



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Joliet, Illinois

JULY 26, 2026 | 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome!

St. Joseph Church Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00pm Vigil
Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday 8:30 am
Tuesday 8:30 am
Wednesday 8:30 am
Thursday 8:30 am
Friday 8:30 am

Confession

Wednesday Noon-1:00pm
Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:30pm
Other By Appointment

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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

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OUR MISSION

"As living members of the Body of Christ, the people of St. Joseph Parish embrace the Traditions of the Church as given to us by Christ. Empowered by the Holy Spirit we teach, live, and love one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, and celebrate the Word of God as a faith-filled community that welcomes all who seek the truth. We celebrate the presence of God in our midst through worship, service, and catechesis. In accordance with the teachings of the Church, we work to assist all parish members in discerning the truths of our faith and the moral obligation to which we are called to live the Gospel."

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PARISH CLERGY

Pastor

Rev. John Hornicak
jhornicak@stjosephjoliet.org

Pastoral Vicar

Rev. Roger Kutzner
rkutzner@stjosephjoliet.org

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 25 & 26

Lector

4:00 PM S. Vanisko
8:30 AM G. Walters
10:30 AM S. Orozco
7:00 PM C. Gimbel

Extraordinary Ministers

C. Kadela, L. Michalak, K. Sefcik
A. Bruno, M. Bruno, C. Goetze
V. Gale, G. Dau, J. Orozco
B. Gimbel

August 1 & 2

Lector

4:00 PM B. Schelli
8:30 AM G. Walters
10:30 AM C. Kadela
7:00 PM M. Strahanoski

Extraordinary Ministers

Dcn. Eric, B. Schelli, M. Schelli
V. Gale, A. Koncar, S. Walters
A. Camacho, L. Engelman, A. Urbancic
Dcn. Eric



STEWARDSHIP

July 19, 2026

Offertory figures will
appear in next
week's bulletin.

**Thank you for your
continued generosity!**



FLAME OF FAITH

Marija Cebasek - Neubauer

A Note from our Pastor

To our parishioners and friends of St. Joseph Parish,

The accounting for our annual Parish Picnic and Homecoming Fair is wrapped up and totals have been tallied.

With an extremely grateful heart I am pleased to announce that the parish picnic had a profit of \$39,627.75. Words are not enough to express my gratitude to all of you who made this possible.

Under the leadership of chairpersons Bob & Debbie Zelinski, the co-chairs of each area, the many volunteers, those who donated goods or money, and all those who came out to spend the day with us, the picnic was a great success.

May God continue to bless you all for everything you do for St. Joseph Parish.

Fr. John

BULLETIN CONTENT

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PRAYER & READINGS • 03

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 25, *Vigil*

4:00pm Mary Ann Ragusa (Art & Nikki Hrvatin)
Deceased Members of Frank
& Christine Nemanich Family (Family)

Sunday, July 26

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Deceased Members of Anton &
Margaret Mali Family
(Mary Fran & Muggs)
8:30am Karen Schmidberger (Don Schmidberger)
10:30am Angel Arias, Sr. (Family)
10:30am Jim Olznoi (Dave & Ann Buldak)
7:00pm For the Living & Deceased Parishioners of
St. Joseph Parish & For Those
in Attendance and Their Families

Monday, July 27, *Weekday*

8:30am Joe & Rose Fitzgerald (Family)
8:30am Genevieve Klainsek (Bernice Ramsak)
8:30am Judy Priebay (Jim Sefcik)

Tuesday, July 28 *Weekday*

8:30am Matthew Kochevar, Jr. (Barbara Clark)
8:30am Gen Klainsek (Bernie & Nancy Loveri)

Wednesday, July 29

Saints Martha, Mary & Lazarus

8:30am Theodore Biknius
(James & Beatrice Birian)
8:30am Eunice Ward (Tom Kijowski)

Thursday, July 30 *Weekday*

8:30am Mary Shankland (Michael Hansen)
8:30am Linda Vertin (Uncle Bill, Aunt Lisa,
Lindsey)

Friday, July 31

Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

8:30am James R. Sefcik, Sr. (Son, James)
8:30am Allan Mosher (Wife & Family)
8:30am Bruce Egglehoff (Mosher Family)

Saturday, August 1, *Vigil*

4:00pm Eunice Ward (Joanne Papesh)
4:00pm John & Marlene Ancel
& John D Ancel (Family)

Sunday August 2

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Joseph & Emerzia Shroba
(Barello Family)
8:30am Bob Vicich (Doug & JoAnne Marshall)
10:30am For the Living & Deceased Parishioners of
St. Joseph Parish & For Those in
Attendance and Their Families
7:00pm Marian Schoener (Daughters)
7:00pm Joe & Rose Fitzgerald (Family)

WEEKLY READINGS

**For the Week of
July 26 – August 2, 2026**

Sunday

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12
Ps 119:57,72-77
Rom 8:28-30
Mt. 13:44-52

Monday

Jer 13:1-11
Dt 32:18-21
Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday

Jer 14:17-22
Ps 79:8-13
Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday

Jer 15:10-21
Ps 146:1-4
Jn 11:19-27

Thursday

Jer 18:1-6

Friday

Jer 26:1-9
Ps 69:5-14
Mt 13:54-58

Saturday

Jer 26:11-24
Ps 69:15-34
Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday

Is 55:1-3
Ps 145:8-18
Rom 8:35-39
Mt 14:13-21



THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

Fr. Tim Andres. O. Carm., Fr. Joe Atcher, O. Carm., Joe Babich, Judy Bolte, Erica Ceballos, Markie Cerda, Joe Cimfe, Vijay Devadas, Walter Ferguson, Sharon Boris Fonck, Amy Gahan, Irene Gordan, Carolyn Grady, Jean Haas, Carrie Harth, Janet Horvath, Ray Horvatin, Jake Jakovich Jr., Bob Keca, Joan Kernc, Kathy Kibler, Gail Kolenc, Michael Kuhel, Richard Lenzen, Mary Loucks, Todd Lukas, Bettie Lustick, Frank Markun, Mary Ann Mavrin, Jerome Meehan, Greg Munich, Dominick Nolan, Troy Oesterblad, Martin Pavelek, Sharon Planinsek, Rafael Quiroz, Deacon Dave & Jo Raskowski, Nathan Roszyk, Julia Sarcelletti, James Sefcik, Kathleen Smith, Marcia Smith, Mickey Smith, Nancy Sraj, Gerald Tezak, Nasciana Thompson, Diana Tyda, Joyce Vicich, Terry Ziesmer, for those in need of prayers, and those who have no one to pray for them.

OUR MILITARY PARISHIONERS

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

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

Beyond All Expectations: Faith that Elevates!

Monthly pledge payments are due in the next few days. These Payments are essential to reaching our parish goal. Once we reach our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs.

PARISH GOAL: \$44,700

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$48,763

AMOUNT PAID: \$43,022

PLEDGES DUE:

\$5,741

04 • WORSHIP TOGETHER



Religious Education

TEACHERS/AIDES NEEDED

We are looking for dedicated people to join our Religious Education team. Teachers and Aides help guide our young people as they grow in their faith. Whether you are an experienced teacher, or just looking to get involved - we have a place for you. The commitment is one day a week during the school year and all training and tools will be provided. By saying "yes" you will make a difference in the lives of our parish children, the future of our wonderful church. We are specifically looking for catechists and aids for our younger classrooms. Please contact Elizabeth Bravo, Director of Religious Education at 815-603-3101, email: ebravo@stjosephjoliet.org, or call the rectory at 815-727-9378.

Religious Education Registration is now open.
Forms are located at all Church entrances and on the website, www.stjosephjoliet.org. For questions, please contact the rectory at 815-727-9378.



Would you like to become Catholic? Would you like to receive Sacraments in the Catholic Church?

O.C.I.A., which stands for the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a program through which adults can join the Catholic Church or can complete their initiation by receiving their Sacraments.

Is OCIA for me?

OCIA is for three groups of people:

- * Those who are not baptized.
- * Those who were baptized into another Christian denomination and wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.
- * Baptized Catholics who were not fully formed in the Catholic faith and have not completed their initiation, who have not received either the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation.

OCIA classes are held for a six-month period. **There is no cost for the OCIA program.**

Anyone interested in learning more about the OCIA program, please call the rectory 815-727-9378.

Weekly Calendar

Saturday, July 25

10:00am Funeral
3:00pm Confessions, Chaplet of
Divine Mercy, Litany, Rosary
4:00pm Mass
St. John's Food Pantry
Collection

Sunday, July 26

8:30am Mass
10:30am Mass
Noon St. Joseph Academy Picnic,
St. Joe's Park
7:00pm Mass
St. John's Food Pantry
Collection

Monday, July 27

8:30am Mass
9-10am Adoration Chapel

Tuesday, July 28

8:30am Mass
9-10am Adoration Chapel

Wednesday, July 29

8:30am Mass
9-11am Adoration Chapel
12-1pm Confessions

Thursday, July 30

8:30am Mass
9am-12pm Adoration Chapel

Friday, July 31

8:30am Mass
9-11am Adoration Chapel
5:00 pm KSKJ #29 Steak Fry,
St. Joe's Park

Saturday, August 1

1:00pm Baptisms
3:00pm Confessions, Chaplet of
Divine Mercy, Litany, Rosary
4:00pm Mass
Second Collection, Maintenance & Repair

Sunday, August 2

8:30am Mass
10:30am Mass
Noon St. George Serbian Picnic,
St. Joe's Park
7:00pm Mass
Second Collection, Maintenance & Repair

News from Fr. Tim Andres

Fr. Tim Andres recently suffered a small stroke. He is slowly recovering, undergoing physical therapy and is doing well.

He is thankful for the many texts he's received. He has not been able to answer all the texts, but be assured that he's read them. If you'd like to send him a note or card, his information is as follows:

Fr. Timothy P. Andres, O.Carm.
8423 Bailey Road
Darien, IL 60561

Please continue to pray for his complete recovery. We are looking forward to celebrating the 40th Anniversary of his ordination on November 29, 2026.

SPEND AN HOUR IN HIS PRESENCE MONTHLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

August 4th,
6:00-7:00 PM
and every first
Tuesday of
the month

Confessions
will be
available
during this hour

*"Every Time We Look at
The Blessed Sacrament,
Our Place in Heaven is
Raised Forever."
-St. Gertrude
the Great*



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