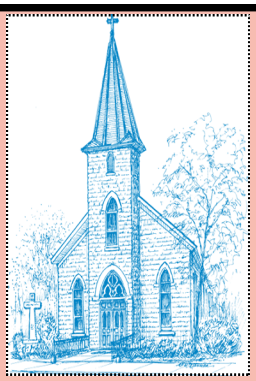

Welcome to

St. Joseph Catholic Parish

A Faith Community Since 1868

August 2, 2026

HE SAID THE BLESSING, BROKE THE LOAVES, AND GAVE THEM TO THE DISCIPLES. —MT 14:19C

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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.

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
August 1-August 9, 2026

SATURDAY, August 1:	
4:00 p.m.	**+ John Jadron by Family**
	Clif Kilian & Dayna Pierzchala Birth. Congrats. by the Kilian Family
5:00 p.m.	**Confessions**
SUNDAY, August 2:	**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00 a.m.	**+ Deceased Members of the Juban, Dziuban, & Hylek Families by Sylvia**
	+ Zygmunt Hoffman Anniv. Rem. by Wife & Family
10:00 a.m.	**+ Patti Weierman by Babs & Neil Morris**
Noon	**Mary Moster Birth. Congrats. by the Garvey Family**
MONDAY, August 3:	
7:30 a.m.	**+ Souls in Purgatory by Rita Hatzopoulos**
TUESDAY, August 4:	St. John Vianney
7:30 a.m.	**+ Gloria Gembala by Tom & Carole Beranek**
WEDNESDAY, August 5:	Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
7:30 a.m.	**+ Rosie Tamayo & Family by the Milo Family**
	Alison & Nick Prohl Wedd. Anniv. Congrats. by Mom & Dad
9:30 a.m.	**A.A. Meeting in Church Basement**
THURSDAY, August 6:	**Transfiguration of the Lord**
7:30 a.m.	**Martine McMahon for Healing**
FRIDAY, August 7:	St. Sixtus II & Companions
12:05 p.m.	**First Friday Mass with Adoration to follow**
8:00 p.m.	**A.A. Meeting in Church Basement**
SATURDAY, August 8:	St. Dominic
4:00 p.m.	**Elaine Kilian by the Kilian Family**
	+ Bill Molony by Jim & Lilli Rozanski
5:00 p.m.	**Confessions**
SUNDAY, August 9:	**19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00 a.m.	**+ Hazel & Charlie Adelman by the Hartford Family**
10:00 a.m.	**+ Leon & Angie Andreshak Wedd. Anniv. Rem. by wife Angie**
	+ Marianne Kowalkowski by Family
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, Wyatt Blevins, Marzena Stasieluk, Anonymous Prayer Request, Joann Elison, Alfred Péna, Charlotte Mater, Rosalie Devincenzi, Bob Matke, Wayne Allen, Keith Adelmann, Joelee McMaster, Karen Singer, 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
August 8 & 9

SATURDAY, August 8 @ 4:00 P.M.

Presider:	**N/A**
Reader:	**E. Long**
EM:	**D. Haag**
Musicians:	**Choir**
Ushers:	A. Lostroscio
	G. Nagel
	J. Wisneski

SUNDAY, August 9 @ 8:00 A.M.

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

SUNDAY, August 9 @ 10:00 A.M.

Presider:	**N/A**
Reader:	**NEEDED**
EM:	**T. Stark**
Musician:	**Choir**
Ushers:	T. Stark
	G. Little
	T. Marcione

SUNDAY, August 9 @ NOON

Presider:	**N/A**
Reader:	**J. Delfinado**
EM:	**P. Burandt**
Musicians:	**M. Ray**
Ushers:	M. Adelman
	S Fitzmaurice
	J. Garvey

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
AUGUST 6

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

Readings for the week of August 2, 2026

Sunday:	Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18/ Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21
Monday:	Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday:	Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday:	Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/ Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9
Friday:	Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28
Saturday:	Hb 1:12-2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/ Mt 17:14-20
Next Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

Observances for the week of August 2, 2026

Sunday:	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	St. John Vianney, Priest
Wednesday:	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Thursday:	The Transfiguration of the Lord
Friday:	St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
Saturday:	St. Dominic, Priest
Next Sunday:	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

BE FORMED

Join Season 13 of Be Formed!

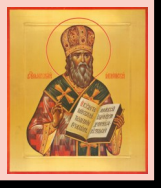
Be Formed is a 90-day discipleship experience for men and women that includes weekly videos, small groups, prayer, fellowship and nights of reflection.

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.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: In addition to Jesus' mother Mary, which saint is depicted in artwork more than any other?

Answer: St. Nicholas



ANNOUNCING THE 48TH ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Sunday, August 30
1:00 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.

Bishop Dennis Spies will celebrate the Mass and will lead all couples in a special renewal of wedding commitment.

Pre-registration is required by August 10

Questions? Contact Deacon Doug McIlvaine
815-221-6156
dmcilvaine@dioceseofjoliet.org

Question:

If God is eternal and infinite, how can He have a mother? Why don't we call Mary just the mother of Jesus?

Answer:

The title of "Mary, Mother of God" can be confusing. We aren't implying that Mary existed from eternity or that she is divine herself. We aren't promoting some kind of Marian superpowers. The Church has fought for this title throughout the centuries for one simple reason: Christ's identity is at stake.

As the Church grew in the early centuries, theologians wrestled with what it meant for Jesus to be both God and man. Many distortions of his identity began to emerge. One of these was propagated by a man named Nestorius. Nestorius and his followers denied that Jesus' human nature and his divine nature were inseparable. Following that logic, Mary could have only conceived Jesus' *human* nature. But people don't give birth to a "nature." They give birth to a whole person. For Jesus, his whole person is both human and divine. In 431 A.D. the Council of Ephesus denounced Nestorius. The bishops affirmed that Jesus is both fully human and fully divine and proclaimed Mary *Theotokos.* Translating the Greek to English, that means "God-bearer." Note that this isn't "God-generator" or "God-creator." Mary bore Jesus, God and man, in her womb and gave him birth. She is mother to the whole person, the whole Jesus, and therefore Mother of God.

Stewardship

June 7, 2026

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	**5857.00**
Weekly Average of all ACH And CC Transactions	**2867.00**
TOTAL	**$8,724.00**
($loose cash: 1,018.00)	

BUDGETED WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED: $10.150.00

DEFICIT: (1426.00)

Debt/Campus Repair: $40.00

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.

DAYBREAK

St. Joseph is scheduled to serve dinner for the guests of DAYBREAK on Wednesday, August 19. The menu this month will be fried chicken, with breakfast foods for the next morning. We are expecting approximately 75 people, and the following items are needed for the dinner:

4—five pound containers of potato salad
8—bags of potato chips
8—cans of baked beans
8—bags of salad
3—jars of salad dressing
Fresh fruit of any kind
4—gallons of juice/lemonade
Dessert items
Breakfast foods:
Orange juice
Cereal
Hard boiled eggs
Bagels/cream cheese

Feeding the Community

Please call the rectory at 815-838-0187 if you would like to donate food. Monetary donations will also be appreciated to offset the cost of the fried chicken.

Donations can be brought to the rectory on Tuesday, August 18 or Wednesday morning, August 19.

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

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SUMMER SERIES 2026

THEOLOGY ON TAP
Coom's Corner
1225 E 9th St, Lockport

7 PM—DOORS OPEN
7:15 PM—TALK BEGINS

Monday, August 3:
"Dating Relationships and Theology of the Body"
Fr. Thomas Loya

Monday, August 10:
"Magnificent Humanity: How the Incarnation Makes Us Truly Human"
Fr. Greg Alberts

Questions? Contact
angelalabanca3@gmail.com

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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.

A SWING AND A PRAYER

Join Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet for **A Swing and a Prayer**, our annual golf outing benefiting programs and services that provide hope, help, and support to individuals and families throughout our seven-county service area.
Spend a day on one of Chicagoland's premier golf courses while helping Catholic Charities continue its mission of serving people in need and calling others of good will to do the same.

Event Details
Tuesday, August 25, 2026
Cog Hill Golf & Country Club
Lemont, Illinois

Rain or shine, the day will feature great golf, delicious food and drinks, exciting contests, raffles, a silent auction, and opportunities to connect with fellow supporters of Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities
815-723-3405

1ST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR AUGUST 7

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!

National Day of Remembrance for the Unborn

Join the Diocese of Joliet for the National Day of Remembrance for the Unborn from 12:30 - 1:30 pm on September 12, 2026 at Resurrection Cemetery, 200 W. Romeo Road Romeoville, IL.

Presider: Most Rev. Dennis Spies
Speaker: Dr. Monica Migliorino Miller, Ph.D. Founder, Citizens for a Pro-Life Society

If you have questions about the local event, please contact Don Hrdlicka at

pharmdon@hotmail.com
or 630-415-6603

The first National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children was held in September 2013 on the 25th anniversary of the solemn burial of the earthly remains of some 1,500 abortion victims in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. More than 100 memorial services were held across the United States, and it was clear this should become an annual event.

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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