mondays 8:30am  
 Choir Practice: Tuesdays 7:00pm  
 Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 8:30am - Noon

| Weekly Parish Offering   |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Weekend Envelopes  | \$6,108.40        |
| Weekend Loose Cash   | \$292.00          |
| Building Fund  | \$230.00          |
| Holy Day: Easter   | \$30.00           |
| Special: Memorials Eschbacher, Hesseldenz Funeral, Monts Funeral, Reiher Funeral | \$600.00          |
| Other: PSR, Votive Candles, Seminarians  | \$95.75           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$7,356.15</b> |

**THANK YOU!**

### April 11-12, 2026

| Sat. 5:30pm | Sun. 9:30am | Total |
|-------------|-------------|-------|
| 80          | 212         | 292   |

### April 12-13, 2025

| Sat. 5:30pm | Sun. 9:30am | Total |
|-------------|-------------|-------|
| 106         | 222         | 328   |

## Parish Liturgical Ministry Schedule April 25-26, 2026

### Saturday at 5:30pm

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Ushers</b>                | Ruth Coatney & Karen Dworzynski   |
| <b>Lector</b>                | Connie Reid   |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> | Kris Rosentreter*, Theresa Rosentreter*, Dave Reid, Terri Reid, John Kelly, <b>1 Volunteer Needed</b> |
| <b>Gift Bearers</b>          | <b>Volunteer Family Needed</b>  |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>         | Cole Reid, Sola Lane, Spencer Lane  |

### Sunday 9:30am

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Ushers</b>                | Eric & Lisa Ogden, Ann Johnston   |
| <b>Lector</b>                | Vaughn Whiteman   |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> | Susie Reznicek*, Gayle Nafziger*, Vaughn Whiteman, Lisa Klaus, Susan Millard, Stevie Siepka |
| <b>Gift Bearers</b>          | Swan Family   |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>         | Addisyn Swan, Ella White, Kane Siepka   |
| <b>Children's Liturgy</b>    | Melissa Suits, Avery Suits, Tanner Suits  |

### In charity, please remember in your prayers:

... **our military personnel, especially:** Matthew Gazda, Stefan Gazda, Broc Horn, Bryan Murphy Jr., Gary Wilson

... **the sick and those in need:** Beth Cosenza, Josh Carter, Deacon Denny & Kathy Baker, Tonya Koller, Grey Smith, Peggy Geurin, Jessica Williams, Michelle Destatte, John O'Brien, Jackie Malt, Karen Joiner, Sherry Huff, Peggy Tie-man, John Stankoven, Ron & Carol Paul, Andy Freehill, Mary Ann Pollitt

### Mass Intentions:

|        |       |         |                              |
|--------|-------|---------|------------------------------|
| Sat.   | 04/18 | 5:30 pm | Sonny & Mary Schaeffer ☩     |
| Sun.   | 04/19 | 9:00 am | Praying the Rosary           |
|        |       | 9:30 am | Jim & Anna Rives ☩           |
| Mon.   | 04/20 | 8:00 am | Communion Service            |
| Tues.  | 04/21 | 8:00 am | Communion Service            |
| Wed.   | 04/22 | 8:00 am | Communion Service            |
| Thurs. | 04/23 | 8:00 am | Bob Huyear ☩                 |
| Fri.   | 04/24 | 8:00 am | Communion Service            |
| Sat.   | 04/25 | 5:30 pm | Gloria Donaldson ☩           |
| Sun.   | 04/26 | 9:00 am | Praying the Rosary           |
|        |       | 9:30 am | For the Tri-Parish Community |

**The Road to Emmaus: Our Own Life Journey**

The Gospel this weekend presents us with the beautiful & moving story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. It is a powerful story that speaks deeply to our own life journey & reminds us that the Risen Lord walks with us, even when we do not recognize Him.

The two disciples in the Emmaus story were discouraged & heartbroken. Their hopes had been shattered by the death of Jesus. They were leaving Jerusalem with a heart filled with confusion, sadness, & disappointment. We can very well relate to their experience. At times we too face moments of discouragement, sadness, uncertainty, grief, or disappointment. And we can easily lose hope and feel God is far away from us.

But the beautiful thing is that Jesus comes to them precisely in their moment of sadness. He walks with them, listens to their pain & sorrow, & gently explains the Scriptures, helping them to see that God was still at work even through suffering & loss. This reminds us that the Lord never abandons us. Even when we do not recognize His presence, He walks beside us especially in our struggles, doubts, & questions.

The beautiful turning point in the story comes when the disciples invite Jesus to stay with them: *“Stay with us, for it is nearly evening.”* It is in the breaking of the bread that their eyes are opened, & they recognize Him. This reminds us of the Eucharist. Each time we gather for Mass, the Risen Lord is present among us—in His Word proclaimed & in the breaking of the bread. Like the disciples, our hearts too can burn within us when we listen to the Scriptures & encounter Him in the Eucharist provided, we are open.

This Gospel challenges us to recognize Christ in our daily lives. Let us take time to listen to His Word. Let us invite Him to stay with us in prayer. Let us be attentive to His presence in the people we meet, especially those who are struggling or in need?

The story also inspires us to become witnesses. After recognizing Jesus, the disciples immediately returned to Jerusalem to share the good news with others. Their sorrow was turned into joy, & their discouragement into mission. In the same way, our encounter with the Risen Lord should move us outward—to share hope, to encourage others, & to be bearers of Christ’s light in our families, workplaces, & communities.

Blessings of Peace and Joy Always!  
Fr. Jae



**PSR CORNER**

**PSR Time: Wednesdays from 3:45pm - 5:00pm**

**Upcoming PSR Classes:**

April 22, April 29, May 6, May 13 (Last PSR Class)

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade students** must attend PSR & Mass in order to be eligible for their sacraments.

**Youth Group Time: Sundays from 6:00pm - 8:00pm**

**Upcoming Youth Group Classes:**

TBD

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We send our condolences to the **family of Carol Paul**, who passed away on April 10. Please keep Ron & their family in your prayers.

**Important Date & Information**

**Attention High School Seniors!** The Knights of Columbus are offering a \$1000 scholarship to graduating seniors once again this year. Applications are in the Narthex on the counter. If you have any questions, please call Don Reid at 217-825-6987. Please return completed applications to the office by Thursday, April 30. Thanks!

**Saturday, May 2: SSMJ Parish is partnering with Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP)** to make beds for kids who don’t have a bed. The workday will be held in the Aladdin buildings behind the high school. Shifts are from 8:30am to 12:30pm or 12:30pm to 4:30pm. If you are unable to work, but would like to donate... mattresses are the most in need, followed by comforters & than sheet sets. SHP has set up a deal with Heinz furniture, you can purchase a mattress there for \$70. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Millard at 217-710-4942.

**Wednesday, May 6: Blood Drive** Carlinville Area Hospital Auxiliary is sponsoring a Blood Drive at the Elks Lodge on from Noon to 5pm. To schedule your appointment, please call 1-800-747-5401.

**Sunday, May 10: 40th Ordination Anniversary of Fr. Chuck Edwards** Father Chuck Edwards would like to celebrate his 40th Anniversary of his Ordination with our Tri-Parish Communities, on Sun, May 10. As such, he will celebrate the Mass of Thanksgiving at 7:45am in Benld & at 11am in Gillespie. Having a reception after the 7:45am Mass is the most practical thing to do on that day since it is Mother’s Day. There will be a coffee & pastries reception after the 7:45am Mass in St. Joseph’s parish hall. If you plan to attend another Mass but want to meet with Father Chuck, please plan to attend this reception. He will be in attendance until 10:15am. All are welcome & encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity to congratulate Father Chuck on 40 years of faithful service. There will also be a gift bag in the all three parish narthexes if you would like to send Fr. Chuck cards, notes, or small gifts.

*Congratulations and God’s Blessings, Fr. Chuck!*

**Sunday, May 10: May Crowning of Mary:** The crowning of Mary will be held on Sunday, May 10 at the 9:30am Mass. Girls who wish to be included in the processional will need to sign up with Jodi. Posey’s will be ordered at \$15 each. Families may choose to bring their own as well.

**Carpet Install Scheduled:** The carpet install for the church has been scheduled for the weeks of May 11 & May 17. Weekend Masses will be as scheduled but there will be NO Communion Service and NO Daily Masses during those two weeks.

**Sunday, May 31: Ss. Mary & Joseph Parish Feast**  
**PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE!!**

Save the date for our 2026 Parish Feast day Mass.



Start thinking about what basket you would like to create for the Basket Raffle. This year we are asking groups/committees as well as individuals to consider creating a basket (geared towards kids or adults). Baskets can be dropped off at the office during office hours Monday, May 11 thru Wednesday, May 13.

Questions please reach out to Monica Sottoriva.