

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	\$2,686.50
	Weekend Loose Cash	\$92.00
	Building Fund	\$0.00
	Holy Day:	\$0.00
	Special:	\$0.00
	Other: DCJH 2nd Collection	\$50.00
	Total	\$2,828.50

November 29-30, 2025

Nov 30-Dec 1, 2024

Sat. 5:30pm	Sun. 9:30am	Total
Snow	221	221

Sat. 5:30pm	Sun. 9:30am	Total
107	189	296

Parish Liturgical Ministry Schedule December 13-14, 2025

Saturday at 5:30pm		Sunday 9:30am	
Ushers	Knights of Columbus	Ushers	Eric & Lisa Ogden
Lector	Kris Rosentreter	Lector	Becky Donaldson
Eucharistic Ministers	Elaine Flowers, John Kelly, Anne Dowland	Eucharistic Ministers	Janice Bellm, Stevie Siepka, 1 Volunteer Needed
Gift Bearers	Killam Family	Gift Bearers	Behme Family
Altar Servers	Spencer Lane, Logan Killam, SofiaSimone Lane	Altar Servers	Kane Siepka, John White, Charlie Behme
		Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy

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, 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, John O'Brien, Jackie Malt

Mass Intentions:

Sat.	12/06	5:30 pm	Sonny & Mary Schaefer †
Sun.	12/07	9:30 am	John Harry Formea †
Mon.	12/08	6:00 pm	Bob Kates †
Tues.	12/09	8:00 am	Communion Service
Wed.	12/10	8:00 am	Communion Service
Thurs.	12/11	8:00 am	Doris Boente †
Fri.	12/12	8:00 am	Communion Service
Sat.	12/13	5:30 pm	For the Tri-Parish Community
Sun.	12/14	9:30 am	Richard Stark †

Office Hours the week of December 8: Monday: **Closed** (Diocese Holiday); Tuesday & Thursday: 8:30am-2:30pm; Wednesday 8:30am-2:30pm & 3:30pm-5:30pm



PSR CORNER

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

Upcoming PSR Classes:

Dec 10, Dec 17, Dec 24 (No Class), Dec 31 (No Class)

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

Children's Christmas Play on Sun, Dec 21: CANCELED

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

Upcoming Youth Group Classes:

TBD

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Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed - I am looking for volunteers who would ring bells on Monday, December 22nd at Wal-Mart. The schedule starts at 9:00 AM and ends at 6:00PM. I need 2 people per shift since 2 kettles will be set up at the entrance. I am setting up 30-minute shifts instead of 1 hour, unless you're willing to do it for 1 hour! It would be great to have college students who are home on break, families or youth groups participate. Last year, nearly \$14,455 was collected through bell ringing. Carlinville keeps 80% of these funds. 10-15 different families are helped each month with utility costs through this campaign. Thanks for your support! Contact Kathy O'Brien 314-873-7399 (call or text).

Important Dates & Information

Now until Sun, Dec 21: Angel Tree Mission The Angel Tree will be up in the Narthex the weekend of December 6/7. This year we will be sponsoring 6 families. Like last year, some tags will be for gifts for an individual child & some tags will be for household & personal care items for the family marked with the family number. If you choose a tag for an individual, the gift needs to be **wrapped with the angel tree tag attached, & placed under the tree**. If you choose a "family" gift tag, you may place the household/ personal care items **unwrapped with the tag attached** in the family bag number listed on the tag. Tags will be clearly marked & bag numbers will be clearly labeled so you will know where to place the household or personal care items. SVDP members will deliver gifts after mass on Sun, Dec 21 after 9:30am mass, so please have your gifts back to the church by that day & time. For questions, contact Denise Boente (217-710-2878) or Erin Crain (618-946-2793). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Mon, Dec 8: Immaculate Conception-Holy Day of Obligation

8:00am: Ss. Simon & Jude

6:00pm: Ss. Mary & Joseph

Sat, Dec 13: Cursillo Dinner

There will be a Cursillo Dinner on Sat, Dec 13 after the 5:30pm Mass. Please contact Dan Kallal if you have any questions.

Sun, Dec 14: Baptism Reunion Mass & Reception

During this Mass, we will recognize & bless all the children who were baptized in our parish in the past five years & their families. After Mass, we invite everyone to join us for coffee, donuts & cake, and visit informally to get to know one another a bit more. Please plan to attend!

Advent Confession & Adoration

Tues, Dec 16: 6pm-7:30pm at Ss. Simon & Jude in Gillespie

Wed, Dec 17: 8:30am-9:30am at St. Joseph in Benld

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Parish Appreciation Dinner note from Fr. Joe: On this joyful season of Advent, & on the occasion of our Parish Appreciation Dinner I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to our parish family for your faith, generosity, & dedication. This year has been filled with countless blessings because of the time, talent, treasure, & love you have shared & continue to share so generously with Ss. Mary & Joseph Parish.

Your support & cooperation have strengthened our ministries in beautiful ways. Our PSR program, a very important part of our mission, continues to flourish, forming our children in faith. Our OCIA program is also growing, welcoming twelve candidates this year-thanks to the dedication of Jodi & her committed team. Our outreach ministries have extended Christ's compassion within our parish & beyond. Your faithful presence at Mass has been a true encouragement, & I continue to urge our families, especially our PSR children-to make Sunday Mass a priority. Your presence matters more than you may realize. It inspires & strengthens us all.

We have also made significant improvements to our parish facility: the renovated sanctuary, enhanced sound systems both in the church & parish hall, refreshed hall, kitchen & breezeway, updated office spaces, improved lighting, & the beautiful new marble statue of our Blessed Mother-gratefully donated by Audrey Costello & her family. These are signs of good stewardship & our shared commitment to making our parish a welcoming home for generations to come.

A special word of thanks for your remarkable & amazing generosity in our Centennial Capital Campaign. Your pledges & commitment are a powerful witness to your love for our parish & your desire to invest in its future. May you be Blessed!

As we look ahead, I encourage all of us to keep growing in faith, in community, & in our shared mission. This season of Advent is a great opportunity to renew our commitment. Tonight's celebration reminds us of who we are as a parish family & all that we can accomplish together with God's grace. May Ss. Mary & Joseph intercede for us!

On a personal note, I thank you for the warmth, kindness, love & support you have shown me. Your encouragement & generosity truly humble me, & it is a true joy & privilege for me to serve this parish family. You inspire me & strengthen me every day. A big thanks to our dedicated staff, Amy & Jodi who do an amazing job!

May you have a Blessed season of Advent & May the peace of Christ fill your hearts this Christmas & throughout the coming year. Thank you for everything you give, everything you do, & everything you are.

Upcoming Holiday Mass Schedule

Wed, Dec 24 Christmas Eve

4pm: Ss. Mary & Joseph

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6pm: St. Joseph

Thurs, Dec 25 Christmas Day

9:30am: Ss. Mary & Joseph

11am: Ss. Simon & Jude



Dec 27/28: Normal Weekend Schedule

Wed, Dec 31 Solemnity of Mary - Holy Day of Obligation

4pm: Ss. Mary & Joseph

6pm: Ss. Simon & Jude

Thurs, Jan 1 Solemnity of Mary - Holy Day of Obligation

8am: St. Joseph