



St. Joseph Catholic Parish

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Deacon Emeritus Dave Raskowski

April 6, 2025

Mass Times

Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM
Saturday Vigil, 4:00 PM
Sunday, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Confessions

Saturdays from 3:00-3:30 PM

Holy Days

Please see the Parish Bulletin

Rectory Hours

Monday — Thursday,
7:30AM—3:30PM

Friday,
7:30AM—1:00PM

Rectory Staff

Elizabeth Bravo,
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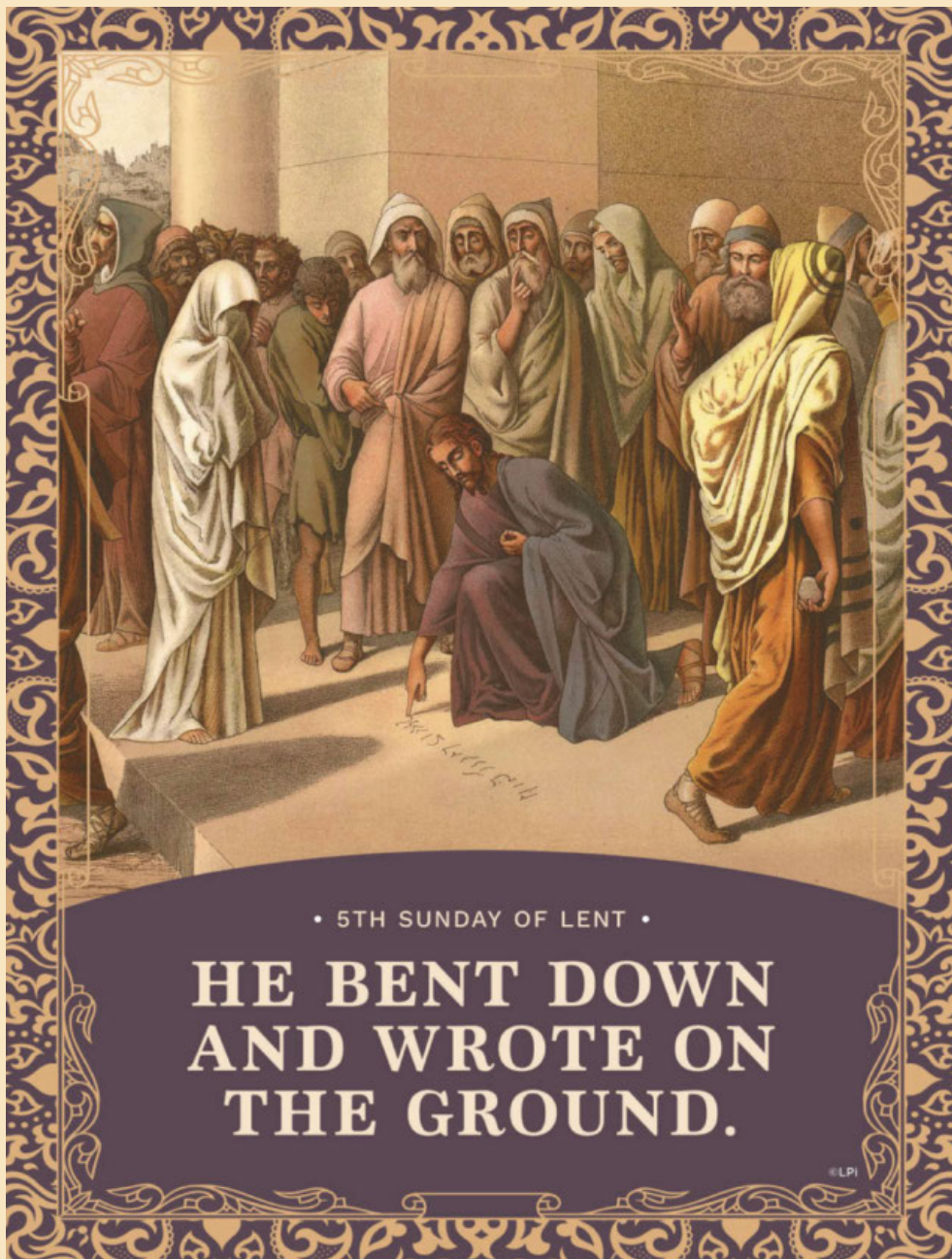
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Coord. of Parish Services

Park/Cemetery

Richard Cabay,
Cemetery Sexton/ Park Mgr.
Cemetery: 815-722-6016



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 5—Vigil

4:00 p.m. Larry Grein (Charlene & Raul Bravo Family)
4:00 p.m. Juan Sanchez-Ramirez (Raul Bravo Family)

Sunday, April 6—5th Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. John & Delores Krzysciak (B) (Family)
8:30 a.m. Margaret Skoff (Family)
10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish (Pro Popolo)
10:30 a.m. Louis & Amalia Gale Family (Virginia Gale)

Monday, April 7—Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Lorrie Klepec (A) (Family)
8:30 a.m. Richard Morelli (Wife & Family)

Tuesday, April 8—Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Special Intentions (Julia Sarcletti)

Wednesday, April 9—Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Dorothy Armbruster (Family)
8:30 a.m. Catherine Hall (Eunice Ward)

Thursday, April 10—Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Nate & Sarah Michalak, Special Intentions
(Michalak Family)

Friday, April 11—Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mary E. Legan (A) (Daughters)
8:30 a.m. Ronny Lockwood (Family)

Saturday, April 12—Vigil

4:00 p.m. Angel Arias, Sr. (Family)
4:00 p.m. Richard M. Wojnarowski (B) (Halsne Family)

Sunday, April 13—6th Sunday of Lent, Palm Sunday

8:30 a.m. Intentions of Fr. Tim Andres, O. Carm.
(Mark & Lyn Michalak)
8:30 a.m. Anastacio Hurtado (Loza Family)
8:30 a.m. Richard Morelli (Your Heavenly Buddy, Jack)
10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Joseph Parish (Pro Popolo)
10:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the
KSKJ Lodge #2, 130th Anniversary



**The Adoration Chapel
will be closed starting
Thursday, April 10th,
and will re-open on
Monday April 28th.**



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 5 & 6

Mass	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
4:00 PM	D. Dodson	D. Dodson, K. Sefcik, B. Strahanoski
8:30 AM	C. Goetze	A. Koncar, C. Goetze, B. Zelinski
10:30 AM	S. Orozco	N. Churnovic, R. Churnovic, J. Orozco

April 12 & 13

Mass	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
4:00 PM	M. Mijan & S. Vanisko	J. Halsne, L. Michalak, K. Sefcik
8:30 AM	M. Bruno & M. Budzinski	M. Bruno, H. Lawson, T. Osburn
10:30 AM	C. Kadela & H. Snyder	C. Frieders, C. Kadela, W. Keefer

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

March 30, 2025

Weekly Offering.....	\$ 7,197.00
Maintenance & Repair.....	\$ 225.00
Additional	\$ 445.00
Catholic Relief Services.....	\$ 2,135.00

***May God bless you always for your generosity
and unwavering support
of St. Joseph Parish!***

Sacramental Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

On Saturdays from 3—3:30 PM. Other times upon request. Please call the rectory.

Sacrament of Baptism Guidelines

Must be an active registered parishioner of St. Joseph Parish. Call the rectory to set up Baptismal appointment. Baptisms scheduled at the Baptismal class.

Sacrament of the Sick

Celebrated individually upon request. If someone is seriously ill, the person should be anointed. Please call the rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

Must be an active registered parishioner of St. Joseph Parish; please make arrangements at least six months in advance.

New Parishioners

Are most welcome and are asked to register at the rectory or online through the parish website.



St. Joseph Parish will hold our Lenten Penance Service on **Tuesday, April 8th**, at 7:00 PM, in Church. Several priests will be present to hear Confessions. We invite all parishioners and their families to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as we prepare our for the resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Other opportunities for Reconciliation are:

Deanery Confessions

Friday, April 11th, Cathedral of St. Raymond
3:00 –7:00 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Sunday, April 13th , St. Mary Magdalene Church
11:30 AM—12:30 PM

THIS WEEKEND

SUA, BRANCH 20—BAKE SALE

Branch 20-Joliet of the Slovenian Union of America will hold its popular **bakery sale and raffle** before and after all the Masses on **Saturday, April 5, and Sunday, April 6, in the foyer of St. Joseph Church**. The raffle will include potica, strudel, a gift basket, and more. Members may bring bakery or monetary donations to the church after 2:30 pm on Saturday or on Sunday morning after 7:30 am. Monetary donations can also be mailed to Jeanne Warsaw, 511 Northgate Lane, Shorewood, IL 60604.



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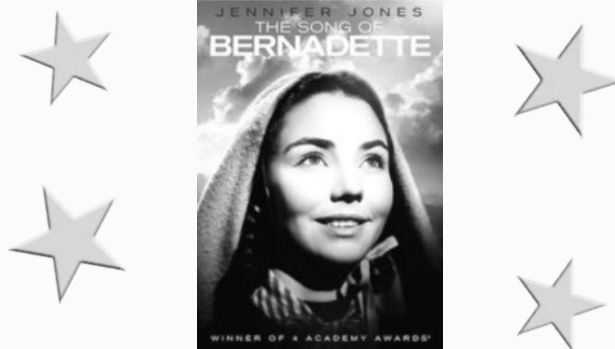
Every Friday during Lent
6:00 PM

St. Joseph Church
416 N. Chicago St., Joliet

MOVIE AT THE PARK

SUNDAY, APRIL 6TH
2:00 PM—5:00 PM

FEATURING



*Light refreshments will be available.
All are welcome.*

St. Joseph Park, 700 Theodore Street, Joliet, IL.

GIFT SHOP SIDEWALK SALE APRIL 12 & 13 AFTER ALL MASSES



Scholarship Opportunity Available

St. Joseph Parish is pleased to offer a scholarship in support of Catholic Education for our active, registered parishioners. Applications for the St. Joseph Parish Scholarship are available on the kiosk, and parish website. **Applications are due no later than April 25th.**



Join us for **Soup & Salad** following Stations of the Cross on **Fridays during Lent through April 11th, in Ferdinand Hall**. If you would like to volunteer or are a student in need of service hours, please call the rectory.



40 Days for Life

*Join the Pro-Life Committee
as we pray for the lives of the unborn.*

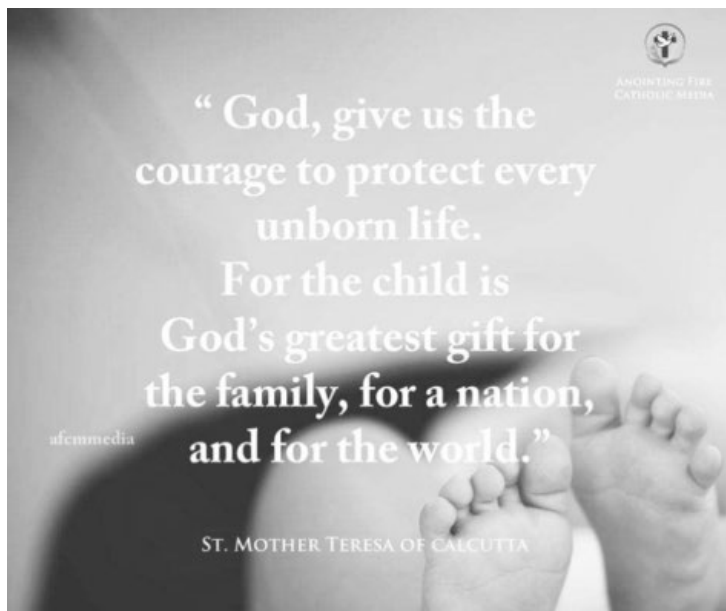
Through April 12

Aurora Planned Parenthood
3051 E. New York St., Aurora, IL.

Every Saturday, through April 12

Meet at the clinic, 10 AM

***Permission has been granted to park at the
Auto Zone Parking Lot, across the street from
Planned Parenthood.**



As part of our Lenten journey, we are once again participating in Catholic Relief Service's **Operation Rice Bowl**. Almsgiving is a key part of our Lenten obligation. Rice Bowls are available at each entrance of the Church. When

you have them filled, you may leave them at the ushers' table in the back of Church or you may drop them off at the rectory by **April 13th**.



TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

Triduum Schedule

April 17, 2025

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7PM
The Church will be open until Midnight

April 18, 2025

Good Friday Service & Veneration of the Cross, 3PM
Fish Fry, 11AM-6:30 PM, St. Joe's Park

April 19, 2025

Blessing of Easter Food, 11:30 AM
Easter Vigil Mass, 7 PM

April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday Masses, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

St. Joseph Lodge #2 KSKJ

The members of St. Joseph Lodge #2 KSKJ have designated April 13th, 2025, as the Sunday they will celebrate their 130th Anniversary. Lodge #2 in Joliet is one of three lodges nationwide still active and reaching the 130 year milestone.

Members will attend the 10:30 AM Mass to honor past and present members, followed by a luncheon at Merichka's Restaurant. Members who will be celebrating their 50 year membership in 2025 will be honored and presented with certificates of appreciation.

Great-Grandparents of our current lodge members who initially formed and named our lodge after St. Joseph raised \$300 for the large stained glass window of the Holy Family when our church was built. During the restoration project for St. Joseph Church, from 2003 to 2010, our current members raised and donated \$15,000 for the restoration of that same Holy Family window.

Many members and families of St. Joe's are members of KSKJ life and the connections have remained for two, three, and four generations now. KSKJ is a fraternal benefit society that was initially formed to support the Slovenian community and has grown into a nationwide life insurance and financial organization since 1894. If you attend this Mass, please pray for us.

Rich Churnovic, Jr.
President St. Joe's Lodge #2 KSKJ



We are looking for a high school or college student to work an average of 30 hours per week from June through August, assisting the parish Facilities Manager with duties on our property, including repairs, landscaping, painting, and other miscellaneous duties. The hours are 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Interested students should call the rectory, 815-727-9378.



JOIN US AS WE PRAY THE ROSARY

Sunday, April 13th
after 10:30 AM Mass
St. Joseph Church

Presented by the Pro-Life Committee

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right. We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them. But when God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

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Hospitalized & Homebound

Please notify the parish office, 815-727-9378, so that our sick, hospitalized, and/or homebound parishioners may receive the pastoral care of the Church.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Good Friday Fish Fry

ST. JOE'S PARK
700 THEODORE ST
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April 18th
11am - 6:30pm

\$7
Mac & Cheese
Dinner
(Potatoes not included)

\$15
2 pc Cod
Dinner
(5 oz each)

\$15
6 pc Shrimp
Dinner

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Welcome!**

Bakery Needed!

Help support the
Good Friday Fish Fry

Bakery can be dropped off at
St. Joe's Park

Wednesday,
April 16, 8am-2pm

Thursday,
April 17, 8a.m-11am





ST. JOSEPH CHURCH NEEDS YOU!

We are looking to add **Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, and Sacristans** to our schedule. These ministries are very important to our Parish Life. We ask you to prayerfully consider becoming a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, or Sacristan. The time commitment is not great and the rewards are many. Call the rectory for more info, 815-727-9378.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish at St. Mary Magdalene

201 S. Briggs Street, Joliet, IL

Spaghetti Dinner

Wednesday, April 23rd, 11:00 AM—7:00 PM

Dinner Includes: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread & Butter,
Coffee & Water

Dessert is an extra charge



Adults: \$12
Children 6 & Under: \$6
Carryouts Available

For tickets, contact
Our Lady of Perpetual Help @ 815-722-7653

Progressive “Split the Pot” Raffle St. Patrick Church, Momence

Fr. Pete Jankowski is once again selling raffle tickets for St. Patrick Church in Momence. The Progressive Split the Pot Raffle tickets are \$10 each or 6 for \$50. The first prize is half the pot, minus \$750; second prize is \$500, third prize, \$250. The drawing will be held at their parish picnic in September 2025. Winner need not be present for the drawing. All proceeds go toward campus renovations. If you would like to purchase a ticket or two, please call the St. Joseph rectory, 815-727-9378. Fr. Pete thanks you for your support.

GOSPEL MEDITATION -ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

“The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle” (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community’s identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you’ll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is “left alone before him.” A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ’s forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

— Father John Muir
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“OFFER YOUR SUFFERING TO GOD”

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, April 5—Vigil

40 Days for Life, Planned Parenthood, Aurora, 10:00 AM
First Communion Retreat & First Reconciliation, 9:00 AM
Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Litany, & Rosary, 3—3:45 PM
Confessions, 3:00—3:30 PM
Mass, 4:00 PM
Second Collection is for Maintenance & Repair

Sunday, April 6— 4th Sunday of Lent

Masses, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM
OCIA Class, 11:30 AM, St. Mary Magdalene Gym
Second Collection is for Maintenance & Repair
Movie at the Park, 2:00 PM, St. Joe's Park Hall

Monday, April 7— Lenten Weekday

Prayers with the Neo-Catechumenal Way, 5:00 AM
Daily Mass, 8:30 AM
Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM-10:00 AM

Tuesday, April 8— Lenten Weekday

Prayers with the Neo-Catechumenal Way, 5:00 AM
Mass, 8:30 AM
Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—10:00 AM
Religious Education, 5:30 PM, St. Joseph School
Lenten Penance Service, 7:00 PM

Wednesday, April 9— Lenten Weekday

Prayers with the Neo-Catechumenal Way, 5:00 AM
Mass, 8:30 AM
Adoration Chapel, 9:00 AM—Noon

Thursday, April 10— Lenten Weekday

Prayers with the Neo-Catechumenal Way, 5:00 AM
Mass, 8:30 AM
Adoration Chapel, Closed

Friday, April 11— Lenten Weekday

Prayers with the Neo-Catechumenal Way, 5:00 AM
Mass, 8:30 AM
Rosary, immediately following Mass
Adoration Chapel, Closed
Deanery Confessions, Cathedral of St. Raymond, 3-7 PM
Stations of the Cross, 6:00 PM with Soup & Salad following in FH

Saturday, April 12—Vigil

Final Saturday -40 Days for Life at Planned Parenthood, Aurora, 10:00 AM
Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Litany, & Rosary, 3—3:45 PM
Confessions, 3:00—3:30 PM
Mass, 4:00 PM

Sunday, April 13— 5th Sunday of Lent, Palm Sunday

Masses, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM
Pro-Life Rosary following 10:30 AM Mass
OCIA Class, Cancelled
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Confessions following 10:30 AM Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

04/06/25 Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11
04/07/25 Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or Dn 13:41c-62/
Jn 8:12-20
04/08/25 Nm 21:4-9/ Jn 8:21-30
04/09/25 Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/ Jn 8:31-42
04/10/25 Gn 17:3-9/ Jn 8:51-59
04/11/25 Jer 20:10-13/ Jn 10:31-42
04/12/25 Ez 37:21-28/ Jn 11:45-56

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ROCKET PRO WRESTLING

Saturday, April 12th

St. Joe's Park
700 Theodore St., Joliet

Doors open at 4 PM, show begins at 5 PM.

Please Pray For...

Our Sick

Pope Francis, Fr. Joe Atcher, O. Carm., Joe Babich, Anthony Bendy, Jen Bendy, Phyllis Binzen, Erica Ceballos, Tyler Centorbi, Markie Cerda, Joe Cimfe, Genevieve Dumyahn, Bruce Eagglhoff, Linda Evans, Veronica Fairman, Walter Ferguson, Mike Gahan, Lois Geary, Roger Gerwatowski, Irene Gordan, Carolyn Grady, Jean Haas, Andy Honiotes, Ray Horvatin, Jake Jakovich Jr., Bob Keca, Gail Kolenc, Michael Kuhel, Mary Loucks, Todd Lukas, Frank Markun, Mary Ann Mavrin, Jerome Meehan, Terry Meyer, Greg Munich, Andy Nunez, Nancy Pacourek, Marlene Pagliei, Judy Philbert, Mike Pierson, Deacon Dave & Jo Raskowski, Raymond Reinke, Lorraine Rolih, Nathan Roszyk, George Rozman, Julia Sarcletti, James Sefcik, Gavin Springsteen, Nancy Sraj, Gerald Tezak, Nasciana Thompson, Diane Tyda, Nancy Ursitti, Kristina Valentino, Bob & Joyce Vicich, JoAnne Vidmar, Bernice Walker, Terry Ziesmer, for those in need of prayers, and those who have no one to pray for them.

Those Who Serve

Spec. Rafael Arias, Andrew Bender,
Sgt. Nikolas Borrego, Lindsey Carroll,
Matthew Carroll, Cpt. Peter Collins, COL David M. Conner,
Dylan Crotty, Michael A. Elmore, Michael J. Elmore, Mitchell Elmore, LTC Donald Erickson, Holly Erickson-Gresens, Anthony Gayton, Melissa Gonzalez, Sgt. John M. Khandzhayan, Sgt. Mariela Sanchez-Khandzhayan, Wyatt Lawson, Jared Anthony Mason, Kannen Mosher, Andres Nunez, Charles B. Ritzler IV, Augie Spoto



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