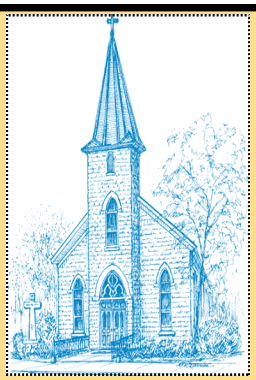

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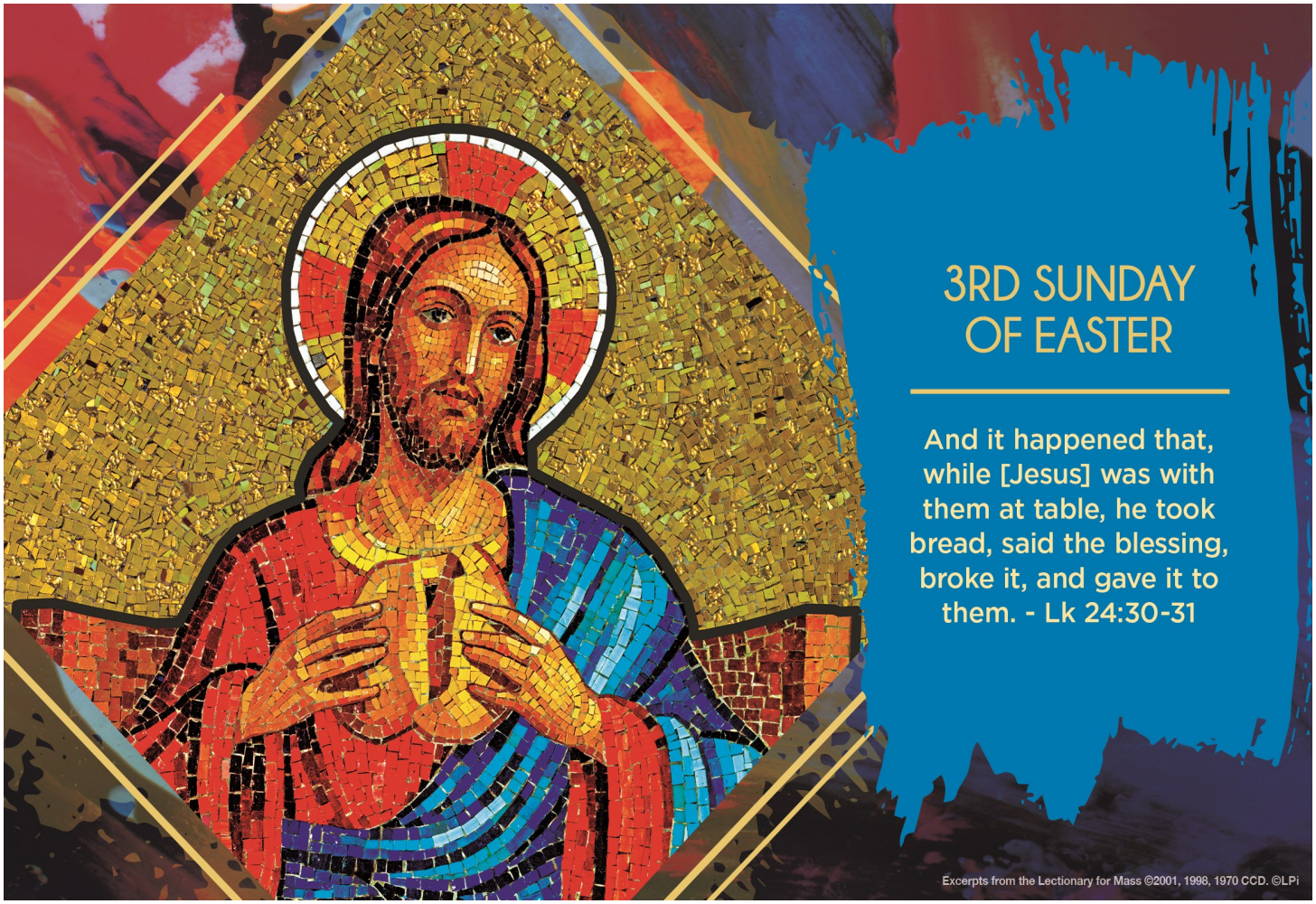
St. Joseph Catholic Parish

A Faith Community Since 1868

April 19, 2026



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses:
Mon-Thurs: 7:30 am
Fri: 12:05 pm
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, Noon
1st Friday: 12:05 pm Mass with Adoration to Follow
Holy Days of Obligation: 6:30 am, 12:05 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturdays: 5:00 pm 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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MASSES, INTENTIONS, AND EVENTS
April 18—April 26, 2026

SATURDAY, April 18:

1:30 p.m.	Weis/Bolden Wedding in Church
4:00 p.m.	+ Bill & Patrick Doyle by Lynn & Billy Doyle
	+ Rick Favero by Gary & Pat Nagel
5:00 p.m.	Confessions

SUNDAY, April 19: 3rd Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m.	+ Lorraine Jackinoski Anniv. Rem. by Family
	+ Richard Jackinoski Birth. Rem. by Family
10:00 a.m.	Michael & Mary Ann Tierney Wedd. Anniv. Congrats
Noon	Jennifer Stasieluk for Health by Family
1:00 p.m.	Baptisms in Church

MONDAY, April 20:

7:30 a.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory by Rita Hatzopoulos

TUESDAY, April 21: St. Anselm

7:30 a.m.	+ Helen LaVoy by Daughter

WEDNESDAY, April 22:

7:30 a.m.	+ Peg Kilian Anniv. Rem. by the Kilian Family
	+ Juan Manalang & Family by the Milo Family
9:30 a.m.	A.A. Meeting in Church Basement
4:45 p.m.	R.E. Classes in School

THURSDAY, April 23: St. George, St. Adalbert

7:30 a.m.	+ Rita M. Moore by St. Joseph Parish

FRIDAY, April 24: St. Francis of Sigmaringen

12:05 p.m.	Mary Kay Tierney Birth. Congrats & Thanksgiving for Friendship by Lynn
8:00 p.m.	A.A. Meeting in Church Basement

SATURDAY, April 25: St. Mark

4:00 p.m.	+ Angeline Tondini Birth Rem. by Family
	+ Daniel Doyle by Lynn & Billy Doyle
	Richard & Dana Pierzchala Wedd. Anniv. Congrats by the Kilian Family
5:00 p.m.	Confessions

SUNDAY, April 26: 4th Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m.	+ Joann Rembles by Family
10:00 a.m.	Peter Oprzedek Birth. Congrats.by Mom & Dad
Noon	The Parish Family

Bill Doyle Jr., Connor & Matthais Erickson, Phil Timm, Esmerelda & Gregory Bonk, Luke Bonk, Patrick Bonk, Gary and Mark Ellison, Cora Zgrabik, Brooke Zych, Merle Carrigan, Wyatt Blevins, Marzena Stasieluk, Anonymous Prayer Request, Joann Elison, Alfred Péna, Charlotte Mater, Rosalie Devincenzi, 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, Natalie Grycko, Marilyn Carrigan, Dan Bryant, Craig Shelton, Mariana Gonzales, Claude Poulsen, Hillary Shelton, Barbara Majerczyk, Ted Stevenson, Michelle Bensinger, Andre Schlinker, Michelle Marusak, Dennis Strode, Patrick Marusak, Joe Kopinski, Peggy O'Keefe, and Sandra Veles.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
April 25 & 26

SATURDAY, April 25 @ 8:00 P.M.

Presider:	**Fr. Dan**
Musicians:	**V. Moreno, JR Gillogly**
Readers:	**D. Haag**
EM:	**R. Ward**
Servers:	**E Belsan, C. Belsan**
Ushers:	A. Lostroscio
	G. Nagel

SUNDAY, April 26 @ 8:00 A.M.

Presider:	**Fr. Dan**
Reader:	**P. Glynn**
EM:	**J. Drozdek**
Musicians:	**R. Nicholas, M. O'CP**
Ushers:	R. Schenk
	N. Wheeler
	J. Drozdek

SUNDAY, April 26 @ 10:00 A.M.

Presider:	**Fr. Dan**
Musician:	**Choir**
Reader:	**R. Peterson**
EM:	**J. Ranney**
Servers:	**E. Ranney, C. Ranney**
Ushers:	T. Stark, G. Little

SUNDAY, April 26 @ NOON

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

Readings for the week of April 19, 2026

Sunday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/ Lk 24:13-35
Monday:	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	Acts 7:51-8:1a/ Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/ Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8/ Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/ Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40/ Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20/ Ps 117:1bc, 2/ Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/ Mk 16:15-20
Next Sunday:	Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Observances for the week of April 19, 2026

Sunday:	3rd Sunday of Easter
Tuesday:	St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday:	*Administrative Professionals' Day; Earth Day*
Thursday:	St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr
Friday:	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr; *Arbor Day*
Saturday:	St. Mark, Evangelist
Next Sunday:	4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

STEUBENVILLE JOLIET

"I am worthy"

June 26-28, 2026

Don't miss the Steubenville Joliet Youth Conference!

Join 2,000 + high school youth for a dynamic conference featuring speakers, music, fun, and worship.

The registration deadline is May 5.

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Mini reflection: Christ gave us everything. He gave us "happily ever after." But what do you do with everything? What do you do with "happily ever after?" What do you do with the Resurrection? What do you do with salvation?

The Story That Never Ends
The biggest mistake we can make as Christians is to think that the Resurrection is the end of the story.

Of course we *know*, logically, that it isn't — there are whole books of the Bible that come after it, detailing not just the activities and teachings of the Risen Christ, but the development of the early Church and the Gospel's first baby steps into the wider world. We know this.

But sometimes we don't act like it.

The thing is, we like stories that can be tied up neatly in a bow. It's why "happily ever after" is a thing. These tidy endings are especially satisfying following an emotional gut punch and a twist — for instance, let's say the crucifixion of the story's hero and a *gotcha!* moment where it turns out he's not dead after all. Drinks all around! And…scene. The curtain falls.

But the curtain didn't fall. It still hasn't.

Look at Cleopas. He has heard the testimony of people he knew, people he trusted — and yet, he's in a world of confusion. He's stumbling along the road, wondering what to believe.

Christ gave us "happily ever after." But what do you do with "happily ever after?" What do you do with the Resurrection? What do you do with salvation?

The Resurrection left loose ends — not because it was insufficient, but because it was not a final chapter. So being a Christian means embracing the life of a loose end. It means figuring out what to do with the Resurrection, with salvation, with forgiveness — with this hard-won "happily ever after" that is a gift but also a commission.

Because the curtain is still up, and we are all characters in the Greatest Story Ever Told.

So, what's the next scene?

Stewardship

April 12, 2026

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	**6657.00**
Weekly Average of all ACH And CC Transactions	**2867.00**
TOTAL	**$9,524.00**

($loose cash: 1,184.00)

BUDGETED WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: $10.150.00

DEFICIT: (626.00)
Easter: $860.00
Debt/Campus Repair: $241.00
Holy Land: $70.00
Catholic Relief: $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.

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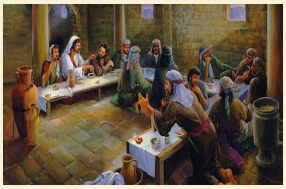
CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: What is the name of the Jewish feast day that Jesus celebrated the Last Supper on?

Answer: The Passover Feast



SHADY OAKS SPRING CLEAN-UP

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SATURDAY MAY 16
9 AM—1 PM

- **Rain or shine event**
- **Community service hours**
- **Bring work gloves**

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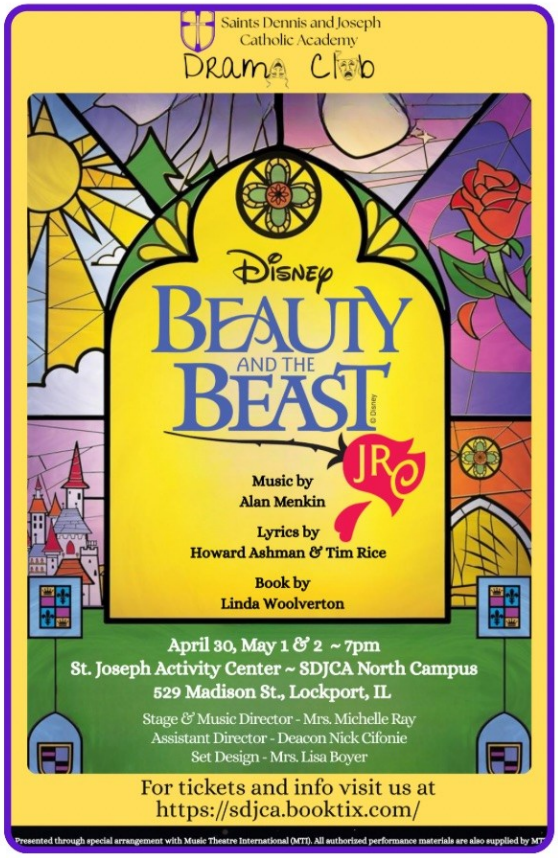
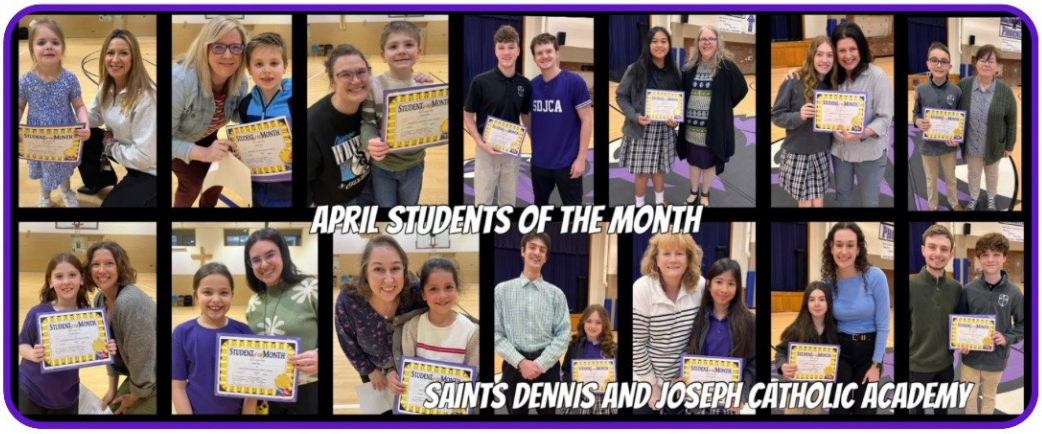


We are in the homestretch of year three together as Saints Dennis and Joseph Catholic Academy. To our parishioners…thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your continued support of our school. None of what we do is possible without you!

BE OUR GUEST: SDJCA Drama Club invites you to the Spring Musical 2026: Beauty and the Beast, Jr. You don't want to miss these students shine onstage! Secure your tickets today!

Thank you to our Auction Co-Chairs, Mrs. Jackie Kashirsky and Mrs. Carly Connors, for their hard work and dedication in making our LIGHTS-CAMERA-AUCTION! Dinner Dance 2026 a wonderful and successful night for all, raising $68,000 for our school! BRAVO!



Congratulations,
April Students of the Month!
ELC - Delia W.
Kindergarten - Landon P.
1st Grade - Jakob D.
2nd Grade - Prairie D.
3rd Grade - Addie B.
4th Grade - Victoria A.
5th Grade - Valentina Z.
Junior High ELA - Luca C.
Junior High Math - Marissa B.
Junior High Science - Fatima U.
Junior High Social Studies - Isaac O.
K-8 Art - Lisbeth M.
K - 8 Music - Jillian H.
K - 8 - P.E. - Chase K.

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OPERATION ANDREW DINNER

Young men and their fathers are invited to **join Bishop Dennis Spies and several area priests for dinner, conversation, and testimonials about their own vocation stories.**

There will be opportunity for a question-and-answer session and meeting other young men open to the priesthood.

SCAN ME

St. Raphel Parish
1215 Modaff Rd
Naperville, IL 60540

MAY 27TH 6PM

Open to high school and young adult age men and their fathers

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.

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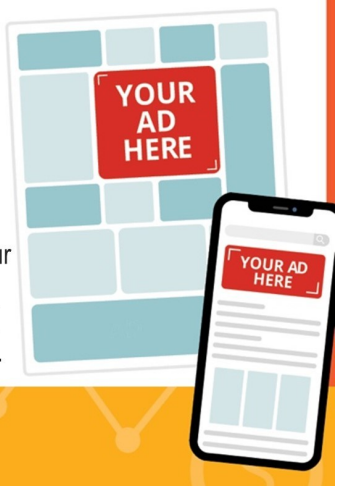

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