

Welcome to
St. Joseph Catholic Parish

A Faith Community Since 1868

April 3, 2022

5th Sunday of Lent

**Confirmation
2022**



*Congratulations to our
Confirmandi as they are
"sealed with the gift of the Holy
Spirit" and
strengthened for service to the
Body of Christ.*

*Keagan Brown
Kate Depcik
Casey Franciskovich*

*Reid Jarosik
Payton Judd
Juliusz Karas*

*Lily Kelleher
Mary Kelleher
Martin Kinnane*

*Nicholas Kowalczyk
Nicole Kuchyt
Haley Kurczak*

*Christian Kuropas
Andrew Lindstrom
Dominic Longo*

*Brooklyn Malert
Andrew McIntire
Julia Meyer*

*Anna Mungcal
Katherine Nyssen
Soffia Oprzedek*

*Madeline Patla
Courtney Potrawski
Corey Rak*

*Matthew Reczek
Lillian Slowik
Veronica Styrczula*

*Sylvia Szewczyk
Isabelle Van Gorp
Daniel Welcome*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

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

(Tuesday School Mass- 8:30 a.m.)

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 and Noon

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. and by appointment.

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 typically held on the third Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. First-time parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation program before the baby is born. Before setting any dates for a baptism with family, please call the parish office in advance to make arrangements. We ask that the family is registered at the parish.

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:

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| John Albrecht | Margarita Levasseur |
| Donna Cifonie | Bill Molony |
| Deacon Nick | Rev. Gregory Rothfuchs |
| Deacon Dennis | Nick LaBanca |
| John Walters | |

Yes, I would like to get involved!

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| Eucharist Minister | Reader |
| Altar Server | Usher/Greeter |
| Choir/Cantor/Musician | Parish Council |
| 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 _____

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 Lockport, Illinois 60441
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PASTORAL STAFF:

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| Rev. Gregory Rothfuchs | Pastor |
| Deacon Dominic Cerrato | |
| Deacon Nick Cifonie | ideatrak@gmail.com |
| Deacon Dennis Stolarz | |
| Mr. Garry Kearnes | Business Manager |
| Mrs. Jean Genty | Church Secretary |

R.C.I.A.

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PASTORAL CARE

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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SCHOOL

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|---------------------------|------------------|
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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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 stjosephlockport or text ‘lockport’ to 84576 with
 your mobile device

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.

Our Homebound Ministers are available to bring Communion to shut-ins at their home or in nursing homes.

Please call the parish office at 815-838-0187 if you would like to set up a home visit .

THIS WEEK AT ST JOSEPH
April 3-April 10, 2022

Sunday, April 3**5th Sunday of Lent**

8:00, 10:00, Noon -Masses
 Debt Reduction Weekend

Monday, April 4

7:15 a.m.-Mass

Tuesday, April 5

7:15 a.m.-Mass

8:30 a.m.-School Mass in Church

7:00 p.m.-Lenten Confessions in Church

Wednesday, April 6

7:15 a.m.-Mass

9:30 a.m.-A.A. Meeting in Church Basement

6:00 p.m.-R.E. Classes in School

Thursday, April 7

7:15 a.m. -Mass

Friday, April 8

7:15 a.m.- Mass

7:00 p.m.-Stations of the Cross in Church

8:00 p.m.-A.A. Meeting in Church basement

Saturday, April 9

4:00 p.m.-Mass

5:00 p.m. -Confessions

6:00 p.m.-Parish Dinner Dance at Public Landing

Sunday, April 10**Palm Sunday**

8:00, 10:00, Noon -Masses

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, April 14: Mass of the Lord's Supper in Church at 7:00 p.m. followed by Adoration until 11:00 p.m.

Friday, April 15:

- Confessions in Church at Noon
- Liturgy of the Lord's Passion in Church at 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 16:

- Blessing of the Food Baskets in Church at 10:30 a.m.
- Easter Vigil Mass in Church at 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 17:

- Mass at 8:00 a.m. in Church
- Mass at 10:00 a.m. in Activity Center
- Mass at Noon in Church

Sunday, April 24:

- Diocesan Collection for Catholic Home Missions
- Baptisms in Church at 1:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule & Intentions
Week of April 4-April 10, 2022

MONDAY

7:15 + James Lacy by the Gibbons Family

TUESDAY

7:15 + Maureen Lehocky by the Gibbons Family

8:30 + Intention Available

WEDNESDAY

7:15 + Ernest Mason by the Genty Family

THURSDAY

7:15 + Strauss Mendoza & Family
 by the Milo Family

FRIDAY

7:15 + Fr. Rausch by St. Joseph Friends

SATURDAY

4:00 + Geraldine & James Rusin
 by Husband & Father

SUNDAY

- 8:00 + Lorraine Jackinoski Anniv. Rem. by Family
 + Thaddeus J. Koziel by wife Stella & Family
- 10:00 + The Parish Family
- Noon + Arthur & Jennie Zender Wedd. Anniv. Rem.
 by Family
- + Peter Sawchuk 20 yr. Anniv. Rem.
 by Joann Ellison & Rosalie D



Bill Doyle Jr., Bill Doyle, Jacki Horvath, Connor & Matthais Erickson, Phil Timm, Ezra Singletary, Heather Kubinski, Esmerelda & Luke Bonk, Gregory Bonk, Karl Blank, Patrick Bonk, Tom Wojciak, Jennifer Baer, Marilyn Singletary, Gary and Mark Ellison, Dorothy Manning, Cora Zgrabik, Cindi Carter Buck, Mary Johnson, Mark Kehlenbach, Madelyn Grillo, Naia Peña, Kenneth Wojewocki, Tim Baldwin, Justine Weck, Mary Sterioti, Stelle Tremback, Jonathan Cannon, Gabby Matlak, Joann Ellison, Barbara Majerczyk, Paulette Georgantas, David Skrzypczynski, Bob Malek, Mary Perry, Nina Olsen, Veronica Wilson, Becky Smith, Carol Preston, David Carrigan, Dawn Ozewski, Betty Baker, Jean Bryan, Phil May, Judy Valek, Tench Garza, Anthony Harames, Lynn Drolet, Anna Pustz, Stephanie Herbst, Brooke Zych, Donna Bennett, Marianne Kowalkowski, Antoinette Zeromski, Gloria Scapillato, Shelly Decicco, Candy Campbell, Matt Carr, Joe Adante, Brenda Teshka, Merle Carrigan, Frank Pagano, Joe McGrath, Dominick Scrom, Sara Zervos, Wyatt Blevins, Marzena Stasieluk, Randy Dickson, Anonymous Prayer Request, Murphy White, Evan Kaspar, Gerry Timm, and Fred Dickson.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE April 9 & 10, 2022

SATURDAY, April 9 @ 4:00 P.M.

Presider: Fr. Greg
Deacon: Deacon Nick
Musicians: V. Moreno, K. Clark
Reader: D. Haag
EM: Deacon Nick
Ushers: A. Lostrocio
 J. Wisneski
 G. Nagel

SUNDAY, April 10 @ 8:00A.M.

Presider: Fr. Greg
Deacon: Deacon Nick
Musicians: R. Nicholas, J. Ray
Reader: P. Glynn
EM: Deacon Nick
Ushers: R. Schenk
 N. Wheeler
 J. Rende
 J. Drozdek

SUNDAY, April 10 @ 10:00 A.M.

Presider: Fr. Greg
Deacon: Deacon Dominic
Reader: R. Peterson
EM: Deacon Dominic
Musician: M. Ray, C. Vollmer
Ushers: T. Stark
 G. Little
 J. Blake

SUNDAY, April 10 @ NOON

Presider: Fr. Larry
Deacon: Deacon Dominic
Musicians: R. Nicholas, N. Gillogly
Reader: C. Walters
EM: Deacon Dominic
Ushers: M. Adelman
 S. Fitzmaurice
 J. Garvey

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];
 Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:12-20 (or Jn 8:1-11 if
 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21;
 Jn 8:21-30
 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56;
 Jn 8:31-42
 Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10-12abcd, 13;
 Jn 11:45-56
 Sunday: Lk 19:28-40 (procession);
 Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24;
 Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent
 Monday: St. Isidore
 Tuesday: St. Vincent Ferrer
 Thursday: St. John Baptist de la Salle
 Friday: Abstinence

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fifth Sunday of Lent

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How do I follow the example of Jesus in loving others?

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SOMETHING NEW IN CHRIST

Jesus knew that the scribes and Pharisees were trying to trap him. They put him in what seemed to be a no-win situation. Let the woman who was caught in adultery go, and he would have been accused of ignoring the law. Let her be stoned, and he would fail to show mercy toward her, contradicting his life's message. Jesus' response teaches three crucial lessons: none of us is free of sin; we are not the ultimate judges of others; Jesus is the mercy of God, in whom we can always trust. In Christ, God does something new. When we give our hearts to Christ, we have the hope of new life, a life in which mercy reigns.

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THE TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, April 14

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

Good Friday, April 15

Noon Confessions
 3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
 in Church

Holy Saturday, April 16

10:30 a.m. Blessing of the Food Baskets
 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass in Church

CELEBRATION OF EASTER DAY SUNDAY, April 17



8:00 a.m. Mass in Church
 10:00 a.m. Mass in Activity
 Center
 Noon Mass in Church

COME SING WITH US!

Do you have a decent voice? Do you like to sing? Come join our newly revitalized 10:00 a.m. choir!

Nancy Hauch has graciously agreed to be director for the choir. As in the past, practice is generally held about 30 minutes before Mass.

If you would like to play a part, give Jean a call at the rectory. Choir will start as soon as we have enough voices!



HOLY THURSDAY FOOT WASHING

Holy Thursday, April 14, is the Celebration of the Last Supper when Jesus washed the feet of his twelve disciples.

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

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT
DURING LENT
AT 7:00 P.M.
IN CHURCH**



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LENTEN CONFESSIONS

**EVERY SATURDAY AT 5:00
(except April 16)**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 5 AT 7:00
P.M.**

FRIDAY, APRIL 15 AT NOON



Stewardship

March 27, 2022

SUNDAY COLLECTION:*	4517.00
Weekly Average of All ACH	
And CC Transactions	<u>3242.00</u>
Total	\$7,759.00
(\$ loose cash: 669.00)	

BUDGETED WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED:

\$11,150.00

DEFICIT: (3,391.00)

Catholic Relief Services: \$679.00
Eastern & Central Europe: \$15.00
Debt Reduction: \$50.00

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.

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**THANK YOU KIND AND GENEROUS
PARISHIONERS OF ST JOSEPH PARISH!**

As you can see below, in March of 2014, our parish debt was over half a million dollars. In 8 years, because of your generosity, our debt has been reduced by more than half! Thank you!

PARISH DEBT AS OF March 2022

PAST DUE HEALTH –	193,304.00
PROPERTY PURCHASED	16,849.97
INTEREST	21.18

TOTAL: \$210,175.45

PARISH DEBT AS OF MARCH 31, 2014

PAST DUE HEALTH –	211,024.62
PROPERTY PURCHASED: PRINCIPAL –	192,837.38
INTEREST –	53,965.36
PARISH LOAN: PRINCIPAL –	64,178.38
INTEREST –	10,104.16

TOTAL: \$532,109.90

**IN 8 YEARS, THE PARISH DEBT HAS BEEN PAID
DOWN BY**

\$321,934.345!!!!!!

LENTEN RESOURCES

FORMED
THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND

Get thousands of Catholic movies, programs, audio, e-books, and family-friendly kids' programming instantly on FORMED when you sign up with our parish.

Visit signup.formed.org for more information
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AMEN
The free Catholic Prayer, Meditation and Scripture app

Visit amenapp.org
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HALLOW
the #1 Catholic prayer app, breaks down everything you need to know about Lent , including the best prayer resources you'll find anywhere.

There is no better time to reconnect with or deepen one's faith than Lent. During this time, we can draw closer to God as we prepare for the joyous celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter.

Visit hallow.com/lent to sign up

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION

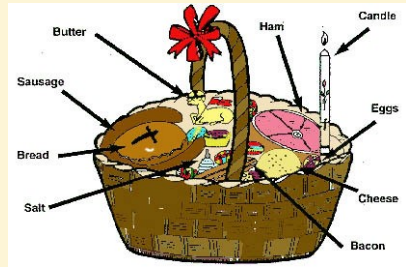
Children in grades K-8 are invited to participate in the Palm Sunday Procession on Sunday, April 10, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass in Church.

Children interested in being part of the procession should first go with their families to get a seat for Mass. Than, meet in back of Church. A coordinator will help you with the next steps.



BLESSING OF THE FOOD BASKETS

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 10:30 A.M. IN CHURCH



LENTEN ALMSGIVING

Catholic Relief Services and the CRS Rice Bowl will give aid to victims of persecution and disaster and will advocate the powerless in the Ukraine and surrounding areas.

PLEASE TAKE HOME A RICE BOWL TODAY, OR GO TO

URGENT NEED IN UKRAINE-CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

AND DONATE DIRECTLY.

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES DAYBREAK CENTER

The Shelter is in need of:

- gallon size Ziploc bags
- backpacks
- dry drink mixes
- hot sauce
- paper towels
- coffee
- dry parmesan cheese
- soft margarine
- ranch dressing

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THE WOMENS' CENTERS OF GREATER CHICAGO

SEEKING DONATIONS

- bassinets
- infant car sets (urgent)
- single strollers (urgent)
- double strollers
- high chairs
- maternity clothes
- new baby shampoo and lotion, wipes, washcloths
- baby hooded towels. receiving blankets

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CRS RICE BOWLS

We reflect on our role to care for the most vulnerable—those experiencing hunger , lack of economic opportunity or violence .

Return your Rice Bowl by Sunday, April 10. There will be a bin in back of church.

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

This Easter season, you have the opportunity to remember and honor 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 future bulletins.

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 sjchurch@stjoeschool.com

Please submit the form by **Monday, April 11** and their names will be in the bulletin for Easter.

IN MEMORY OF:

IN HONOR OF:

OFFERED BY:

AMOUNT:



**St. Joseph Parish New Parishioner/
Change of Address**

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 _____

*Email _____

_____ New Parishioner

Change of Address _____

Change of Phone _____

Change of Email _____

_____ Moving Out of Parish

***MANDATORY FIELDS**

PLEASE NOTE:

If you have had a change of mailing address, phone number, or email, please notify the rectory or drop this form into the collection basket.

These updates are important in order to guarantee delivery of contribution envelopes, contact information, and parish news and events.