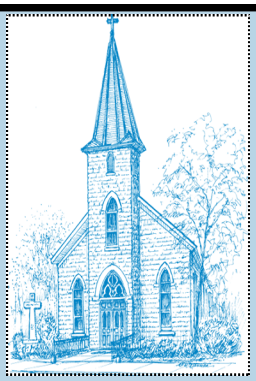

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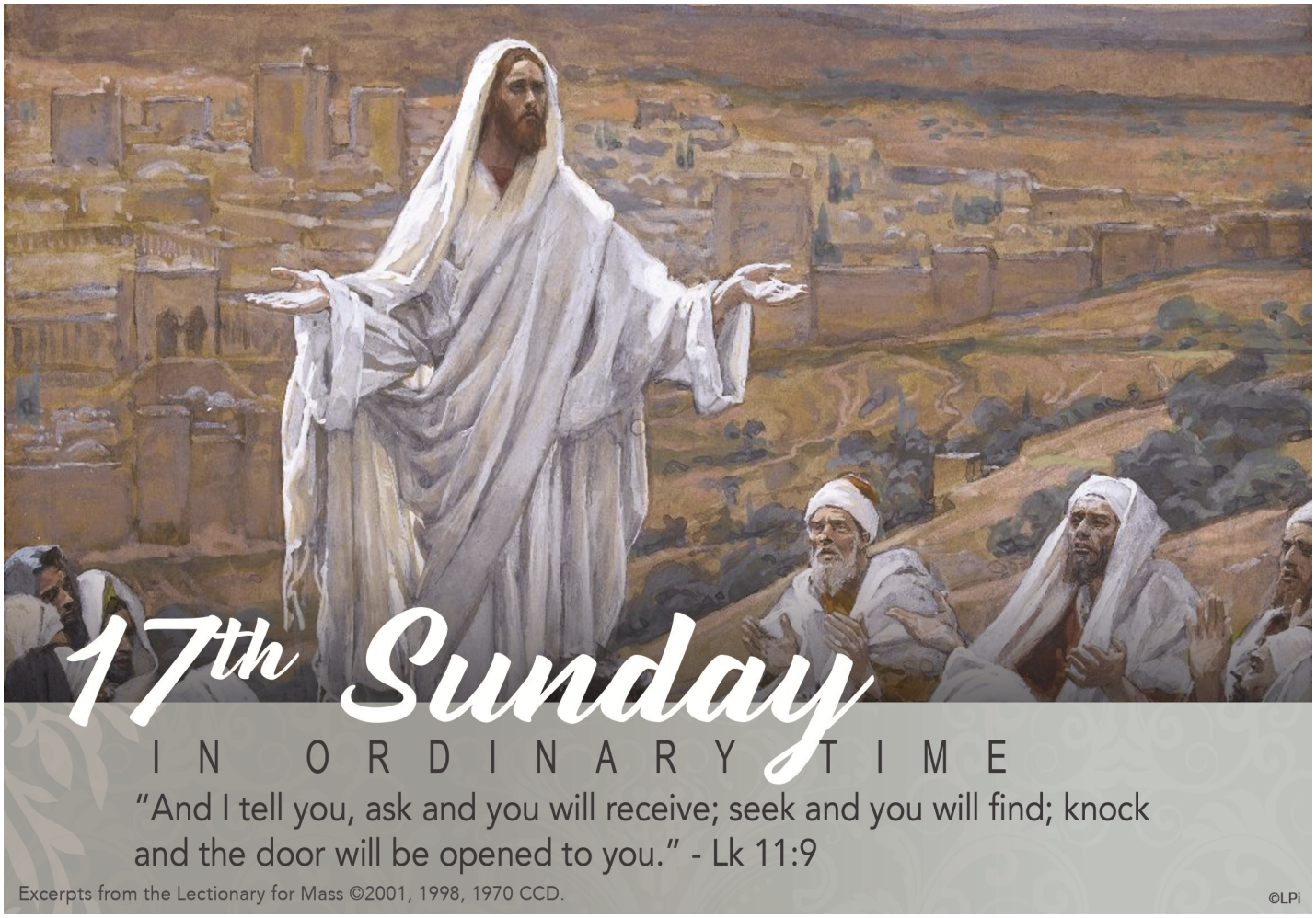
St. Joseph Catholic Parish

A Faith Community Since 1868

July 27, 2025



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
Weekday Mass: Mon-Fri.: 7:30 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 and Noon
1st Friday: 12:05 p.m. Mass with Adoration to Follow

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

Knights of Columbus: Contact John Walters at 630-303-0075 for information on becoming a Knight.

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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
July 26-August 3, 2025

SATURDAY, July 26:	Sts. Joachim & Anne
4:00 p.m.	**+ Lionel J. Ramos Birth. Rem. by the Rogan Family**
	+ Frank "Butch" Bruntjen by Jan Mackay & Family
5:00 p.m.	**Confessions**
SUNDAY, July 27: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 a.m.	**+ Rita Adelman by the Hartford Family**
10:00 a.m.	**+ Agnes DeSandre Anniv.Rem. by daughter Angie & Family**
Noon	**+ Jozef Reczek Birth. Rem. by Family**
MONDAY, July 28:	
7:30 a.m.	**NO MASS**
TUESDAY, July 29:	**Sts. Martha, Mary, & Lazarus**
7:30 a.m.	**NO MASS**
WEDNESDAY, July 30	
7:30 a.m.	**NO MASS**
9:30 a.m.	**A.A. Meeting in Church Basement**
THURSDAY, July 31:	**St. Ignatius of Loyola**
7:30 a.m.	**+ Jose Milo & Family by the Milo Family**
FRIDAY, August 1:	**St. Alphonsus Liguori**
12:05 p.m.	**+ John Jadron by Family**
8:00 p.m.	**A. A. Meeting in Church Basement**
SATURDAY, August 2:	Sts. John of Avila & Damien de Veuster
4:00 p.m.	**+ Jennie & Art Zender, and Pat & Joyce O'Neil by Arlene Carter**
	+ Rick Favero by Gary & Pat Nagel
SUNDAY, August 3: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 a.m.	**+ Deceased Members of the Juban, Dziuban, & Hylek Families by Sylvia Juban**
10:00 a.m.	**+ Justin Vanderveen by Family**
	+ Dorothy Manning Birth. Rem. by Family
Noon	**Grace Corley 1st Birth. Congrats.by Family**

Fr. Tom will honor all Mass requests while he is away. However, if you would like to re-schedule your requested Mass for another day, please call Jean at the rectory.

Bill Doyle Jr., Connor & Matthais Erickson, Phil Timm, Esmerelda & Gregory Bonk, Luke Bonk, Patrick Bonk, Gary and Mark Ellison, 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, Tim Olson, 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, Joseph Tremback, Natalie Grycko, Marilyn Carrigan, Dan Bryant, Craig Shelton, Mariana Gonzales, Aline Adelman, Claude Poulsen, Hillary Shelton, and Barbara Majerczyk.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
August 2 & 3

SATURDAY, August 2 @ 4:00 p.m.

Presider:	**Fr. Dan**
Deacon:	**Deacon Dominic**
Reader:	**D. Haag**
EM:	**Deacon Dominic**
Musician:	**V. Moreno JR Gillogly**
Ushers:	A. Lostroscio
	G. Nagel
	J. Wisneski

SUNDAY, August 3 @ 8:00A.M.

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

SUNDAY August 3 @ 10:00 A.M.

Presider:	**Fr. Dan**
Deacon:	**Deacon Nick**
Reader:	**D. Cifonie**
EM:	**Deacon Nick**
Musician:	**Choir**
Ushers:	T. Stark
	G. Little
	T. Marcione

SUNDAY, August 3 @ NOON

Presider:	**Fr. Dan**
Reader:	**A. Garvey**
EM:	**J. Garvey**
Musicians:	**M. Ray**
Ushers:	M. Adelman
	S. Fitzmaurice
	J. Garvey

Readings for the week of July 27, 2025

Sunday:	Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/ Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13
Monday:	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday:	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53
Friday:	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/ Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday:	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Observances for the week of July 27, 2025

Sunday:	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
Wednesday:	St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday:	St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Friday:	St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
Next Sunday:	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: What word did Jesus call God the Father when he was praying?

Answer: Abba.

Mini reflection: Whatever is interrupting communication between your heart and the One who crafted it, it can be overcome. There is no door thick enough, no night dark enough, no sleep strong enough.

Ask and You Shall Receive

It's easy to look at today's Gospel reading and come away with a view of God as disinterested and irritated, reluctant to give us what we need unless we bang down his door, hound him to the furthest reaches of heaven, wrench him from his reverie and force him to answer just so we'll finally go away.

Well, that's not what Jesus means by the parable of the friend at midnight — but it's also not surprising that we would think that it is. The whole point of this Gospel is that communication between God and man has been broken. It's not as easy as it once was, as it should be, as it could be.

In this parable, there exists many barriers between the supplicant and his friend. The time of day is not ideal. The door is locked. Their dispositions are opposite — one is in the middle of a REM cycle and the other is deeply agitated. They appear to be two people who are not primed to communicate well. Everything is working against them.

The same could well be said of God and the human race. Here we are in a fallen world, surrounded by sin and pain and sickness and death to the extent that it infiltrates not just our bodies but our souls, our minds, our attitudes.

We are the friend caught unprepared in the dead of night. We don't always know how to talk to God (*That door is thick! Will he hear us if we knock?*). We don't always know if we should (*It's all my fault that I ran out of loaves, after all*). We don't even know if we want to (*It's nighttime! He might be angry!*).

Everything is working against us.

It doesn't matter, Jesus tells us. Whatever is interrupting communication between your heart and the One who crafted it, the One who desires its full and irrevocable attention, it can be overcome. There is no door thick enough, no night dark enough, no sleep strong enough.

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ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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1ST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR
AUGUST 1
Following the
12:05 P.M. MASS
in CHURCH

Spend an hour with the Lord in silent prayer, Eucharistic adoration, and Benediction

The First Friday Holy Hour consists of a brief prayer at the beginning, 45 minutes of silent adoration before the exposed Blessed Sacrament, and 10 minutes of closing prayers and Benediction. This thousand year old devotion is rooted in the firm belief that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist and that by spending quiet meditative prayer before his Eucharistic Presence, we show fitting honor and thanks for this supreme spiritual gift. You are invited to come to the feast ...accept the invitation of our Lord!

ANNOUNCING THE 47TH ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

August 17, 2025
2:00 p.m.

Cathedral of St. Raymond
604 N. Raynor Av., Joliet IL

Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years, and more than 50 years are welcome to attend.

Pre-registration is required by August 8, 2025..http://forms.office.com/r/qy9fbEpfkr
815-221-6134
Jelias@dioceseofjoliet.org

Stewardship

July 20

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	**5289.00**
Weekly Average of all ACH And CC Transactions	**2799.00**
TOTAL	**$8,088.00**
($loose cash: 808.00)	

BUDGETED WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: $10.150.00

DEFICIT: (2062.00)

Debt/Campus Repair: $305.00

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.

LOCKPORT YOUNG ADULTS PRESENTS...

THEOLOGY ON TAP
SUMMER SERIES 2025

COOMS CORNER
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7 PM DOORS OPEN
7:15 PM TALK BEGINS

MONDAY, JULY 28
The Burning Heart of the Church: Liturgical Prayer and Why It Matters

Fr. Brian Geary

Questions? angela.labanca3@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE!
OKTOBERFEST
2024

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION 2025-26

Registration is open to any families wishing to register for 1st - 8th grade.

Please contact the Religious Education Office for a registration form.

All R.E. classes will be held at SDJA North Campus beginning in September.

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Why is FreeWill free?
FreeWill's no-charge product is supported by nonprofit organizations. Many of our will-makers choose to leave a portion of their estate to charity, and we hope you'll consider doing the same. FreeWill ***never*** sells your personal data to third-parties.

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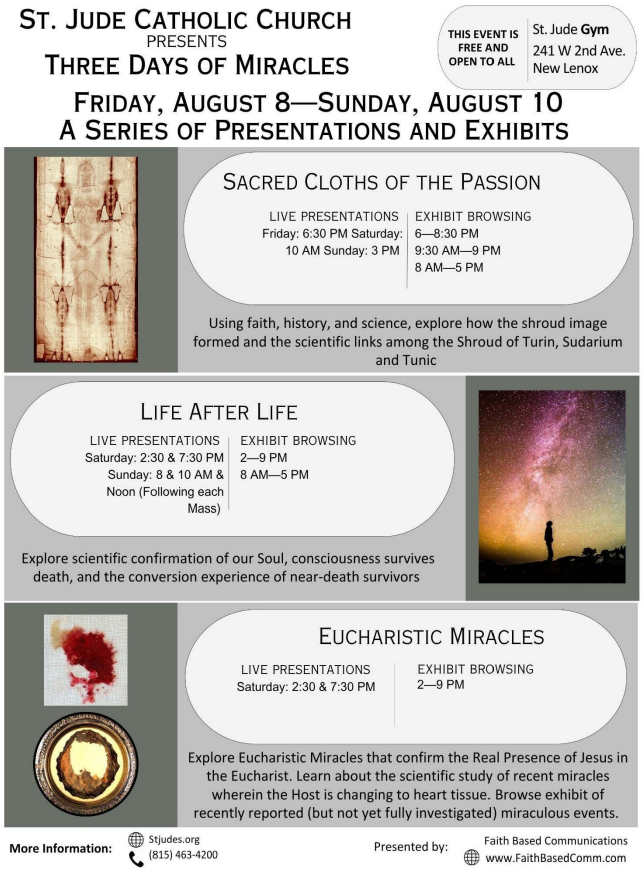

St. Joseph Parish New Parishioner/ Change of Address

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
Altar Server
Choir/Cantor/Musician
Worship Commission
Reader
Usher/Greeter
Parish Council

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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