



St. Joseph Catholic Church

641 North Main Street

P.O. Box 250

Roanoke, IN 46783

Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 7:30 am & 11:00 am

Holy Days See Schedule

Confessions can be heard every Saturday at 3:15 pm at St. Joseph or by appointment.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

4th Tuesday of the Month 8:30AM to 6:00PM.

Online Giving: www.osvhub.com/st-joseph-church-roanoke/funds

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Parish Information: Go to www.parishesonline.com search St. Joseph in Roanoke

St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church

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Mass Times

Sunday 9:15 am

Holy Days See Schedule



Confessions can be heard by appointment.

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Sunday of Divine Mercy April 12, 2026

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Apr 13	(SJ)	8:00 AM	No Mass	Fr. Eustace day off
Tuesday	Apr 14	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Olga Arceo	Mr. & Mrs. Pau Arceo
Wednesday	Apr 15	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Liv. & Dec. members of Keith Sanders Family	Mr. & Mrs. Keith Sanders
Thursday	Apr 16	(SC)	6:00 PM	John Bradin	Mr. & Mrs. Giueseppe Ceravolo
Friday	Apr 17	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Bob & Kate Elward	Jerry & Deb Osterholt
Saturday	Apr 18	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Charlotte/Nancy/Betty Smart	Leroy Smart
Saturday	Apr 18	(SJ)	4:00 PM	For the People	
Sunday	Apr 19	(SJ)	7:30 AM	Paul Vining Family	Twilla Herr
Sunday	Apr 19	(SC)	9:15 AM	Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Don Greulich	
Sunday	Apr 19	(SJ)	11:00 AM	Swanson & Magner Families	Mr. & Mrs. Erik Magner
(SJ) St. Joseph (SC) St. Catherine					

	<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Servers</u>
Apr 18 (SJ) 4:00 PM	J. & J. Abbott	B. Eherenman	J. & D. Osterholt/J. Forte	D. Dietsch/M. Eherman	Volunteers
Apr 19 (SJ) 7:30AM	D. O'Brien	C. Herber	C. & D. Snodgrass/K. Walker	P. Cler/M. Fedorcak	Sorg Family
Apr 19 (SC) 9:15 AM	J. Kehmeyer	C. Greulich	T. Rivas/P. Trabert	J. Trabert/K. Trabert	J. Hesting/V. Hesting
Apr 19 (SJ) 11:00AM	K. Kehmeyer	I. Mattes	P. & G. Brunett/P. Mattes	A. Herber/D. Meitzler	I. & K. Herber

**Apr 19 Contribution Counter K. Quickerly M. Horn
V. Moring**

Prayers for St. Catherine's

Sheryl Winters Ariel Scieska Julie Kelly

Darwin Zumbrun Debbie York Cayce Cobb

Sharon Ruhe Jo Hinen Alan Bogg

George & Judy Young Tom & Jeanne Rethlake

Jackson Longenbaugh Carol Ness

Prayers for Deacon Dan, Father Eustace and all former priests at St. Catherine's.

Pray for those that have passed before us, the homebound and the ill.

For Prayer request please call Sharon Hesting at 260-503-8054.

The Sacraments of Healing

If you know that you are entering the hospital or undergoing procedures ahead of time, Please contact the Rectory prior to your hospital stay or treatment so that you can receive the Sacraments of the Healing.

Prayers for St. Joseph's

Bob Kehmeyer Suzanne Ginty Courtney

Polly King

Constant Thanksgiving to God and for these special needs:

Prayers in Thanksgiving for the beautiful Easter liturgies and those who come into the church at St. Joseph and all over and that they and all of us grow closer to the Lord each day and to guard us against the attacks of the evil one.

Prayers for the continued healing for Deacon Dan.

Prayers of Thanksgiving to God for the gift of the Priests who bring us His Presence in the Eucharist and that they are filled with peace and a renewal of the Holy Spirit!

Prayers for the civic and religious leaders to be guided and respond to the Holy Spirit by the Holy Spirit and for all health care workers to be guided by the Ethics God has placed on their hearts.

Prayers for all who left the faith to joyfully return.

Prayers for all the ordained especially for those that served at St. Joseph and St. Catherine's. For Fr. Eustace, Deacon Dan, Fr. Kummer, and for our brother priest Fr. Benedict in Nigeria. For all the missionaries who have been at our parishes and for their special needs.

For Prayer request please call Susie Close at 214-587-0915.

Homily for the Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,



Today the Church celebrates **Divine Mercy Sunday**, a feast that reminds us that God's mercy is greater than every sin. Through the revelations given to Saint Faustina Kowalska, Jesus invited the world to trust in His mercy and allow that mercy to flow into our lives for the salvation of souls.

In the first reading (Acts 2:42–47), the early Christians devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, the breaking of bread, and prayer. Their unity and charity show us that a community that receives God's mercy must also share that mercy with others.

St. Peter reminds us that through God's mercy we are given **a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ (1 Peter 1:3). Mercy restores hope and gives us a new beginning.**

In the Gospel (John 20:19–29), the risen Lord appears to the apostles and breathes on them the Holy Spirit, giving them the power to forgive sins. When Thomas the Apostle finally encounters Christ, he makes the profound confession: *"My Lord and my God!"*

Dear friends, Divine Mercy Sunday teaches us three simple truths: **trust in God's mercy, receive His forgiveness, and show mercy to others.** No matter our failures, Christ's mercy is always open to us.

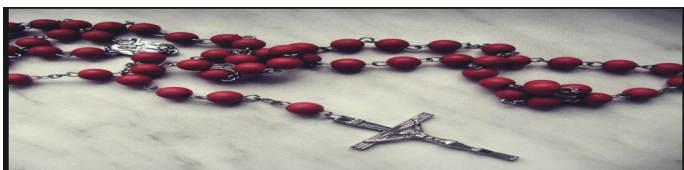
May we always pray with faith: **"Jesus, I trust in You."**



Fr. Eustace

Website

There is now a website for St. Joseph. Please check it out at www.stjosephroanoke.org. The bulletins will be available and more information will be added to the website at a later date.



Blessed Trinity, Source of our life and our unity. We ask for your presence with and within us as we undertake this synodal journey. Create in us, and all those responsible for preparing the synod, a discerning spirit. Help us to deepen our relationship with you and with one another over the months and weeks ahead. Grow in us the fire of your love, that we may eagerly respond to your loving invitation to spread the joy of the Gospel and to serve the poor, suffering, and vulnerable. Form us to be better disciples, creating vibrant, mission-oriented communities of faith, hope and charity. We ask this through the intercession of our diocesan patrons, Mary, the Immaculate Conception, and St. Matthew. Amen.

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebrations in Fort Wayne

Divine Mercy Sunday is this weekend, April 12th. To help receive the graces offered on this day, two Ft Wayne parishes are holding special celebrations Sunday afternoon. The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception downtown will have adoration and sung evening prayer at 6pm. St Jude parish on East State blvd will have confessions at 2pm, a holy hour at 3pm and a reception with light snacks at 4pm. All are invited to one or the other event as we honor Christ's gift of divine mercy!

Used Book Sale

Our annual used book sale will be held on Friday May 8 and Saturday May 9. We will begin accepting your books, cd's, dvd's, the weekend of April 11. No magazines accepted. More information to follow. Any questions call Deb Osterholt 260-615-7603



Week of April 5, 2026	St. Catherine	St. Joseph
Weekly Budget Goal:	\$2,222.47	\$5,155.50
Adult Envelopes	\$1,674.00	\$2,652.00
Online Giving	\$1,045.00	\$2,729.00
Offertory Income Loose	\$178.00	\$489.15
Preservation-Building	\$140.00	\$557.00
Votives	\$74.85	\$54.00
Holy Land	\$95.00	\$325.00
Flowers	\$0.00	\$25.00
Rice Bow;	\$0.00	\$5.87



Fidelis & Fraternus

Tuesdays from 6:30 – 8:30
6th – 12th graders



This week's topic:

Receiving Nourishment at Mass

"... he was known to them in the breaking of the bread." Luke 24



Stations of the Cross Reenactment Cast & Choir

Join us Tuesday for games, food and a discussion about **Holy Mass**.

More info at: Fidelis@seasfw.org or Fraternus@seasfw.org

Senior Dinners

Senior dinners are at 12pm on Thursday please call Gretchen Brunett to RSVP at 260-403-0365.

Knight of Columbus

The first meeting of the Knights of Columbus for St. Joseph & St. Catherine men will be April 13th at 6:30pm in St. Joseph basement. If you have not already signed up please attend the meeting to get all the information about Knights of Columbus.

Questions please call Bob Hartman 260-460-7124.

A Mother's Hope

A Mother's Hope - Holy Smokes Men's Bourbon and Cigar Benefit

Thursday, May 21, 2026
The Allen County War Memorial Coliseum

<https://holysmokes26.givesmart.com>



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April

- April 16,23,30 Senior meals at 12pm at St. Joseph
RSVP to Gretchen at 260-403-0365
- April 12,19,26 Religious Educations Classes at St. Catherine 7:45am-9am Religious Education Classes at St. Joseph 9:30am-10:45am
- April 13 Knights of Columbus meeting at 6:30pm in St. Joseph basement
- April 19 Donuts at St. Catherine after 9:15 Mass
- April 21 55+ Doors open at 4:30 eat at 5pm at St. Joseph
- April 25 Taco Bar after 4pm Mass at St. Joseph
- April 28 Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph after 8am Mass until 6pm

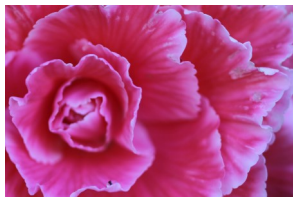
Annual Bulletin Announcement

It remains important for our Church to protect children and young persons from the evils of abuse. The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend remains committed to upholding and following its guidelines, policies and procedures that were implemented for the protection of children and young people. These can be reviewed on the diocese's website, www.diocesefwsb.org, under "Youth Protection."

If you have reason to believe that a minor may be a victim of child abuse or neglect, Indiana law requires that you report this to civil authorities. If you or someone you know was abused as a child or young person by an adult, you are encouraged to notify appropriate civil authorities of that abuse. In addition, if the alleged abuser is or was a priest or deacon of the Catholic Church, you are encouraged to contact Jodi Marlin, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at (260) 399-1447 or jmarlin@diocesefwsb.org; or Rev. Mark Gurtner, Vicar General of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, at P. O. Box 390, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46801 at (260) 399-1419; or at mgurtner@diocesefwsb.org. The diocese is committed to helping prevent the abuse or neglect of children and young people and to assist those who have suffered harm as a result of such abuse.

Mothers Day Carnation Sale

Right to Life of Northeast Indiana will have a carnation sale after all Masses on Mother's Day. The carnations are \$2.00 each & we can only accept cash. Thank you for your support.



Donuts and Coffee

Come join us for coffee and donuts after the 9:15am Mass at St. Catherine's on Sunday April 19. All are welcome.



37th ANNUAL
ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
12305 Arcola Rd., Arcola, Indiana

BLESSING OF THE BIKES

APRIL 25, 2026
1:00 pm
All proceeds benefit the St. Pat's Youth Group

Free Admission
ALL BIKES WELCOME
Event held rain or shine

50 / 50 Drawing
Event T-shirts
Food & Beverages
Biscuits & Gravy, Breakfast sandwiches and more!

Questions? Call Jerry Gordon 260-213-0029
or email jerrygordon65@yahoo.com

Taco Bar

The Rosary Sodality ladies are hosting a Taco Bar Dinner with deserts Saturday night 4/25/26 after the 4:00 mass.

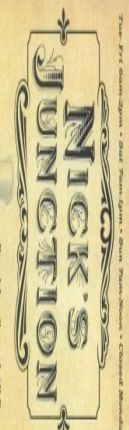


We'd like to also extend a special invitation to the new members of our parish, including those who just completed OCIA. Please join us in the basement for dinner and great fellowship !

55+ Group

Come join us for 55+ game night. We eat dinner, play games and have great fellowship the 3rd Tuesday of each month. This month is April 21. Bring a casserole, salad or dessert to share and your serving utensils. Doors open at 4:30 and dinner usually at 5:00. If you have questions call Susie Close 214 587 0915.

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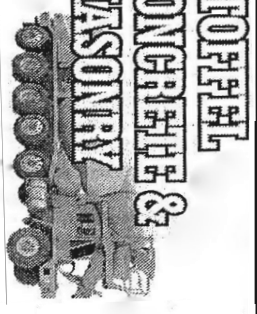
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