

Mass Times

Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM Saturday Vigil, 4:00 PM Sunday, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Confessions

Saturdays from 3:00-3:30 PM

Holy Days

Please see the Parish Bulletin

Rectory Hours

Monday — Thursday, 7:30AM—3:30PM

Friday, 7:30AM—1:00PM

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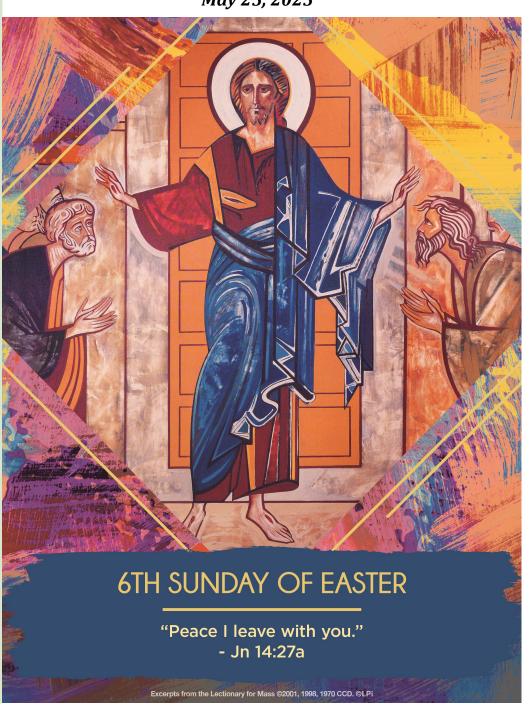
St. Joseph Catholic Parish

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Fr. John Hornicak, Parochial Administrator Fr. Roger Kutzner, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Emeritus Dave Raskowski **May 25, 2025**



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 24 - Vigil

4:00 p.m. Francis J. Armbruster (B) (Family)

4:00 p.m. Helen Brozovich (A)

(Ron Brozovich & Sandy Gregorash)

4:00 p.m. Mary & Richard Kubinski (Peggy Kubinski)

Sunday, May 25—Sixth Sunday of Easter

8;30 a.m. Josephine Fajfar (A) (Tom & Carol Whetstone)

8:30 a.m. Amalija Kaluza (Frank & Lillian Cepon)

8:30 a.m. Pablo Mascote (B) (A) (Family)

10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish,

Living & Deceased

10:30 a.m. Lucia Martinez (A) (Family)

Monday, May 26—Saint Philip Neri, Priest, Memorial Day at the Grotto

10:00 a.m. For All Those Who Gave Their Lives in Honor of

Our Freedom

10:00 a.m. Frank Musich (A) (Family)

Tuesday, May 27—Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. Peter Hamm (Family) 8:30 a.m. Richard Morelli (Wife & Family)

Wednesday, May 28-Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. Yolanda Borrego (A) (Family)

8:30 a.m. Bishop Roger L. Kaffer (A) (Altar & Rosary Society)

Thursday, May 29-Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. Dominic & Rosa Lucenta (Frank Markun)

8:30 a.m. Mary Perruso (B) (Kay & Terry Lennon)

Friday, May 30—Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. Jack Facinelli (Mayra Rubio)

8:30 a.m. Patrick Rooney (Russ & Kim Hayes)

Saturday, May 31 - Vigil

4:00 p.m. Angel Arias, Sr. (Family)

4:00 p.m. Stephan Kochevar (B) (Sister)

Sunday, June 1— The Ascension of the Lord

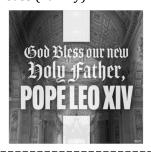
8:30 a.m. Kolenc & Hylek Families (Smaron Family)

8:30 a.m. Arthur & Anne Puetz (Karen Huston)

10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish,

Living & Deceased

10:30 a.m. Ursula Sass (Family)





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Sandy Papesh-Milligan

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 24 & 25

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	Extraordinary Ministers
4:00 PM	M. Mijan	J. Halsne, D. Mackley, B. Strahanoski
8:30 AM	C. Goetze	A. Bruno, M. Bruno, T. Osburn
10:30 AM	N. Keefer	C. Kadela, W. Keefer, N. Szalinski

May 31 & June 1

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers</u>
4:00 PM	C. Kadela	C. Kadela, L. Michalak, K. Sefcik
8:30 AM	M. Budzinski	M. Bruno, V. Gale, S. Walters
10:30 AM	L. Orozco	L. Engelman, C. Frieders, D. Mackley

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

May 11, 2025

Weekly Offering	\$ 10,194.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 1,002.00
Easter	\$ 150.00

May 18, 2025

Offertory figures were not available at the time of the bulletin submission.
Figures will appear in a future bulletin.

May God bless you always for your generosity and unwavering support of St. Joseph Parish!

Sacramental Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

On Saturdays from 3-3:30 PM. Other times upon request. Please call the rectory.

Sacrament of Baptism Guidelines

Must be an active registered parishioner of St. Joseph Parish. Call the rectory to set up Baptismal appointment. Baptisms scheduled at the Baptismal class.

Sacrament of the Sick

Celebrated individually upon request. If someone is seriously ill, the person should be anointed. Please call the rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

Must be an active registered parishioner of St. Joseph Parish; please make arrangements at least six months in advance.

New Parishioners

Are most welcome and are asked to register at the rectory or online through the parish website.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

Monday, May 26th 10:00 AM

St. Joseph Cemetery Grotto

The rectory and Adoration Chapel will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.

Hospitalized & Homebound

Please notify the parish office, 815-727-9378, so that our sick, hospitalized, and/or homebound parishioners may receive the pastoral care of the Church.

Cunningham Neighborhood Council

The Cunningham Neighborhood Council will meet on **Wednesday**, **June 4** from 6:30-7:30 PM at the Moran A.C., 1207 Nicholson St. The CNC works in conjunction with the police department. All are invited & encouraged to attend.

The Second Collections
Next Weekend, May 31st/June 1st,
are for The Ascension of the Lord
and Maintenance & Repair

Catholic Charities Parent Program – Support for Parents of Young Children

Are you parenting a child between the ages of 2 and 8? Join the Catholic Charities Parent Program, a free 12-session series designed to help parents build strong relationships, boost confidence, and support their child's mental health. Led by licensed professionals.

- Attend virtually or in person (location TBD).
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Starts the first week of June

Register today! For more information, visit https://form.jotform.com/250995587252066 or call 815-723-0331. Offered by Catholic Charities Counseling Services.

Why do Catholics need to go to Mass every Sunday?

Answer:

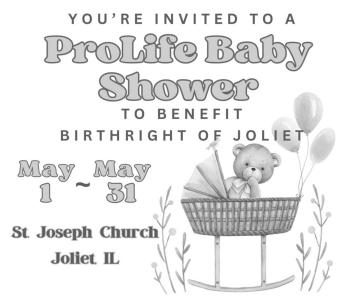
The heart of the Church's instruction that we are to attend Mass on Sundays goes back to the Third Commandment: "Take care to keep holy the sabbath day as the LORD, your God, has commanded you" (Deuteronomy 5:12). Although the Jewish People celebrate the Sabbath on Saturday, the first generations of Christians began to observe the sabbath on Sunday, recognizing how important it is for Christians to celebrate the day that Jesus rose from the dead. As the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults observes, "Sunday extends the celebration of Easter throughout the year ... It makes present the new creation brought about by Christ" (364).

The focus of our Sunday should be the celebration of the Eucharist in the Mass. This is our time to be formed by God's Word and nourished at the table of the Lord, becoming prepared to live out and share our faith in the week that follows. In his encyclical, Dies Domini, Pope Saint John Paul II reminded us that Christians "cannot live their faith or share fully in the life of the Christian community unless they take part regularly in the Sunday Eucharistic assembly" (no. 81). This is why the Church teaches us that Sunday Mass is a non-negotiable part of being a Christian (see Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2192).

Beyond being a time of worship, we should also remember that Sunday is intended to be a day of rest, when we make time for recreation, for sharing meals, and enjoying the company of friends and family. Sunday is given to as a day to take stock of and enjoy the blessings that God has given us (see Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2187). Pope Francis reminded us, "The day of rest, centered on the Eucharist, sheds its light on the whole week, and motivates us to greater concern for nature and the poor" (Laudato Si', no. 237).

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Final Week for the ProLife Baby Shower



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IOIN US AS WE PRAY THE ROSARY Sunday, June 8th after 10:30 AM Mass St. Joseph Church Presented by the Pro-Life Committee

Prayer for Peace

Fill us with Your peace, Lord, as you promised in Your word.

Peace in our comings and goings, Peace that You are working and moving. Peace for what has happened, the places we find ourselves today, and in the future to come. Amen.

March with St. Joseph May 4, 2025

"On behalf of St. Joseph Patron of the Church Council, I wish to convey our sincere thanks for your participation-either in person or remotely-for the success of our first annual March with St. Joseph.

By all accounts it was a wonderful event with 60 enthusiastic men and boys on foot and several more in support vehicles, from the magnificent High Mass, at St. Joseph Church in Rockdale, and blessing by Fr. Magiera on our departure to the gracious welcome, reflection and Litany by Fr. Roger Kutzner at our destination of St. Joseph in Ioliet, everything went according to plan. There was also an untold array of impressions of the public who witnessed this faithful group throughout the 3.6 mile route, as well as the graces received by those in our prayer intentions and thanks to the intercession of our Patron Saint.

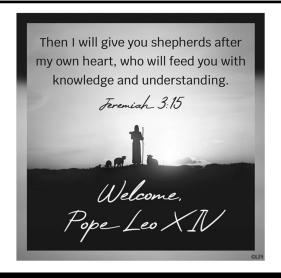
We raised several hundred dollars toward the ultrasound machine initiative which we will convey to our Brother Knights at Our Lady Queen of Apostles who are spearheading fundraising efforts for this noble cause. This March was inspired by the Knights of Columbus of France who draw thousands of participants each year in faithful honor of St. Joseph. With humble beginnings, may we grow and improve over time."

Ite ad Joseph!

Sincerely,

Brian Holuj Chancellor

St. Joseph Patron of the Church Council 18037



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Recently the coordinator of the parish Prayer Chain, Helen Lawson, unexpectedly passed away. She was a wonderful, devoted woman and we miss her greatly.

If you are a member of the **telephone Prayer Chain,** please call the rectory. We have been unable to find the original list of the telephone members. Parishioners who would like to be a new member of the telephone Prayer Chain are encouraged to call the rectory as well.

Please note: Current members of the email Prayer Chain are not affected.

If anyone would like to join the email Prayer Chain, please call the rectory or email Judy at ihalsne@stjosephjoliet.org.





St. Joseph Parish earns a rebate on all purchases made when you share your Food 4Less digital card when checking out.

To assign a digital card to your account:

Download the Food4Less App. onto your smart phone. Within the settings, you will receive a digital card to use for purchases and coupons. Please follow the prompts to select your fundraiser recipient as "St. Joseph Church, Joliet."

Thank you for your continued support of this fundraising program for the parish.

Progressive "Split the Pot" Raffle St. Patrick Church, Momence

Fr. Pete Jankowski is once again selling raffle tickets for St. Patrick Church in Momence. The Progressive Split the Pot Raffle tickets are \$10 each or 6 for \$50. The first prize is half the pot, minus \$750; second prize is \$500, third prize, \$250. The drawing will be held at their parish picnic in September 2025. Winner need not be present for the drawing. All proceeds go toward campus renovations. If you would like to purchase a ticket or two, please call the St. Joseph rectory, 815-727-9378. Fr. Pete thanks you for your support.

St. Joseph Holy Name Society has started selling the 2025/2026 - 240 Raffle tickets

Two \$100 winners are drawn for each month for twelve months. Only 240 tickets will be sold for \$20 each. To purchase a ticket, contact a Holy Name officer or use the form below. As always, the Holy Name Society thanks you for your support.

> Send your completed form with \$20 per ticket purchased, with a check made out to St. Joseph Church to: Bradley Petrella, 24007 Majestic Dr, Minooka, Il 60447.

Thank you for your support of this fundraiser for the Holy Name Society!

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Early Bird Deadline

All Homecoming raffle tickets sold and returned by **Sunday**, **June 1st** will be eligible for the Early Bird drawing with a cash prize of \$250.



Volunteers are needed for the for the annual Parish Picnic & Homecoming Fair on Sunday, June 22nd.

A couple hours of your time will make the world of difference to the success of our picnic. There are many areas in which to help: bingo, children's area, outside kitchen, beer garden, basket booth, ticket booths, and much more.

To reserve your volunteer hours, please visit the 2025 St. Joseph Homecoming Fair registration located on signupgenius.com, click the link on our website, or call the rectory at 815-727-9378.

Thank you!



LIQUOR BOOTH is accepting **monetary donations** for the annual Parish Picnic & Homecoming Fair. Please send donations to the rectory.



BASKET BOOTH DONATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

We are accepting donations or completed baskets to be raffled. Please call Judy Kendziora (815-545-7024) with any questions. **Donations can be brought to the rectory**.



Altar & Rosary Society

Altar & Rosary Booth

We are accepting new and unused donated prizes for our Fair booth.

Donations can be dropped off at the Rectory.



Homecoming Reunion Classes

Anniversary Classes and the pictures we are missing are:

25th - Class of 2000

(need First Communion (1994) pictures)

50th - Class of 1975

75th - Class of 1950

(need Girls First Communion (1944) picture)

If you have updated contact information for any of the members of these classes, or know where we can get the pictures we need, please contact the rectory or email Ray & Annette Koncar rfjma@yahoo.com.



All Fair Donations can be brought to the rectory

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, May 24—Vigil

Wedding, 1:00 PM

Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Litany, & Rosary, 3—3:45 PM

Confessions, 3:00—3:30 PM

Mass, 4:00 PM

Sunday, May 25—6th Sunday of Easter

Masses, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Monday, May 26— Easter Weekday

Memorial Day Mass, 10:00 AM, Grotto

Adoration Chapel, Closed

Rectory, Closed

Tuesday, May 27 - Easter Weekday

Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM-10:00 AM

Wednesday, May 28— Easter Weekday

Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—Noon

Thursday, May 29– Easter Weekday

Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM-Noon

Friday, May 30- Easter Weekday

Mass. 8:30 AM

Rosary, immediately following Mass

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Saturday, May 31—Vigil

Baptism, Noon

Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Litany, & Rosary, 3—3:45 PM

Confessions, 3:00-3:30 PM

Mass, 4:00 PM

Second Collection is for Maintenance & Repair

Sunday, June 1— The Ascension of the Lord

Masses, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

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New Parishioners

We welcome the following families into our parish family. May the Holy Spirit guide them throughout their lives and may our gracious and loving God bless them always.

Bryan & Jill Berry

Caroline Contorno and Michael Wisz

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

05/25/25 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/ Jn 14:23-29

05/26/25 Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a

05/27/25 Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

05/28/25 Acts 17:15,22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15

05/29/25 Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20

05/30/25 Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

05/31/25 Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:12:9-16/ Lk 1:39-56

Please Pray For...

Marriage Banns

Please pray for the following couples as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Marriage.

II Jonathon Wisnieski & Cate Spesia June 7, 2025



I Matthew Ebanks & Heather Zelko June 14, 2025

Our Sick

Fr. Joe Atcher, O. Carm., Joe Babich, Anthony Bendy, Jen Bendy, Phyllis Binzen, Erica Ceballos, Tyler Centorbi, Markie Cerda, Joe Cimfe, Genevieve Dumyahn, Bruce Eagglhoff, Linda Evans, Veronica Fairman, Walter Ferguson, Mike Gahan, Lois Geary, Roger Gerwatowski, Irene Gordan, Carolyn Grady, Jean Haas, Andy Honiotes, Ray Horvatin, Jake Jakovich Jr., Bob Keca, Gail Kolenc, Michael Kuhel, Mary Loucks, Todd Lukas, Frank Markun, Mary Ann Mayrin, Jerome Meehan, Terry Meyer, Greg Munich, Andy Nunez, Judy Philbert, Mike Pierson, Rafael Ouiroz, Deacon Dave & Jo Raskowski, Raymond Reinke, Lorraine Rolih, Nathan Roszyk, George Rozman, Julia Sarcletti, James Sefcik, Gavin Springsteen, Nancy Sraj, Gerald Tezak, Nasciana Thompson, Diana Tyda, Nancy Ursitti, Kristina Valentino, Bob & Joyce Vicich, JoAnne Vidmar, Terry Ziesmer, for those in need of prayers, and those who have no one to pray for them.

Those Who Serve

Spec. Rafael Arias, Andrew Bender, Sgt. Nikolas Borrego, Lindsey Carroll,



Matthew Carroll, Cpt. Peter Collins, COL David M. Conner, Dylan Crotty, Michael A. Elmore, Michael J. Elmore, Mitchell Elmore, LTC Donald Erickson, Holly Erickson-Gresens, Anthony Gayton, Melissa Gonzalez, Sgt. John M. Khandzhayan, Sgt. Mariela Sanchez-Khandzhayan, Wyatt Lawson, Jared Anthony Mason, Kannen Mosher, Andres Nunez, Charles B. Ritzler IV, Augie Spoto



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