



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Joliet, Illinois

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 | 26TH 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

Adoration

Weekdays After Mass As Scheduled
First Tuesday of the Month from
6-7PM with Confessions Available

DONATE ONLINE

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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.” - Mt 21:32

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 STAFF

Pastor
Rev. John Hornicak
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STEWARDSHIP

September 20, 2026

Weekly.....	\$7,563.00
Weekly Budgeted.....	\$10,798.00
Maintenance & Repair.....	\$320.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 26 & 27

Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
4:00 PM B. Schelli	Dcn. Eric, B. Zelinski, D. Zelinski
8:30 AM M. Budzinski	M. Bruno, C. Kadela, A. Koncar
10:30 AM D. Mackley	A. Camacho, G. Dau, A. Urbancic
7:00 PM P. Draksler	Dcn. Eric

October 3 & 4

Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
4:00 PM M. Mijan	A. Camacho, D. Dodson, K. Sefcik
8:30 AM M. Budzinski	Dcn. Eric, A. Koncar, S. Walters
10:30 AM D. Mackley	Dcn. Eric, L. Engelman, C. Kadela
7:00 PM J. Contorno	B. Strahanoski



FLAME OF FAITH

*Fr. Terry Cyr, O. Carm.
Vincent Paver*

MARRIAGE BANNES

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

III Mark Swanson & Haley Gerl
October 2, 2026

II Grant Colgan & Elizabeth Bravo
October 10, 2026

II Michael Wisz & Caroline Contorno
October 10, 2026



NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome the following individual into our parish family.
May the Holy Spirit guide her throughout her life and may our gracious and loving God bless her always.

Emilie Pleshar

CEMETERY NOTICE

Please remove all summer decorations from graves by October 1st, weather permitting. If you'd like to save your items, please be sure to remove them by then. Anything remaining will be discarded.



In Memoriam donations were received in honor of Arthur Vidmar. We thank Arthur's family and friends for their generosity.

PRAYER & READINGS • 03

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 26

Vigil

4:00pm Fr. Terry Cyr, O. Carm. (A) (Halsne Family)

4:00pm Frank Nemanich (Huston Family)

4:00pm Bob Vicich (Ozzy)

Sunday September 27

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am For the Living & Deceased Parishioners
of St. Joseph Parish and the Holy Name Society

10:30am Angel Arias, Sr. (Family)

10:30am Tom & Pat Marentic, 45th Wedding
Anniversary (Family)

10:30am Frank Ragusa (A) (Family)

7:00pm Raymond Scholp (A) (Mary Dragovan)

7:00pm Mr. & Mrs. Luis & Maria Zepeda (Family)

Monday, September 28

Weekday

8:30am Robert Hunsley (Fr. Timothy P. Andres, O. Carm.)

Tuesday, September 29

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

8:30am Bettie Lustick (Husband, Cal & Family)

8:30am Lillith Renee Stewart (A) (Family)

Wednesday, September 30

Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:30am Marija Cebasek-Neubauer & Parents
(Husband & Family)

8:30am Marie Kanta (Family)

Thursday, October 1

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

8:30am Fr. Devin Griffin, O. Carm. (A) (Family)

8:30am Bob Vicich (Gegenheimer Family)

Friday, October 2

The Holy Guardian Angels

8:30am Living & Deceased Members of the Altar &
Rosary Society

8:30am Frank Nemanich (Huston Family)

Saturday, October 3

Vigil

4:00pm Gerry Kubinski (Peggy Kubinski)

4:00pm Jim Olznoi (Maria Prilesnik & Family)

Sunday October 4

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Brent Gunier (A) (Family)

8:30am Joseph & Emerzia Shroba (Barello Family)

10:30am Patricia & Jerome Levandowski
(Ann Levandowski)

10:30am Doug Petan (Tom & Bev Kotowicz & Family)

7:00pm For the Living & Deceased Parishioners of
St. Joseph Parish and For Those at Mass Tonight
and Their Families

WEEKLY READINGS

**For the Week of
September 27 – October 4**

Sunday:

Ez 18:25-28

Phil 2:1-11 or Phil 2:1-5

Mt 21:28-32

Monday:

Jb 1:6-22

Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or

Rv 12:7-12ab

Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday:

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16

Lk 9:57-62



Thursday:

Jb 19:21-27

Lk 10:1-12

Friday:

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5

Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday:

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17

Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday:

Is 5:1-7

Phil 4:6-9

Mt 21:33-43

THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

Fr. Tim Andres, O. Carm., Fr. Joe Atcher, O. Carm., Joe Babich, Judy Bolte, Diane Carter, Erica Ceballos, Markie Cerda, Joe Cimfe, Vijay Devadas, Walter Ferguson, Pat Figuirowski, Sharon Boris Fonck, Amy Gahan, Irene Gordan, Carolyn Grady, Jean Haas, Carrie Harth, Bob Horvat, Janet Horvath, Ray Horvatin, Jeanne Hostert, Jake Jakovich Jr., Bob Keca, Joan Kernc, Kathy Kibler, Gail Kolenc, Michael Kuhel, Richard Lenzen, Mary Loucks, Todd Lukas, Frank Markun, Christine Martin-Burd, AJ Masterson, Mary Ann Mavrin, Jerome Meehan, Greg Munich, Dominick Nolan, Sharon Planinsek, Rafael Quiroz, Carol Rangel, Deacon Dave & Jo Raskowski, Nathan Roszyk, Julia Sarcletti, 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



04 • WORSHIP TOGETHER



... celebrate those
who help others
learn our faith.



OCIA Director
Nick Szalinski
Peter Davis, Seminarian

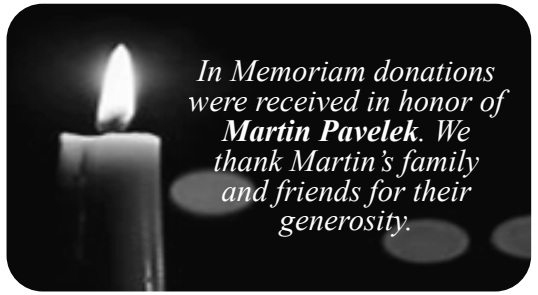
... recognize the
Church's mission
to share the Gospel.



Prayer for Catechists

Dear Lord,
Anoint those who serve as
catechists,
those who tell your story of
determined love for your people.
Be with our catechists in their
classrooms,
inspire the hearts of those in their
care,
ignite a new generation of disciples
for you!
Amen.

*In Memoriam donations
were received in honor of
Martin Pavelek. We
thank Martin's family
and friends for their
generosity.*



... reflect on how
all baptized people
share in the call to
help the world
know Jesus.



Director of Religious Education
Elizabeth Bravo
Secretary: Michele Tomich

1st Grade

Ms. Lizbeth Orozco, Catechist
Miss Julianna Bain, Aide

2nd Grade

Mrs. Charlene Bravo, Catechist
Mr. Grant Colgan, Aide

3rd/4th Grade

Mr. Adam Ririe, Catechist
Mrs. Kathleen Ririe, Catechist

5th/6th Grade

Mrs. Barb Aharrah, Catechist
Mr. Dan Krzysciak, Catechist

7th/8th Grade

Mr. Nick Szalinski, Catechist
Mrs. Jenn Santschi, Aide



Neo-Catechumenal Way Responsibles
Gary & Jean Dau



Join the Pro-Life Committee as we pray
for the lives of the unborn.

Aurora Planned Parenthood
3051 E. New York St., Aurora, IL.
Every Saturday,
September 26th —October 31st
Meet at the clinic at 10 AM

2026 Baby Bottles For Life Campaign

THROUGHOUT THE
MONTH OF OCTOBER



Weekly Calendar

Saturday, September 26th

3:00pm Confessions, Chaplet of
Divine Mercy, Litany & Rosary
4:00pm Mass
St. John Food Pantry Collection
Knights of Columbus #4400-Membership Drive

Sunday, September 27th

8:30am Mass
9:30am Holy Name Society Meeting, FH
10:30am Mass
11:30am OCIA, Church
7:00pm Mass
St. John Food Pantry Collection
Knights of Columbus #4400-Membership Drive

Monday, September 28th

8:30am Mass
9-10am Adoration Chapel
5:30pm Service Committee Meeting, FH

Tuesday, September 29th

8:30am Mass
9-10am Adoration Chapel
5:30pm RE Class, School

Wednesday, September 30th

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

Thursday, October 1st

8:30am Mass
9am-12pm Adoration Chapel
6:00pm Bible Study, Park - Legion Room
6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal

Friday, October 2nd

8:30am Mass
9-11am Adoration Chapel
9:30am Prayer Shawl, FH
3:00pm Wedding

Saturday, October 3rd

10:00am Pet Blessing, Prayer Garden
3:00pm Confessions, Chaplet of
Divine Mercy, Litany & Rosary
4:00pm Mass
5:00pm Rocket Pro Wrestling, Park
Second Collection is for Maintenance & Repair
Gift Shop Open

Sunday, October 4th

8:30am Mass
10:30am Mass
11:30am OCIA, FH
7:00pm Mass
Second Collection is for Maintenance & Repair
Gift Shop Open
Cub Scout Popcorn Sale after 8:30 & 10:30 AM
Masses

BIBLE Study

THURSDAYS,
OCTOBER 1ST -
NOVEMBER 19TH

SESSIONS:
10:00 AM
OLPH GYMNASIUM
201 S. BRIGGS STREET, JOLIET

6:00 PM
ST. JOE'S PARK
700 THEODORE ST., JOLIET

SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE LOCATED ON THE USHERS TABLE OR
REGISTER BY CALLING THE RECTORY AT 815-727-9378.

RPW

ROCKET PRO WRESTLING

Saturday, October 3rd

St. Joe's Park

700 Theodore St., Joliet

Doors open at 4PM, show begins at 5PM.



St. Joseph Parish

Annual Pet Blessing



Saturday, October 3rd, 10 AM
in the prayer garden
between the church
and the rectory.



FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL, PLEASE BE SURE
YOUR PET IS RESTRAINED.



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