

Mass Times

Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM Saturday Vigil, 4:00 PM Sunday, 8:30 AM. 10:30 AM & 7:00 PM

Confessions

Saturdays from 3:00-3:30 PM

Holy Days

Please see the Parish Bulletin

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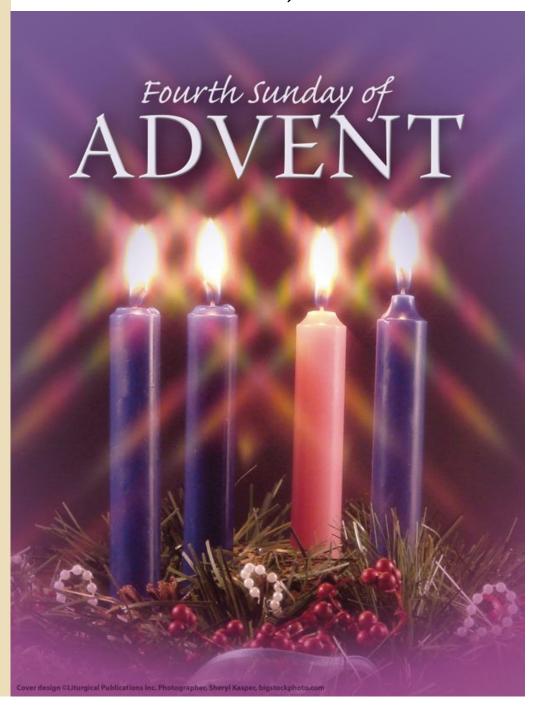
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Deacon Emeritus, Dave Raskowski
December 21, 2025



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 20—Vigil

4:00 p.m. Audrey Churnovic (B) (Mike & Lynn Miller)

4:00 p.m. Jaime Ortiz, Sr. (Family)

Sunday, December 21— Fourth Sunday of Advent

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

10:30 a.m. David Hurd (Family)

10:30 a.m. Thomas Kemp (Wife & Family)

7:00 p.m. Cernugel Family (Bernardine)

7:00 p.m. Chester Rutkowski (Wife, Bernardine)

Monday, December 22— Late Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Angel Arias, Sr. (Tina Ortiz Family)

8:30 a.m. Scott Terdic (Family)

Tuesday, December 23— Late Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Nellie Klancher (A) (Family)

8:30 a.m. Ruben Ortiz (Loza Family)

Wednesday, December 24— Late Advent Weekday, **Christmas Eve**

3:00 p.m. Richard, Sr. & Audrey Churnovic (Mike & Lynn Miller)

3:00 p.m. Marjorie Kesich (Family)

3:00 p.m. Genevieve Kotowicz (Tom, Bev, & Family)

Midnight Msgr. M. J. Butala (Altar & Rosary Society)

Thursday, December 25— The Nativity of the Lord

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

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

Friday, December 26— Saint Stephen, the First Martyr

8:30 a.m. Marija Cebasek-Neubauer & Parents (Husband & Family)

8:30 a.m. Nate Michalak & Family, Special Intentions

(Michalak Family)

Saturday, December 27—Vigil, Saint John, Apostle and **Evangelist**

4:00 p.m. Raul Bravo, Sr. (Raul Bravo Family)

4:00 p.m. Stephen L. & Frances M. Sefcik (Family)

Sunday, December 28— The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish, Living &

Deceased (Pro Popolo)

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Brulc Family

(Dragovan Family)

10:30 a.m. Angel Arias, Sr. (Family)

10:30 a.m. Irene Planinsek (Family)

7:00 p.m. Jerome Levandowski (Ann Levandowski)

7:00 p.m. Anthony & Doris Tadey (Family)



Flame of Faith

In Memory Of

Mark Johnson Frank & Fran Mali Stephen L. & Frances M. Sefcik

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

December 20 & 21

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	Extraordinary Ministers	
4:00 PM	B. Schelli	L. Michalak, B. Schelli, M. Schelli	
8:30 AM	C. Goetze	V. Gale, C. Goetze, T. Osburn	
10:30 AM	D. Mackley	L. Engelman, C. Kadela, N. Szalinski	
7:00 PM	C. Gimbel	B. Gimbel	

December 24 & 25

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	Extraordinary Ministers
3:00 PM	B. Zelinski	L. Michalak, E. Zelinski, O. Zelinski
Midnight	G. Walters	M. Bruno, S. Walters, 1 EM Needed
8:30 AM	M. Budzinski	V. Gale, C. Goetze, A. Koncar
10:30 AM	C. Kadela	N. Churnovic, R. Churnovic, C. Kadela

December 27 & 28

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	Extraordinary Ministers	
4:00 PM	S. Vanisko	A. Camacho, J. Halsne, K. Sefcik	
8:30 AM	G. Walters	M. Bruno, A. Bruno, S. Walters	
10:30 AM	C. Kadela	N. Churnovic, R. Churnovic, G. Dau	
7:00 PM	J. Contorno	V. Gale	

St. Joseph Church **Christmas Mass Schedule** at St. Joseph Church



Christmas Eve December 24th 3:00 PM & Midnight **Christmas Day December 25th** 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

December 7, 2025

Weekly Offering	\$ 9,600.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 5,245.00
Additional	\$ 580.00
Christmas	\$ 5,100.00

December 14, 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!

Thank you for your generous response to our poinsettia request. We are very grateful for your support and kindness. Thank you again for helping to make our place of worship so beautiful and fitting for the coming of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

God bless you in all you do. Fr. John

Poinsettias in Memory of those Gone from our Sight but Never Gone from our Hearts.

Mary L. Agnich

Mary Alberico

Abel Alvarado

Dolores & Joe Ambrozich

John & Marlene Ancel

John W. Ancel

Merril & Rosalie Andel

Edwin Andres Sr.

Catherine Andres

Margaret Andres

John & Mary Anzelc

Raymond Anzelc

Bob Babich

Joe & Helen Babich

Mary Babich

Lorraine Tezak Bannon

George Britt Barr Jr.

Bill Barrett, Mom & Sisters

Baxter/Kluska Family

Delores Blowers

Edmund Blowers Sr.

Dolly Bolte

Robert & Mary Bolte

Sue Bovenizer

Joseph & Anna Bozich

Ed & Mabel Briscoe

Frank & Theresa Buldak

James & Bernadine Burke

Cabay & Marentic Families

Axel K. Carlson

Jennie Carlson

Chaloka Family

Bob & Eva Chignoli

Richard Sr. & Audrey Churnovic

Louis Clavenna

Gary Courtney

Diane "Dee" Craig

Art & Dorothy Cwudzinski

Paula Deangelis

Deceased Members

St. Genevieve Lodge #108

Richard L. Demick Sr.

Jennifer Demick

Dean Doty

Joan Dixon

William R. Dixon

Edgerly & Heathcoat Families

Mary Lou Erjavec

James & Ann Esposito

Ruthy Evans

"Celebrating Christmas with you in my heart and mind. Know you are loved and missed every day of the year." Bob Figurowski

Fr. Raymond Foster O. Carm.

Mike Gahan

Frances & Joseph Gale

Louis & Amelia Gale

Geary Family

Govednik Family

Lucille Gregorash

Brent Gunier

Pabla Guzman

Halsne Family

John P. & Mary Hickey

Edward & Lucille Hochevar

Joe & Audrey Hornicak

Nan Horvatin

Robert Horvatin

Hucek/Furdek Family

David Michael Hurd

Jake & Marilyn Jakovich

John & Alice Jakovich

Donald Jankowski

Donald Jeffrey

Joseph Joachim

Robert Joachim



Ed & Helen Kadela

Anton & Amalija Kaluza

Joseph Kanta

Jean Kibler

Kathy Kinmonth-Shafer

Klancher Family

Klepec Family

Ann Klimek

John F. Klimek

Kociancic & Smaron Families

Paul & Esther Komp

Mark & Jen Koser

John & Genevieve Kotowicz

Bob Kozar

John & Dolores Krzysciak

Bill Laken

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Lauric

Esther C. Lopez

Ventura & Teresa Lopez

Walter A. Lustik

John & Anne Lynch

Mackley Family

Fr. Joseph Maisonneuve O. Carm.

Rose Maroney

Rosemary Maroney

Dale & Marian Martincich Family

Lucia Martinez

Luis Martinez

Luis & Maria R. Martinez

Jerry Martinez

Tom Meyer

Frank T. Micklich

Leonard J. Micklich

Shirley A. Micklich

Ty MIller



Helen Minnick

John & Helen Mozina

Olga Mozina

Catherine Stober Munson

Jerry Mutz

Benny & Theresa Papesh

Jim Olznoi

Mr. & Mrs. George Papesh

Mr, & Mrs. Peter Papesh

Ralph & Marge Papesh

James Pasdertz Sr.

Rose Pasdertz

Vincent & Rose Paver

Doug Petan

Petan Family

Bill Petersen

Mildred Petersen

Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Petrella

Mary & Anthony Petrovic

Judy Planinc

Planinsek Family

Bill & Marge Plankar

Billy Plankar

Dr. Nancy Potempa

Emil W. Ramsak

Joan Reeves

Mary Reposh Family

Cathy Restaino

Roberto & Maria A. Rodriguez

Robert Rolih

Frances Romashko

Jimmy Ruddy

James Runnels

Josephine Jonita Ruth

Schoener Family

Sczepaniak Family

Frances M. Sefcik

Stephen L. Sefcik

Robert "Buzzy" Shaw Jr.

Alyssa Shields

Raymond & Marilyn Singletary

John Skoff

Margaret & Julius Skoff

William Skoff

Jean & John R. Skole

Anton Skul Family

Fairel Smith

Anthony Smrekar

Frank & Mary Spelich

Bill & Betty Starasinich

Elmer & Marlene Starasinich

Ann Stefanich

Peter & Anna Stefanich

Peter & Anna Stefanich Family

Alice and Charles Stiglic, Jr.

Kayley Irene Stofan

Melinda Zanzola Story

Fritz & Betty Suhadolc

James M. Sukle

Brian L. Surges

Virginia Susner

Irene Sweda

Mary Sweda

Dorothy & Terry Takacs

John Tamayo

Bernard J. Terlep

Carol Terlep

Katherine Torgersen

Therese Trembley

Elmer Valek

Dolores Valentino

Edward J. Vanisko Sr.

Ken Varela

Ruben Verdin Phyllis & Joe Vershay **Bob Vicich** Joseph & Mary Vidmar Patricia Vranich Mr. & Mrs. E. F. Waggoner **Eunice Ward Delores Wilson** Richard M. Wojnarowski August & Eva Mae Wolz Bob & Jean Wolz Robert & Jean Wolz Howard M. Young Sally & Joe Zanzola John & Sharron Zelinski Mr. & Mrs. John Zelinski Ronald A. Ziesmer Julius, James & Cynthia Zitko Joe & Barb Zupancic

Poinsettias In Honor of Those Still With Us

Abel Alvarado
Shirley Colaric
D'Annette M. Dodson
Genevieve A. Dumyahn
Joan Gossett
John "Jack" McDonald
Ursula Sass
Kathryn Tamayo
Ann Wojnarowski

Maria Zepeda





This Christmas we are very blessed to give our parishioners the booklet <u>Catholic Prayers</u> compiled from Traditional Sources by Thomas A. Nelson. Our deepest thanks to the parishioner, who wishes to remain anonymous, for their generosity in purchasing these books for our parishioners.



Welcome to Our Parish!

We pray that you will enjoy celebrating Mass with us this weekend. Whether you are new to the community or live here, know that you are invited to join our Parish family.

Please be sure to introduce yourself to Father after Mass. You may register to be a parishioner with us on our parish website at stjosephjoliet.org or by calling the rectory during the week at 815-727-9378.

If you are just visiting, welcome! We hope you enjoy your visit with us and consider us your "home away from home."



Parish Events

Decorating for Christmas, December 23rd, 9 AM

Christmas Eve Masses, December 24th, 3 PM & Midnight

Christmas Day Masses, December 25th, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

A Celebration of the Three Kings December 29th, 6:30 PM

New Year's Eve December 31st, 4:00 PM

New Year's Day January 1st, 8:30 AM



Join us on Tuesday, December 23rd to decorate for Christmas, at the Church starting at 9:00 AM THE NEO-CATECHUMENAL COMMUNITY INVITES ST. JOSEPH CHURCH FAMILIES & GUESTS TO

"A CELEBRATION OF THE THREE KINGS"

Please join us Monday, December 29, 2025, at 6:30 PM in St. Joseph Church for a Presentation of the nativity.

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.

Damien Cervantes, Ruben Cervantes, Amaya Gonzalez, Miguel Gonzales Veronica Jaime, Avianna Vela

Religious Education & OCIA

There will be no Religious Education or OCIA classes the weeks of December 21st and December 28th. RE Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 6th at 5:30 PM. OCIA Classes will resume on Sunday, January 4th. We wish you and your families a very Blessed & Joyous Christmas!



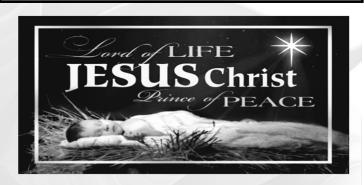


Wishing you a Joyous and Blessed Christmas!
May the love and peace of the Infant Jesus fill your hearts throughout this season and always. God bless you!

The St. Joseph Parish Staff



ST. JOHN'S FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION DECEMBER 20 & 21



End of Year Tax Statements

Donation letters for 2025 contributions to St. Joseph Parish will be mailed upon request toward the end of January. Please call the rectory or email jhalsne@stjosephjoliet.org to request your statement for taxes.



Monday, Dec. 22nd open, 7:30 am-3:30 pm open, 7:30 am-3:30 pm Tuesday, Dec. 23rd Wednesday, Dec. 24th Closed Thursday, Dec. 25th Closed Friday, Dec. 26th Closed Monday, Dec. 29th open 7:30 am—3:30 pm Tuesday, Dec. 30th open 7:30 am—3:30 pm Wednesday, Dec. 31st Closed Closed Thursday, January 1st

Closed

Friday, January 2nd

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, December 20— Vigil

Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Litany, & Rosary, 3—3:45 PM Confessions, 3:00-3:30 PM Mass, 4:00 PM

Cookie Sale, after Mass, Ferdinand Hall

Sunday, December 21— Fourth Sunday of Advent

Masses, 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 7:00 PM OCIA, No classes, Christmas Break Cookie Sale, after all Masses, Ferdinand Hall

Monday, December 22— Late Advent Weekday

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM Adoration Chapel, Closed

Tuesday, December 23— Late Advent Weekday

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM Adoration Chapel, Closed No Religious Education Classes, Christmas Break

Wednesday, December 24— Late Advent Weekday, Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve Masses, 3:00 PM & Midnight Adoration Chapel, Closed Rectory, Closed

Thursday, December 25— The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Day Masses, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Adoration Chapel, Closed

Rectory, Closed

Friday, December 26— Saint Stephen, The First Martyr

Daily Mass, 8:30 AM Adoration Chapel, Closed Rectory, Closed

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STOMP! STOMP! To Help Save Our Carpet

When the snow flies, salt is put down on the sidewalks and parking lots around Church. Help save our carpet by **Stomp-Stomping** your feet when you first enter the Church. This will help the salt to stay near the entries and not get tracked throughout the Church.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

12/21/25 Is 7:10-14/ Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24 12/22/25 1 Sm 1:24-28/ Lk 1:46-56 12/23/25 Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/ Lk 1:57-66 12/24/25 Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/ Lk 1:67-79

12/25/25

Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 *Dawn:* Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1: 1-5, 9-14

12/26/25 Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22 12/27/25 1 Jn 1:1-4/ Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Adoration Chapel will be closed until January 4th. Chapel re-opens, Monday, January 5th.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Our Sick

Fr. Joe Atcher, O. Carm., Joe Babich, Anthony Bendy, Jen Bendy, Judy Bolte, Patrick Briscoe, Stephanie Cavanaugh, Erica Ceballos, Tyler Centorbi, Markie Cerda, Joe Cimfe, Vijay Devadas, Genevieve Dumyahn, Bruce Eagglhoff, Linda Evans, Veronica Fairman, Walter Ferguson, Sharon Boris Fonck, Lois Geary, Roger Gerwatowski, Irene Gordan, Carolyn Grady, Jean Haas, Carrie Harth, Andy Honiotes, Janet Horvath, Ray Horvatin, Kendall Jackson, Jake Jakovich Ir., Bob Keca, Joan Kernc, Patricia Koefoed, Gail Kolenc, Michael Kuhel, Richard Lenzen, Ann Marie Linko, Mary Loucks, Todd Lukas, Frank Markun, Mary Ann Mavrin, Terry Meyer, Greg Munich, Andy Nunez, Judy Philbert, Sharon Planinsek, Rafael Quiroz, Deacon Dave & Jo Raskowski, Raymond Reinke, Lorraine Rolih, Nathan Roszyk, George Rozman, Julia Sarcletti, James Sefcik, Gavin Springsteen, Nancy Sraj, Kathryn Tamayo, Gerald Tezak, Nasciana Thompson, Diana Tyda, Kristina Valentino, 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 EricksonGresens, Anthony Gayton, Melissa Gonzalez, Sgt. John M.
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