



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.

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Sunday 9:15 am

Holy Days See Schedule



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Fr. Eustace's Column

Theme: Can We Be As Vibrant As Peter and the Disciples of Emmaus?

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today the Word of God confronts us with a powerful question: *Can we truly live with the same fire, courage, and joy as Peter and the disciples on the road to Emmaus?*



In the first reading (Acts 2:14, 22–33), we see a transformed Peter. The same man who once denied Jesus (Luke 22:54–62) now stands boldly before the crowd, proclaiming: *“God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses”* (Acts 2:32). What changed him? The encounter with the Risen Christ. That encounter turned fear into courage, weakness into boldness, and silence into powerful witness.

In the second reading (1 Peter 1:17–21), Peter reminds us: *“Conduct yourselves with reverence during your sojourn.”* We are pilgrims, not permanent residents of this world. Our lives must reflect the hope of the Resurrection—holy, focused, and God-centered.

Then comes the Gospel (Luke 24:13–35). The disciples on the road to Emmaus were discouraged, broken, and confused. But when Jesus walked with them, explained the Scriptures, and was made known in the breaking of bread, their hearts burned within them (Luke 24:32). That burning heart pushed them back to Jerusalem—to witness, to proclaim, to live again!

Dear friends, this is our call today.

- Like Peter, we must rise above fear and speak the truth of Christ boldly.
- Like the Emmaus disciples, we must allow Jesus to walk with us, especially in moments of confusion and pain.
- Like them, our hearts must burn again—with love, faith, and conviction.

A Christian without fire is a Christian in danger. A Christian without witness is a silent disciple. But an encounter with the Risen Jesus changes everything!

So I ask you:

- Do you still feel that fire in your heart?
- Has your faith become routine, cold, or fearful?
- When last did your heart burn at the Word of God or in the Eucharist?

Today, Jesus is still walking with us. He is still speaking. He is still breaking bread. The question is: *Are we ready to recognize Him and be transformed?*

Let us pray for the grace of a living encounter with Christ, so that like Peter and the disciples of Emmaus, we may rise with courage, walk in holiness, and proclaim with boldness:

“Jesus is alive, and He is Lord!”

Amen. **Fr. Eustace**

Taco Bar

The Rosary Sodality ladies are hosting a Taco Bar Dinner with deserts Saturday night April 25th 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!



St. Catherine Catechists Needed!

We are in need of 2 teachers for next year's religious education program at St. Catherine(K/1 and 7/8) as well as substitutes.. This is a wonderful way to be involved in the Parish and to share your talents. You do not need to be an expert! Just willing to learn :-). Please contact Ingrid Mattes at 260-466-3025 or Ingridmattesdre@gmail.com for more information.

Used Book Sale

We will begin collecting your books, puzzles, cd's (no magazines) starting this weekend. You may bring them to lower level, and place in middle classroom before or after weekend masses. You may also call Deb Osterholt 260-615-7603 to schedule a time during the week for drop off.



The book sale is Friday, May 8, 9-4 and Saturday, May 9, 9-3. Fill a bag

(provided to you)for \$5, hardcover books \$1.

Set up for the sale is Wednesday and Thursday, 9-1:00

Sign up sheets to help with set up and/or sale days will be in vestibules beginning the weekend of April 18,19.

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.

Week of April 5, 2026	St. Catherine	St. Joseph
Weekly Budget Goal:	\$2,222.47	\$5,155.50
Adult Envelopes	\$1,010.00	\$2,796.00
Online Giving	\$45.00	\$2,661.00
Offertory Income Loose	\$110.00	\$479.00
Preservation-Building	\$215.00	\$100.00
Votives	\$22.00	\$65.00
Holy Land	\$0.00	\$50.00
Rice Bowl	\$240.39	\$121.68

Third Sunday of Easter April 19, 2026

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Apr 20	(SJ)	8:00 AM	No Mass	Fr. Eustace day off
Tuesday	Apr 21	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Jack Ocken	Jack Ocken Family
Wednesday	Apr 22	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Herb Doehring/Glen Clemens/Bob Win-	Dennis Doehring
Thursday	Apr 23	(SJ)	6:00 PM	Arthur	Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Hinen
Friday	Apr 24	(SJ)	8:00 AM	John Bierberbach	Mr. & Mrs. David Snodgrass
Saturday	Apr 25	(SJ)	8:00 AM	Frank Kuehner	Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Boros
Saturday	Apr 25	(SJ)	4:00 PM	Mary Pulver/Mary Jane Didier	Mr. & Mrs. Rex Kaufman
Sunday	Apr 26	(SJ)	7:30 AM	For the People	
Sunday	Apr 26	(SC)	9:15 AM	Gracie Trabert	Liz Cauhorn
Sunday	Apr 26	(SJ)	11:00 AM	Linda Pulver	Kurt Kehmeyer
			(SJ) St. Joseph	(SC) St. Catherine	

	<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Servers</u>
Apr 25 (SJ) 4:00 PM	K. Kehmeyer	K. Quickery	C. & S. Close/T. Donahue	R. Kaufman/J. Osterholt	Volunteers
Apr 26 (SJ) 7:30AM	B. Deckard	D. Snodgrass	T. Winans/A. Kasper/M. Smith	B. King/T. Winans	Volunteers
Apr 26 (SC) 9:15 AM	J. Kehmeyer	J. Hillogoss	K. Trabert/D. Greulich	M. Trabert/A. Trabert	M. Hesting/R. Landri-gan
Apr 26 (SJ) 11:00AM	M. Glenn	P. Mattes	M. & B. Savieo/L. Smart	Al. Yaney/An. Yaney	N. Didier

Apr 26 Contribution Counter P. Mattes S. Close

C. Kloster

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 Ben Pulver Don Wright Deacon Dan

Barb Rumsey Kim

Constant Thanksgiving to God and for these special needs:

Prayers for all those that do not believe in God and for all of us to be vessels of His Mercy in thought, word and deed.

Prayers for all the ordained and for all to receive and proclaim Gods Mercy more than ever especially for those who doubt or going through very challenging times.

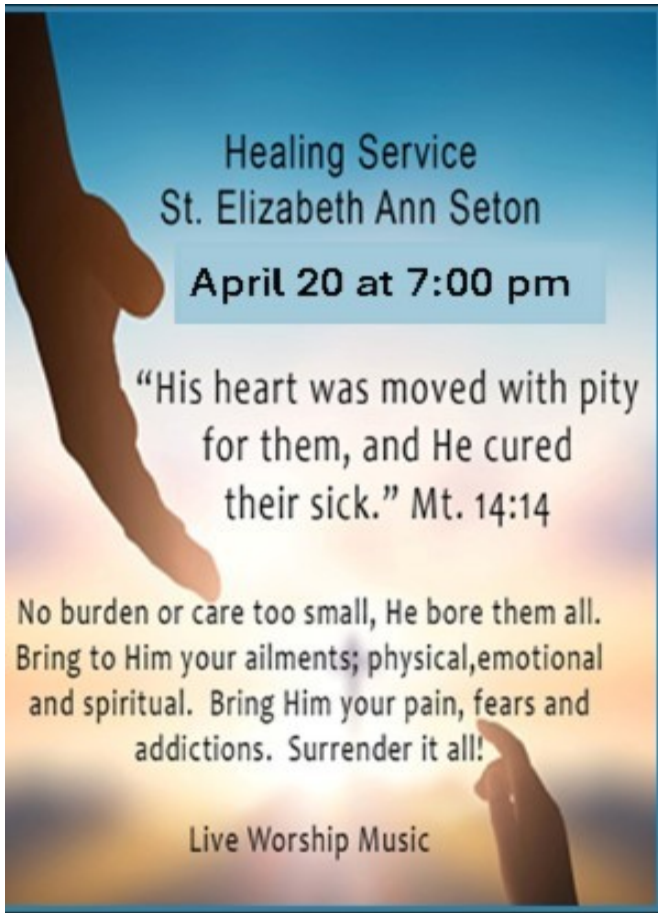
Prayers for our political leaders and spiritual leaders to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

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.

Thank You

Thank you for the Prayers, cards, and phone calls of encouragement. Sincerely, Don (tiny) Wright



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>

Special collection Home Mission

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.



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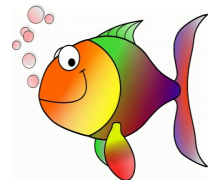
PRAYER FOR SYNOD 2026

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.

Thank You

Thank you to all who helped with the Fish Fry from working the dinner to baking the delicious desserts. Thank you to all who came to make this a huge success. St. Joseph made a net profit of \$,642.33. Thank you to everyone!



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April

April 23,30 Senior meals at 12pm at St. Joseph RSVP to Gretchen at 260-403-0365

April 19,26 Religious Educations Classes at St. Catherine 7:45am-9am Religious Education Classes at St. Joseph 9:30am-10:45am

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

May

May 3 First Communion at St. Catherine at 9:15 Mass & St. Joseph at 11am Mass

May 4 Rosary meeting at St. Joseph at 6:30pm

May 8,9 Used book sales Friday 9am-4pm & Saturday 9am-3pm

May 9,10 Right to Life Carnation Sales after all Masses cash only

May 10, 17 Religious Educations Classes at St. Catherine 7:45am-9am

May 19 55+ Doors open at 4:30 eat at 5pm at St. Joseph

May 20 Knights of Columbus meeting 6:30pm at St. Joseph

May 23 Confirmations at SS Peter & Paul at 10am

May 26 Adoration at St. Joseph after 8am Mass until 6pm

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.



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APRIL 25, 2026
1:00 pm
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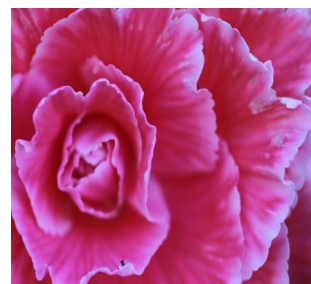
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Mothers Day Carnation Sale

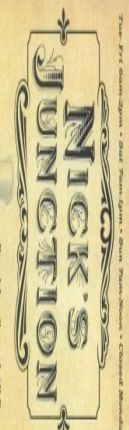
Right to Life of Northeast Indiana will have a carnation sale after all Masses on Mother's Day. The carnations are \$2.00 each & we can only accept cash. Thank you for your support.



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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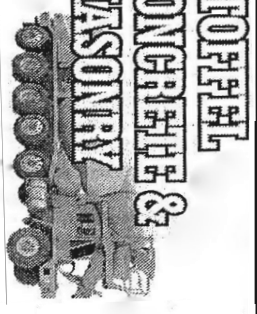
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