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OUR PARISH, OUR FAMILY

- Parish Mission Statement



St. Joseph Church

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



"You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition." (Mk 7:8)

Services

Weekend Liturgy

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 am

Daily Services

Monday 7:00 am Communion Service
Tuesday-Thursday 7:00 am Mass
Friday & Saturday 8:30 am Mass

Holy Days

7pm Vigil; 7am, 8:30am & 7pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 1:00 pm-6:00 pm
First Friday after 8:30am Mass

Rosary

Tuesday 6:30-7:30 pm

Sacramental Life

Reconciliation

After 8:30 a.m. Mass on Saturday & 3 p.m. on Saturday; from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays during adoration; First Friday Holy Hour or by appointment.

Baptism

The first and third Sundays of the month at 12:30 pm or during the Liturgy. Parents are required to reserve and attend a baptism class. Please consult the parish office for guidelines.

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Do not reserve a hall before confirming date. At least one of the engaged (or their parents) must be a registered parishioner. Weddings not scheduled on Saturday evenings or Sundays.

Communion to Homebound

Call Deacon Leon Fritz 815-932-6909.

Registration

New parishioners are most welcome to register at the parish website or stop by or call the parish office.

Pastoral Staff

Pastor

Rev. Marcin Michalak

Deacon

Leon Fritz

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Parish Website

www.stjosephbradley.org

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August 29, 2021

Introducing “Our Parish, Our Family” Program



Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing about the upcoming “Our Parish, Our Family” Program at St. Joseph Church. This effort is very important as we move forward with the mission and vision of St. Joseph Church. We, as a parish family, have changed so many lives in our community! In order to continue our mission and ministries, we encourage all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on the work we do.



Our special Commitment Weekend will be celebrated on Sept. 18 and 19.

If you have any questions regarding the “Our Parish, Our Family” Program, please feel free to contact the parish office.



Revised guidelines at church and vaccination clinic happening at St. Joseph's

As noted by the CDC, the Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus has provided renewed upswing in the number of cases. In response to the dangers of this variant, especially to unvaccinated individuals, the guidelines of the Diocese of Joliet have been updated.



Masks are strongly recommended for everyone at church, vaccinated or not. Eucharistic ministers are required to wear masks while giving Communion. Choirs and congregational singing are not allowed. More details from the Joliet Diocese are available at the parish website.

St. Joseph Parish will be hosting a Covid-19 Vaccination Clinic from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Sunday Oct. 10, 2021, at the Ministry Center (260 Prairie Ave, Bradley). The clinic is open to anyone who is eligible and wishes to receive the vaccination. Please spread the word.

Registration for this free clinic is now open by contacting Deacon Greg at gclodi@stjosephbradley.org or 815- 939-3573 ext. 103.



Things are really coming together for our Parish Picnic scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 25. The festivities will begin with an outdoor Mass at 3 p.m. (Please note: We will not have the regular 4 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass that afternoon in church). We'll have picnic food, drinks, ice cream stand, bingo, games, bounce house and more! We're working to make this the best parish event ever. Mark your calendar and join us as we celebrate Our Parish, Our Family!

SERVICE INFORMATION & MASS INTENTIONS

<p>Monday August 30 <i>Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i> 7 a.m. Communion Service</p>	<p>Tuesday August 31 <i>Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i> 7 a.m. Mass † Patti McElroy & Daughter, Lisa, by Larry</p>	<p>Wednesday September 1 <i>Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i> 7 a.m. Mass *In Thanksgiving for Blessings by Parishioner</p>	<p>Thursday September 2 <i>Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i> 7 a.m. Mass † Ray Denoyer (Wedding Anniversary) by Judy Denoyer, Wife</p>	<p>Friday September 3 <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> 8:30 a.m. Mass † Deceased Members of St. Joseph School's Class of 1952</p>
<p>Saturday September 4 8:30 a.m. Mass † Edmund Pudlo by John & Kim Samborski 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass † Ray Yurkowski by Dave & Deb Pellouchoud</p>			<p>Sunday September 5 8:30 a.m. Mass *People of St. Joseph Parish 11:00 a.m. Mass † Joseph & Josephine Triplett by Jean Lindsey</p>	

Live Streams of Weekend Mass and archive recordings: www.stjosephbradley.org

STEWARDSHIP

Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, all-loving and all-merciful God, it turns our sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive? Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls. Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense? The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs? Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it—that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you—that's justice.-Tracy Earl Welliver

Offerings for the weekend of August 22/23, 2021

\$5,921.06

4:00 pm: \$2,410.06

8:30 am: \$1,878.00

11:00 am: \$1,633.00

Food Donations: 44.7 Pounds

Readings for the Week of August 29, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/

Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11

-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14

[13]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk

4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6

[2]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/

Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/

Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

[1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Mass Readings: www.stjosephbradley.org



We certainly thank all parishioners who have been continuing regular monetary offerings. We are encouraging everyone who cannot attend Mass in person to please mail your envelopes to St. Joseph's or consider making Electronic Donations. These electronic options are the most convenient ways for making offerings and staying consistent. You can make automated ACH Offerings from your savings or checking accounts. Just download the form at our website; print; complete; follow the directions and put in collection basket or mail or bring to parish office. Or look for the PayPal Button at our website to set-up online contributions. Thanks for your support!

It's HERE! St. Joseph Religious Education presents...

"Discovering the Treasures of Our Catholic Faith"

St. Joseph's Religious Education program is ready to get started! With the assistance of a great volunteer planning team, we are excited to offer a new and different approach to help our children and families grow in their faith as well as their relationship with God and one another!

This year, we are Discovering (or maybe Rediscovering) the Treasures of Our Catholic Faith by offering both children and their families opportunities to come together for faith-building happenings here and at home as well. First, since THE most valuable gem in our treasure chest is the Mass, we want to give families a chance to experience it in a more meaningful way. We will have a Youth/Family Mass that will take place on the First Sunday of the month at 4 p.m. It will not only have a more youthful feel, but more importantly will give children the chance to take an active role in the different ministries. Special gatherings will often follow afterward.

Next, children in grades K-8 will meet twice a month on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:45 p.m. for lessons on the Mass, the Bible, the sacraments and the other jewels of our Catholic faith. We hope to provide engaging lessons with activities, such as prayer, crafts, and games, that will make it less like a classroom and more like spending time with friends with learning along the way. (Students and parents preparing for sacraments will have additional sessions).

So let's get started! We will begin with an Opening Preview Night on Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2021, for both parents and children at 4:30 p.m. We can't wait to get things rolling and hope you will join us for an interesting new journey! The RE Registration link will be available on our website.

We have many ways for parents, grandparents, older siblings or other family and friends to be part of our program without making a huge commitment of time or preparation. Please consider how you might be able to offer a hand and feel your life be blessed as you grow as well! For information, contact Anita Lovell at 815-937-9340 or alovell@stjosephbradley.org.



How's your relationship with God?
He's waiting to talk to you at
Eucharistic Adoration on
Tuesdays from 1-6 p.m.
The door is open.



Many thanks to the 32 volunteers at the Mobile Food Pantry who braved a very hot and humid morning to provide such a great community service on August 20th. This team continues to amaze us, coming early, working in the heat (and cold) and helping wherever needed without complaining! In the end, we were able to assist 90 families. Leftover food was taken to Kankakee Catholic Food Pantry. Special thanks to our coordinators, Peggy Blanchette and Gisel Waide, and to Al and Pat Knittel for once again bringing the canopy, chairs and even a fan. Also, thanks to our parish supporters who have made it possible for the Mobile Pantry to visit our parish and come back for the remainder of the year: Sept. 24, Oct. 15, Nov. 19 and Dec. 17. Thanks all around!

LITURGICAL ROLES	September 4 4:00 PM	September 5 8:30 AM	September 5 11:00 AM	Interested in any of these liturgical ministries? Contact the parish office for info and to schedule training. Ministers can go online to see when scheduled, request subs and input dates not to be scheduled.
Hospitality Ministers	David Berg Janet Gregoire Jim Lustig Volunteer Needed	Joan Busted Dick Jenkins Jasmine Elumbaugh Barb Fortin	Candi Brenneisen Greg Brenneisen Kathy Storer Michael Storer	
Lectors	Beth Bisailon (1) Gisel Waide (2)	Gert Auberry (1) Jan St. John (2)	Walter Babiaka (1) Lupita Sorich (2)	
Eucharistic Ministers	Chuck Carnes Vicki Burgener	Annie Kidd Volunteer Needed	Justin Sommer Margie McCalester	
Altar Servers	Vicki Burgener	Harrison Adams	Jesse Babiaka Gemma Babiaka Veritas Babiaka	
Deacon	Deacon Leon	Deacon Greg	Deacon Greg	
Presider	Fr. Marcin	Fr. Wheeler	Fr. Marcin	



First Friday Devotion

St. Joseph Parish offers devotion of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:30 a.m. Mass on the First Friday of the month with an opportunity for private Reconciliation. This Holy Hour concludes with the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please join us next Friday, Sept. 3, for this beautiful devotion. Come and deepen your relationship with our Lord. ©LPI



Fall Raffle

Please contact any of our Knights to get your raffle ticket or call or text Ryan Adams at 815-210-1022. The winning number is based on the evening pick 3 Illinois Lottery number and the prizes are on the back of your ticket. The Knights are able to help a lot at St. Joseph's and in the community with the proceeds. Tickets are \$10. Please support these gentlemen who really go above and beyond at our church. (You can see the breakdown of prizes at the parish website). Thanks so much and best of luck!

Blood Drive

Turn a new leaf
Fall into giving 

Our next Blood Drive is Sunday, Sept. 19. Make your appointment by either visiting the parish website, calling the office or texting 734-755-7245.

Fall Crafts

Catholic Charities is sponsoring a fall-themed Crafting Connections class on Friday, Sept. 10, from 2-4 p.m. at Kankakee First Church of the Nazarene for Kankakee County individuals ages 60-plus. All supplies will be provided and the class is FREE! Masks and social distancing are required. Please call Kelli at 815-933-7791 ext. 9910 to register by Wednesday, Sept. 8.

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Fall Festival

It will be fun for the whole family! Join us on Saturday, Sept. 11, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at 4129 N State Rt 17, Momence (1/4 mile north of Momence). We'll have a harvest market, food, beer, bingo, games, live entertainment and more. For more information: 815-472-3700 ext. 1014 or www.goodshepherdmanor.com.



Lord, Teach Me To Pray

“Lord, Teach Me To Pray” is a prayer series based on Ignatian Spirituality. Part 1, “Praying Christian Virtues,” helps deepen prayer life with suggestions for what to do about dryness and obstacles in prayer. It also introduces the methods of Ignatian prayer: meditation, contemplation, and Consciousness Examen. A small group will meet with two trained facilitators for 1-2 hours once a week for 12 weeks to pray and faith share. Part 1 for women begins at St. John Paul II in Kankakee on Sept. 22 at 11am. To register or for more details, contact Mary at 815-922-0228. (The men’s group will be announced soon).

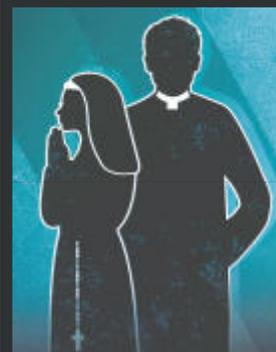
Mental Health & Homelessness



A Practical & Informative Workshop

This virtual workshop, which is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 15, from 1-2:30 p.m., is open to those with vast or no experience and anyone generally interested in the topic. It will explore the factors and intersection of mental health and homelessness and provide practical guidance when encountering various situations. Register online at <https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/humandignity>.

Vocation Prayer Calendar



The Diocese of Joliet Vocation Prayer Calendar lists daily the names of diocesan priests, seminarians, religious priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, and men and women in formation within the Joliet Diocese. [You can access this calendar by going to our parish website.](#)

Names are assigned randomly to dates. Please pray for these men and women, asking that our Lord will continue to guide, inspire and sustain them, and remember to pray that others will respond to God’s call to join them in ministering to us as well.

Our Catholic faith has no borders!



What a beautiful and lively celebration of our Catholic faith as friends and relatives of Candida Niba gathered with her parish family to celebrate her 70th birthday last Sunday at St. Joseph Church. In music, dance and ritual, we experienced Mass in a different way, but we were reminded Eucharist is shared by Catholics across the continents! Many thanks to the Babiaka Family for blessing our church with such powerful worship and Fr. Marcin for inviting the family



for our 11 a.m. Mass and our ministers and the entire assembly for being so welcoming to our guests. It was such an amazing experience of thanksgiving to God for our many blessings. **You can watch a special video presentation of the Mass at the parish website.**

	 <p>For Picnics, Family Dinners, etc. Call for Buffet hours in Kankakee 161 E. Bethel Dr., Bourbonnais Dine In or Carry Out - 815-929-0735 135 E. Bourbonnais St., Kankakee Dine In or Carry Out - 815-933-3347</p>	<p>ADT-Monitored Home Security Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Burglary Fire Safety Flood Detection Carbon Monoxide <p>ADT Authorized Provider SafeStreets 1-855-225-4251</p>	<p>GROW YOUR BUSINESS WHILE SUPPORTING YOUR LOCAL PARISH.</p>  <p>Purchase a bulletin ad today!</p>	
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