

St. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Hours:

Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - Noon & 1:00 - 4:30 pm
Friday 8:30 - Noon (Summer Hours)

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY at 7:00 am*

(*If there is a Funeral, 7:00 a.m. Mass is Cancelled.)

WEDNESDAY at 5:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION - SATURDAY from 3:15-4:00 p.m.

HOLY DAYS will be announced in the bulletin and on the website.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Jesus said,
"This is my blood
of the covenant,
which will be
shed for many.

Amen, I say to you,
I shall not drink again
the fruit of the vine
until the day
when I drink it
new in the
kingdom of God."

Mark 14:24-25



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ST. JOSEPH PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of St. Joseph Church is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ by word and deed, to build a Christian community of faith within and beyond the parish, to serve the people of God both near and far, and to celebrate the presence of the Risen Lord among us.

SACRAMENTS

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Contact Sr. Mary Ellen Backes, O.S.U., for information on Inquiry Sessions and RCIA process.

Baptism of Children under eight years old: Contact Deacon Larry to attend pre-baptismal classes on the 4th Thursday of each month. Baptisms are usually celebrated during the weekend Masses, except for Advent and Lent.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:15-4:00 pm or by appointment.

Marriage: Arrangements are to be made six months in advance. Call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: Call the Parish Office for Fr. Manny.

Communion for the Homebound: Notify Sr. Martha Marie to arrange for Communion to the sick and elderly.

New Parishioners

St. Joseph welcomes all visitors to our Church. If you would like to register, please request a Parish Registration Form from the Parish Office.

Assisted Listening System

Personal listening instruments are available to complement our audio system. These are located in the Vesting Sacristy.

Bulletin Announcements

Announcements are due, by email, at the Parish Office by 9:00 am on Tuesdays. The bulletin is published weekly on our parish website: <http://stjoseph.dio.org>.

Catholic Faith Formation

The Catholic Faith Formation program provides religious instruction for St. Joseph Parishioners who do not attend Catholic schools for grades K-8. Classes meet Monday evenings from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm September - May.

Hospitalized Parishioners

Families and friends are asked to please keep the parish staff informed regarding parishioners who are hospitalized.

Prayer Requests

St. Joseph Prayer Chain is composed of members of the parish who pray for the needs of fellow parishioners and their families and friends. Please call or email Linda at 481-4320, linda.medlock@comcast.net or the Parish Office. All requests are confidential.

Pastoral Council

The St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Council is called by the parish to serve as consultant to the Pastor in assuring that all aspects of parish life reflect the mission and ministry of Jesus in accordance with norms determined by the diocesan Bishop.

Members

Tim Kennedy (*Chair*), Gene Mitchell (*Vice Chair*), Barb Schmidt (*Secretary*), Linda Medlock, Frank Ramirez, Carol Greenwood, *ad hoc*.

Standing Committees

Community Builders
Faith Formation/Evangelization
Health and Wellness
Liturgy
Social Concerns
Stewardship

Finance Council

The Parish Finance Council is an advisory body to assist the Pastor in the administration and management of the temporal goods of the parish.

Members

Tom Hyde (*Chair*), Deacon Larry Day, Katherine Elsner, Rita Havrilka, Tom Niedzielski, Janet Shures

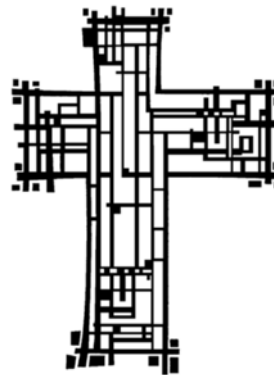
Choir

Director: Paul Johnson

P.E.P. (People Enjoying People) Club

The PEP Club is a social group for "seniors" that meets monthly for lunch and fellowship.

Chair: Gary Schmidt



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Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation Number: 217-321-1155.

Worship Schedule & Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions

June 2 - June 3, 2018

Sat. 4:30 pm †Virginia Vose
†Nancy Trees
†Bill Gardiner
†Barb Lehman

Sun. 8:30 am People of St. Joseph
10:30 am †Gene Stoutamyer

Masses for this Week

June 4 - June 10, 2018

Mon. NO Mass

Tue. NO Mass

Wed. NO Mass

Thu. NO Mass

Sat. 4:30 pm †Ellen Dahlkamp
†Simon Cory

Sun. 8:30 am People of St. Joseph
10:30 am †Dave Sponsler
†Sam T. Sgro



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This Week in Our Parish

Thursday, June 7

5:15 pm Holy Hour of Adoration

Saturday, June 9

3:15-4:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday, June 10

Hospitality Sunday

9:30 am Music Practice

From the Administrator's Desk.....!

"Take this. It is my body."

Moses sprinkles the blood of the Covenant on the people who declare obedience to God. Christ, as the mediator of the new Covenant, offers his own blood for the cleansing of the people. At the Last Supper, Jesus institutes the Eucharist offering his own body and blood as the spiritual food for his people.

Hunger is the greatest drive of human beings and eating-drinking is the primordial and primal act. Without food, we die. Hence, food is the least common denominator of human edifice. The same dynamics works in the spiritual realm as well: just as our body needs bodily food, our soul needs spiritual food.

Indeed, the food our souls need is the very essence of God – his own body and blood so that we consume them and become like God. This is what Jesus offers us - his own life so that we grow into him. It is our Christian calling, too – to be the food for the world.

On this Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, let us be opened to the spirituality of this day – the gift of the Holy Eucharist. And in our prayer and meditation, let us allow the Spirit of wisdom to teach us that the covenant of God is *in-flesh* in Jesus. He calls the Passover Cup – my blood of the Covenant, and in the Mass, we refer to it as the blood of the new eternal Covenant.

Brothers and sisters, today God promised is truly present in the human sign of the Eucharist. Where the bread, the wine, and all of us are transformed into the saving sign of God's fidelity truly present in Jesus Christ.

God bless us all.

Fr. Manny



**St. Joseph
Summer Vacation Bible School**

(kids K-5)

Make a splash

June 18-22

(8:30-noon)

JOIN THE FUN! Registration forms available in church. Sr. Mary Ellen will be available after Masses for questions or call her at 544-7426 ext. 5.

High school teenagers, young adults and retired parishioners who would like to help are needed. Come gain experience and friends! Protecting God's People background required for volunteers.

The **SHG students**, who were here earlier this spring with their tubes of **M&M's**, leave for Appalachia this weekend and return with a wonderful heart to be there for others. In gratitude for what gifts we have to give, students give back to the local Springfield community through service throughout the school year. Please keep us all in prayer as we remember you, our donors, and our creature comforts of home.



Willy Wheels

HELP! Senior Services of Central Illinois has come to depend on St. Joseph's parishioners to assist with **Delivery of Meals** during the month of June each year. We are assigned for the weeks of *June 11-15 and June 18-22*, helping to deliver the noon meal to shut-ins on several routes. Meals on

Wheels and Daily Bread are two separate programs which depend on volunteers like us. Sign-up opportunities will be this weekend (June 2-3) at the north-east church entrance before or after Mass, or you may call Lois at 523-2908 to do so, or for further information.

It's easier and quicker if two persons work together! Children are always welcome to join in this work of mercy: to feed the hungry. Thank you.

The Pastoral Council will welcome new members beginning in September 2018. Please consider becoming a member of our Pastoral Council and help us to continue in our work with our Parochial Administrator to ensure parish life reflects the ministry and mission of Christ. The term for a council member is three years and the council meets once a month. If you think you might be interested, feel called to participate more fully in parish life or you know someone you would like to nominate, place your name or their names in an envelope marked Pastoral Council and place it in the Sunday collection basket. You may also contact Pam Johnson in the parish office. Nominations must be submitted by August 13 and will be considered at a special discernment session in late August.

The following Vision Statement was agreed upon by the Pastoral Council:

"St. Joseph Parish is a diverse, welcoming, Catholic Community committed to discipleship and stewardship."

The Pastoral Council invites your comments on the above Vision Statement.

Thanks,
Tim Kennedy, Chair

FROM THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE: The committee wishes to thank all the parishioners for their generous response to our appeal for items for mothers and babies. We were able to give generous amounts of supplies and clothes to the Mini O/Bierne Crisis Nursery and the Pregnancy Care Center to assist them in their mission of serving the women who come to them for assistance. May God bless you abundantly for your caring.



Scholarships are available for Catholic school tuition (grade school or high school). Applicants must be registered and active members of St. Joseph Church. Please see Fr. Manny after any Mass.

our parish uses

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for online donations

sign up for online giving at
www.givecentral.org
 or click on the Give Central link on our website: stjoseph.dio.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHURCH YARD UPKEEP

For many years Charlie Starling has organized the “**Holy Ground Keepers**” at St. Joseph Parish and we, and our church surroundings, have been the recipients of his faithful care. Charlie wants to keep up overlook of the flowers he planted on the cross on the west side of the church in honor of Tony Speis, our Holy Ground Keeper who now plants God’s flowers. Charlie needs to pass on this important and loving volunteer effort to others. We are looking for another person to organize a new volunteer “Holy Ground Crew” for the upkeep of the flowers and plants around the Church. It would include watering, weeding, planting, etc. Many hands make this effort easy and our volunteer efforts show! Please call Pam at the Church Office if you are interested. From all of us at St. Joseph Parish, **thank you Charlie for your many years of loving, faithful service. May the beauty you have given us give return to your heart in much joy!**

Sr. Mary Ellen Backes

June 9 - June 10: Tenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Eucharistic Minister	Maryann Walker - 1W Kathryn Gebhardt - 2W Linda Schmidt - 3W Mathew Power - 4W Deacon Larry Day - 5W Theresa (Terri) M. Kean - 1B Fr. Manuel (Manny) Cuizon - 2B Chris Malmevik - 3B Tim Kennedy - 4B John Malmevik - 5B	Barbara Schmidt - 1W Sr. Mary Ellen Backes - 3W Deacon Larry Day - 5W Fr. Manuel (Manny) Cuizon - 1B Marianne Stremsterfer - 3B Patrick Derhake - 5B	Sharon Schmitt - 1W NOT FILLED - 2W Caitlin Torrence - 3W Mary Lynn Mizeur - 4W Deacon Larry Day - 5W Beth Murphy - 1B Fr. Manuel (Manny) Cuizon - 2B Cynthia Hitchcock - 3B Debra Geist - 4B Bev Burmeister - 5B
Lector	Mary-Jo Gardiner Sr. Marcelline Koch, OP	Lois Jirgal Patrick O'Donnell	Mike Geist Lynne Wooden
Greeter	Mary Faxon - 1D Josh Grey - 2D Judy Mueller - 3D Dianne Grey - 4D	Leanne Hopwood - 1D Michael Heffern - 2D Gary Schmidt - 3D Vera O'Donnell - 4D	NOT FILLED - 1D NOT FILLED - 2D NOT FILLED - 3D NOT FILLED - 4D
Mass Coordinator	Penny Cooper Rita Havrilka	Pat Noel Elizabeth Simpson	Eileen Kuchar NOT FILLED
Altar Server	Grace Ayilisungu Luke Hildebrand	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Lisa Sabo NOT FILLED Noah Ritter



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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<u>Week 48 of fiscal year</u>	<u>5/27/2018</u>	<u>Fiscal YTD</u>
Budgeted	\$ 10,385.57	\$498,507.36
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,357.44	\$374,580.11
5th Week	\$ 475.00	\$ 19,170.00
Automated Giving	\$	\$ 37,525.28
Overage/(Shortfall)	\$ (3,553.13)	\$(67,231.97)

Music for Most Holy Body & Blood Sunday Masses

June 03, 2018

Choir 10:30

Gathering: *'Table of Plenty'* by Dan Schutte, #310; *'Glory To God'* by Dan Schutte (Mass of Christ the Savior), #918; Psalm 116: *'I will take the cup'* by Paul H. Johnson; Gospel Acclamation: 4:30 & 8:30 *'Alleluia from Mass of Renewal'* by Curtis Stephan / 10:30 *'Alleluia, Give the Glory'* from Mass of Glory by Ken Canedo, #888; Presentation: *'As We Remember'* by Cooney; Mass of Spirit and Grace *'Holy'*, Acc of Faith *'When we eat this bread'*, *'Amen'* & *'Lamb of God'* #931, 933, 935 & 936; Communion: *'Bread of Angels'* by Curtis Stephan, #367; Sending Forth: *'Canticle of the Sun'* by Marty Haugen, #426.



St. Joseph Community Builders will host Hospitality Sunday for all parishioners after the Sunday Masses next weekend, June 10th.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2, 14-16; Mk 12:1-12
 Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17
 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27
 Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28b-34
 Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Is 12:2-6; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37
 Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 2:41-51
 Sunday: Gn 3:9-15; Ps 130:1-8; 2 Cor 4:13 — 5:1; Mk 3:20-35

Good News Reflection

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 10, 2018

What is the unforgiveable sin?

God will forgive any repentant sinner -- right? No matter what we have done, if we are truly remorseful and desire to be restored to God's grace, the Sacrament of Confession will secure our place in heaven -- right?

If so, then what is the unforgiveable sin in this Sunday's Gospel reading? Are we in danger of going to hell because there's an unforgiveable sin?

Let's look at the context in which Jesus is describing the unforgiveable sin. He's talking about Satan, the strong man who steals (possesses) souls. Note how easy it is to plunder the strong man's property: We simply bind (tie) the strong man! ("No one can enter a strong man's house to plunder his property unless he first ties him up. Then he can plunder the house.") Jesus will soon be sending out his disciples to start plundering, i.e., rescuing souls in the name and power of Christ. The sins of the rescued will be forgiven.

Jesus said, "Whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an everlasting sin." Demons blaspheme the Holy Spirit by being *fully aware* of the truth while *deliberately* lying to us about the goodness of the Holy Spirit, leading us, if they can, away from God. This is unforgiveable!

What about humans who believe demonic lies? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (paragraph 1864) says that anyone who *deliberately* refuses to repent of sin rejects forgiveness: "Such hardness of heart can lead to final impenitence and eternal loss."

Most people, I believe, who allow demonic lies to influence them simply don't realize that the truth is better. As next Sunday's first reading tells us, Adam and Eve sinned because Satan deceived them. Every sinner has been deceived. You and I sin when we believe a deception, and the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth, is with us to help us overcome every lie. The truth sets us free.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Looking back over your spiritual growth through the years, when did you overcome deceptions about God? What sin are you struggling with today? Ask the Holy Spirit to give you a new understanding about it.

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

Name sins that you see commonly embraced in our world today. What truths about God do people fail to understand in each type of sin? If they were to open themselves up to these truths, how would it change their minds and their behaviors? How can we evangelize them about the truth?

Holy Hour of Adoration Prayer Request

Please pray for:

Please return this form in the collection basket. We are honored to pray for your specific needs.

OTHER PARISHES AND EVENTS ELSEWHERE

Tours of the Teutopolis Monastery Museum will be available on Sunday, June 3, 2018. The Museum, located behind St. Francis Church in Teutopolis, IL, is housed on the second floor in the former Franciscan Novitiate building. A chair lift is available for visitors who have difficulty with stairs. A collection of articles used by the early pioneers of the area and the Franciscan Friars can be viewed. Admission fee is \$5.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children. The Museum is open on the first Sunday of the months April thru November from 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. For more information go to the parish website: www.stfrancischurch.com or to the town website at www.Teutopolis.com and click on "Tourism" or the pair of wooden shoes; or call (217) 857-6404 ext. 236.

Butler Funeral Home: June 14, 2018- An Open Door Session on Funerals, Cremation, Cemetery and Advance Planning. When it comes to burial, cremation and advance funeral planning, we know that people have many questions. As funeral and cremation specialists, we're happy to provide answers during our FREE program. Join us for a complimentary lunch at Boccardi's Italian Restaurant from 11:30 am-1:30 pm and a brief, interactive, and open discussion forum for questions regarding these and other topics. This event is free: no cost or obligation. Call **Butler Funeral Home at 544-4646** to reserve your seat by June 11, 2018.

Having just experienced the great celebrations of Easter, the Ascension and now Pentecost, we are back in Ordinary Time in the Church. But Ordinary Time isn't a time for lethargy and stagnation. Keep your spirit lifted and your prayer-life focused with inspiring and informative Catholic programming on **Covenant Network**. In addition to the Holy Mass, we pray the Rosary, the Angelus, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers daily. You will find live call-in shows, Q & A programs about Catholic teaching, and music as well as faith-nourishing programs on Scripture, the saints and Church history. You can listen on the radio, on the Covenant Network app on your mobile device or on our website: ourcatholicradio.org. Tune in to 88.1 FM to find out how Catholic radio will change your life.

The Office for Pro-Life Activities and Special Ministries, along with the Immigration Project, is offering a Citizenship workshop at Christ the King Parish, Springfield on Saturday, July 14th, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. Information about the event can be found at the following link: <https://www.dio.org/plasm/events.html>.

Live music, free giveaways, and much more can be found at the inaugural **Corn Dog Kickoff**, hosted by the Illinois State Fair. The **June 9th** event is being hailed as a kickoff to summer party with a focus on the upcoming Illinois State Fair. The Corn Dog Kickoff will be staged at The Shed and Lincoln Stage, located on the east side of the Illinois State Fairgrounds along Central Avenue. This free community event will be held from 9 am – 3 pm. In addition to live music, your first taste of fair food, free giveaways, and fun activities, the Illinois State Fair Box Office will also be open that day from 9 am – 1 pm. Attendees can purchase tickets to the fair's Grandstand Summer Concert Series or our exclusive Stage Side pre-concert parties. The Midwest's most powerful up-and-coming band, **Broseph**, will be performing at the Corn Dog Kickoff from 12:00-2:30 p.m. on the Lincoln Stage. Broseph hails from central Illinois, but made the move to Nashville where they frequently play at the Wildhorse Saloon and have had the opportunity to write with some of the best in the industry. They recently opened for Steven Tyler, Cole Swindell, Dustin Lynch, Old Dominion, and more! Their newest EP, "Let's Do This" is sure to have something for everyone as Broseph's influences range from Def Leppard to Shania Twain and Fall Out Boy to Nelly! "With school out for the summer, many families will be looking for family friendly summer vacation ideas, and that's what we offer here at the Illinois State Fair," said Illinois State Fair Manager Luke Sailer. "The purpose of the Corn Dog Kickoff is to introduce the community to the fun that can be had at our state and county fairs. We have a great fair planned for our state's bicentennial year. With just 60-days until the start of the fair, now is the perfect time to give the community its first taste of this annual summer tradition." Also new this year, the Illinois Fairgrounds Foundation will be hosting a 5K run and 3K walk in conjunction with the Illinois State Fair Corn Dog Kickoff. The races will begin at 10:00 a.m. from the Shed. The route, which is contained on the state fairgrounds, will take participants on the world's fastest dirt track, through Conservation World, across Happy Hollow, and more before ending back at The Shed. Registration is currently underway and costs \$25 per race with a free t-shirt for those who sign up before May 23rd. 100% of the proceeds from the race will benefit the Illinois Fairgrounds Foundation. Registration can be done online: https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=129995. Mark your calendars for the 2018 Illinois State Fair, August 9th – 19th, in Springfield, IL. Stay up to date with all the latest news and announcements from the Illinois State Fair by connecting with us via [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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