



Dear Parishioners,

As I write this – on Monday, of course – I am already starting to feel the excitement of the upcoming weekend, The Feast of Pentecost and the wonderful things that are, with God's help, going to happen. I refer, of course, to the celebration of the Sacraments of Confirmation and reception of the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

I can still remember those events in my own life. I was confirmed and received First Holy Communion in the second grade. When I entered Our Lady of Good Counsel in 1957, I was placed in the one first-grade class there was back then – with 99 other kids! Imagine it 100 kids under the care of one sister. Our teacher was Sister Anita. And, you guessed it, one could hear a pin drop in that class. No messing around, no back-talk. Try any one of those things and you'd get a slap in the face or three smacks on the butt. And, if you were stupid enough to tell mommy or daddy about it, you'd get a worse punishment from them! So, instead of fooling around, we all learned our lessons instead. It was a lot less painful.

Oh, by the way, we all wanted Sister Anita as our teacher in the second grade and that's what happened. It's amazing what we learned in those early grades. We were quizzed every day on catechism questions to prepare for Confirmation, all 100 of us. Back then, the bishop asked the kids questions and we would certainly NOT want to make mistakes or stumble in our answers. And, yikes, imagine the embarrassment if one of us didn't know the answer to the question the bishop asked. So oral quizzes every day at Sister's desk. And somehow, we were also able to learn to read, write (in CURSIVE, mind you) and do arithmetic. We learned poetry, music, art and, especially, courtesy and obedience. Imagine having a little of that at Columbia or U of P these days!

Well, let's be happy at the thought of our kids receiving these wonderful sacraments this weekend, my dear family. God bless you.

Father Magiera

Saint Joseph Catholic Church May 18th/19th, 2024



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Office/Rectory Hours:
Monday through Friday
11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

2024 Liturgical Calendar and Mass Intentions

Sanctuary Lamp	In Remembrance of Mark McCague by Mr. & Mrs. James McCague
Sat., May 18th	Pentecost
4:15 pm	+ Maria Dakota Carlton by Carlton Family
Sat., May 18th	Pentecost Sunday (1st cl.)
6:00 pm	+ Kenneth Kirstein by Joel Kirstein Family
Sun., May 19th	Pentecost Sunday (1st cl.)
8:00 am	Jason Burdette by Warren Dorman
10:00 am	Pro Populo
Mon., May 20th	Pentecost Monday (1st cl.)
7:30 am	All the Souls in Purgatory especially deceased members of FOSS (Friends of the Suffering Souls)
Tues., May 21st	Pentecost Tuesday (1st cl.)
7:30 am	+ Uncle Albert Milanesi and + Aunt Leonilda Milanesi by Mr. & Mrs. Burno Fieramosca
Wed., May 22nd	Ember Wednesday in the Octave of Pentecost (1st cl.)
7:30 am	In repentance and reparation for the sins within our Church and our World
Thur., May 23rd	Pentecost Thursday (1st cl.)
7:30 am	Joseph Wooden by Felix Venice Jr.
5:30 pm	+ John J. Nevin Sr. by Nevin Family
Fri., May 24th	Ember Friday in the Octave of Pentecost (1st cl.)
7:30 am	Confraternity of St. Peter by L.T. Lee
Sat., May 25th	Ember Saturday in the Octave of Pentecost (1st cl.)
8:00 am	John C. McCague by John & Barb McCague
Sat., May 25th	Trinity Sunday
4:15 pm	+ Edward Gould by Jan Gould & Family

Sat., May 25th	Trinity Sunday (1st cl.)
6:00 pm	+ John G. Heidekrueger by Ray Glowa
Sun., May 26th	Trinity Sunday (1st cl.)
8:00 am	Mr. & Mrs. Warren Dorman and Family by Sammy Nawas
10:00 am	Pro Populo

Mass Schedule

Ordinary Form

Saturday 4:15pm

Extraordinary Form

Saturday, 6:00 pm; Sunday 8:00 am; 10:00 am; 4:30 pm (Naperville)

Monday through Friday: 7:30 am

ALSO Thursday 5:30 pm, followed by Holy Hour and Benediction

AND First Friday (ONLY) 6:00 pm; Saturday 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation

Ordinary Form: 4:15 p.m. anticipated Mass, if a priest is available

Extraordinary Form: 7:30 am & 6:00 pm

Confessions

30 minutes before Mass

WELCOME VISITORS!

Worship Aides for both forms of the Mass are in the pew racks. We welcome new parishioners. Census forms are in the back of the church, either in racks or on the tables. Turn in your form to Fr. Magiera or place your form in the collection basket. No need to respond 'Amen' at Latin Mass Holy Communion.

Weddings

For parishioners with faithful parish membership for at least one year. Please inquire at least 6 months prior to intended date.



Baptisms

Any weekday is possible, but Saturdays are preferred. To schedule your family's Baptism, please call or email Fr. Magiera. Thank you very much!

Prayer Intentions for healing or sick members:

Christy Becker, Jim Dernulc, Mary Lund, Kathleen Mary McNair, Ray Tomanio, Merlin Melnarik, Kaira Paramo, Russler Family, Angie Schuman, Judy Splayt, Fr. Chris Steinle, OSA, Jim Wright, Ken Zabel, Adele Stukas, Aldona Peciura, Nancy Tomanio, Zita Stukas, Hellmann/Roman/Kasperek, Robert Fearncombe, Jr., Isabella Goodrich, Ellen McCague, Mary Mitchell, George Magee, Fr. Christopher Manuele, Susanna Wheeler and James Wheeler, Ricardo Martinez, Ayako Naganuma, Mason Leon Raymond Courney, Cyndy Crane, Isabella Woodsick, Johnny Schutzius, and Ilona Leja, Chris & Theresa Galounis, Marilyn Dolnack, Sandra Surges, Cole Francis Leon, Sue Gorski, Lisa Herron Family: Claudia, Nicholas, Richard and Sandra Pope, Kathy Barthelt, Linda Nace, George MacZura, Steven & Grace Niemiec, Richard Dernulc, Lawrence Lee and Heather Boudreau.

Prayer Intentions for the deceased:

Ben Bazik, Joseph Birsa, Glen Dykhuizen, Tahara Dykhuizen, Barbara Schoenberger, Fran Nelli, Dale Bixenmann, Arthur Birsa, Mary Rose Bucciarelli, Diane Wolfe, Bonnie Nagra, Corinne Bowers, Dr. Stephanie Pavnica, Andrew Pavnica, Maria Fairman, George McCague, Linda Stortz, Kevin Hansen, Richard Blaskie, Fr. Vytas Memenas, Ed Bowlan, Rich Goss, Art Johnson, Rod Springer, Fr. Jess Testa, Lenore Anders, Rita Luzbetak, Mark Evans, Ellen Schutzius, Miguel Piña, Adeline Garvy, Mary Shankland, Alex Tomasino, Stephen Sculley, John J. Nevin Sr., Michael Kelly, Anita Goss, Donald Tadda and Nancy Fury, Glen Proud, Robert Mitchell, Kenneth Kierstein, Joseph Carrabotta, John Kish and Carol Galuska, Fr. Don Buggert, George MacZura IV, Sean O'Connor, Delfino and Maria Carmen Orozco, George Wojtas, Bonnie Reichstadt, Carol Towne, Daniel and Yolanda Moreno, Bob Kuprewicz, Cecilia Hansen, Dianne Figiel, Rosemarie D. Jurgens Marie MacZura, Deacon Kevin Neis and Vera Busch..

By the Numbers for May 11th/12th, 2024

Regular Collection	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$739.01
	Saturday 6:00 PM	\$539.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$2,446.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$1,150.00
	Naperville 4:30 PM	\$1,213.30
Special Needs	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$65.00
	Saturday 6:00 PM	\$332.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$260.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$100.00
	Naperville 4:30 PM	\$695.00
Building Fund	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$20.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$195.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$685.00
Ascension	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$91.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$75.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$150.00
	Naperville 4:30 PM	\$60.00
OLG Seminary	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$200.00
Votive		\$222.00
Salt		\$7.00
Donuts		\$25.00
Rectory Maintenance		\$325.00
Sound System		\$15.00
TOTAL		\$9,609.31

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Mass Attendance for May 11th & 12th

4:15 PM	40
6:00 PM	49
8:00 AM	143
10:00 AM	244
4:30 PM	162

**By the Numbers for
May 9th, 2024**

Regular Collection	Thursday 7:30 AM	\$10.00
	Thursday 6:00 PM	\$20.00
Special Needs	Thursday 6:00 PM	\$35.00
Building Fund	Thursday 6:00 PM	\$20.00
Ascension	Thursday 7:30 AM	\$336.00
	Thursday 6:00 PM	\$828.00
TOTAL		\$1,249.00

THANK YOU VERY MUCH



St. Joseph's Library

The St. Joseph's Church library is back. Stop by the St. Michael room and take a look at the books and devotional materials.



Friday Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

Please join us every Friday for Exposition and Adoration of the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the 7:30 AM Morning Mass until Noon. The Seven Sorrows of Mary Novena and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed until 9:00 a.m. Silent Adoration will follow with the "Changing of the Guards" / (Adorers) at the top of each hour until Noon. All are welcome to come and adore Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

IMPORTANT: Due to email problems with his Proton account, Father Rickert asks you to use the Live address, as on the front of the bulletin, until further notice.

SOCIAL MEDIA



Website:

www.fsspjoliet.wordpress.com



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Text StJoes to 84576 or

sign up online with flocknote.com/StJoesRockdale



Facebook: St. Joseph Catholic Church – Rockdale, Illinois



St. Joseph's Music News

St. Joseph Church adult chant schola and choir rehearses from 7PM to 9 PM Thursdays after the evening Mass and Holy Hour. New members, both men and women, are heartily welcome to join. The children's choir (for children who are old enough to read) rehearses from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. The youth choir rehearses from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Both on Wednesday evening. We welcome new members! For information, speak with Idalia Jimenez after the 10 AM Sunday Mass or contact her through the rectory.

CMAA Report:

St. Joseph's Goal for 2024:	\$27,600
Amount Pledged to Date:	\$20,296
Amount Paid to Date:	\$18,586
Balance Due to Pledged Amount:	\$ 1,710
Balance Due to Goal Amount:	\$ 9,014
REBATE (So Far):	\$ 0



Men's Book Club

The Men's Book Club [MBC] meets biweekly on alternate Thursday nights in the St. Michael Room. Our next five meetings are scheduled for the following evenings: May 02, May 16, May 30, Jun 13 & Jun 27. Meetings begin around 7 PM, following the Holy Hour.

Our **MBC** has just begun exploring a new book: we are now reading ***The Popes Against Modern Errors***, which consists of 16 Papal Encyclicals from the last 200 years. These Papal writings confront a variety of modern attacks on the Catholic Church and her Dogmas. Newcomers to our group are always welcomed. And please, bring a friend!



Our Lady of Fatima, Pray for Us.

Please join us for Our Lady of Fatima Holy Hour on Thursday, June 13, following the 5:30 PM Mass

Mass Intentions

Mass Intention envelopes are available in the back of church. Please PRINT and completely fill out the front of the envelope. We will do our best to accommodate your request. Mass Intentions are filled on a first come, first served basis. The Mass Intention Envelope MUST be completely filled out in order to take your request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the rectory. Thank you very much!



Greeters Needed

Our parish is currently in need of greeters at our entry doors for masses. We have received a lot of positive feedback about those smiling faces welcoming people to the parish. They also assist parishioners with the elevator, help them upstairs, and the like. If you are willing to be a part of this group, there will be an informational meeting in the St. Michael room on Tuesday, June 11th at 7pm.

If you have any questions, email Jim flyingdeck@gmail.com



First Holy Communion for Kids NOT Receiving Confirmation

Please pray for our First Holy Communion Candidates who will receive the Blessed Sacrament on Corpus Christi, Sunday, June 2nd, 2024 at the 10:00 AM Mass.

**Director of Youth Ministry –
St. Joseph Parish, Downers Grove, IL**

St. Joseph Parish is seeking a part-time Director of Youth Ministry. St. Joseph Parish is seeking a Christ-centered and passionate individual to serve as Director of Youth Ministry for the Parish's Middle School (7th & 8th grade) and High School youth and college students. The Director of Youth Ministry's main objective is to support the parish in forming young people into intentional disciples of Jesus Christ. The Director of Youth Ministry will oversee Middle School and High School youth programs to build a culture of discipleship within the youth, parents, and volunteers. This will include leading the 7th and 8th grade religious education program and preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This ministry is based on an integrated approach that incorporates catechesis, liturgy, community building and social outreach. This position is full-time, exempt, with benefits as offered by the Diocese of Joliet. Normal work hours are Monday – Friday, 40 hours per week, but there are some night and weekend responsibilities. The nature of this position requires a highly flexible schedule comprising day, evening, and weekend hours. Requirements are as follows: Must be a practicing Catholic in good standing and demonstrate an active commitment to the Church's mission. Support the mission, philosophy, objectives and policies of the Catholic Church and the Diocese of Joliet. Have outstanding organizational skills, including time management, delegation, planning, and budgeting. Outstanding interpersonal skills and demonstrated ability to work effectively with adults and children of all ages. A bachelor's in theology, Religious Education, Youth Ministry, or religious studies and/or a certificate in ministry or theology from a Catholic institution of higher learning is preferred. Salary commensurate with experience, education, training, and skill level. To view a complete job description, visit: [The Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet in Illinois](#). To apply for this outstanding opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume to Beth Harbauer, Business Manager, at bharbauer@sjpdg.org. For more information, you may contact Beth at 630-964-0216, Ext. 1101.



The poster features a central diamond-shaped graphic with a red border. At the top center is a yellow softball with red stitching. Below it, the text "Priests vs Deacons" is written in a stylized, cursive font. Two black baseball bats are positioned diagonally on either side of the diamond. Above the diamond are five red arrows pointing right and five red arrows pointing left, with a black star on each side. Below the diamond are four red stars on each side. The background is light blue. At the top left and right are two crests: a gold and red crest on the left and a blue and gold crest on the right.

SOFTBALL GAME 2024

FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2024
FIRST PITCH AT 6:00 PM

EICHELBERGER FIELD

AT PLAINFIELD CENTRAL HIGH CAMPUS ON FT. BREGGS
DRIVE, JUST WEST OF ROUTE 59 IN PLAINFIELD, IL

**SPONSORED BY 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, BISHOP ROGER
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Hotdogs, snacks and beverages will be available
for a donation. a 50/50 raffle will be held, with all
proceeds going to the Vocations Office.

Want to Play? Call Scott Parks at (630) 967-8897 or
email cscottparks@gmail.com