



St. Joseph Catholic Parish

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Fr. Roger Kutzner, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Emeritus, Dave Raskowski
September 7, 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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23rd Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 6—Vigil

4:00 p.m. In Thanksgiving, St. Joseph (Irma Martinez)

4:00 p.m. Ted J., Ted M. & Jim Planinsek (Family)

Sunday, September 7— Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish, Living & Deceased (Pro Popolo)

8:30 a.m. Thomas Joseph Scanlon (Catherine Flynn)

10:30 a.m. Olga Mozina (Bev & Tom Kotowicz & Family)

10:30 a.m. Mark Valentino (A) (Family)

Monday, September 8— Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 a.m. Ann M. Bodach (Dave & Karen Mackley)

8:30 a.m. Jack Facinelli (Judy Halsne)

8:30 a.m. Charlotte Stefanich (Nancy Futterer)

Tuesday, September 9— Saint Peter Claver, Priest

8:30 a.m. Mary Perruso (Barb Lausch)

8:30 a.m. Sandra Pope (Frank & Rosemary Markun)

Wednesday, September 10— Weekday

8:30 a.m. For the Strength & Resilience of All Pro-Life Supporters (Pro-Life Committee)

8:30 a.m. Walter J. & Lillian Ferguson (Family)

Thursday, September 11— Weekday, Patriot's Day

8:30 a.m. Mary Dobelmann (B) (Family)

8:30 a.m. Thomas Kemp (Wife & Family)

Friday, September 12— Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mary Chaloka (B) (Family)

8:30 a.m. Donald Uremovic (Family)

Saturday, September 13—Vigil

4:00 p.m. Fordonski & Pucel Grandparents (Family)

4:00 p.m. Grein & Zelinski Grandparents
(Bravo, Hallick & Zelinski Families)

4:00 p.m. John & Sharron Zelinski (Grandchildren)

Sunday, September 14— Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

8:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society

10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish, Living & Deceased (Pro Popolo)

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



Flame of Faith

In Memory Of

Robert J. Dobczyk

Jackie Plankar

Donald & Patricia Vranich

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 6 & 7

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers</u>
4:00 PM	S. Vanisko	C. Kadela, K. Sefcik, 1 EM Needed
8:30 AM	M Budzinski	V. Gale, S. Walters, D. Zelinski
10:30 AM	J. Contorno	G. Dau, W. Keefer, J. Orozco

September 13 & 14

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers</u>
4:00 PM	B. Schelli	B. Schelli, M. Schelli, B. Strahanoski
8:30 AM	M. Bruno	C. Goetze, A. Koncar, V. Gale
10:30 AM	J. Hostert	L. Engelman, C. Kadela, D. Mackley

**The Second Collection
this weekend is for
Maintenance & Repair**

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

August 31, 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!***

2025 Tootsie Roll Drive

Members of the Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity Council #4400 of Joliet will be handing out Tootsie Rolls and collecting donations to benefit children and adults with disabilities after all Masses **September 20th and 21st**. Thank you in advance for your support of this fundraiser for the Knights.



Pastor, Fr. John Hornicak Reception

September 20th & 21st,
after all Masses, in Ferdinand Hall

Join us for coffee and cake in celebration of
our newly installed Pastor Fr. John Hornicak.



Upcoming Dates & Notable News

- ♦ **Parent Meeting**, September 9th, 5:30 PM in Ferdinand Hall
- ♦ **First Day of Class**, Tuesday, September 16th, 5:30—7:00 PM in the school building

We are still in need of one catechist.

We are also looking for two aides to assist the catechists. The time commitment is minimal and the rewards are abundant. To volunteer please call the rectory or email ebravo@stjosephjoliet.org.

Registration forms can be found at all church entrances, in the rectory and on the website, www.stjosephjoliet.org.

Please register your children before the first day of class. Completed forms can be mailed or dropped off to the rectory or emailed directly to Elizabeth Bravo at ebravo@stjosephjoliet.org.



JOIN US AS WE PRAY THE ROSARY

Sunday, September 14th
after 10:30 AM Mass
St. Joseph Church

Presented by the Pro-Life Committee

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Per the Joliet Patch, Ruby Street Bridge is scheduled to re-open September 10th, weather permitting.



National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Saturday, September 13, 2025

Time: 1PM

*Fr. Matt Lamoureux of St. Patrick's Church
in Yorkville, IL will preside.*

Resurrection Cemetery
200 W. Romeo Rd.
Romeoville, IL

Note: Gravesite is located in the Garden of Angels
(Section 1) near the southeast corner of the cemetery.

*Honoring the memory of more than 63 million unborn
victims of abortion.*

For additional information,
please feel free to contact Jackie Kibler at 815-557-6133.

St. Joseph Holy Name Society Meeting

Members of the Holy Name Society will meet in Ferdinand Hall following 8:30 AM Mass on Sunday, September 14, 2025. All male parishioners, ages 15 and older are invited to attend.

Walking Toward Eternity Daring to Walk the Walk



Walking Toward Eternity is an inspiring series designed to help participants live their faith more fully. Through daily prayerful meditation with Scripture (*lectio divina*), they will be drawn into an intimate and life-changing encounter with Christ. Daring to Walk the Walk, the first series of *Walking Toward Eternity*, introduces seven key virtues and outlines practical steps for living them out in daily life.

This study shows how to put our Catholic faith into practice through prayer and action. The result is a profound change occurring in people's lives as they begin living as God intended.

**Wednesdays, September 24th– October 29th
7:00-8:30 PM**

Service Committee Meeting

The Service Committee will meet on Tuesday, September 9th at 6PM in the Rectory. For more information, please call the rectory at 815-727-9378. All are welcome.



Canonization

September 7, 2025



Blessed Carlo
Acutis



Blessed Pier Giorgio
Frassati

PATRIOT DAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

"WE DON'T KNOW THEM ALL
BUT WE OWE THEM ALL."

Hand-Carved Olive Wood Gifts from the Holy Land

Proceeds benefit Catholic schools in the Holy Land.



Did you know that 600 Christian families living in Bethlehem are completely dependent on carving olive wood figurines for their livelihood? The recent clashes in the Middle East have stopped the tourism industry in Bethlehem, causing most of those families serious harm in earning their living and forcing many of them to leave their homeland. Emptying the land of Christ from Christians can have tragic consequences on the Holy sites. Issam, from the "Star of Bethlehem" group came to the United States with a mission to help those families by selling their beautiful religious handicrafts. The cost of goods goes to benefit the Christian carvers to keep them working in the spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, the profit from sales goes directly to the needy Catholic schools and clinics in the Holy Land. The Star of Bethlehem has been approved by many bishops and dioceses of Jerusalem. Please show your generosity to our Brothers and Sisters in the Holy Land.

These beautiful items will be available for sale after all Masses in the front vestibule September 13th & 14th.

Pancake Breakfast

hosted by

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish
201 S. Briggs St., Joliet

Sunday, September 14, 2025
8:00 AM until 1 PM

Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage,
Biscuits & Gravy, Coffee, Milk & Juice

Donations: Adults \$10.00
Kids and Veterans \$6.00



CMAA Pledge Report for St. Joseph Parish

Diocesan Appeal! If you haven't had the chance yet, it's not too late to join us in making a difference. Together, our support touches countless lives through ministries and services that bring hope, healing, and faith to those in need.

Our Parish Goal is \$45,400—and when we work together as one parish family, we can reach it! Even better, 70% of every dollar we raise over our goal is returned to enhance our church.

Please prayerfully consider how you can be part of this important mission. Every gift matters and brings us closer to our goal. Thank you for your kindness, your prayers, and your unwavering support of our parish and the broader Church.

PARISH GOAL:	\$45,400
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$42,388
AMOUNT PAID:	\$37,284
REMAINING BALANCE:	\$5,104
REBATE AMOUNT:	\$0

St. Joseph Church Gift Shop

Join us September 20th & 21st when the Gift Shop reopens featuring a New Look with New Items!



An ever-changing monthly display highlighting the Universal Church's Monthly Intention
September: Our Lady of Sorrows



Our Patron Saint, Saint Joseph items are available and prominently displayed.



Various statues, seasonal cards, Holy Cards, Rosaries, Fall Décor, and much more are available for purchase.

Coming In October: Christmas items will be available for purchase, including Advent Wreaths & Christmas Cards

We look forward to seeing you
September 20 & 21

**Upcoming Gift Shop Open Dates: October 18 & 19; November 8 & 9;
December 6 & 7; and December 13 & 14.**



Would you like to see the 7:00 PM Sunday Mass return to St. Joseph Parish in Joliet?

Please leave a comment of "Yes" or "No" in answer to the above question in the Facebook comments or email your response to jhalsne@stjosephjoliet.org

You may drop a note into the collection basket or place your note in one of the clear containers at the Clay Street entrance or on the ushers table when you are at Mass.

Let your opinion count!

Fr. John will tally the votes by September 22nd.

SEPTEMBER 11
NEVER FORGET



Important Announcement!

Members of the Altar & Rosary Society will meet at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, September 17th at St. Joseph Park. **There will not be a Mass at 11:15, following the meeting.** Priests of the diocese will be at a convocation and will not be available to celebrate Mass for us.

We look forward to seeing all members at the meeting.

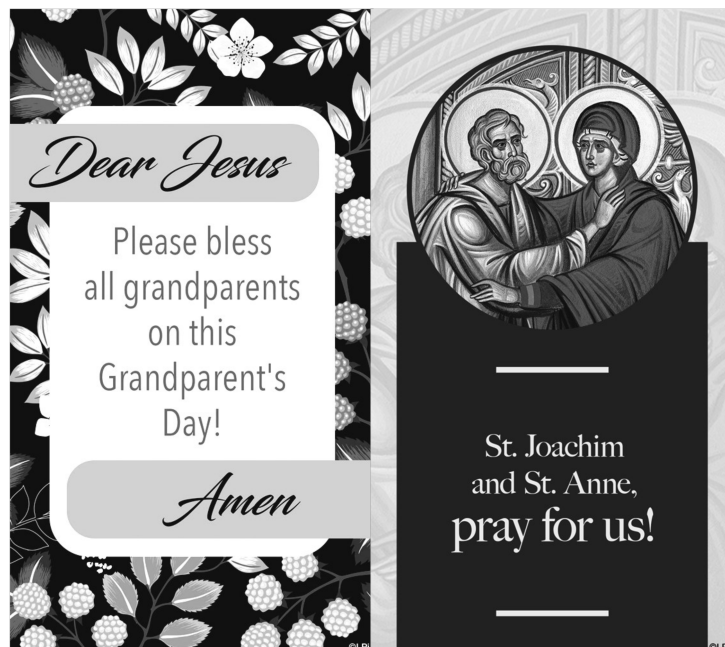
EMPLOYMENT POSTING

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

New Parishioners

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

**Andres Nunez III, Jennifer Nunez
Son, Andres Nunez IV
Darlene Pisciotto**



St. Joachim and St. Anne
are Jesus' grandparents on Mary's side.

PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

Dear God,
What a grace to live in a world
of all ages and stages.
Bless our grandparents, today and always.
Thank You for their experiences,
wisdom, and insight.
Thank You for the gifts they
bring the Church.
Thank You for the lessons they
teach the next generations.
Amen.



National Grandparents Day

Sunday, September 7, 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, September 6—Vigil

Quinceanera, 10:00 AM

Baptisms, Noon & 1:30 PM

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

Confessions, 3:00-3:30 PM

Mass, 4:00 PM

2nd Collection is for Maintenance & Repair

RPW, 5:00 PM, Park

Sunday, September 7—23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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Monday, September 8—Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—10:00 AM

Tuesday, September 9— Saint Peter Claver, Priest

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—10:00 AM

RE Parent Meeting, 5:30 PM, Ferdinand Hall

Service Committee Meeting, 6PM, Rectory

Wednesday, September 10— Weekday

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—Noon

Thursday, September 11— Weekday, Patriot's Day

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—Noon

Friday, September 12— Weekday

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM

Rosary, 9:00 AM

Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—11:00 AM

Saturday, September 13—Vigil

Baptism Class, 9:00 AM, Ferdinand Hall

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

Confessions, 3:00-3:30 PM

Mass, 4:00 PM

Star of Bethlehem Sales, after Mass

Sunday, September 14—24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Holy Name Mtg, following 8:30AM Mass, Ferdinand Hall

Pro-Life Rosary, after 10:30 am Mass

Star of Bethlehem Sales, after all Masses

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

09/07/25 Wis 9:13-18b/ Phlm 9-10, 12-17/ Lk 14:25:33

09/08/25 Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or Mt 1:18-23

09/09/25 Col 2:6-15/ Lk 6:12-19

09/10/25 Col 3:1-11/ Lk 6:20-26

09/11/25 Col 3:12-17/ Lk 6:27-38

09/12/25 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/ Lk 6:39-42

09/13/25 1 Tm 1:15-17/ Lk 6:43-49

Please Pray For...

Marriage Banns

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



II Andy Keoyothy & Christina Nunez
September 20, 2025

I Randy Barrowman & Shawna Brown
September 27, 2025

Our Sick

Fr. Joe Atcher, O. Carm., Joe Babich, Anthony Bendy, Jen Bendy, Nicki Blowers, Judy Bolte, Patrick Briscoe, Erica Ceballos, Tyler Centorbi, Markie Cerda, Joe Cimfe, Genevieve Dumyahn, Bruce Eaggloff, Linda Evans, Veronica Fairman, Walter Ferguson, Mike Gahan, Lois Geary, Roger Gerwatowski, Irene Gordan, Carolyn Grady, Jean Haas, Carrie Harth, Andy Honiotes, Janet Horvath, 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, 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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