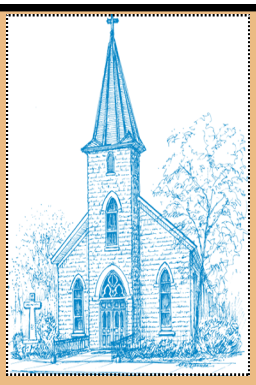

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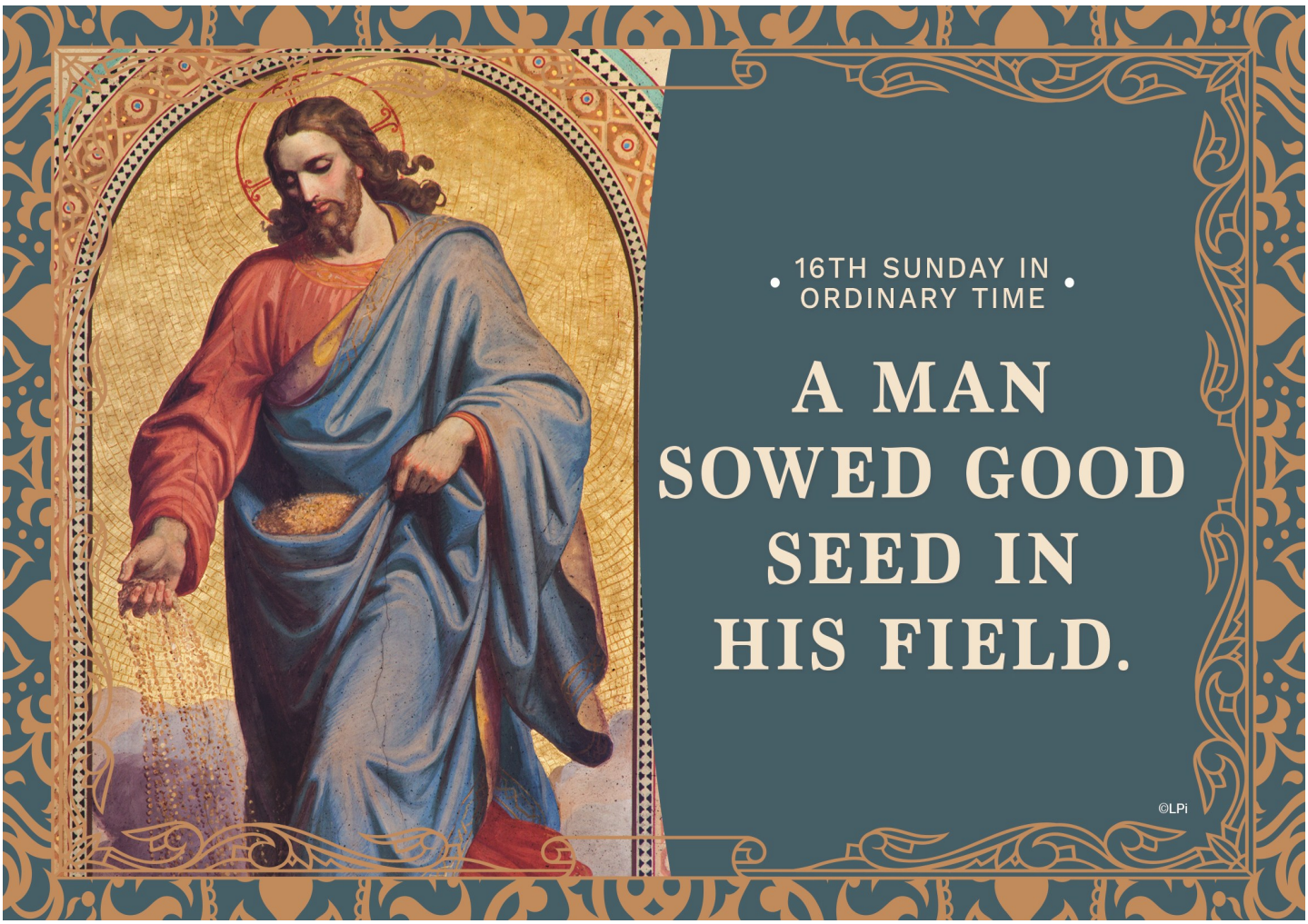
St. Joseph Catholic Parish

A Faith Community Since 1868

July 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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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 18—July 26, 2026

SATURDAY, July 18:	St. Camillus de Lellis
4:00 p.m.	**+ Robert & Julie Solley by Family**
	Tod Kilian Birth. Congrats. By the Kilian Family
5:00 p.m.	**Confessions**
SUNDAY, July 19: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 a.m.	**+ Len Fracaro Family by Daughters**
	+ Leonard Skuta Anniv. Rem. by Skuta Family
10:00 a.m.	**+ Wesley Loboz by Wife**
	+ Florentyna Dzieazina by Daughter
Noon	**The Parish Family**
MONDAY, July 20:	St. Apollinaris
7:30 a.m.	**+ David Knable by George Gogola**
TUESDAY, July 21:	St. Lawrence of Brindisi
7:30 a.m.	**+ Pattie Wiermann by the Garvey Family**
WEDNESDAY, July 22:	St. Mary Magdalene
7:30 a.m.	**Wedding Congrats. of 3 yrs. to James & Amanda O'Rourke by Mom**
9:30 a.m.	**A.A. Meeting in Church Basement**
THURSDAY, July 23:	St. Bridget
7:30 a.m.	**+ Stanislaw & Helena Olszak Radzik by the Oprzedek Family**
FRIDAY, July 24:	St. Sharbei Makhlūf
12:05 p.m.	**+ Leo Litzan by the Clark Family**
	+ Tom Adelmann Anniv. Rem. by Denise Adelmann
8:00 p.m.	**A.A. Meeting in Church Basement**
SATURDAY, July 25:	St. James
4:00 p.m.	**+ Shawn McDaniel by Therese Piazza**
	Thea Oprzedek Birth. Congrats.by Family
5:00 p.m.	**Confessions**
SUNDAY, July 26:	**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00 a.m.	**+ Lorraine Jackinoski Birth. Rem.by Family**
10:00 a.m.	**+ Leon Andreshak Anniv. Rem. by the Andreshak Family**
	John & Anna Hejl Birth. Blessings by Family
Noon	**+ Jozef Reczek Birth. Rem. by Daughter & Family**

Bill Doyle Jr., Connor & Matthais Erickson, Phil Timm, Esmerelda & Gregory Bonk, Luke Bonk, Patrick Bonk, Gary and Mark Ellison, Cora Zgrabik, Brooke Zych, 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, and Martine Mcmahon.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
July 25 & 26

SATURDAY, July 25 @ 4:00 P.M.

Presider:	**Fr. Jared**
Readers:	**R. Ward**
EM:	**R. Ward**
Musicians:	**V. Moreno, JR Gillogly**
Ushers:	A. Lostroscio
	G. Nagel
	J. Wisneski

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

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

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

Presider;	**Fr. Jared**
Reader:	**J. Ranney**
EM:	**I. Hurtado**
Servers;	**E. Ranney, C. Ranney**
Musician:	**Choir**
Ushers:	T. Stark,
	G. Little
	T. Marcione

SUNDAY, July 26 @ NOON

Presider:	**Fr. Jared**
Reader:	**D. Adelmann**
EM:	**P. Burandt**
Musicians:	**M. Ray**
Ushers:	M. Adelman
	S Fitzmaurice
	J. Garvey

Readings for the week of July 19, 2026

Sunday:	Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30
Monday:	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday:	Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday:	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 13:18-23
Saturday:	2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28
Next Sunday:	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Observances for the week of July 19, 2026

Sunday:	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr
Tuesday:	St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday:	St. Mary Magdalene
Thursday:	St. Bridget, Religious
Friday:	St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
Saturday:	St. James, Apostle
Next Sunday:	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: When bishops from around the world gather in council to make decisions for the Universal Church, what is the council called?

Answer: An Ecumenical Council

Join Season 13 of Be Formed!

BE FORMED

Be Formed is a 90-day disciple-ship experience for men and women that includes weekly videos, small groups, prayer, fellowship and nights of reflection. Registration for Season 13 of Be Formed opens on August 15, with the season formally kicking off on September 14th. If you are interested in registering for Season 13 or if you have any questions, please reach out to us at beformed@dioceseofjoliet.org.

Stewardship

July 12, 2026

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	**5878.00**
Weekly Average of all ACH And CC Transactions	**2867.00**
TOTAL	**$8,745.00**
($loose cash: 957.00)	

BUDGETED WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: $10.150.00

DEFICIT: (1405.00)

Debt/Campus Repair: $170.00

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.

Dear Saint Joseph Parish,

Summer is a time to rest. Family reunions, trips to the beach, and barbecues mark our weekends. In my family, we often sat around the fire pit while friends stopped by. Likewise, times of tranquility serve to strengthen our spiritual life. Take time to pray, to read a spiritual book, or to attend an extra Mass during the week. There are many Catholic podcasts and audiobooks for your daily walk or commute. Although we all need a vacation, there is never a vacation from God!

At the parish, July serves as a month of preparation for ministries that begin in the fall such as the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA), religious education, and the new school year. Father Dan has entrusted responsibilities to me which include OCIA. This is a ministry I have always wanted to do. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or completing their Sacraments, please contact the parish office. In addition, if you are already Catholic and simply want to go deeper in your faith, consider making this class a part of your week. Catechesis is not just for kids – it is for adults too!

Throughout the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus preaches five discourses: the Sermon on the Mount, the Missionary Instructions, the Parables of the Kingdom, the Ecclesial Discourse, and the Eschatological Discourse. This Sunday continues the third of these, the Parables of the Kingdom. Parables were a common way of Jewish teaching. Jesus speaks in parables to reveal his message to some while concealing it from others: "they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand" (Mt 13:13). Indeed, only the humble understand Jesus' parables.

In today's Gospel, we learn that God does not uproot the "weeds" in his field but allows them to grow alongside his wheat. These weeds represent the children of the evil one, while the wheat represent the children of God. Through this parable, the Lord indicates both God's mercy and his justice. He does not immediately uproot us when we sin. Rather, He gives us time to repent. At the end of our lives, each of us will be judged and separated. Remember, the only thing that can separate us from God is ourselves. The Lord is always ready to forgive us, but we must be willing to ask for forgiveness. Today, let us give thanks that God is always ready to show mercy to the repentant.

Father Jared Rutnicki

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.

St.JosephRE@aol.com
or
815-838-2112

HEALING MASS & LUNCHEON

All St. Joseph Parishioners and Friends are invited to attend a Mass with Anointing of the Sick on Friday, July 31, 2026 12:05 p.m.

Afterward, walk on over to the Activity Center and share lunch with your friends!

If you are planning on attending the Luncheon, please call Jean at the rectory, so we know how much food to order!
815-838-0187

The luncheon will be a Free Will Offering, but you are welcome to bring and share your favorite dessert with others!

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. Contact the rectory office at 815-838-0187, or email jgenty@stjosephlockport.org for further information.

Classes begin in the fall.

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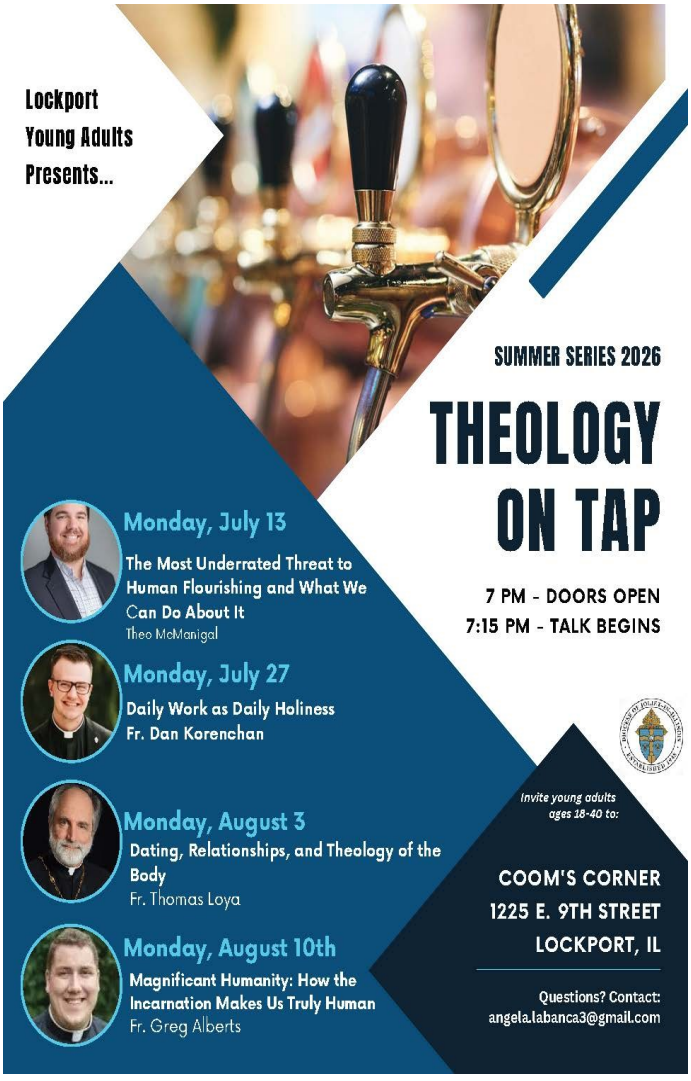

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OKTOBERFEST 2026

OCTOBER 9, 10, 11

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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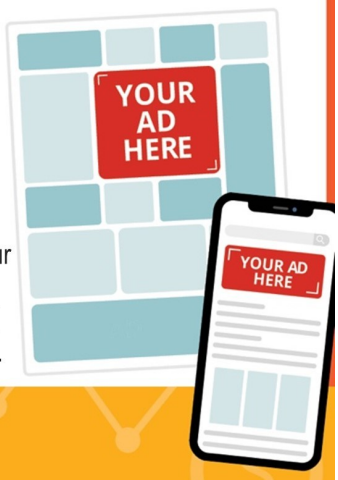
Julie Blanford from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.



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