



Welcome to
St. Joseph Parish
A Faith Community Since 1868

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MAY 19, 2019
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



*We congratulate our St. Joseph
Children as they Receive
Jesus Christ for the First Time
At their 1st Communion*

*Tyler Kuchyt
Mason Malert
Norman McBride IV*

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Vincent Meyer
Nora Mikulcik*

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Caitlin Stack
Abigail Szarzynski*

*Ethan VanderVeen
Cameron Zambole
Quinn Zdravovich*

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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PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Gregory Rothfuchs	Pastor
Deacon Dominic Cerrato	
Deacon Dennis Stolarz	
Mr. Garry Kearnes	Business Manager
Mrs. Jean Genty	Church Secretary

R.C.I.A.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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SCHOOL

Miss Lynne Scheffler	Principal
blueribbonprincipal@stjoeschool.com	
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	815-838-8173

ADVANCEMENT

Mrs. Michelle Ray	Director
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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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www.stjoeschool.com

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<http://stjosephlockport.blogspot.com>

Connect with us through
flocknote.com/stjosephlockport or
text ‘lockport’ to 84576 with your mobile device
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
May 19-May 26, 2019

Sunday, May 19

5th Sunday of Easter

8:00, 10:00, 11:45 a.m.-Masses
 12:45 p.m.-Baptisms in Church

Monday, May 20

7:15 a.m.-Mass

Tuesday, May 21

7:15 a.m.-Mass
 7:00 p.m.—A.A. Meeting in Church basement

Wednesday, May 22

7:15 a.m.-Mass
 9:30 a.m. -A.A. Meeting in Church basement

Thursday, May 23

9:30 a.m. -Mass

Friday, May 24

7:15 a.m.- Mass
 8:00 p.m.-A.A. Meeting in Church basement

Saturday, May 25

4:00 p.m.-Confessions
 5:00 p.m. -Mass
 7:00 p.m. -A.A. Meeting in Church basement

Sunday, May 26

6th Sunday of Easter

8:00, 10:00, 11:45 a.m.-Masses

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Seniors' Healing Mass: Tuesday, June 4 at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch at Al's Steak House in Joliet

Holy Name Breakfast & Meeting: Sunday, June 9 following the 8 a.m. Mass (last one till Fall)

Sunday, June 16:

- **Father's Day**
- **Baptisms in Church at 12:45 p.m.**
- **2nd envelope for Priest's Care**

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

The last 9:30 am Thursday Mass is on May 23.

All weekday Masses, beginning on Monday, May 27, will be at 7:15 a.m.

School Masses will begin again in the Fall.

Mass Schedule & Intentions
Week of May 20-May 26, 2019

MONDAY

7:15 + Betty Shinn Anniv. Rem.
 by the Milo Family
 + Peg Kilian Birth. Rem. by the Kilian Family

TUESDAY

7:15 + Marge White by the Floyd Liberatori Family

WEDNESDAY

7:15 + James P. Timm Anniv. Rem.
 by Wife & Family
 + Christopher L. Gaspar by Friends

THURSDAY

9:30 + Intention Available

FRIDAY

7:15 + José Encarnacion by the Milo Family

SATURDAY

5:00 + Clarence & Julie Kettman by Family

SUNDAY

8:00 + John Drafke by Joni Christenson
 + Anna Nieckula Anniv. Rem. by Family
 10:00 + Carol Giardina by the Kuffel Family
 + José Encarnacion by Arlene Stovall
 11:45 + Bill & Anne Connelly
 by daughter Anne & Family



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PLEASE PRAY *for*

Bill Doyle Jr., Jacki Horvath, Erin Conners, Kathy Salvatore, William & Margaret Detloff, Connor & Matthais 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, Harvey Mazur, Cindi Carter Buck, Sutton Lowry, Joe & Dolores McGrath, Mary Johnson, Leroy Fleckenstein, Mark Kehlenbach, Roger Matice, 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, Jan Dreyer, Stelle Tremback, Lillian Mikan, Charles Trayer, and Michael McIntire.

LITURGICAL ROLES
Saturday, May 25 & Sunday, May 26, 2019
6th Sunday of Easter

5:00 P.M.**Reader:** NEEDED**E.M.'s:** Deacon Dominic
S. Pinta
NEEDED**Servers:** T. Durkin
I. Pinta**Greeters:** R. Anderson
G. Nagel
J. Wisneski
A. Lostroschio**Music:** V. Moreno
M. Cepon**8:00 A.M.****Reader:** M. Ardaugh**E.M.'s:** Deacon Dominic
B. Buttliere
G. Timm**Servers:** E. Ardaugh
M. Ardaugh**Greeters:** J. Rende
D. Dornan
M. Timm
M. Ardaugh**Music:** M. O'CP**10:00 A.M.****Reader:** D. Cifonie**E.M.'s:** Deacon Dennis
R. Peterson
D. Cifonie**Servers:** M. Giacomo
M. Giacomo
T. Dixon**Greeters:** J. Blake
A. Jomant
F. Kucer**Music:** S. Lebensorger
Choir**11:45 A.M.****Reader:** L. Gillogly**E.M.'s:** Deacon Dennis
P. Burandt
V. Gontarz**Servers:** O. Picciola
J. Picciola**Greeters:** M. Adelman
R. West**Music:** J. Ray**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16;
Jn 14:21-26Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Monday: St. Bernardine of Siena

Tuesday: St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions

Wednesday: St. Rita of Cascia

Saturday: St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII;
St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi**MISSIONARIES OF MERCY**

Paul's back! After last week's "violent abuse," opponents organized a lynch mob that beat Paul nearly to death. But call Paul the "energizing evangelist," transforming deadly cruelty into life-giving zeal. Paul's past courage should inspire our commitment; Revelation's future "new heaven, new earth" should inspire our optimism. But Revelation's present assurance, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race," should challenge us to become "missionaries of mercy." Because Pope Francis declared that the Church's credibility is completely dependent on our showing unconditional mercy. Mercy, said Francis, makes the Church, the world, and everyone young again, reawakened to life's noblest virtues. Fittingly, in today's Gospel Jesus reinforces that theme: "This is how all will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Frequent fliers today have many ways to accrue air miles, so one doesn't always have to endure long hours in cramped seats to earn free hours in cramped seats. In St. Paul's day, there were no such perks, nor would there have been any legal system for him to protest the shipwrecks he endured. He had other rewards in mind. The churches that he established in the catalogue of cities from today's first reading must have been very different from one another. Language, culture, customs, religious history, obstacles to community, social challenges, the places where they met, their clothing, their bread and wine, all distinct, particular to the area.

There were social customs as well: in a Christian household, the only place where a slave would be able to stand legally as an equal with the master would be at the table of the Lord, because at that table a new world of reconciliation was imaged. While Paul revered local customs, he was relentless about challenging the ways that people lived their Christian lives and how their worship reflected them. It is much the same today, as a global Catholic Church seeks to respect local customs and culture, allowing for differences in many things, yet always giving expression to the underlying presence of Christ, who binds us all together into his body.

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**GARDENING**

Kind hearts are the garden,  
 Kind thoughts are the root,  
 Kind words are the blossoms,  
 Kind deeds are the fruit.

—Anonymous



*Lord, open our ears to heart the many ways you speak to us in our lives, to listen for the gentle sound of your voice that often comes to us in stillness. May we be still and know that you are our God, ever ready and desiring to draw closer.*



**ST JOSEPH SENIORS  
HEALING MASS  
& LUNCHEON**

*All Seniors of St. Joseph Parish are invited to a Healing Mass on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in Church. After Mass, you are invited to have lunch at Al's Steak House in Joliet at 1:00 p.m.*

*The menu choices are:  
Roast Sirloin of Beef: \$14.50  
Chicken Marsala: \$13.95  
Broiled Tilapia: \$15.95  
Broiled Salmon: \$16.95*

*All entrees are served with House Salad, Vegetable Medley, Baked, Mashed, Greek Style Potatoes or Rice Pilaf; (A double baked potato may be substituted for \$1:00)*

*Warm Fresh rolls and Butter, Vanilla ice Cream or Rainbow Sherbet; Coffee or Tea*

*Please call Gwen Boswell or Lynn Drolet with your menu choice.*

*Gwen: 815-609-4067  
Lynn: 815-838-2476*

*Please call in your reservation on or before Wednesday, May 29.*

**THANK YOU, ST. JOSEPH PARISHIONERS!**



As always, the parishioners of our parish showed tremendous generosity to others during the Lenten season, and throughout the year.

**Fish Pantry monetary collections: \$1,291.00** (October through May) and hundreds of bags of non-perishable food items.

**Baby Bottles for Life: \$1,841.00** will be sent to Waterleaf Services.

**Rice Bowls: \$2,901.46** will be sent to Catholic Relief Services

Thank you also for your donations of baby items to be sent to Birthright, Waterleaf, and Daybreak, as well as the outpouring of toiletries and Easter basket items that were given to the residents of Daybreak Shelter.

**You are simply the best!**

**Stewardship**

May 12, 2019

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| SUNDAY COLLECTION:*       | 5934.00     |
| Weekly Average of All ACH |             |
| And CC Transactions       | 4189.00     |
| Total                     | \$10,123.00 |
| (\$ loose cash: 704.00 )  |             |

Debt Reduction: \$20.00  
Good Friday: \$10.00  
Home Missions: \$20.00  
Easter: \$300.00

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.

**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL REGISTRATION  
2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR**

St. Joseph School is currently accepting registration for the 2019-20 school year. Have your child attend this Christ-centered, nationally award-winning school with a nationally award-winning principal and pastor. We are proud to offer the best in education with half and full day Early Childhood programs for 3 & 4 year olds, a full day Kindergarten program, and unmatched curriculum in grades 1-8.

Please contact Miss Scheffler at

**[blueribbonprincipal@stjosephschool.com](mailto:blueribbonprincipal@stjosephschool.com)**  
or call  
**815-838-8173**

to find out more about our amazing school and available scholarships

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
REGISTRATION 2019-20**



Registrations forms for 2019-20 were sent home before Easter to all current families. Completed registration forms and deposit are due now.

Registration is now open to any new families wishing to register for 1st - 8th grade. Please contact the Religious Education Office for a registration form and new family information form:

St.JosephRE@aol.com
or
815-838-2112

Press Release- Kevin Matthews Talk

Chicago radio personality Kevin Matthews will share his spiritual journey of finding a broken statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary during a talk at 7:00 p.m., May 29 at

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 416 N. Chicago St. in Joliet. The free event is open to the public.

Matthews will tell his story of his early years in radio and stand-up comedy, his successful career, his struggle with multiple sclerosis, his awakening to the dignity of women, and, most importantly, his chance encounter with a broken statue of Mary left next to a dumpster and all that happened as a result. He had made the decision to not repair the statue to perfection because he said the broken hands reminded him that everyone is broken inside and the statue gives him and others hope. Matthews, who wrote the book, *Broken Mary: Journey of Hope*, will also bring the statue that hundreds of people had lined up to see and pray to after hearing his compelling story of hope and healing. His book will be on sale and there will be a book signing.

For more information, contact the Rectory at 815.727.9378

Church website: www.stjosephjoliet.org

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### **Register Now for the June 16-19 Catholic Soccer Camp in Elmhurst** by [thediocese-admin](http://thediocese-admin)

The 2019 Catholic Soccer Camp will take place on June 16-19 at Immaculate Conception Parish & Plunkett Athletic Complex, Elmhurst. It's for boys and girls in grades 6-12. The cost is \$150.

The camp will have expert coaching from former soccer pros, along with daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, and Rosary.

Register

at: <http://catholicportscamps.org/Site/Camps/Soccer>

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Illinois Camp at St. Mary Nativity

Kick off your summer with a fun-filled week exploring the wonders of our great state. Children in grades 2-8 will experience, create, and learn the history & cultural impact Illinois has on America. Come enjoy a week of games, arts, crafts, geography & history related to the "Land of Lincoln." A field trip will be included in the camp.

For more info, call Mary Barney at 815-722-8518 or email Carol Stiff at cstiff@stmarynativity.org.



Building Strong in Will County

Join Will County Habitat for Humanity Faith Build this summer.

Grab a hammer and help build a home for a local family in need of safe, decent and affordable housing! This year Will County Habitat for Humanity is actively pursuing the faith community to partner with us on our Faith Build from June 2019 through February 2020. Will County Habitat for Humanity wants to bring together congregations like yours to fund and build a home for a family in need. After the foundations are poured, the walls are raised, and the home is dedicated, you will realize that you were not only building a home but creating a community. Habitat for Humanity is a Christian ministry, and we believe that building houses is a practical expression of Christian concern.

Website: Go to www.habitatwill.org Hover the pointer over the "How to Help" tab on the top. Click the Faith Build tab on the drop down

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### **Retreat/ workshop For widowed men/women**

Beyond grieving there is new life!

Feeling "stuck"? Need something to get you "over the hump"? Have you reached a "turning point" after your loss? Come join us for a weekend especially designed for you. See new possibilities.

Upcoming programs

June 22 & 23 - St. Julie's, Tinley Park

July 20 & 21 - Holy Family, Inverness

Sept 7 & 8 - Mary Queen of Heaven Parish, Elmhurst

For more information contact us at Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry

Ph: 1-708-354-7211

E-mail : [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com)

Website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org)

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SUMMER GARDEN PARTY SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019 4:00-6:30 P.M.

Blanchette Catholic Center Courtyard
16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403

4 pm—Prayer in the Courtyard

4:15-6:15 pm—tea & light refreshments, witness talks, faith fair with displays of Catholic resources for women.

Chapel open for quiet prayer, prayer teams available to pray with and for you.

Books and other items available for sale.

Registration is kindly requested

Call Lisa Askew at 815-221-6234 or register via Facebook
eWomenof theWayDOJ

**Join Catholic Charities'
Board of Young Professionals**

The Board of Young Professionals at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet is expanding and seeking new members! Membership is open to young professionals, ages 21-40, who are committed to helping the poor and vulnerable in their communities. This is a great opportunity to network with other professionals and gain board experience.

Meetings are held throughout the diocese to accommodate professionals from all areas. Members gather for bi-annual meetings which include socialization, networking, and dinner in addition to the meeting. A variety of optional social events and service projects are held frequently so members can choose activities that meet their interests and fit into their busy schedules. Interested? Join us for a fun meet-and-greet on June 4th in Naperville. For more information, please contact Edith Avila Olea at evilaolea@cc-doj.org. We can't wait to meet you!

Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Aurora, IL is seeking a practicing Catholic devoted to making disciples to fill a part-time (32 – 35 hours a week) benefited position as secretary for the Religious Education program (K-5) beginning July 1, 2019. Skills needed include: a warm and welcoming personality; likes to work with children and families; computer skills including Microsoft Word and Excel; organizational skills; flexibility in working hours; completion of Diocesan required "Protecting God's Children" and safe environment requirements; and a criminal background check. A bi-lingual (English/Spanish) candidate who is proficient in communications skills in both languages is preferred. For a more detailed job description go to:

www.olmercy.com/resec

Applicants should send their resume to OLM Business Manager, Robert Gancarz at: robertg@olmercy.com

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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichment for married couples and religious on August 9-11, 2019 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Elk Grove Village, IL. The enrichment begins with a private weekend experience including 11 presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships, and provides ongoing enrichments after the weekend from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter community.

For information on applying, please go to wwme-chicagoland.org and say YES TODAY, to God's call to love one another!