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+ St. Joseph's Marseilles + St. Patrick's Seneca +  
+ St. Mary's Grand Ridge + St. Patrick's Ransom +

## MASS TIMES

### Monday - Friday

8:15a Seneca

5:30p Marseilles

### Saturday

4:00p Seneca

4:00p Marseilles

5:30p Grand Ridge

### Sunday

7:30a Ransom

8:30a Grand Ridge

9:00a Seneca

11:00a Marseilles

## CONFESSIONS

### Monday - Friday

7:30a Seneca

4:45p Marseilles

### Saturday

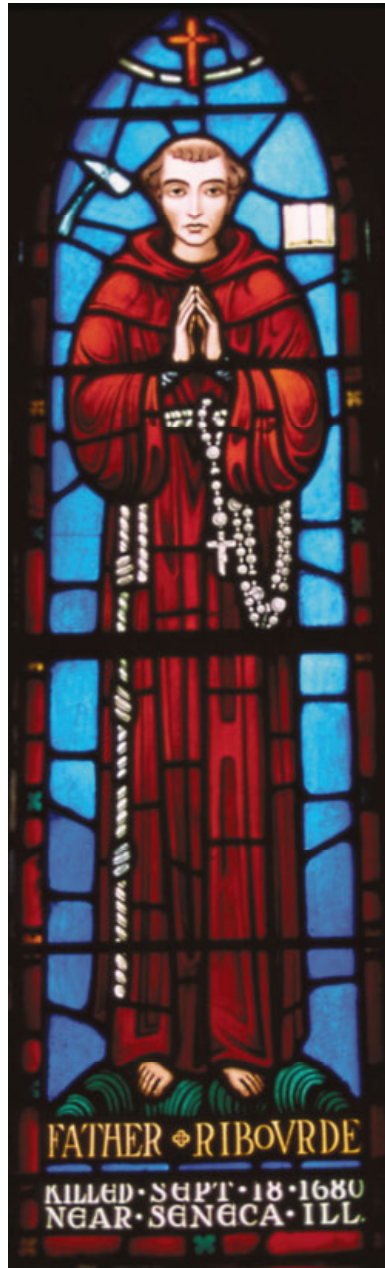
3:00p Seneca

3:00p Marseilles

### Sunday

7:00a Ransom

8:00a Grand Ridge



## CLERGY

*Pastor*

Fr. Alexander Millar

*Parochial Vicar*

Fr. Ghislain Inai, SMA

*Parish Deacon*

Dcn. Ron Wackerlin

## COMBINED OFFICE

St. Joseph's in Marseilles

### Office Hours

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Saint Patrick's  
110 S Wallace St  
Ransom, IL 60470

## Mass Intentions

### ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Sat. Jan. 8	4:00 pm	†Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sun. Jan. 9	11:00 am	*Pro Populo
Mon. Jan. 10	5:30 pm	†Larry J. Gute, Jr.
Tue. Jan. 11	5:30 pm	†Richard Naretty
Wed. Jan. 12	5:30 pm	†Fr. Robert Spillman
Thu. Jan. 13	5:30 pm	†Charles Calligaris
Fri. Jan. 14	5:30 pm	†Renell Douglas
Sat. Jan. 15	4:00 pm	†Gerry Zwier
Sun. Jan. 16	11:00 am	†Sue AnnCappellini

### ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, RANSOM

Sun. Jan. 9	7:30 am	†Kenneth McComb
Sun. Jan. 16	7:30 am	*Our Homebound Parishioners & Our Wonderful Volunteers

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Sat. Jan. 8	5:30 am	†Richard Quinlan
Sun. Jan. 9	8:30 am	†Jerry Nanouski
Sat. Jan. 15	5:30 am	†Sheila Rawlins & Dode Brown
Sun. Jan. 16	8:30 am	*Pro Populo

### ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, SENECA

Sat. Jan. 8	4:00 pm	†Dr. Tony Urban
Sun. Jan. 9	9:00 am	†Kenneth McComb
Mon. Jan. 10	8:15 am	†Fr. Robert Spillman
Tue. Jan. 11	8:15 am	†Tina Engel
Wed. Jan. 12	8:15 am	†William Mitchell
Thu. Jan. 13	8:15 am	†Fr. Robert Spillman
Fri. Jan. 14	8:15 am	†Margery Hallett
Sat. Jan. 15	4:00 pm	†Billy Engel
Sun. Jan. 16	9:00 am	†Evelyn Hogan



## Weekly Collection

### ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

January 2, 2022	Stays in Parish
Sunday Collection	\$ 1,938.00 (44 env.)
Loose Cash	\$ 117.00
Christmas	\$ 365.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 295.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 40.00
Utilities	\$ 45.00
Online Donations	\$ <u>205.00</u> (3)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,005.00</b>
Capital Improvement \$25.00	Food Pantry \$300.00
Religious Retirement \$5.00	School Assessment: \$50.00

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH

January 2, 2022	Stays in Parish
Sunday Collection	\$ 545.00 (10 env.)
Loose Cash	\$ 30.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 20.00
Online	\$ <u>275.00</u> (3)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 870.00</b>

### ST. PATRICK CHURCH, RANSOM

January 2, 2022	Stays in Parish
Sunday Collection	\$ 270.00 (8 env.)
Loose Cash	\$ 35.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ <u>65.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 370.00</b>

### ST. PATRICK CHURCH, SENECA

January 2, 2022	Stays in Parish
Sunday Collection	\$ 1,467.00 (34 env.)
Loose Cash	\$ 306.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 125.00
Online Donations	\$ <u>825.00</u> (13)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,723.00</b>
Capital Improvement	\$430.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!



### Homebound

Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to schedule. Parents should be registered members or have permission of proper pastor.

### Sacrament of the Sick

In an emergency, please call (815)780-9366.  
Otherwise please contact the parish office.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the parish office 8-12 months prior to their desired date. Please contact the parish before making other wedding arrangements.

### Parish Registration

To join the parish or update your information, please contact parish office or complete form in the back of each Church. Forms can be returned to office or placed in the collection basket

**Masses at St. Joseph and St. Patrick, Seneca are broadcast on 106.7 FM on your car radio.**

### ST. JOSEPH, MARSEILLES NEWS

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** We sincerely thank these 3 second grade students: Jensen Balnis, Nathan and Timothy Miller, who helped us celebrate the Epiphany of The Lord Mass on Sunday, January 2, 2022. They did a fantastic job. Also, thank you to the parents who encouraged them and helped get them ready for mass.

Students in grades 1-8 will receive their report cards on January 26th.

A reminder that on Wednesday when we have our classes and your family attends 5:30pm Mass, a light meal is served in the hall, all are welcome. Thank you Amy & Cory Rickey, Sheila Vicichi for making these delicious meals. God Bless you always.

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY:** In the memorial flower donation fund a name was not added to the list, we deeply apologize for this mistake. The names of Joanie Combs loved ones were Ray & Johanna LeRette. Again, we are sincerely sorry.

After the 11am Mass on January 9th we will need volunteers to help take down the Christmas tree decorations. Your help would be greatly appreciated! The more volunteers we have the sooner we get done!

### ST. PATRICK, RANSOM NEWS

A big Thank you to all who helped in so many ways to make Our Christmas Season at St. Patrick's Church a special one. Thank you to our organist and choir for their beautiful music. Thank you to all who helped in any way to decorate our church inside and out and helped to buy all our beautiful flowers. You will all be remembered in a special mass being offered by the Altar and Rosary on January 16th.

### ST. PATRICK, SENECA NEWS

#### ALTAR & ROSARY

The next Altar & Rosary meeting is January 12th @ 5:30pm. We meet at the Parish Center and we'd like to see our group grow. Please feel free to stop by and join us. If you would like more information please take a leaflet from the tables at the back of the church.

#### FRIDAY ADORATION

Can you spare an hour of your time to be with Jesus? Friday Adoration will be every Friday from 4:30pm - 5:30pm at St. Joseph, Marseilles. Come and talk to Jesus, let Him talk to you.



### MARQUETTE ACADEMY

Marquette Academy High School Open House has been postponed due to the recent influx of Covid cases in our area. The new date for Open House is Tuesday February 1st, 6:30pm Activity Fair, 7:00pm Guided Tours. You can win a full year or half year tuition at the event. Come learn more about MAHS.

#### 9 Days for Life: January 19-27, 2022

9 Days for Life, the U.S. bishops' annual Respect Life Novena, will take place Wednesday, January 19 - Thursday, January 27. Received the daily prayers by email or text message in English or Spanish. Sign up at [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com)!

#### FAMILY COOKING CLASS

We Love Chili! Join us for a family cooking class to practice fun recipes and try a new take on an old favorite. Class will be held on January 20th, 6:30pm - 7:30pm at St. Joseph's Church. Marseilles Food Pantry and University of Illinois Extension are providing all the supplies. To register contact Carolyn Claahsen 815-579-8922 or Shasta at 815-433-0707.



#### National Day of Prayer and Penance Saturday, January 22nd

This year marks the 49<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision, Roe v. Wade. We are encouraged to observe Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> with prayers for the legal protection of human life and penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion. Opportunities to visit and pray before the Blessed Sacrament will be available. More details will follow soon...

*"Jesus himself has shown us by his own example that prayer and fasting are the first and most effective weapons against the forces of evil (cf. Mt 4:1-11). As he taught his disciples, some demons cannot be driven out except in this way (cf. Mk 9:29). Let us therefore discover anew the humility and the courage to pray and fast so that power from on high will break down the walls of lies and deceit: the walls which conceal from the sight of so many of our brothers and sisters the evil of practices and laws which are hostile to life." - St. Pope John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae, no. 100*

#### 2022 MEN'S RETREAT: The Day Jesus Died!

Friday, January 28 to Sunday, January 30, 2022  
Retreat Master: Fr. Gregory Jarzombek, OSB  
Register Online: [www.scrcmagnolia.org](http://www.scrcmagnolia.org)  
Or call (815) 869-4106 for more information!

**FREE!** We have a box of vintage crosses at the office in Marseilles if anyone is interested, please come by and take what you'd like.

# Liturgical Roles

## ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

**Saturday January 15 4:00 pm**

Lector: Joe Jakupcak

Eucharistic Minister: Debbie Woodyer

Altar Servers: Eoin & Eoban Rickey

**Sunday January 16 11:00 am**

Lector: Ijeoma Ogbonna

Eucharistic Minister: Walt Woodyer

Altar Servers: Melinda Hettel, Jacob McGill, Joey Brown

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## ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, RANSOM

**Sunday January 16 7:30 am**

Lector: Brad Coughlin

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## ST. MARY'S CHURCH

**Saturday January 15 5:30 pm**

Lector: Cindy Davis

**Sunday January 16 8:30 am**

Lector: Steven Hladovak

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## ST. PATRICK CHURCH, SENECA

**Saturday January 15 4:00 pm**

Lector: Robert Mitchell

Eucharistic Minister: Cathy Erickson

Altar Servers: Clara & Sara Bruno

**Sunday January 16 9:00 am**

Lector: Kathy Baker

Eucharistic Minister: Tracy Ellis

Altar Servers: Elliott Geier, Brady & Jackson Fort



**January 22nd** is a Rogation Day commemorating the tragedy of the Roe v. Wade and the legalization of abortion in the United States and to pray and fast for the end of that great evil. Rogation days are observed by prayer and fasting.

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## AVAILABLE MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are available for the following dates:



**St. Joseph:** January 17, 19, 24, 26, 27, 28 & 31. Many dates available in February.

**St. Patrick, Seneca:** January 19, 20, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30 & 31. Many dates available in February.

**St. Mary:** January 22, 23, 29 & 30. Many openings available in February.

**St. Patrick, Ransom:** February 27 is available.

Requests may be made by calling the office at 795-2240, putting your requests, with offering, in the Sunday collection basket with your phone number and also by emailing the main office at: [parishgroup3@gmail.com](mailto:parishgroup3@gmail.com).

Forms are located in the back of the church.

## BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear



John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone. In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws regularly from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father.

The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifestation of God in Jesus, another “epiphany.” On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son. At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person, Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism.

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