



# Catholic Churches of Mother of Dolors & St. Joseph



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## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### Mother of Dolors Vandalia:

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 8:00 am  
Saturday: 4:00 pm; Sunday: 10:00 am

### St. Joseph Ramsey:

Sunday: 8:00 am; Tuesday: 8:00 am

## RECONCILIATION

### Mother of Dolors Vandalia:

Saturday: 3-3:45 pm (or by appointment)

### St. Joseph Ramsey:

Sunday: 7-7:45 am (or by appointment)

## Parish Office Hours

**STJ** — Monday 8 am—2 pm

**MOD** — Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8 am—4 pm

## Bulletin Deadline: Noon on Tuesday

Email or call MOD office at 283-0214

## BAPTISM

Preparation for parents by appointment. Celebrations during Mass or after Mass upon request

## MARRIAGE

Couple should contact the office at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the parish office if seriously ill or awaiting surgery.

## DIOCESAN CHILD ABUSE REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION

Phone # 217-321-1155



### Sanctuary Lamp STJ

Staff Sgt. Heather Hart, her husband Chris Hart and all military

### Sanctuary Lamp MOD

Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Mon., Sept 13**  
8 am **MOD**

**Weekday**  
No Mass

**Tues., Sept 14**  
8 am **STJ**

**Weekday**  
+Carolyn Chamberlain

**Wed., Sept 15**  
8 am **MOD**  
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
6:30 pm

**Weekday**  
+Tom Givens  
Adoration in Mary's Chapel  
Scripture Reflection **MOD**

**Thurs., Sept 16**  
8 am **MOD**

**Weekday**  
+Brian Kelly (File)

**Fri., Sept 17**  
8:00 am **MOD**

**Weekday**  
+Leon Matzger (Doedtman)

**Sat., Sept 18**  
8:00 am **MOD**  
8:30 am - 2:45 pm  
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
4:00 pm **MOD**

**Weekday**  
+Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary  
Eucharistic Adoration **MOD**  
Reconciliation **MOD**  
+Randy & Diane (File)

**Sun., Sept 19**  
7:00 am - 7:45 am  
8:00 am **STJ**  
10:00 am **MOD**

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Reconciliation **STJ**  
+A. Carl and Leola Marty family  
+Tom Givens

<b>In Our Prayers:</b>	
<b>MOD</b>	Cheryl Bowen, Amber DeClerck, Tracy Fifer, Greg Philpot, Betty Mars, Joann & Herb Tessman, Lela Themig, Keith Hobler, Diane Straub, Fred Keck, Buddy Carroll, Hannah & Janet Shroyer, Marc Sasse, Ohren Simburger, Barb Mitchell, Luralene Tarter, Jennie Grimsley, Tom Bohle, Mike Mars, Fr. Bob Porter, Gabe McGee
<b>STJ</b>	Joe Meyer, Vicky Graeser, RS, Sister Mary Lou Durbin, Erin Prather, Makenzie Elzer, Denice Prather, Gladys Maher, Everett Hoehn, Paul Moore, Megan Clark, Nancy Chatam, Annie Logsdon, Jed Crow, Debbie D, Marsha Grove, Linda Beck, Tom Thull, Jeff Menken, Roberta Chappell, Christine Domenico, Sara Smith, Janice Kirk
<b>**Please help keep this list current**</b>	

## Ministry Schedule

### Mother of Dolors

**Saturday, Sept 18 — 4:00 PM**

**Lector:** Kim Taylor  
**Servers:** volunteers  
**Ushers:** Ed Murray & Janis Edwards

**Sunday, Sept 19 — 10:00 AM**

**Lector:** Tim Daiber  
**Servers:** Ivan & Ike  
**Ushers:** Ohren & Connie Simburger

**Saturday, Sept 25—4 :00 PM**

**Lector:** Janis Edwards  
**Servers:** Mike, Rise & Max  
**Ushers:** Ed Murray & Janis Edwards

**Sunday, Sept 26 — 10:00 AM**

**Lector:** Sally Shields  
**Servers:** McKinley & Ivy  
**Ushers:** Ohren & Connie Simburger

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### St. Joseph's

**Sunday, Sept 19 — 8 AM**

**Lector:** Mike Reiss  
**Servers:** Charlie & Violet  
**Ushers:** Larry P & Larry M  
**Gifts:** Larry & Anita M

**Sunday, Sept 26 — 8 AM**

**Lector:** Pat Harris  
**Servers:** Ben & Max  
**Ushers:** Mike & Adam  
**Gifts:** Pruitt's

*The Liturgical schedules are in the back of church and in Google Calendar.*

## Our Gifts to God and Our Parish

Mother of Dolors		St. Joseph's:	
9-5		9-5	
Regular	2,465.00	Regular	1,131.00
Candles	86.25	Online	106.00
Online	60.60		
Building fund	160.00		

Dear Friends,

More than twenty years ago, Pope St. John Paul II wrote an apostolic letter entitled, “Novo Millennio Inuente” (At the beginning of the New Millennium) to guide the Church on living into the third Christian millennium. He writes:

*“Our Christian communities must become genuine ‘schools’ of prayer, where the meeting with Christ is expressed not just in imploring help but also in thanksgiving, praise, adoration, contemplation, listening and ardent devotion, until the heart truly ‘falls in love’ ...It would be wrong to think that ordinary Christians can be content with a shallow prayer that is unable to fill their whole life.”* Pope St. John Paul II

The Christian life, in face of opposing culture, must be deeply lived. Otherwise, Christians will succumb to what popes have called the “Culture of Death”. Before all else, Mother of Dolors and St. Joseph parish should be known as communities and schools of deep and transformative prayer.

It is not easy. Sustained by God’s grace, it demands intense commitment and painful purifications, struggling against the busy-ness of life and sluggish hearts. But John Paul II then give us the key to achieving this: “the contemplation of the face of Christ.”

In the next year, let’s dedicate ourselves to that contemplation, making time for it, seeking Him in our prayers, following Him in our actions, and finding Him in faith.

With gratitude and joy for the days ahead!

Fr. Seth

# Mother of Dolores & St. Joseph's News

## Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time —September 12

\*Isaiah 50:4c-9a \*Psalm 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 \*James 2:14-18 \*Mark 8:27-35

**Deny. Take. Follow.** On the long journey to Jerusalem, Jesus clarifies that following the Christ (Peter's response to Who am I?) requires denying self, taking up the cross, and following. Saint James helps make this clear with the need for mercy activity. Reread the Second Reading each day this week.

- Clothe the naked. What will I do?
- Feed the hungry. What will I do?
- Shelter the homeless. What will I do?

### Are you being called to be a deacon?

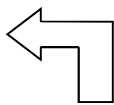
There is a special information meeting at St. Mary's Parish Center in Alton on **Sept. 16 at 6:30 p.m.** for men interested in becoming a deacon for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. Deacon Dave Sorrell (director of the Office for the Diaconate) will present information for those interested in the Permanent Diaconate Program which begins in the fall of 2022. Applications are being accepted at this time. The permanent diaconate is open to men between the ages of 32 and 57, who are active in the practice of our faith, and who desire to grow in their relationship with God and in their service to their parish. If interested, and if married, wives are welcome and encouraged to attend. For questions, email Deacon Sorrell: [dsorrell@dio.org](mailto:dsorrell@dio.org). You can also visit [dio.org/diaconate](http://dio.org/diaconate).

### OSMM Retreat—ST. Joseph and the family

The next retreat will be **September 17-19th** with Fr. Shannon Collins, MSJB. Find out why St. Joseph blessed the entire world at Fatima. For more information email [ann@osmm.org](mailto:ann@osmm.org) or to register go to <https://osmm.org/retreats/september-17-19-2021-fr-shannon-collins>

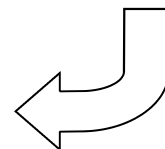
### STJ-MOD SDCCW Convention

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW) are inviting all women of the diocese to their 92nd annual convention called "Living God's Plan for Life, Love and the Family" on Wed. Sept. 29 at Hamilton's South Ballroom (110 N. East Street, Jacksonville) from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Bishop Paprocki, along with priests of the diocese, will celebrate 11 a.m. Mass for the convention attendees at Our Savior Catholic Church in Jacksonville and join in the banquet luncheon directly afterward at Hamilton's. Women of all ages are welcome to attend the convention which seeks to enhance, enrich, and renew family life with the beauty and riches that God planned for it from the time of creation. For additional information call 217-257-5062.



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