



St. Joseph Catholic Parish

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Fr. Roger Kutzner, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Emeritus, Dave Raskowski
August 17, 2025

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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20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three.” - Lk 12:50-52

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 16— Vigil

4:00 p.m. Richard Galick (Family)
 4:00 p.m. Stephen L. Sefcik (Family)
 4:00 p.m. Eunice Ward (Tony LaPaso & Family)

Sunday, August 17— Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Jerry Martinez (Family)
 8:30 a.m. Fran & Walt Smaron (Daughter)
 10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish, Living & Deceased (Pro Popolo)
 10:30 a.m. Ursula Sass (Family)

Monday, August 18— Weekday

8:30 a.m. Ben Bazik (Julia Sarcletti)
 8:30 a.m. Kevin Hansen (Mike & Beth Hansen)

Tuesday, August 19— Weekday

8:30 a.m. Alan & Pauline Mihelich, 30th Wedding Anniversary (Family)
 8:30 a.m. Robert F. Terdic & Scott Terdic (Family)

Wednesday, August 20— Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m. Jerry & Mary Mutz (Family)
 8:30 a.m. Robert & Ida Mae Vertin (William & Lisa Vertin)

Thursday, August 21— Saint Pius X, Pope

8:30 a.m. Mary Dobelmann (A) (Family)
 8:30 a.m. Charlotte Stefanich (Natalie & Jereme Leahy)

Friday, August 22— The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 a.m. Intentions of Fr. Tim Andres, O Carm. (Mark & Lyn Michalak & Family)
 8:30 a.m. Jack Facinelli (Stacey & Nick Reinhart)

Saturday, August 22— Vigil

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

Sunday, August 24— Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Dave Terdic (B) (Wife & Family)
 8:30 a.m. Lorraine Tezak (A) (Husband & Family)
 10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish, Living & Deceased (Pro Popolo)
 10:30 a.m. Thomas Kemp (Wife & Family)



Flame of Faith

In Memory Of

Stephen L. Sefcik
Diane Wynne

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Ruby Street Bridge is closed
 through August 31st.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

August 16 & 17

Mass	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
4:00 PM	B. Schelli	B. Schelli, M. Schelli, K. Sefcik
8:30 AM	B. Zelinski	D. Zelinski, E. Zelinski, O. Zelinski
10:30 AM	C. Kadela	D. Mackley, C. Kadela, N. Szalinski

August 23 & 24

Mass	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
4:00 PM	J. Halsne	L. Michalak, K. Sefcik, B. Strahanoski
8:30 AM	G. Walters	M. Bruno, C. Kadela, S. Walters
10:30 AM	D. Mackley	G. Dau, L. Engelman, W. Keefer

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

August 10, 2025

Weekly Offering.....	\$ 7,857.00
Maintenance & Repair.....	\$ 495.00

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

**“FAITH IS A BEAM RADIATING FROM
 THE FACE OF GOD.” ~ ST. JOHN EUDES**

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.

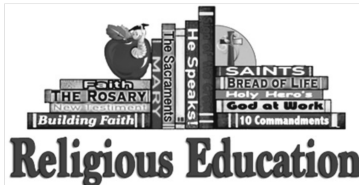
New Parishioners

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

Share Your Faith!

We are looking for a 2nd Grade Catechist and a few aides to assist our Religious Education catechists in the coming year.

Classes are held on Tuesdays from 5:30 until 7:00 pm in the school building. Please call the rectory and say that you will help.



Religious Education Registration in Progress

It's time to register your children for Religious Education classes for the 2025—2026 school year.

Remember, this is an eight-year program.

Students enrolled in public education are required to faithfully attend Religious Education classes from 1st through 8th grade. Registration forms are located on the kiosk, at Church entrances and on the website.



**ST. JOHN'S FOOD PANTRY
COLLECTION
AUGUST 23 & 24**

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



St. Joseph Parish needs additional **Lectors** and **Extraordinary Ministers**, for **4:00 PM and 8:30 AM Masses**. These ministries are very important to our Parish Life. We ask you to prayerfully consider becoming a Lector or Extraordinary Minister. For information, call the rectory at 815-727-9378.

EMPLOYMENT POSTING

The Diocese of Joliet has announced new positions available. To view full detailed job descriptions, visit: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet in Illinois at www.diojoliet.org/offices/careers

"Life is the most basic human right, and without it, no other rights can be enjoyed or protected." ~ Unknown

Pro-Life Meeting

Tuesday, August 19th at 6:30 PM
Ferdinand Hall

*Upcoming Fall events will be discussed.
All committee members are asked to attend.*

**"LET THE HOLY SPIRIT BLAZE
LIKE FIRE IN YOUR HEART"**

Qualified Charitable Distribution to St. Joseph Church

If you are looking to make a non-deductible donation to St. Joseph Parish, you may want to consider a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD).

A QCD is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA, payable directly to a qualified charity, such as St. Joseph Church. If you are age 72 or older, IRS rules require you to take required minimum distributions (RMDs) each year from your tax-deferred retirement accounts. Amounts distributed as a QCD can be counted toward satisfying your RMD for the year, up to \$100,000. The QCD is excluded from your taxable income. This is not the case with a regular withdrawal from an IRA, even if you use the money to make a charitable contribution later on. Speak with your financial advisor for additional info.

**"SO LONG AS
SHE IS IN
YOUR MIND,
YOU ARE
SAFE FROM
DECEPTION."**

ST. BERNARD



St. Joseph Seniors

This is a reminder for all those St. Joseph Seniors who made their reservation to attend the Annual Steak Fry.

The Annual Steak Fry will be held August 20th, at the Park, at noon!

Bring your plates, tongs, and tableware. Also, if you prefer a special seasoning, please bring this to use on your steak. It is your job to grill your steak just the way you like it, from rare to very well done, from plain to well seasoned! Sides and dessert will be provided and prepared by Lillian Cepon.

Please notify Marcia (815-922-1225) of any cancellations. It should be a beautiful day for you to enjoy a great meal with your friends!

September 17th is our next regular meeting. Check the September bulletin and Mary's updates for more information.

Save the Date: St. Joseph's Craft Fair and Market will take place on Nov. 15th.

We are looking for an individual or two to oversee the Parish Gift Shop as the present coordinator is moving out of state. Responsibilities include selecting dates for the gift shop to be open once a month, notifying the rectory of any items that are needed to sell, and working with volunteers. The time commitment is minimal. If you are interested in helping, please call the rectory. Thank you!



Gift Shop Volunteers Needed

Do you have 20 minutes once a month to assist in the Gift Shop after Mass? **We need you.** If interested, please call the rectory at 815-727-9378.



Gift Shop Fall Schedule

September 20 & 21
October 18 & 19
November 8 & 9
December 6 & 7
December 13 & 14



St. Joseph Holiday Craft Show & Market

Crafters & Vendors Wanted!

**Saturday, November 15th
10:00 AM—3:00 PM
St. Joseph Park
700 Theodore Street, Joliet**

Please contact Virginia Gale for more information.
Email: Virginia Gale: vgale13@gmail.com
Phone/text: 815-207-1724



Mammo Strong Inc. is an Illinois 501(c)3 Corporation that is dedicated to helping children succeed. All proceeds from these events will be donated to help children in the areas of medical needs, education and youth sports.

12th Annual MAMMO-PALOOZA

Saturday, August 23rd, 2025

**St. Joseph Park
700 Theodore St, Joliet, IL 60435
3:00pm - 10:00pm**

FREE ADMISSION



3:15pm—6:15pm



7:00pm - 10:00pm

Live Bands - Food - Beer Garden - Games - Raffles - 50/50

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, August 16—Vigil

Wedding, 1PM

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

Confessions, 3:00-3:30 PM

Mass, 4:00 PM

Private Event, Noon, Park

Sunday, August 17—Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses, 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Baptism, Noon

Monday, August 18 — Weekday

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

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

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Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—Noon

Senior Steak Fry, Noon, Park

Thursday, August 21 — Saint Pius X, Pope

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—Noon

Private Event, 3:00 PM, Park

Friday, August 22 — The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

Rosary, 9:00 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—11:00 AM

Wedding Rehearsal, 5:00 PM

Saturday, August 23—Vigil

Wedding, 1PM

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

Confessions, 3:00-3:30 PM

Mass, 4:00 PM

Mammo-Palooza, 3:00 PM, Park

St. John's Food Pantry Collection

Sunday, August 24—Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses, 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

St. John's Food Pantry Collection

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

08/17/25 Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/ Heb 12:1-4/ Lk 12:49-53

08/18/25 Jgs 2:11-19/ Mt 19:16-22

08/19/25 Jgs 6:11-24a/ Mt 19:23-30

08/20/25 Jgs 9:6-15/ Mt 20:1-16

08/21/25 Jgs 11:29-39a/ Mt 22:1-14

08/22/25 Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/ Mt 22:34-40

08/23/25 Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/ Mt 23:1-12

Bible Study

Wednesdays, beginning

September 24th

7-8:30 PM

St. Joseph Park,

700 Theodore St. Joliet

Please Pray For...

Marriage Banns

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



III Zachary Ryan & Allison Abellera
August 23, 2025

II Brian Miller & Nicole Sapio
August 31, 2025

Our Sick

Fr. Joe Atcher, O. Carm., Joe Babich, Anthony Bendy, Jen Bendy, Judy Bolte, Patrick Briscoe, 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., Marie Kanta, Bob Keca, Patricia Koefoed, Gail Kolenc, Michael Kuhel, Ann Marie Linko, Mary Loucks, Todd Lukas, Frank Markun, Mary Ann Mavrin, Jerome Meehan, Terry Meyer, Greg Munich, Andy Nunez, Judy Philbert, Mike Pierson, Rafael Quiroz, 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, 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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