

# 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	\$6,822.00
Weekend Loose Cash	\$303.00
Building Fund	\$955.00
Holy Day: Assumption of Mary	\$10.00
Special: Sanctuary Project	\$500.00
Other: Dio Tithing, PSR	\$1,395.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,985.00</b>

**THANK  
YOU!**

**September 06-07, 2025**

Sat. 5:30pm	Sun. 9:30am	Total
97	246	343

**September 07-08, 2024**

Sat. 5:30pm	Sun. 9:30am	Total
95	215	310

## Parish Liturgical Ministry Schedule September 20-21, 2025

**Saturday at 5:30pm**

<b>Ushers</b>	Dennis & Beth Young
<b>Lector</b>	Dan Hussey
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Jodi Rowe, John Kelly, Judy Hussey
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Rowe Family
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Murphy Rowe, Callan Rowe, Spencer Lane

**Sunday 9:30am**

<b>Ushers</b>	Dana Yowell & Paula Schaeffer
<b>Lector</b>	Vaughn Whiteman
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Scott Harris, Kara Harris, Vaughn Whiteman
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Suits Family
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Tanner Suits, Callan Rowe, Charlie Behme
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Molly Hutson, Halle Bredel, Makayla Koller

**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:** Tonya Koller, Garrett Wehking, John Stankoven, Deacon Denny & Kathy Baker, Bob Kates, Peggy Geurin, Josh Carter, Joyce Crum Ross, Wally Dyer, Jeff Link, Michelle Destatte, Whitney Dworzynski, Kristen Smith, John Reid, Bill Groves, Karen Dworzynski, Karen Joiner, Matthew Alepra

## Mass Intentions:

Sat.	09/13	5:30 pm	Mary Huyear ✠ Gene Bellm ✠
Sun.	09/14	9:30 am	Marilyn Kuntzman ✠
Mon.	09/15	8:00 am	Communion Service
Tues.	09/16	8:00 am	Communion Service
Wed.	09/17	8:00 am	Communion Service
Thurs.	09/18	8:00 am	Communion Service
Fri.	09/19	8:00 am	Communion Service
Sat.	09/20	5:30 pm	Kim Boente ✠ Tom Burns ✠
Sun.	09/21	9:30 am	John Bellm ✠



## PSR CORNER

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

**Upcoming PSR Classes:**

Sept 17, Sept 24, Oct 1, Oct 8

**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:**

Sept 28

Jodi Rowe, DRE [CarlinvilleDRE@gmail.com](mailto:CarlinvilleDRE@gmail.com)

 **Mon, Sept 15:** KC Ladies Aux Mtg at 6:30pm  
**Tues, Sept 16:** KC Mtg at 7pm

## Important Dates & Information

**Mon, Sept 15 - Thurs, Sept 18: Priests' Convocation**

Fr. Joe will be in Springfield attending the Priests' Convocation, which is where all the priests of the diocese meet with the Bishop. There will be no daily Masses during this week.

**Weekend of Sept 20/21: Centennial Capital Campaign Kick-Off Event!** Our Centennial Capital Campaign will officially kick off the weekend of September 20/21. Information will be presented & refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall after both Masses. Come hear all about our plans to build a lasting legacy for future generations at Ss Mary & Joseph Parish!

**Sept 20/21: National Back to Church Sunday** is celebrated the weekend of Sept 20/21. Please try to reach out to someone you might know & extend a gentle invitation to re-engage with the church community & find fellowship & connection.

**Sun, Sept 28: Pilgrimage to Springfield;** The Tri-Parish Community is invited to come on a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield on Sun, Sept 28 for Mass. **Itinerary:** Arrive at the Cathedral 2:30pm, a Tour of the Cathedral 2:45pm, Rosary at 3:15pm, Confession/prayer time from 3:45-4:45pm, Mass at 5pm.

**Sat, Oct 4: Oktoberfest:** The Women's Group will be hosting their annual Oktoberfest on Sat, Oct 4 from 6:30-10pm. The KC's will be cooking brats, hot dogs & hamburgers. There will be adult beverages. The KC Auxiliary will be furnishing cookies for dessert! **A few things to remember!** Sign-up sheets are in the narthex, don't forget to bring your lawn chairs, entertainment by Steve Boente Band, Dustin White & guest performers, Kids' Corner with games, face painting, Professor Longhair (Balloon Artist) & gravity basketball for the older kids! *Bring your family & friends! All are welcome! In case of bad weather, the event will be moved inside, so rain or shine come enjoy the evening!*

**Saturday, October 18: Ss. Simon & Jude Feast Day**

SSSJ Parish will celebrate our Feast Day on Sat, Oct 18. Join us for Mass at 4 pm with a Eucharistic Procession followed by a catered dinner with refreshments, music, kid's activities & attendance prizes at the Gillespie Civic Center. Please sign up by Oct 5. Sign up sheets are in the narthex

**Monday, October 20: Day Trip to the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, MO**

Join us for a special day of prayer and fellowship as we visit the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, Missouri. **Departure:** 8:00 AM from Gillespie, **Return:** By 5:00 PM, **Cost:** \$60 per person (includes transportation & box lunch). The day will include a guided tour of the shrine grounds, celebration of Mass, & a delicious lunch from a local bakery. **Registration forms and more information are available in the narthex.** Spots are limited, so don't delay!

## Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. What is the significance of this Feast? From a worldly point of view, the cross was once a sign of shame, pain, & ridicule. But in Jesus, it has become for us a sign of victory, hope, & life. What once symbolized defeat, now proclaims God's greatest triumph, His unconditional love poured out for us in Christ.

St. Paul reminds us in his letter to the Philippians: *"Though he was in the form of God, he did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death on a cross."* In the humility of Jesus, we see the depth of God's love: no limit, no condition, no holding back.

The Cross also reveals God's mercy & forgiveness. From it flows the healing grace that restores us when we fall, strengthens us in our trials, & assures us that nothing, neither sin, suffering, nor even death, can separate us from the love of Christ. Thus, cross is the symbol of our hope of salvation no matter how far we may have gone away from Him. That is the reason we venerate the cross.

As we celebrate this Feast, it is an invitation to live by its message and renew our commitment to Jesus. What does this mean for us in our daily lives?

- When life feels heavy or overburdened, let us remember & trust that we are not alone Christ carries them with us.
- When we are hurt, the Cross challenges us to forgive, just as Jesus forgave even from the Cross.
- When we are tempted by our pride, we can follow Jesus' humility by putting others first & serving quietly.
- When we wonder if our small sacrifices matter, the Cross reminds us that true love is always self-giving. Every sacrifice is an expression of the gift of oneself.
- And every time we make the Sign of the Cross, let us do it with reverence, remembering that we belong to Christ who redeemed us through His sacrifice. "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that whoever believes in Him might not perish, but may have eternal life."

As we lift high the Cross today, may it renew in us the courage to love as Christ loved, to forgive as He forgave, & to hope as He hoped. The Cross, once a sign of death, is now for us the tree of life.

Blessings of Peace and Joy Always! *Fr. Joe*

Congratulations on your baptism! May your life be filled with joy, love & endless blessings that come from God.

**Lucas Karrick**, son of Zeb & Lauren Karrick was baptized on September 6

**Bulletin Submissions:** To ensure bulletins items are included each week please have your items to the office by Wednesdays by 9:00am.

**Office Hours:**

**Monday, Tuesday & Thursday:** 8:30am-2:30pm; **Wednesday:** 8:30am-2:30pm & 3:30pm-5:30pm; **Friday:** Closed  
**Closed for Lunch:** 12:30pm-1:00pm