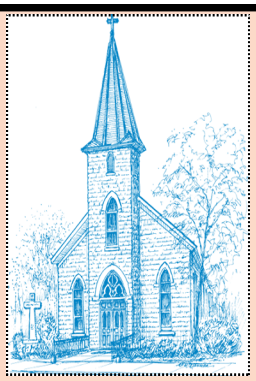

Welcome to

St. Joseph Catholic Parish

A Faith Community Since 1868

May 24, 2026

PENTECOST SUNDAY

"And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them." Acts 2:2-3

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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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Deadline: Monday	Deadline: Friday
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MASSES, INTENTIONS, AND EVENTS

May 23-May 31, 2026

SATURDAY, May 23:	
9:00 a.m.	**Knights of Columbus Blood Drive in Mobile Coach**
4:00 p.m.	**+ Kazimierz Rachwalski by Family**
	+ Walt Purdy & Patti Scully by Wife & Family
	+ Brittany Bales, Matthew Weck, & Maryann Pèna by Family
5:00 p.m.	**Confessions**
SUNDAY, May 24:	**Pentecost Sunday**
8:00 a.m.	**The Parish Family**
10:00 a.m.	**+ The Soul & Family of Justin Stuck by John Walters**
Noon	**+ Gloria Cicirale Anniv. Rem. by Family**
	+ Nanciline Noel by Family
MONDAY, May 25:	**The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Memorial Day**
9:00 a.m.	**+ Reverend Tom McGivney by the Garvey Family**
TUESDAY, May 26:	St. Philip Neri
7:30 a.m.	**+ Joyce Welsh by John Walters**
WEDNESDAY, May 27:	St. Augustine of Canterbury
7:30 a.m.	**+ The Soul & Family of John Gonczy by John Walters**
9:30 a.m.	**A.A. Meeting in Church Basement**
THURSDAY, May 28:	
7:30 a.m.	**+ Connie Evans**
FRIDAY, May 29:	St. Paul VI, Pope
12:05 p.m.	**+ Adelaida Natividad by the Milo Family**
SATURDAY, May 30:	
4:00 p.m.	**+ LeRoy Nagel by Family**
	+ David Mizaur by Susan O'Rourke
5:00 p.m.	**Confessions**
SUNDAY, May 31:	**The Most Holy Trinity**
8:00 a.m.	**The Parish Family**
10:00 a.m.	**+ Leroy Nagel Anniv. Rem. by Family**
	+ Frank Oprzedek Anniv. Rem. by Family
Noon	**George Connolly Birth. Congrats. by the Garvey Family**
1:00 p.m.	**Picnic with the Priests**

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, Dan Bryant, Craig Shelton, Claude Poulsen, Hillary Shelton, Barbara Majerczyk, Ted Stevenson, Michelle Bensinger, Andre Schlinker, Michelle Marusak, Dennis Strode, Patrick Marusak, Joe Kopinski.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
May 30-31

SATURDAY, May 30 @ 4:00 P.M.

Readers:	**R. Peterson**
EM:	**D. Haag**
Servers:	**E. Belsan, C. Belsan**
Musicians:	**K. Clark**
Ushers:	A. Lostroscio
	G. Nagel
	J. Wisneski

SUNDAY, May 31 @ 8:00 A.M.

Reader:	**M. Schultz**
EM:	**J. Hartford**
Musicians:	**R. Nicholas, M. O'CP**
Ushers:	R. Schenk
	N. Wheeler
	J. Drozdek

SUNDAY, May 31@ 10:00 A.M.

Reader:	**J. Ranney**
EM:	**P. Ciciora**
Servers:	**C. Ranney, E. Ranney, J. Gubala**
Musician:	**Choir**
Ushers:	T. Stark,
	G. Little
	T. Marcione

SUNDAY, May 31 @ NOON

Reader:	**T. Governale**
EM:	**P. Burandt**
Musicians:	**J.R. Gillogly**
Ushers:	M. Adelman
	S Fitzmaurice
	J. Garvey

MEMORIAL DAY
MONDAY, MAY 25, 2026
MASS AT 9:00 A.M.

Memorial Day is both a time for personal reflection on the sacrifices of fallen soldiers and a national observance that unites communities in honoring the courage and dedication of those who gave their lives for the *country*.

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Sunday:	**Vigil**: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24 and 35, 27-28, 29b-30/ Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 or, for the **Extended Vigil**: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3 -8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/ Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 (see Lectionary for Mass Supplement, 62) **Day**: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12 -13/Jn 20:19-23
Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/ Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:	1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday:	1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45
Thursday:	1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52
Friday:	1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/ Mk 11:11-26
Saturday:	Jude 17, 20b-25/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33
Next Sunday:	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

Observances for the week of May 24, 2026

Sunday:	Pentecost Sunday
Monday:	Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; *Memorial Day*
Tuesday:	St. Philip Neri, Priest
Wednesday:	St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
Friday:	St. Paul VI, Pope
Next Sunday:	The Most Holy Trinity

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
REGISTRATION 2026-27

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 St. Joseph School Campus, beginning in September.

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Pentecost

Question:
Why do we celebrate Pentecost when we do?

Answer:
The book of Acts unpacks the events immediately following Jesus' ascension into heaven. The Apostles and other disciples were told to pray in Jerusalem and await another outpouring of the Holy Spirit. As the weeks ticked on, the Jewish Festival of Weeks approached. This festival took place 50 days after Passover and celebrated the giving of the law on Mount Sinai. The Festival of Weeks (or "Pentecost" in Greek) was a great pilgrimage feast, with Jews from all over the ancient world convening on Jerusalem for the celebration.

It was on Pentecost that God chose to send the Holy Spirit. Here, the new law of love was etched into the hearts of the disciples. As he burst out onto the balcony above the multinational crowd, Peter proclaimed the message of the resurrection, and the Holy Spirit enabled every listener to hear in their native language. 3,000 people were baptized that day! The disciples — and every baptized person — receives the gifts and zeal necessary to bring a new message of salvation to the people of God.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, fan into flame the gifts
I received in my Baptism and Confirmation.

I want to receive the fire of Your love
as Your disciples did at Pentecost.

Come with wonder and awe,
with wisdom, understanding, and counsel,
with courage and faith in You.

Holy Spirit, may my actions witness
to Your presence in my life.

Help me to see the ways my strengths
can serve others in their weakness.

In all my interactions, I want to radiate
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and
self-control.

Stewardship

May 17, 2026

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	**5860.00**
Weekly Average of all ACH And CC Transactions	**2867.00**
TOTAL	**$8,727.00**
($loose cash: 997.00)	

BUDGETED WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: $10.150.00

DEFICIT: (1,423.00)

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.

What is the meaning of Pentecost in the Scriptures?

St. Luke describes the setting of the descent of the Holy Spirit as "the day when Pentecost had come" (Acts 2:1). This Fiftieth Day (pentekoste) was for Israel a spring harvest feast ending the days of celebration after Passover. It was also a celebration of the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai. For the Christian, it remains the "fiftieth day," but after Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection, and the celebration of the Gift of the Holy Spirit.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (paragraphs 731-732) says:
On the day of Pentecost when the seven weeks of Easter had come to an end, Christ's Passover is fulfilled in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, manifested, given, and communicated as a divine person: of his fullness, Christ, the Lord, pours out the Spirit in abundance.

On that day, the Holy Trinity is fully revealed. Since that day, the Kingdom announced by Christ has been open to those who believe in him: in the humility of the flesh and in faith, they already share in the communion of the Holy Trinity...

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BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE

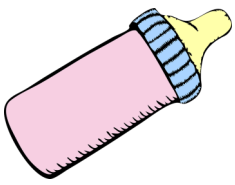
If you have not yet handed in your baby bottles, please bring them to church as soon as you can. You may also drop off the bottles to the rectory during business hours.

Birthright provides practical help, including pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, STD testing and treatment as well as continuing education and support for women in our community who would otherwise be at risk for choosing abortion. Your donations will be used to save the lives of babies and make a positive impact on the mothers.

We will continue to collect baby items through June 7. at church or at the rectory.

If you took a baby bottle, but are not able to donate at this time, we ask that you return the empty botte.

Thank you to everyone who has graciously donated to this program. Your generosity makes an impact on many.



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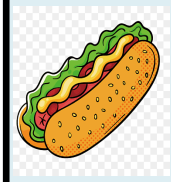

Come, Eat, & Enjoy Fellowship!

Sunday, May 31
1:00 p.m.

Enjoy a robust cook-out!
Brats
Hot dogs
Hamburgers
Sloppy joes
Baked beans
Culver's Custard

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The Parish Finance Assurance Manager is responsible for ensuring the integrity, transparency, and compliance of parish financial operations. This role provides independent assurance over financial practices, supports parishes in meeting diocesan policies and regulatory requirements, and promotes strong internal controls and stewardship of parish resources. Key responsibilities include reviewing parish financial statements and processes, assessing internal controls, identifying risks, and providing guidance on best practices in financial management. The role works collaboratively with parish pastors, business managers, bookkeepers and finance councils, and diocesan offices to strengthen accountability, support audits and reviews, and enhance financial governance across assigned parishes. Qualifications include a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting or finance required. Minimum of 3 years of accounting or finance experience. Previous experience with auditing and preparation of financial statements preferred. Knowledge of accounting software (ParishSOFT is a plus). Strong proficiency with Microsoft Word and Excel required; PowerPoint preferred. Must possess strong written and verbal communication skills. Bilingual in Spanish a plus. To view a full job description, visit: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet in Illinois. If interested in this amazing opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume to the Human Resources Department at humanresources@dioceseofjoliet.org. When sending your cover letter and resume, please reference Parish Finance Assurance Manager in the subject line of your email.

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_____

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_____New Parishioner

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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.