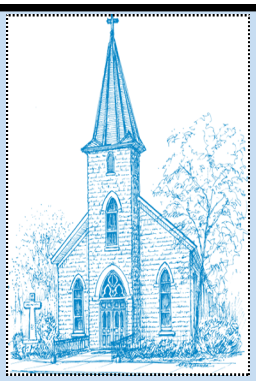

Welcome to

St. Joseph Catholic Parish

A Faith Community Since 1868

January 26, 2025

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Spirit of the Lord
is upon me...
He has sent me to
proclaim liberty to
captives
and recovery of sight
to the blind,
to let the oppressed
go free.
- Lk 4:18

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
Weekday Mass: Mon-Fri.: 7:30 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 and Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. and by appointment.

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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.

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

Hospital/Homebound:
Please notify the rectory office if you or a loved one have been admitted to a hospital or a nursing home. 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 .

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

John Albrecht	Donna Cifonie
Bill Molony	Deacon Nick
Deacon Dennis	John Walters

Saints Dennis and Joseph Catholic Academy

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Bulletin Announcements	Pulpit Announcements
Deadline: Monday	Deadline: Friday
Rectory Office Hours: M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

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MASSES, INTENTIONS, AND EVENTS
JANUARY 25-FEBRUARY 2, 2025

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25: CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL, APOSTLE
4:00 p.m. **+ Luke Patrick Smith by Nana & Papa**
5:00 p.m. **Confessions**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26: 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 a.m. **+ Richard Jackinoski Anniv. Rem. by Family**
10:00 a.m. **+ Thomas Tremback M.D. Anniv. Rem. by sister Thea & Family**
Noon **+ John M. Fenlon Jr. by the Kowalski Famiy**

Diocesan Collection for Church in Latin America

MONDAY, JANUARY 27: St Angela Merisi
7:30 a.m. **+ Ed & Marge Solley by the Milo Family**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28: St. Thomas Aquinas
7:30 a.m. **+ Luke Patrick Smith Anniv. Rem. by Nana & Papa**
Joseph Tremback for Healing by Family
8:30 a.m. **School Mass**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29:
7:30 a.m. **Natalie Grycko for Healing**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30:
7:30 a.m. **+ Joe Grega by Janet Jadron**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31: St. John Bosco
7:30 a.m. **+ Myron Clark Anniv. Rem. by the Clark Family**
+ Barbara Litzan Anniv. Rem. by the Clark Family
8:00 p.m. **A. A. Meeting in Church Basement**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1:
4:00 p.m. **+ Jennie & Art Zender by Arlene Carter**
5:00 p.m. **Confessions**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2: THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
8:00 a.m. **+ Laurie Offerman by the Hartford Family**
10:00 a.m. **+ Ralph Grant Anniv. Rem. by Family**
+ Rick Favero Birth. Rem. by Family
Noon **The Parish Family**

DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Since 1965, Catholics in the United States have built relationships of unity and love with Catholics in Central and South America and the islands of the Caribbean through their participation in the annual special collection for the Church in Latin America. By supporting this collection, you can also help nurture vocations for seminarians and religious sisters like the Poor Clare nuns. This community, based in the Dominican Republic, uses funds received from this collection to cover food, clothing, and educational costs for 18 of its sisters.

Bill Doyle Jr., Connor & Matthais Erickson, Phil Timm, Esmerelda & Luke Bonk, Gregory Bonk, Patrick Bonk, Gary and Mark Ellison, Dorothy Manning, Cora Zgrabik, Gabby Matlak, Brooke Zych, Merle Carrigan, Wyatt Blevins, Marzena Stasieluk, Anonymous Prayer Request, Gerry Timm, Joann Elison, Alfred Péna, Charlotte Mater, Rosemarie Devincenzo, Marie D'Arpa, Tim Olson, Kurt Ficek, Colin Perry, Bob Matke, Wayne Allen, Joe Ogronik, Keith Adelmann, Joelee McMaster, Karen Singer, Sean Cio, Gloria Callahan, Mary Kay Tierney, Alan Homerding, Anthony Jadron, Rose Michalski, Regina Piazza Block, Lois Kelly, Josseph Tremback, and Natalie Grycko..

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
February 1 & 2, 2025

SATURDAY, February 1@ 4:00 P.M.

Presider:	**Fr. Tom**
Musicians:	**V. Moreno, B. Webster**
Reader:	**R. Ward**
EM:	**R. Ward**
Servers:	**E. Belsan, J. Abarca**
Ushers:	A. Lostroscio
	J. Wisneski
	G. Nagel

SUNDAY, February 2@ 8:00A.M.

Presider:	**Fr. Tom**
Reader:	**M. Schultz**
EM:	**J. Hartford**
Musicians:	**R. Nicholas, J. Ray**
Ushers:	R. Schenk
	N. Wheeler
	J. Drozdek

SUNDAY, February 2 @ 10:00 A.M.

Presider:	**Fr. Tom**
Musician:	**Choir**
Reader:	**J. Ranney**
EM:	**K. Galvan**
Servers:	**E. Ranney, C. Ranney**
Ushers:	T. Stark
	G. Little
	T. Marcione

SUNDAY, February 2 @ NOON

Presider:	**Fr. Tom**
Deacon:	**Deacon Nick**
Musicians:	**M. Ray**
Reader:	**J. Delfinado**
EM:	**Deacon Nick**
Server;	**J. Stanko**
Ushers:	M. Adelman
	S. Fitzmaurice
	J. Garvey

OCIA—
ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you're interested in becoming Catholic, or wish to learn more about Catholicism, NOW is the time.

Sessions are not just for those becoming Catholic, but for ANYONE interested in learning more about their faith.

Come one week, cone to all. We invite you to grow deeper in your faith and experience the beauty, richness, and truth of Catholicism.

Contact the rectory office at 815-838-0187, or email johnalbrecht47@comcast.net for further information.

Readings for the week of January 26, 2025

Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see Jn 6:63c)/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday:	Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday:	Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/ Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday:	Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Observances for the week of January 26, 2025

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

Monday:	St. Angela Merici, Virgin
Tuesday:	St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Friday:	St. John Bosco, Priest
Next Sunday:	The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life

THE DAILY JOURNEY OF LIFE

Remember that time when you arrived at school to take a test or quiz on material you failed to read? Maybe it was on a classic book or a chapter in a science textbook. Did your blood pressure go sky high and the sweat start to show on your forehead? Squirming in the seat, you wondered what you could have done to avoid feeling this way. Then it came to you: you should have read what you were supposed to read!

Procrastination, indifference, poor scheduling of time, and stubbornness are all reasons why we fail to be prepared for a situation that arises in our lives. We lack commitment in doing what we are asked to do or what we know we should do. This is certainly true in our spiritual lives as well. We may choose to bear the label of disciple or good steward, but we don't really prepare ourselves for the daily journey of life.

Sacred Scripture can prepare us more fully for the circumstances of life, but not if we fail to read it. The words contained there are Spirit and life for us. They help us to understand where we fit into the Body of Christ and how we are to respond to the daily call of Christ. Everyday Stewards should be committed to reading and reflection of the Word of God. We know we should spend time with God's Word, but too often we fail to due to the same reasons already mentioned. When we failed to read in school, perhaps we failed the test and it hurt our grade. When we fail in life due to lack of preparedness, sometimes the consequences are more severe.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

JANUARY BAPTISMS

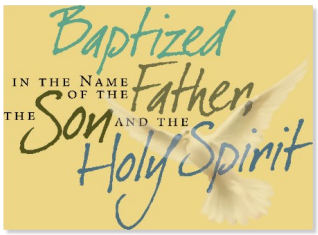
BENJAMIN COLEMAN BANDYK
SON OF BRYAN & KATELYNN

JOSEPH FRANCIS FINDLAY III
SON OF JOSEPH & HEATHER

EDWIN NATANAEL HERNANDEZ
SON OF EDWIN & LILIANA

COLIN MICHAEL LOFGREN
SON OF JASON & CARLY

We welcome you int o our Catholic Community!



Stewardship

January 19

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	8083.00
Weekly Average of all ACH And CC Transactions	3857.00
TOTAL	$11,940.00

($loose cash: 689.00)

BUDGETED WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: $11.150.00

Latin America: $20.00
Church Repair: $30.00

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.

SDJCA NEWS - January 2025 Edition

Dear Parishioners,

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

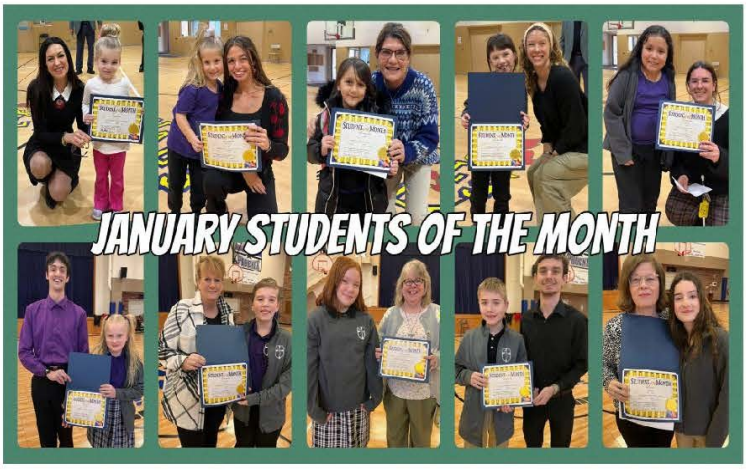
As we complete our first full calendar year together as Saints Dennis and Joseph Catholic Academy, we count our blessings...please know that you are among them!

We are blessed to have the prayerful and financial support of two strong, historic and thriving parishes. We thank each and every one of you for your continued support of our school; from our Spring Auction raffle... to Oktoberfest... to the Queen of Hearts...to whatever may come next...Thank you!

Amazing things happen when we combine our time, talents and treasure in support of one common goal – the faith-filled education of our children. Thank you for the ways you have continued to support our school. We are grateful for your example of leadership and commitment you are demonstrating through your gifts. We absolutely count on all your support and humbly accept the blessings you continue to give.

Many Blessings to You and Yours in the New Year!

Michelle Ray
Director of Institutional Advancement
SDJCA



Congratulations, January Students of the Month!
(PK)Juliana B., (K)Adelyn G.,(1) Mila C., (2)Elizabeth K., (3) Isabella O., (4) Amelia S., (5) James T., (6) Daniela H., (7) Evan B., (8) Maci B.

Catholic Schools Week 2025
1/26/25 – 2/1/25

SPREAD THE WORD…
TELL YOUR FRIENDS…
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS!

Call (815) 838-8173 to schedule a private tour.

Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

SDJCA is doing wonderful things. Keep us in your prayers and send students our way.

www.SDJacademy.org

Senior Transportation

The Lockport Township Senior Transportation System has offered safe transportation for Township residents, age 55 or older since October 2000. Our senior bus transportation provides services to and from area health facilities as well as business and retail establishments. You will receive curb-to-curb service from your home to your destination. The cost to ride is $2 per round trip plus $1 for each additional stops. All buses are wheelchair accessible.

Please call 1-815-293-6320 for reservations.

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_____

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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.

Yes, I would like to get involved!

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

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PHONE

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EMAIL

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