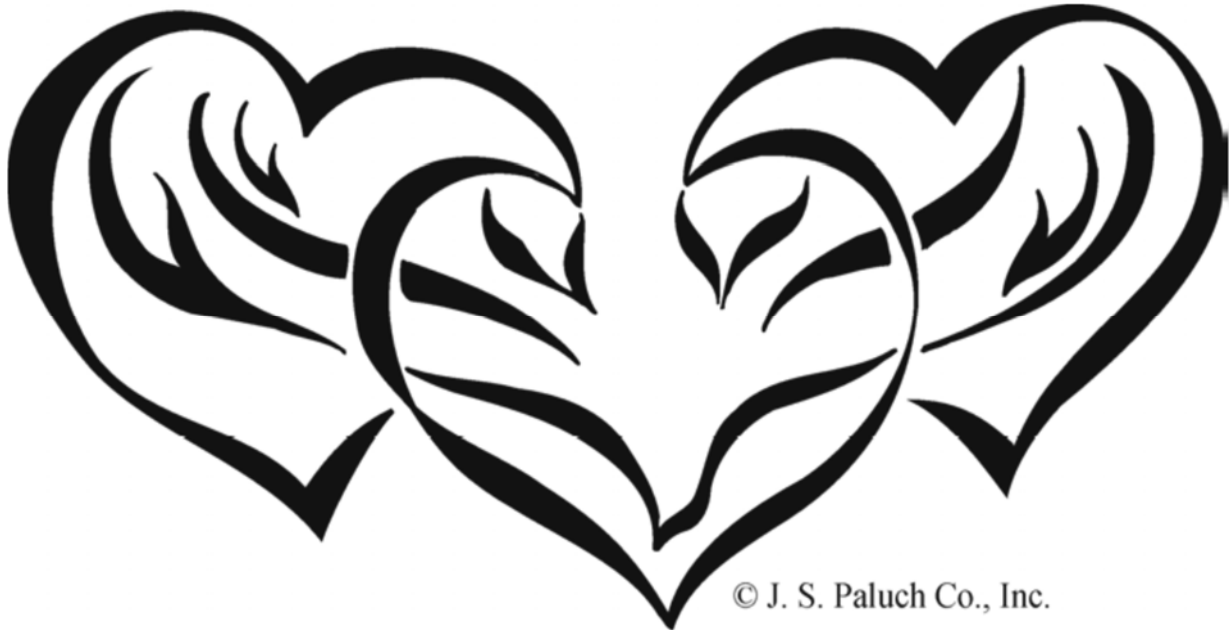


Welcome to
St. Joseph Catholic Parish
A Faith Community Since 1868



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The Most Holy Trinity
June 16, 2019

*[T]he love of God has been poured out into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.*

— Romans 5:5b

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	

St. Joseph Church
410 S. Jefferson
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Rev. Gregory Rothfuchs	Pastor
Deacon Dominic Cerrato	
Deacon Dennis Stolarz	
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Mrs. Jean Genty	Church Secretary

R.C.I.A.

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blueribbonprincipal@stjoeschool.com	
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	815-838-8173

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advancement@stjoeschool.com	815-838-8173

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
June 16-June 23, 2019**

**Sunday, June 16
The Most Holy Trinity
Father's Day**

8:00, 10:00, 11:45 a.m.-Masses
Collection for Priests' Care

**Monday, June 17
7:15 a.m.-Mass**

**Tuesday, June 18
7:15 a.m.-Mass
7:00 p.m.—A.A. Meeting in Church basement**

**Wednesday, June 19
7:15 a.m.-Mass
9:30 a.m. -A.A. Meeting in Church basement**

**Thursday, June 20
7:15a.m. -Mass**

**Friday, June 21
7:15 a.m.- Mass
8:00 p.m.-A.A. Meeting in Church basement**

**Saturday, June 22
4:00 p.m.-Confessions
5:00 p.m. -Mass
7:00 p.m. -A.A. Meeting in Church basement**

**Sunday, June 23
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
8:00, 10:00, 11:45 a.m.-Masses**

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

**2nd Collection envelopes:
June 16-Priest's Care
June 30-Peter's Pence
July 7-Debt Reduction**

**If you wish to contribute to these
collections, please drop your envelope in
with your regular donation in the Sunday
basket.**

PARISH DEBT AS OF May 2019

PAST DUE HEALTH – 193,304.00

PROPERTY PURCHASED: PRINCIPAL – 118,522.02
INTEREST: 311.73

TOTAL: \$312,137.75

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT
TO ST. JOSEPH PARISH!**

**Mass Schedule & Intentions
Week of June 17-June 23, 2019**

MONDAY

7:15 + Bembot Natividad by the Milo Family
+ Sharon DiGiacoma Birth. Rem.
by Mom & Dad (Wrona)

TUESDAY

7:15 + Blanche Lobick by the Kilian Family
+ John Rothfuchs by wife Merry

WEDNESDAY

7:15 + Marge White by the Floyd Liberatori Family

THURSDAY

7:15 + William Tierney Anniv. Rem. by Family

FRIDAY

7:15 + Kathryn Tierney Anniv. Rem. by Family
+ Rev. Charles Balskus Birth. Rem.
by Nick & Jackie Mathys

SATURDAY

5:00 + Genevieve Nagel Anniv. Rem. by Family
+ Eleanor Kucer Birth. Rem.
by husband Frank & Family

SUNDAY

8:00 + Walter Kowalczyk by Family
+ Carol Giardina by the Kuffel Family
10:00 + José Encarnacion by Arlene Stovall
11:45 + William Connelly by sister Anne Garvey



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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, Michael Paggie, MaryAnn Eck, Peter Aument, Dorothy Felak, Joe Addante, Richard Johnson, Brad Golob, Joyce O'Neil, Rosalee D, Tom Pierson, Mary Sterioti, Jan Dreyer, Stelle Tremback, Lillian Mikan, Charles Trayer, Michael McIntire, Jonathan Cannon, "Nicholas", and Bill Wetstein.

LITURGICAL ROLES
Saturday, June 22 & Sunday, June 23, 2019
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

5:00 P.M.**Reader: NEEDED**

E.M.'s: L. Gawron
 S. Pinta
 NEEDED

Servers: T. Durkin
 I. Pinta

Greeters: R. Anderson
 G. Nagel
 J. Wisneski
 A. Lostroschio

Music: V. Moreno
 N. Cifonie

8:00 A.M.**Reader:** M. Ardaugh

E.M.'s: B. Buttlere
 NEEDED
 NEEDED

Servers: M. Ardaugh
 NEEDED

Greeters: J. Rende
 D. Dornan
 M. Timm
 M. Ardaugh

Music: R. Nicholas
 M. O'CP

10:00 A.M.**Reader:** N. Cifonie

E.M.'s: Deacon Dennis
 E. Stepanek
 D. Webster

Servers: O. Stepanek
 A. Stepanek
 K. Timm

Greeters: J. Blake
 A. Jomant
 F. Kucer

Music: S. Lebensorger
 Choir

11:45 A.M.**Reader:** J. DeMoor

E.M.'s: Deacon Dennis
 J. DeMoor
 D. DeMoor

Servers: N. DeMoor
 NEEDED

Greeters: M. Adelman
 R. West

Music: R. Nicholas
 S. Connery

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9;
 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15
 Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23
 Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24-34
 Sunday: Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1-4; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
 Lk 9:11b-17

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity; Father's Day;
 Julian Calendar Pentecost
 Monday: Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time
 Wednesday: St. Romuald
 Friday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga; Summer begins
 Saturday: St. Paulinus of Nola;
 Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More;
 Blessed Virgin Mary

THIS IS THE HOLY TRINITY

Today we celebrate the Holy Trinity, one of the most confounding mysteries of our faith. Through this mystery we experience our relationship to God: Creator, Savior, and Holy Spirit. This relationship is not easy to understand or to describe. It does not become clearer through analysis. Its complexity mirrors the complexity of all our relationships. We understand our relationships with our spouses, our children, our parents, and our friends only through daily give-and-take, annual rituals, and the life-changing moments we share. We understand our relationships only as we live them. The relationships we have with those we love, and who love us, sustain us through an uncertain and difficult life. This is the Holy Trinity.

What is striking about today's readings is that each is incomplete. What they do offer is a description of a moment in our relationship, a memory of a time and an event when our relationship made sense even though that sense may be beyond our ability to describe fully. Often that is all that our faith offers, that is, a memory of what is possible, what is promised, what has been given. A memory of eternity, of love beyond understanding is to be cherished and nurtured even if not fully understood. This is the Holy Trinity.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's feast, extending a dimension of Easter joy into Ordinary Time, reminds us that every aspect of worship centers on the mystery of God in three persons. At baptism, we are initiated into Christ *and* the Spirit. The Creed we recite at Mass every Sunday has its roots in the ancient celebration of baptism, when a new believer was questioned at the edge of the waters of the font with three questions: Do you believe in God, the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit? Three questions, three affirmations, three immersions into the saving waters. Because every liturgy abounds with references to the Trinity, not only in words but in blessings by the sign of the cross, this feast was not easily accepted into the calendar. Pope Alexander in the eleventh century remarked that the liturgy is so laden with praise of the Trinity that there was no need for a special feast. Two hundred years later, while in exile in France, Pope John XXII proclaimed the feast, but it was not until 1911 that Pope St. Pius X gave it status as a solemnity.

A favorite image in art for today is the Icon of the Trinity, showing three glorious winged men seated at a table laden with bread and a cup of wine. It recalls Abraham's hospitality to angels and gives expression to the inner life of God, a life lived in relationship, a life poured out in abundance whenever Christians gather at the table of the Eucharist to give praise to the Father, in Christ, in the embrace of the Spirit.

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FATHERHOOD

My father didn't tell me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it.

—Clarence Budington Kelland

Quo Vadis "Where are you going?"

Legend tells us that St. Peter asked Jesus this question on the outskirts of Rome. And we know where Jesus went in response to His Father's will.

Quo Vadis Days are a 4 day/3night camp sponsored by the Archdiocese of Chicago Vocations Office, in collaboration with the Diocese of Joliet Vocation Office, and this unique and engaging event is led by seminarians from both dioceses. The 2019 QVD's is being hosted at The Loyola Retreat and Ecology Center (LuRec) in Woodstock, IL.

Experience dynamic talks, small group discussions, meaningful prayer experience, including Mass, the Liturgy of the Hours, and Eucharistic Adoration, with a dynamic and fun environment including high ropes course, zip line, sports, games and more.

This retreat is open to all **13-18 year old young men** that want to learn more about the priesthood. Those attending will have a life changing encounter with Christ while having the time of their life.

Registration Cost Per Camper - \$300

The Vocation Office's sponsors are providing the opportunity of a sliding scale fee option. Please pay what your family can afford. (4 options for online payment - \$50 minimum, \$100, \$200, or \$300).

Scholarships are available - Please contact your respective Vocation Office for more information.

Joliet - 815.221.6100

Registration Deadline is July 8, 2019

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**Catholic Charities' Back to School Fair**

The 27th Annual Will County Back to School Fair, coordinated by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet will be held on Thursday, August 1, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Joliet Catholic Academy (1200 N. Larkin Avenue) in Joliet.

This annual summer event is a major countywide effort to help families who are living on low-incomes access important services to begin the school year on a positive note. Children who attend the fair will receive free medical and dental services; vital information about local programs and services; and a new backpack with school supplies!

Each child attending the fair must be accompanied by an adult. Parent/guardian must bring the following items in order to receive supplies and services for their children at the fair:

- Identification for all household members
- Proof of Income
- Verification of Address

Current utility bill and/or government mail showing Will County address

Please visit [catholiccharitiesjoliet.org](http://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org) for additional details about Catholic Charities' Back to School Fair

**Stewardship**

June 9, 2019

|                                  |                   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>SUNDAY COLLECTION:*</b>       | <b>5175.45</b>    |
| <b>Weekly Average of All ACH</b> |                   |
| <b>And CC Transactions</b>       | <b>4189.00</b>    |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>\$9,364.45</b> |
| <b>(\$ loose cash: 668.45 )</b>  |                   |
| <b>Home Missions: \$2.00</b>     |                   |
| <b>Peter's Pence: \$10.00</b>    |                   |
| <b>Priests' Care: \$16.00</b>    |                   |

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.

**Prayer Breakfast**

The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary are hosting a prayer breakfast at the One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center at 2041 W. State Route 113 in Kankakee on Thursday, July 11 from 9:00 -10:30am. Presenter Diane Nilan will be speaking on the topic "Everywhere - Homeless Kids: We Can Do Better For Them."

Diane Nilan, founder/president of HEAR US Inc., has more than three decades of experience running shelters; advocating for improved state and federal policies, producing documentaries and writing books on homeless children.

The most misunderstood aspect of homelessness is how many kids have no place to call home. From the halls of Congress to communities across the country, people have no idea about the true extent of homelessness.

For reservations, please contact: Sr Mary Stella at 815-935-0800

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A WORD OF THANKS



Waterleaf would like to extend a heartfelt "THANK YOU" to the parishioners of St. Joseph Parish for participating in this year's Baby Bottle for Life fundraising campaign. As of June 5, 2019, St. Joseph Parish has raised \$1,779.84! Your support ensures that we can provide the material

and emotional support necessary for men and women to choose life for their babies. Sometimes, just the simple fact that our doors are open, and a woman visits us, rather than an abortion provider, is the difference between life and death. We greatly appreciate your support and ask that you keep Waterleaf in your prayers.

For information about Waterleaf and our programs and services, please contact us at 630-701-6270 or visit us on the web at www.onechoiceonelife.org.



**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
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:

**deacondennis@stjoeschool.com**

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL**

St. Joseph Parish - Lockport

|         | <b>2019</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>(Final)</b> |
|---------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Goal    | \$50,700    | \$53,100    | (\$2,400)      |
| Pledged | \$38,437    | \$46,109    | (\$7,672)      |
| Paid    | \$28,305    | \$44,478    | (\$16,174)     |
| Balance | \$10,133    | \$1,631     | \$8,502        |
| Donors  | 222         | 263         | 41             |

2019 Rebate \$0

**Your participation in the CMAA is important.**

If you have not had a chance to participate in the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) this year, there is still time. A mailing will be arriving in homes shortly.

As your pastor, I encourage you to prayerfully reflect on God's gifts to you and to give a gift to the CMAA. Participation is the key to a successful appeal and a chance for our parish to receive a parish rebate, too. Every gift helps!

If you did not receive this mailing and would like to make a gift to the CMAA, please call the Diocese of Joliet Development Office at **815-838-8515**. Or, if you wish to make your gift online, please visit **www.jolietdioceseappeal.org**.

**Father's Day Special Collection for  
Diocesan Priests' Care & Support**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Father's Day June 15-16, 2019, there will be a special collection to care for our infirm and retired priests. The **Fund for Diocesan Infirm and Elderly Priests** is a special way for the people of the Diocese of Joliet to express their concern for the welfare of those who have dedicated their lives in service to our pastoral care.

The money in this fund goes toward priests who need help with extraordinary medical expenses or suffer a catastrophic illness. It also provides for the care of the St. John Vianney Villa, home to several retired priests in the Diocese of Joliet.

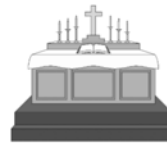
Prayerfully consider making a donation to help our aged and sick priests as an expression of appreciation for all they have done in exemplifying Christ's mercy, through their spiritual guidance and celebration of the sacraments.

On behalf of all the active and retired priests of the diocese, I am grateful for your prayers and for your generous support of the Father's Day Collection for our aged and infirm diocesan priests. Please be assured of my prayers for you.

Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon  
Bishop of Joliet

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**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
AND
READERS ARE NEEDED!**



If you have considered being a eucharistic minister or a reader at church, please contact the rectory. Deacon Dennis will be available for training as the requests accumulate. Training will be held after Mass on a Sunday to be determined. We are in great need of ministers. Ministers are typically scheduled for service about once a month.

Eucharistic ministers have to be 16 years of age or older; readers can be of high school age and be able to pronounce words clearly and with volume.

Deacon Dennis will also hold a training session for altar servers in the near future. More information will be forthcoming as the school year begins. Children in 4th grade and older are invited to become altar servers.



St. Joseph Church Collectibles
\$20
St. Joseph Cookbooks—\$8



Available for purchase at the rectory

SAVE THE DATE!



The 41st Annual Diocese Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, August 18 at 2 pm at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Those couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years, and over 50 years are welcome to attend.

Please contact the parish office so that we may submit your name to the Diocese for a formal invitation. Look for more information at a later date

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**A SWING AND A PRAYER  
Catholic Charities' Annual Golf Outing**

**Thursday, August 15  
Shotgun Start at 1:00 p.m.  
Cantigny Golf, Wheaton**

**18 Holes of Golf  
Box lunch  
Cocktails and dinner  
Prizes awarded**

This event will benefit the homeless, veterans, and others in need within our community through programs offered by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet.

dioceseofjoliet.org  
815-221-6100  
For sponsorship:  
630-519-6531



**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

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR**

We are requesting your assistance to provide much needed supplies to distribute to those in need. We would greatly appreciate spiral notebooks, folders, lined index cards, highlighters, and pencil sharpeners. Last year, new and gently used books were also distributed. We will accept any new or "like new" books appropriate for children from preschool through 12th grade.

There will be a bin in back of church for your donations until Sunday, July 21.

