



Welcome to
St. Joseph Parish
A Faith Community Since 1868

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: Mon-Fri.: 7:15a.m.

(Thursday Mass during the School Year: 9:30)

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 and 11:45 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation: 6:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. and by appointment.

www.stjoeschool.com

www.stjosephlockport.org

<http://www.facebook.com/St.JosephLockport>

MISSION STATEMENT

We the members of St. Joseph Parish of Lockport, are called to be a community of diverse people, gathered together in faith.

As part of the Roman Catholic Church of Joliet, we strive to be the Body of Christ by living the Faith, preaching the Word, building community, serving others, especially the poor, and celebrating our unity through the sacraments. We are committed to bring about the Kingdom of God through the words and actions of our lives.

Membership:

An important part of living the Faith is having a committed relationship of support to a parish. All are welcome to join St. Joseph; please call the parish office or stop by to register.

Baptism:

Baptisms are on the third Sunday of the month at 12:45 p.m. Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation program, preferably before the baby is born. Before setting any dates for a baptism with family, please call the parish office a few months in advance to make arrangements.

Marriage:

Engaged parishioners must contact the parish office at least six months before their intended wedding date. Do not set any dates before making firm arrangements with the parish.

R. C. I. A.: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Adults and teens wishing to become Catholic and/or be confirmed, please call the parish office.

Hospital/Homebound: If you are in a local hospital or are homebound, call the parish office if you would like Father to make a sacramental visit.

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

John Albrecht	Joe Rende
Nick Cifonie	Rev. Gregory Rothfuchs
Deacon Dennis	Nicole Wasilewski
Nick LaBanca	Martin Timm
Bill Molony	

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Deacon Dominic Cerrato	
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R.C.I.A.

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Bulletin Announcements

Deadline: Monday
Rectory Office Hours: M-F

Pulpit Announcements

Deadline: Friday
8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

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<http://stjosephlockport.blogspot.com>

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View bulletins at ONEPARISH.COM

Yes, I would like to get involved!

Eucharist Minister	Reader
Altar Server	Usher/Greeter
Choir/Cantor/Musician	Parish Council
Holy Name Society	Worship Commission

Circle any ministry you would be interested in and return this form to the rectory, or place it in the collection basket. We will contact you.

NAME

PHONE or EMAIL

Need a visit? Let us know

Please notify the rectory office if you or a loved one have been admitted to a hospital or a nursing home. We are not automatically notified. Also, please notify us if someone is homebound and wishes Communion or a visit.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Parishioners who are homebound or in nursing homes and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory at 815-838-0187.

**THIS WEEK AT ST JOSEPH
April 14-April 21, 2019**

Sunday, April 14

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00, 10:00 (Activity Center), 11:45 a.m.-Masses
Holy Name Breakfast & Meeting after the 8 a.m. Mass

Monday, April 15

7:15 a.m.-Mass

Tuesday, April 16

7:15 a.m.-Mass
4:30 p.m.-R.E. Classes in School
7:00 p.m.—A.A. Meeting in Church basement
7:00 p.m.—"Living the Faith" Series in School hall

Wednesday, April 17

7:15 a.m.-Mass
9:30 a.m. -A.A. Meeting in Church basement
4:30 p.m.-R.E. Classes in School

Thursday, April 18

7:00 p.m.-Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration in Church till 11 p.m.

Friday, April 19

Holy Land Collection
8:00 a.m.-Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy
Noon-Confessions in Church
3:00 p.m.-Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
8:00 p.m.-A.A. Meeting in Church basement

Saturday, April 20

8:00 a.m.-Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy
10:30-Blessing of Food Baskets in Church
7:00 p.m. -A.A. Meeting in Church basement
8:00 p.m.-Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 21

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
8:00, 10:00 (Activity Center), 11:45 a.m.-Masses

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- Monday, April 22: Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy after the 7:15 a.m. Mass**
- Tuesday, April 23: Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy after the 7:15 a.m. Mass**
- Wednesday, April 24: Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy after the 7:15 a.m. Word Service**
- Thursday, April 25: Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy after the 7:15 a.m. Word Service**
- Friday, April 26: Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy after the 7:15 a.m. Mass**
- Saturday, April 27: Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy at 8:00 a.m.**
- Sunday, April 28: Hour of Great Mercy at 3:00 p.m.**

**Mass Schedule & Intentions
Week of April 15-April 21, 2019**

MONDAY

7:15 Raymond Ramirez DVM Birth. Congrats by the Kilian Family

TUESDAY

7:15 + Perfecto Natividad & Family by the Milo Family

WEDNESDAY

7:15 Stelle Tremback for Healing by Family

THURSDAY

7:00 p For the Priests of the Joliet Diocese
Adoration until 11 pm

FRIDAY

8:00 Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy
Noon Confessions
3:00 p Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

SATURDAY

8:00 Solemn Novena of Divine Mercy
10:30 Blessing of Food Baskets in Church
8:00p Mass for the Vigil of Easter

SUNDAY

8:00 The Parish Family
10:00 The Parish Family
11:45 The Parish Family



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PLEASE PRAY *for*

Bill Doyle Jr., Jacki Horvath, Erin Connors, Kathy Salvatore, William & Margaret Detloff, Connor & Mathais Erickson, Patrick Lamberty, Craig Corkery, Phil Timm, Alex Bratuljevich, Ezra Singletary, Heather Kubinski, Melanie Williams, Anna Allen, Virginia Butler, Paul & Diane Millies, Caity McIntire, Baby Noah Ryan, Joanne Miracle, Esmerelda & Luke Bonk, Gregory Bonk, Mary Jane Rothlisberger, Frank Smunt, Tammy Smunt, Karl Blank, Helen Krumlinde, Judy Grant, Patrick Bonk, Tom Wojciak, Jennifer Baer, Marilyn Singletary, Gary and Mark Ellison, Dorothy Manning, Cora Zgrabik, Delores Kilian, Beverly Miller, Harvey Mazur, Cindi Carter Buck, Sutton Lowry, Joe & Dolores McGrath, Jose Encarnacion, Mary Johnson, Leroy Fleckenstein, Mark Kehlenbach, Roger Maticce, Danny Tully, Joanne Ellison, Andrew Guschwan, Ray Bruemmer, Madelyn Grillo, Naia Peña, Alfred & Maryann Peña, Kenneth Wojewocki, Marilyn Jarczyk, Tim Baldwin, Justine Weck, Bob Philbin, Michael Haddix, Bernie Muren, Stelle Trembak, Michael Paggie, MaryAnn Eck, Peter Aument, Dorothy Felak, Joe Addante, Richard Johnson, Brad Golob, Joyce O'Neil, Rosalee D, Peter Caracello, Tom Pierson, Baby Lorenzo Longano, Mary Sterioti, Melissa Morris, Jan Dreyer, Stelle Tremback, and Lillian Mikan..

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, April 20 & Sunday, April 21, 2019
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Holy Thursday, April 18 @ 7 p.m.

Reader: J. Delfinado

EM's: Deacon Dennis, Deacon Dominic

Servers: D. Lorek, N. Lorek, G Delfinado

Friday of the Passion of the Lord, April 19 @ 3 p.m.

Readers: Deacon Dennis, Deacon Dominic

EM: R. Peterson

Servers: M. Giacomo, M. Giacomo

Saturday, Easter Vigil at 8 p.m.

Readers: N. Cifonie, L. Gillogly

(Readings: Gn 1, Ex 14, Ez 36)

EM's: Deacon Dominic, Deacon Dennis, B. Buttlere

Servers: N. Lorek, D. Lorek, R. Levasseur

Easter Sunday, April 21**8 a.m.**

Reader: K. Gorecki

EM's: T. Hartford, J. Hartford, G. Timm

Servers: N. Shinnors, D. Mikulcik

10 a.m.

Reader: C. Jarosik

EM's: Deacon Dennis, R. Peterson, T. Stark

Servers: S. Jarosik, R. Jarosik, K. Timm

11:45 a.m.:

Reader: A. Garvey

EM's: A. Garvey, J. Garvey, NEEDED

Servers: R. Lerch, E. Lerch

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;
Mt 26:14-25Thursday: **Chrism Mass:** Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;
Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
Jn 13:1-15Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6,
10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-
22;b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-
11;

c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;

d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;

f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;

g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or

Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;

h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;

Lk 24:1-12

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9
or Lk 24:1-12 or (at an afternoon
or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35**THE TRIDUUM****Holy Thursday – April 18**

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 11:00 p.m. in Church

Good Friday – April 19

12:00 p.m. Confessions

3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday – April 20

10:30 a.m. Blessing of the Food Baskets

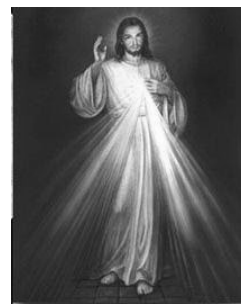
8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

CELEBRATION of EASTER DAY**Easter Sunday – April 21**

8:00 a.m. Mass in Church

10:00 a.m. Mass in Activity Center

11:45 a.m. Mass in Church

**Solemn Novena of
Divine Mercy****Good Friday, April 19 @
8:00 a.m.****Holy Saturday,
April 20, @ 8:00 a.m.***(Private Prayer
on Easter Sunday)***Monday, April 22, Tuesday, April
23, & Friday, April 26: after the 7:15 a.m.
Mass****Wednesday, April 24 &
Thursday, April 25:
7:15 am Word Service with Novena****Saturday, April 27 @ 8:00 a.m.****DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
APRIL 28, 2019****3:00 p.m.-Hour of Great Mercy****Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, Benediction,
Blessing of Religious Articles**

HOLY THURSDAY FOOT WASHING

Holy Thursday, April 18, is the Celebration of the Last Supper when Jesus washed the feet of his twelve disciples.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00p.m. needs twelve volunteers who would be willing to have their feet washed as a symbol of this most sacred event. Volunteers will be instructed before Mass as to what will be expected of them.

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the back of church. If you are willing to have your feet washed, please put your name and phone number on the list, or call the rectory and we will include you on that list.

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**BLESSING OF THE FOOD BASKETS  
SATURDAY, APRIL 20  
10:30 A.M. IN CHURCH**

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of a week unlike any other. Disciples, who are meant to follow their Master, will leave Him and go into hiding. Enemies like Herod and Pilate will become friends. A kiss and a warm embrace, signs of affection, will become signs of death. The innocent are found guilty while murderers like Barabbas go free. Simple bread and wine will become the Body and Blood of the Savior. And when all seems lost, what appears to be a tragic failure in the crucifixion, becomes the triumphant Lord of lords, King of kings, and conqueror of death, for Himself and for us all! Celebrate this Holy Week.

Waving ranches and standing at the Cross. We are pulled today toward to extremes. The utter joy of welcoming the true King in procession and the extreme grieving under the Cross. But we know the end of this story. The King is not dead!

- ◆ *How can I clear my schedule so I can celebrate all the rites of the Paschal Three Days?*
- ◆ *How will I embrace the elect in these final days before Easter Baptism?*
- ◆ *With so many mercy work options, this week, I will _____?*

The very heart of the liturgical year is from Holy Thursday evening through Good Friday and Holy Saturday to Easter Sunday beginning in the night and spilling into the day. We want to, we need to be present and active for each liturgy these days. Jesus Christ, who did something so totally new by defying death, is with us now and always. Let us mold ourselves to him. Let us come and pray with others.

Stewardship

April 7, 2019

SUNDAY COLLECTION:*
Weekly Average of All ACH
And CC Transactions 4189.00
Total
 (\$ loose cash:)

For your convenience, St. Joseph's offers automatic donations through your credit card or checking accounts.

Please call Garry Kearnes at the rectory for further information, or stop by and pick up an authorization form.

No available due to early bulletin transmission

PARISH DEBT AS OF March 2019

PAST DUE HEALTH – 193,304.00

 PROPERTY PURCHASED: PRINCIPAL – 127,078.84
 INTEREST: 320.31

TOTAL: \$320,703.15

Because of your generosity and diligence, St. Joseph has reduced its debt by over \$200,000 since March of 2014! We thank you VERY MUCH!



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**St. Joseph School Distinguished Graduate 2019**

Don't forget to complete a form to nominate the person you think should be St. Joseph School's Distinguished Graduate 2019. Nomination forms will be posted on Alumni Facebook page, and sent via Flocknote and School Messenger. They will also be available on the School Speak Advancement tab and through the rectory.

If you know of someone who graduated from St. Joseph School at least 10 years ago and has made a difference in our community, our American society, the Catholic Church, or Catholic Education, please complete a form and mail it to school

For questions, contact Michelle Ray at advancement@stjoeschool.com (529 Madison St., Lockport)

or drop it in the Sunday collection, Attn: Michelle Ray. Our Distinguished Graduate is honored at SJS Graduation festivities in May.

## Baby Shower for Birthright and Daybreak Shelter

New or gently used baby items will be delivered to Birthright (a pregnancy counseling center) and Daybreak Shelter on **Monday, April 29**. You may drop off your donations in the container in the back of our church or drop it off at the rectory. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE

Our parish will support the life-saving work of Waterleaf, a Catholic pregnancy center with offices in Aurora.



**Return your bottle on Saturday, April 27 & Sunday, April 28.** Please help women and their babies who turned away from abortion and turned to God.

### **EASTER BASKETS FOR THE CHILDREN AT DAYBREAK CENTER**



*Daybreak Center has experienced a large influx of families using their facilities at the shelter.*

*The parish, spear-headed by some of the St. Joseph school children, would like to provide Easter baskets to the children staying at the shelter at Easter time. Donations of plastic eggs, small toys, candies, and toothbrushes/toothpaste would help to fill their Easter baskets. Monetary donations are also gladly appreciated. A bin is located in back of Church for your convenience, or bring your donation to the rectory.*

**Donations will be accepted through April 15.**  
*Thank you in advance for providing children with joy at Easter.*

**CRS RICE BOWLS. Return your Rice Bowls by April 15.** There will be a bin in back of church for your donation.

## Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

It is as part of the Diocese of Joliet that we can multiply the expression of the Word of God and touch many thousands of people whom we could never reach on our own or as an individual parish. Ministries such as the education of seminarians, Catholic Charities, Religious Education, Catholic schools, and Youth Ministry, are some of the ministries supported by the CMAA.

Our parish goal is \$50,700.00. If we surpass this goal, we will receive a rebate of 70% of the excess. If you have not yet contributed to the Annual Appeal, please consider doing so. There are envelopes in back of church for your convenience.

## IN THE AREA

**St. Thomas the Apostle Parish**, in Naperville, is presenting an event called “*Questions and Doubts and Fears, Oh My!*” Women are invited, and the focus will be on what did Jesus really want us to take away from his three-year ministry — and how does it apply 2,000 years later in a world that has changed so much and changed us with it? Has what’s happened in the world changed our faith? Should it? And how can our faith change the world?

These questions, and more, will be discussed Friday evening, April 26, from 6:30-9 p.m., at the parish as the presentation will explore perspectives on faith in our lives today and discover ways to attain a more personal relationship with God. For more information, go to [www.stapostle.org](http://www.stapostle.org) or email Marge Coronado at [mcoronado@stapostle.org](mailto:mcoronado@stapostle.org).

**St. Procopius Abbey** is hosting a vocation discernment retreat from April 18-21, 2019. This retreat is designed for Catholic men, ages 18-45, who are thinking about a religious vocation. It offers an immersion into the monastic life at St. Procopius Abbey during the Easter Triduum—Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. Join the monks for prayer, work, and meals as they **PREPARE FOR AND CELEBRATE THESE HOLY DAYS**. This retreat is an excellent opportunity for furthering the discernment of one’s vocation.

Please contact Fr. James at [vocations@procopius.org](mailto:vocations@procopius.org), or call 630-969-6410.

St Procopius Abbey is located at 5601 College Road, in Lisle Illinois.

**Benedictine University** in Lisle is hosting “*Encounter Hope: The Impossible Dream? Finding Hope, Community, and Direction in the Modern Church.*” Featuring speaker Mark Hart, he talks of the sense of hopelessness as a Catholic these days, especially young Catholics, who find it increasingly difficult to find a faithful spouse or solid community within a culture that doesn’t embrace the same values.

All young adults are welcome (ages 18-39). Enjoy a night of worship and community, with adoration, confessions, prayer teams, music, and an after party.

Skip the line at the door! Pre-register at [encounterhope.eventbrite.com/](http://encounterhope.eventbrite.com/)

**The Joliet Junior College** Fine Arts Department presents the inaugural *Joliet Bridges of Song*—a 2019 Vocal Festival and Concert connecting communities and generations through music.

April 27 from 1-5 pm (free admission)  
April 28 at 3 pm (\$5 at the door)

JJC Main Campus, Fine Arts Theatre  
1215 Houbolt Road, Joliet

Contact Philip Spencer at [pspencer@jjc.edu](mailto:pspencer@jjc.edu) or call 815-280-2225



**Flowers for  
St. Joseph Church  
During the Easter Season**

This Easter season, you have the opportunity of remembering and honoring a loved one by donating to our Easter Flower Fund. With your donation, your loved one will be remembered during the Easter season and their name will be posted in the Easter bulletin.

Write the name of the person you wish to remember, and the amount you donate, on the appropriate line and return in the collection basket or to the rectory in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers". If you prefer, you may also e-mail your request to [stjoelockport@comcast.net](mailto:stjoelockport@comcast.net).

Please submit the form by **Monday, April 15**, and their names will be in the bulletin for Easter.

IN MEMORY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

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IN HONOR OF: \_\_\_\_\_

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OFFERED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Welcome to St. Joseph Parish**

So that we might better serve your needs, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office (410 S. Jefferson St., Lockport, IL 60441). Thank you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ New Parishioner      \_\_\_\_ Moving Out of Parish

\_\_\_\_ New Address      \_\_\_\_ Returning to Parish

\_\_\_\_ Send Envelopes      \_\_\_\_ Interested in R.C.I.A.

\_\_\_\_ Interested in School

\_\_\_\_ Interested in Religious Education

**Position Opening**

**Religious Education Coordinator** for established catechetical program grades 1-8, including sacramental preparation. Catechist recruitment, training & support. Curriculum development. Communications with parents and parish. Collaboration with pastoral staff. Full-time with benefits. Start date: summer 2019. St. Bernard's Parish, Homer Glen, IL. To view a full job description, visit:

<http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/listjobs.php>

Send resumes and inquiries to Fr. Joe McCormick, OSA, Pastor, [jmccosa@gmail.com](mailto:jmccosa@gmail.com).