



Dear Parishioners,

I write this a scant hour after returning home last Monday. If you remember, I was with the Knights of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem last weekend for the yearly Investiture. This year it was in Raleigh, NC. There was a goodly number of people invested, including three priests and two deacons. Next year, there are supposed to be more. Also, next year, the Investiture is to take place in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, OK.

I got back to the rectory at about 1:40 PM last Monday. I must say that I was so very, but very glad to be home and to know that I wouldn't have to go away any time soon. You have no idea how much I missed you and St. Joseph. I know that you don't mind my infrequent absences very much, so long as I engage substitutes. I know that you like our recent substitute, Father Orłowski, very much. I think that's great. He's quite a good-hearted, approachable and caring fellow. A great priest. So I know you were in good hands. The thing is that, no matter how careful I am in providing substitutes for you, I am just racked with guilt when I'm away. I always start thinking, "I shouldn't be here. I should be back at my parish with my parishioners." It happens when I go on vacation too.

Get this: One of the newly invested priests and a few others were bound and determined that I participate in a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Hey, I'd love to go to the Holy Land. Don't get me wrong. However, this 2024 pilgrimage would be for all of Holy Week next year!! Well, how in the world would I be able to do that? My heavens, even if I managed to get St. John Vianney, Father Michael McGivney and Father Maximilian Kolbe, I'd probably still die of guilt. Oh, it's a great fantasy – no not resurrecting those priests – but going to the Holy Land for Holy Week. But, that's what it must be, of course. But, hey, what would you think if I arranged a pilgrimage to the Holy Land for some other time of year. Wonder how many of you would be interested. Something to think about, my dearly beloved family. I'm so glad to be home. God bless you.

Father Magiera

Saint Joseph Catholic Church April 29nd/30rd, 2023



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Monday through Friday
11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

2023 Liturgical Calendar and Mass Intentions

Sanctuary Lamp	
Sat., Apr. 29th	<i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>
4:15 pm	+ Robert Whitler (May 2, RIP 24 years) by The Whitler Family
Sat., Apr. 29th	Third Sunday after Easter (2nd cl.)
6:00 pm	Mary Bilot by John & Barb McCague
Sun., Apr. 30th	Third Sunday after Easter (2nd cl.)
8:00 am	+ Holy Souls in Purgatory by John & Barb McCague
10:00 am	Pro Populo
Mon., May 1st	St. Joseph the Worker (1st cl.)
7:30 am	+ Mark McCague by John & Barb McCague
Tues., May 2nd	St. Athanasius, Bp. & Dct. (3rd cl.)
7:30 am	+ Joseph M. Carrabotta by Zita Stukas & Family
Wed., May 3rd	Finding of the Holy Cross (4th cl.)
7:30 am	In repentance and reparation for the sins within our Church and our World
Thur., May 4th	St. Monica, Widow (3rd cl.)
7:30 am	+ Andrej Bafia (12 th Anniversary) by Sofia Lesnicki
5:30 pm	+ William Mossuto by Nancy Nevin
Fri., May 5th	St. Pius V, Pope & Confessor (3rd cl.)
7:30 am	Patty Oram by John & Barb McCague
Sat., May 6th	St. John at the Latin Gate (4th cl.)
8:00 am	+ John Nevins Sr. by Nancy Taylor
Sat., May 6th	<i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>
4:15 pm	+ Anita Goss by Don & Cindy Gould
Sat., May 6th	Fourth Sunday after Easter (2nd cl.)
6:00 pm	Lily Shuminas by William Giacobbe
Sun., May 7th	Fourth Sunday after Easter (2nd cl.)
8:00 am	+ Glenn Proud by Nancy Taylor
10:00 am	Pro Populo

Mass Schedule

Ordinary Form

Saturday 4:15pm

Extraordinary Form

Saturday, 6:00 pm; Sunday 8:00 am; 10:00 am; 4:30 pm (Naperville)

Monday through Friday: 7:30 am

ALSO Thursday 5:30 pm, followed by Holy Hour and Benediction

AND First Friday (ONLY) 6:00 pm; Saturday 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation

Ordinary Form: 4:15 p.m. *anticipated Mass, if a priest is available*

Extraordinary Form: 7:30 am & 6:00 pm

Confessions

30 minutes before Mass

WELCOME VISITORS!

Worship Aides for both forms of the Mass are in the pew racks. We welcome new parishioners. Census forms are in the back of the church, either in racks or on the tables. Turn in your form to Fr. Magiera or place your form in the collection basket. No need to respond 'Amen' at Latin Mass Holy Communion.



Baptisms

Any weekday is possible, but Saturdays are preferred. To schedule your family's Baptism, please call or email Fr. Magiera. Thank you very much!

Weddings



For parishioners with faithful parish membership for at least one year. Please inquire at least 6 months prior to intended date.

Prayer Intentions for the living and deceased:

Christy Becker, Jim Dernulc, Michael Kelly, Mary Lund, Kathleen Mary McNair, Ray Tomanio, Merlin Melnarik, Kaira Paramo, Russler Family, Angie Schuman, Judy Splayt, Fr. Chris Steinle, OSA, Jim Wright, Ken Zabel, Adele Stukas, Aldona Peciura, Nancy Tomanio, Zita Stukas, Hellmann/Roman/Kasperek, Robert Fearncombe, Jr., Isabella Goodrich, Bonnie Reichstadt, Ellen McCague, Mary Mitchell, George Magee, Fr. Christopher Manuele, Susanna Wheeler and James Wheeler, Ricardo Martinez, Ayako Naganuma, Mason LeonRaymond Courney, Cyndy Crane, Isabella Woodsick, Johnny Schutzius, and Ilona Leja, Chris & Theresa Galounis, Marilyn Dolnack, Sandra Surges, Cole Francis Leon, Carol Galuszka, Sue Gorski, Lisa Herron Family: Claudia, Nicholas, Richard and Sandra Pope, Kathy Barthelt, Linda Nace, Susan Sasek, George MacZura, Yolanda Morino, Steven Evets and Delfino Orosco.

RIP: Ben Bazik, Joseph Birsa, Glen Dykhuizen, Tahara Dykhuizen, Barbara Schoenberger, Fran Nelli, Dale Bixenmann, Arthur Birsa, Mary Rose Bucciarelli, Diane Wolfe, Bonnie Nagra, Corinne Bowers, Dr. Stephanie Pavnica, Andrew Pavnica, Maria Fairman, George McCague, Linda Stortz, Kevin Hansen, Richard Blaskie, Fr. Vytas Memenas, Ed Bowlan, Rich Goss, Art Johnson, Rod Springer, Fr. Jess Testa, Lenore Anders, Rita Luzbetak, Mark Evans, Ellen Schutzius, Daniel Moreno, Miguel Piña, Adeline Garvy, Mary Shankland, Alex Tomasino, Stephen Sculley, John J. Nevin Sr., Michael Kelly, Anita Goss, Donald Tadda and Nancy Fury, Glen Proud, Robert Mitchell, Kenneth Kierstein, Joseph Carrabotta. and John Kish.



Volunteer Money Counters are Needed

We are in need of more counting team members. If you can help on Monday mornings to be a regular counter or a backup counter please contact the office at 815-725-4469.

By the Numbers for April 22nd/23rd, 2023

Regular Collection	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$651.00
	Saturday 6:00 PM	\$1,034.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$1,663.99
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$2,031.00
	Naperville 4:30 PM	\$1,152.50
Special Needs	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$25.00
	Saturday 6:00 PM	\$10.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$132.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$20.00
	Naperville 4:30 PM	\$220.00
Building Fund	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$20.00
	Saturday 6:00 PM	\$125.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$75.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$69.00
	Naperville 4:30 PM	\$25.00
Soundproof Confessional		\$40.00
Good Friday		.\$25.00
Easter		\$300.00
Votive		\$171.51
Mass Intention		\$50.00
Salt		\$13.00
Donuts		\$18.00
OLG Seminary		\$50.00
Parking Lot		\$100.00
TOTAL		\$8021.00

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Mass Attendance April 22 & 23

4:15 PM	36
6:00 PM	63
8:00 AM	182
10:00 AM	199
4:30 PM	187

SOCIAL MEDIA



Website:

www.fsspjoliel.wordpress.com



Join **Flocknote** our parish communication tool:

Text StJoes to 84576 or

sign up online with flocknote.com/StJoesRockdale



Facebook: St. Joseph Catholic Church – Rockdale, Illinois



Friday Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

Please join us every Friday for Exposition and Adoration of the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the 7:30 AM Morning Mass until 6:00 PM. The Seven Sorrows of Mary Novena and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed until 9:00 a.m. Silent Adoration will follow with the “Changing of the Guards” / (Adorers) at the top of each hour until 6:00 PM. All are welcome to come and adore Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.



St. Joseph’s Library

The St. Joseph's Church library is back. Stop by the St. Michael room and take a look at the books and devotional materials.



St. Joseph’s Music News

St. Joseph Church adult chant schola and choir rehearses from 7PM to 9 PM Thursdays after the evening Mass and Holy Hour. New members, both men and women, are heartily welcome to join. The children’s choir (for children who are old enough to read) rehearses from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. The youth choir rehearses from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Both on Wednesday evening. We welcome new members! For information, speak with Daniel Lucetta after the 10 AM Sunday Mass or contact him through the rectory.



Our Lady of Fatima, Pray for Us.

Our traditional Holy Hour in honor of Our Lady of Fatima will be **Tuesday, June 13th at 6:00 PM.**

Second Collection: April 29th & 30th

There will be a second collection for Catholic Home Missions Appeal today. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

Mass Intentions

Mass Intention envelopes are available in the back of church. Please PRINT and completely fill out the front of the envelope. We will do our best to accommodate your request. Mass Intentions are filled on a first come, first served basis. Our Mass intention dates are filled for 2022 and 2023 is quickly filling up. The Mass Intention Envelope MUST be completely filled out in order to take your request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the rectory. Thank you very much!

Bulletin Articles

If you have an article that you would like to be included in our bulletin, please type and email your announcement to stjosephrep@hotmail.com at least 10 days in advance. Father Magiera must approve all articles. Thank you very much!

Registration Forms

Please fill out a registration form, found in the back of the church, to update names, addresses phone numbers, etc. We need your information to update our digital family filing system.

Lawn Maintenance Engineer (aka Cutting Grass!)

A wonderful parishioner, for years, had taken it upon himself to cut the grass at the parish every week. Unfortunately, he's no longer able to do it. So, might there be a man in the parish who could cut the parish lawns? We have a riding mower and a standard, push mower. The lawns are on the west side of the church, the front and back of the rectory and school and the "lawn" adjacent to the south parking lot. Please contact Father Magiera or Bob Scheidt.

Help our parish Children of Mary

Please support the Children of Mary as they try to raise the funds they need for a bus pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, Wisconsin. The Children of Mary will be selling candy outside the church after all Masses on the weekends of April 22-23 and April 29-30. In addition to the candy sale, chili and hotdogs will be available for a free-will offering after the 10:00 am Mass on April 23 -- and a bake sale will be held after all the Masses on the weekend of April 29-30. Please look for the Children of Mary at the church steps or in the St. Michael Room on these last two weekends of April!

Summer Camp Opportunity

I am writing to let you know about a camp for girls which is being planned by Sacred Heart Parish. This camp will be run by the sisters from the Slaves of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Still River, MA (sisters.saintbenedict.com), in conjunction with volunteers from Sacred Heart. These Sisters have previously run shorter camps at our parish, which have been overwhelmingly successful. This time we are planning a 3-day overnight camp for girls at Pokagon State Park, in Angola, Indiana, from September 13-16, 2023. The combination of a larger facility and an overnight camp allows the possibility for more girls from a broader geographic area to attend.

The camp is an opportunity for girls ages 10-16, to participate in 3 days of faith-filled fun and fellowship which will include daily Mass, crafts, athletic activities, and religious instruction. The aim of the camp is to help girls learn to integrate their faith into all aspects of their lives by growing in their love of Jesus through Mary. We will be able to accommodate about 60 girls. There will also be 4 or 5 Sisters to run activities.

Registration will open in late spring of 2023. Final fees have not yet been determined. If you have parishioners who may be interested in this opportunity, they can contact the camp coordinator, Barbara Pestritto, at bpestritto@gmail.com to receive further information.

Fr. Dominic Savoie, FSSP
Pastor, Sacred Heart Church
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St. Paul Street Evangelization Basic Evangelization Training

Does the idea of sharing your Catholic faith scare you? Through the sacrament of Confirmation, we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to carry out our Lord Jesus' great commission to 'Go and make disciples of all nations' (Matthew 28:19-20). Join fellow Catholics from around northern Illinois to learn from St. Paul Street Evangelization Director Bob Wilson how to practically share our Catholic faith in an authentic, non-confrontational and joyful way.

Our one-day Basic Evangelization Training will be held **9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 13** at St. Joseph Catholic Church parish hall, 1329 Belleview Ave., Rockdale. Registration costs \$15 per participant and includes lunch and all training materials. Priests may attend free. Register online at stpaulse.com/joliet-bet or call 657-777-2963 for more information.

CMAA Report:

St. Joseph's Goal for 2023:	\$25,100
Amount Pledged to Date:	\$20,054
Amount Paid to Date:	\$17,129
Balance Due to Pledged Amount:	\$ 2,925
Amount Due to Goal Amount:	\$ 7,971



The appeal is barely 1.5 months “old,” and we already are more than half-way to our goal. Let's keep our terrific record. We can do this!



Immediate Position – Coordinator of Parish Services

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 416 N. Chicago St., Joliet is seeking a part-time employee to work Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (25 hours a week) in the rectory. Duties will include, but are not limited to, coordinating monthly lector and extraordinary volunteer schedules, coordinating rental events at parish facilities, assisting with wedding & funeral planning, as well as other miscellaneous office duties. Resumes and cover letters can be emailed to Fr. Tim at tpandres@stjosephjoliet.org or Judy Halsne at jhalsne@stjosephjoliet.org. Interested candidates can also drop their resumes off at the rectory.

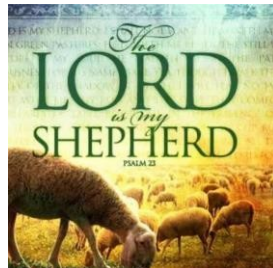
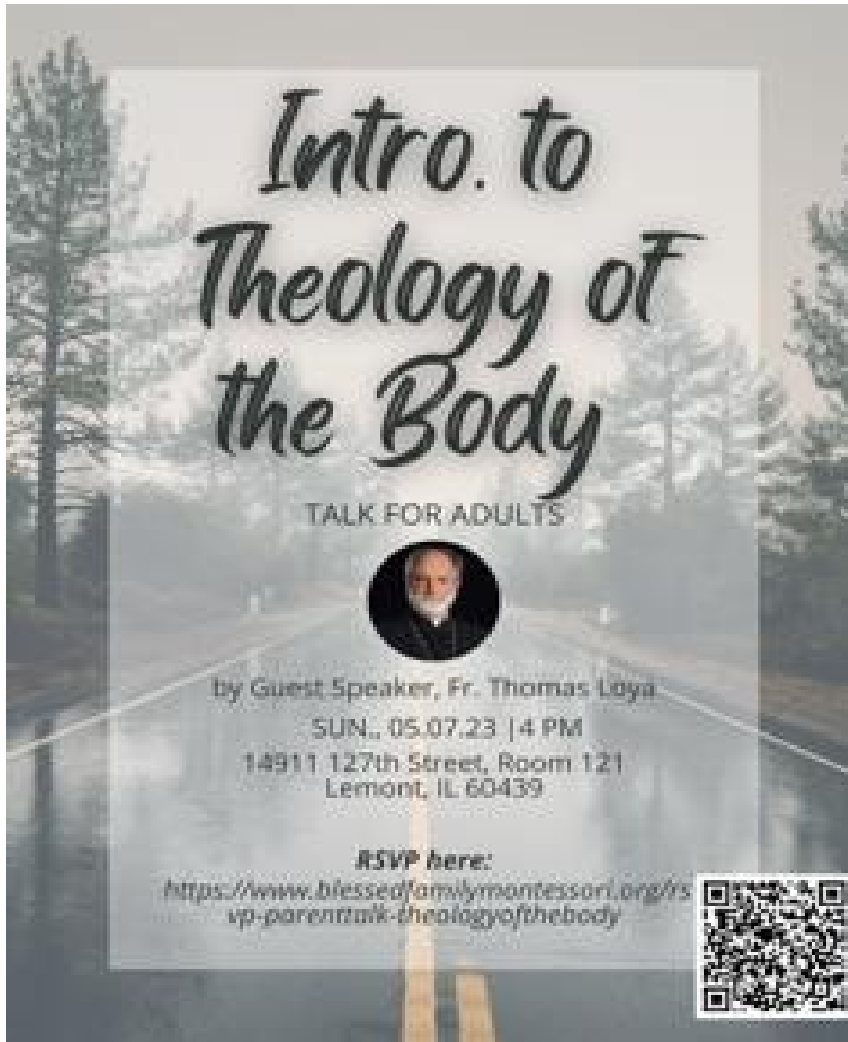
For a full job description, visit the parish website, www.stjosephjoliet.org

Joliet Catholic Academy Needs Your Help

Did you know more than 86 scholarships have been awarded to Joliet Catholic Academy students thanks to the Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program? Many deserving students would not be able to attend Joliet Catholic Academy and the surrounding Diocese of Joliet Catholic Schools without these scholarships. Our school community is stronger from these scholarships, too, as the recipients truly exhibit what it means to be a JCA student.

Passed in 2017, the [Invest in Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Program](#) provides scholarships to students from low-income and working-class families to attend their best-fit school. The program is a proven success with bipartisan voter support, awarding more than 38,000 scholarships worth more than \$300 million.

Despite its immense success, the Tax Credit Scholarship Program is a pilot program, and has a sunset clause which would end the program in 2023, unless our state lawmakers vote to extend or make the program permanent. We need YOUR help this spring! Join us by scanning the QR code or visit <https://p2a.co/gmqrehi> to let your legislators know you value this program, what it means to the Joliet Catholic Academy community and ask them to [#RemoveTheSunset!](#)



Dear Friends,

This year's national date for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports four of the ten dioceses in the United States considered home mission dioceses. The challenges for these dioceses include small Catholic populations, limited financial resources, vast and often difficult terrain and a shortage of priests and religious who impact the vital pastoral ministries.

An example of a beneficiary for this collection is the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church of the Eastern Rite that is in full communion with the Pope and the Roman Catholic Church. When war broke out in Ukraine in 2022, one of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchies (Eparchy – as Eastern Rite dioceses are called) in Stamford, Connecticut supported the refugee families' material and pastoral needs.

With support from the Catholic Home Missions, the eparchy was able to adapt and respond to those most in need during the ongoing crisis. The parish appeal, bulletin announcements, and social media tool kit along with other free resources available for you and your staff can be found at: www.usccb.org/home-missions

Please support this essential appeal by mentioning this second collection "Catholic Home Mission Appeal" the weekend of April 29-30, 2023.

Let us all become missionary disciples by strengthening the resources available to those dioceses who benefit from the Catholic Home Missions Appeal and putting our faith into action.

As I remain –

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks

Bishop of Joliet

Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn Child

84 unborn babies were spiritually adopted on March 25 as we celebrated the feast of the Annunciation. These children who are yet to be born will be prayed for by their spiritually adoptive parents from Saint Joseph's until Christmas, following the Christ Child's 9 months of development. As a parish, we need to pray for these unknown unborn children that they will see their day of birth. We also need to pray for their parents and all those in the abortion industry so they may be converted.

“ Jesus, Mary and Joseph, most Holy Family, I beg you to spare the lives of all the unborn children who are in danger of losing their earthly lives and for their parents and all those involved in the culture of death who need conversion so that they may have eternal life.”

These are the babies who were named and spiritually adopted by fellow parishioners: Expeditus, Loved, Gordon, Joan, Blake, Frankie, Evelyn, Roman, Molacki, Solomon, Titus, Peter, Hannah, Maria, John, Jacob, James, Eilish, Brigid, Catherine, Sharee, Jessica, Marian, Walter, Jesse, Veronica, Josephine, Elizabeth, Michael, John, Athanasius, John, Joseph, Connor, David, Susan, John, Michael, Lucia, Mary, Maria, Therese, Mary Ann, Matthew, George, Mary, Kevin, John, Connor, Jose, Susie, Mary-Therese, Peter, Mark, Benedict, Xander, Zellie, Pepetua, Felicity, Michael, Elizabeth, Kevin, Eric, Andrew, Vincent, Anthony, William, Mary, Benjamin, Eve, Alexander, Rachel, Genevieve, Theresa, Merrily, Ricky, Shrilonka, Dahlia, Josephine, Tamanda, Louis, Michael, John and Rebecca. Please pray daily for them!



Edelweiss House, Inc.

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Alleluia and Happy Easter!

We are excited to tell you about a new place for Traditional Silent Retreats in the tri-state area! The St. Teresa of Avila Retreat Center is the latest addition to Edelweiss House, a not-for-profit 152-acre working farm near Greensburg, Indiana.

Edelweiss' mission has always been to help the family, but last year I came on board and was challenged to enhance the mission of helping families. My family and I moved onsite to begin transitioning to our new mission of "***Standing as a Roadblock against the destruction of the Family.***" We know this can only be accomplished by putting God at the center of all we do, so that's our goal. Our first step is to help get Men and Women, the foundation of our families, re-connected with God through silent retreats. We started with men, the leaders of our family, and women to follow.

Below is the list of Traditional Silent Retreats being hosted in 2023, two of which are already full. The other retreats are rapidly approaching and we're seeking men and women over 18 to join us!

- April 27-30 - Men's Retreat (Full)
- May 18-21 - Women's Retreat (Full)
- June 8-11 - Men's Retreat
- September 7-10 - Women's Retreat
- October 12-15 - Men's Retreat
- November 9-12 - Women's Retreat
- December 7-10 (Tentative*) - Men's Retreat