

# St. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Twenty-Second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*



HUMBLY WELCOME THE WORD  
THAT HAS BEEN PLANTED  
IN YOU AND IS ABLE  
TO SAVE YOUR SOULS.

James 1:21b



September 2, 2018

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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\*  
WEDNESDAY at 5:30 p.m.\*  
(\*If there is a Funeral, Daily Mass is Cancelled.)  
RECONCILIATION - SATURDAY from 3:15-4:00 p.m.  
HOLY DAYS will be announced in the bulletin and on the website.



## 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](mailto: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, Rita Havrilka, Tom Niedzielski

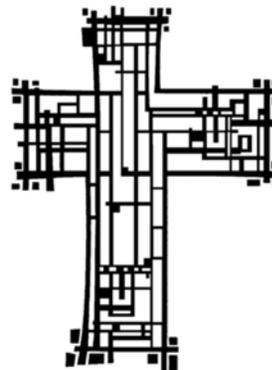
### Choir

**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

Sep. 1 - Sep. 2, 2018

- Sat. 4:30 pm †Mary Lazzeri  
 †Bill Gardiner  
 †Donna Strode
- Sun. 8:30 am People of St. Joseph  
 10:30 am †Courtney Phillips  
 †Henry & Rita Midden

## Masses for this Week

Sep. 3 - Sep. 9, 2018

- Mon. 7:00 am †St. Joseph Society
- Tue. 7:00 am †Ellen Dahlkamp  
 †Mary Lazzeri
- Wed. 5:30 pm †Virginia Vose  
 †Donna Dodson
- Thu. 7:00 am People of St. Joseph
- Sat. 4:30 pm †Ann Huddleston  
 †Joseph & Lois Shaughnessy
- Sun. 8:30 am People of St. Joseph  
 10:30 am †Joan Workman



## This Week in Our Parish

Monday, Sep. 3  
 Parish Office Closed



Thursday, Sep. 6  
 5:15 pm Holy Hour of Adoration  
 6:30 pm Wedding rehearsal

Friday, Sep. 7  
 Limper-Henton Wedding

Saturday, Sep. 8  
 3:15-4:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday, Sep. 9  
 NO Hospitality  
 9:30 am Music Practice  
 12:00 Noon Picnic Gathering with our Kumler  
 Neighbors at St. Joseph

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

Today, we think about the best way to live out God's commandments, passed on to us through Moses, by witnessing God's blessings and presence in our midst. We can go beyond our human traditions and rituals by washing our hearts and getting rid of evil thoughts and desires. We practice it by caring for all who are vulnerable and in need.

In the first reading, Moses commands absolute obedience to the law given by Yahweh. He calls on God's people to witness God's blessings and presence in their midst by keeping His law and commandments. St. James, in our second reading, invites us to be doers of the word that has been planted in our hearts. While in our gospel, Jesus highlights the need for us to understand the heart of the law and follow its spirit.

In the observance of religion, there is often a tension between fulfillment of ritual obligations and demands of charity and compassion. Such tension is palpable in the encounter between Jesus and the Pharisees following the ritually unclean act of the disciples. Jesus makes it clear: No law is good if it does not have charity as its fuel. James clarifies it functionally: "pure and blameless religion lies in helping the orphans, and widows in their need, and keeping oneself from the world's corruption."

Brothers and sisters, we live in times of religious terrorism which forgets the centrality of charity at the heart of religion. Let us pray for those who have missed the essence of religion to rediscover the same and learn the ways of love.

God bless us all.

*Rev. Manny*



# Holy Hour of Adoration Prayer Request

*Please pray for:*

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

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

We are trying something new with the Ministry Schedule. Ministers will no longer be assigned but can sign themselves up. There are sign-up sheets on the Mass Coordinator's stand in the back of church. If you have any questions, please see Deacon Larry or Sr. Mary Ellen.

Music ministry provides beauty, joy, comfort, inspiration, and musical prayer for our communal liturgies and various parish celebrations. This is possible due to the generous sharing of time and talent of diverse and committed members. If you can carry a tune and want to learn, come sing with us. Rehearsals will begin on Thursday September 13 at 6:30 PM in the church. Thank you.

## REGISTRATION FOR THE 2018 DAEC IS NOW OPEN!

The registration book and forms (fillable pdfs) are available online. The links can be found at our webpage. When registering online you have the option of using a credit card or an e-check. <https://www.dio.org/catechesis/daec>.

## Minister Signup

September 8-9, 2018

*Must have Protecting God's Children*	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Altar Server #1	Chelsea Rhodes	Diane Best	Lisa Sabo
Altar Server #2	Lisa Sweet	Eileen Kuchar	Eileen Kuchar
Altar Server #3		Jane Schmidt	
Eucharistic Minister 1B	Penny Cooper	Barb Schmidt	Maryann Walker
Eucharistic Minister 2B	Laura Neale		Sean Bartlett
Eucharistic Minister 3B	Marj Schwager	Fr. Manny	<b>Sharon Schmitt</b>
Eucharistic Minister 4B	Fr. Manny		Fr. Manny
Eucharistic Minister 5B	Kathy Gebhardt	Gary Schmidt	Beverly Burmeister
Eucharistic Minister 1W	Rita Havrilka		Mary Bonner
Eucharistic Minister 2W	John Brennan		Deb Geist
Eucharistic Minister 3W	Pat Green		Mike Geist
Eucharistic Minister 4W	Linda Schmidt		
Eucharistic Minister 5W	Deacon Larry	Deacon Larry	Deacon Larry
Lector #1	Sr. Marcelline Koch	Bobbi Ozanic	
Lector #2	Tim Kennedy	Marianne Stremsterfer	
Greeter D1			Mary Bonner
Greeter D2		Gary Schmidt	
Greeter D3			
Greeter D4	Barb Sams		
Gift Bearers			
Mass Coordinator	Penny Cooper		Eileen Kuchar
Mass Coordinator	Judy Mueller		Eileen Kuchar
Usher	Robert M. Haley	Jim Moser	Brandon Backstein
Usher	Robert P. Haley		Henry Humphries
Usher	Kathy Gebhardt		Sharon Schmitt
Usher			Jim Claunch
Usher			Dave O'Brien

**St. Joseph Society**

*Fall*

Dick Atteberry  
Bartolomucci & Kuchar Families  
Deceased Members Bob Berberet Family  
Robert Bernet  
Bob Binetsch  
Simon R. Cory  
Simon S. & Helen Cory  
Ed & Eddie Dahlkamp  
Wes & Ellen Dahlkamp  
Wayne & Ada Davenport  
Dominican Sisters Deceased Members  
John & Mary Lou Esela  
Patricia Evanich  
Ike & Evelyn Fanale  
Gillard & Schmidt Families  
Malcolm & Mary Grant  
John & Margaret Jannesse  
George Jirgal, Jr.  
George & Lucille Jirgal  
Keefner Family  
Earl & Theresa Kern  
Kevin J. Knowski  
Robert A. Krotz  
Mary F. Lavin  
David & Mary Lazzeri  
Deceased Members of  
Maurer & Ramirez Families  
Mayfield & Gerding Families  
Deceased Members Andy O'Neill Family  
Steve & Albina Paszkiewicz  
The Pieper Family  
Chris Puckel  
Paul Puckel  
Pat Ryan  
Sabo & Trello Families  
Schaddel Family  
Richard Schuchmann  
Ceil Sgro  
Sam & Mary Sgro  
Joseph & Lois Shaughnessy  
Nel & Joop Spierings  
Eleanore Sturm  
Harold Sumpter  
Timoney & Carter Families  
Margaret & Joseph Usalis  
Fred & Alvera Wiessing  
Ruth Williams  
John & Eleanora Yuskavich



*Rest in Peace*

**Darlene Faloon**

*Stepmother of Jim Faloon*



New Parishioners:

**Melissa MacGruder  
& Robert, Toby, Patrick & Lily**

**GOOD-BYE SUMMER,**

Picnic Gathering -  
St. Joseph and  
Kumler congregation

Come, enjoy and meet  
your neighbors

Sunday, September 9th  
12:00 Noon  
St. Joseph Gym on  
Eastman Street between  
5th & 6th Streets

Please bring your own table service and a covered dish - sign-up sheet in the main entrance of the church. Drinks (coffee, lemonade and water) provided (no alcohol on the grounds). Chicken provided and you bring a dish to share (salad, veggies, dessert).

**WELCOME NEIGHBOR,**

**HELLO NEIGHBOR,**

**WELCOME FALL,**

**\*\*\*EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE\*\*\***

Bulletin articles for the September 16th issue must be submitted to the parish office *on or before 9:00 am Wednesday, September 5th*. Thank you for your cooperation!



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<b>Week 9 of fiscal year</b>	<b>8/26/2018</b>	<b>Fiscal YTD</b>
Budgeted	\$ 8,170.19	\$73,531.71
Sunday Collection	\$ 4,565.53	\$65,165.21
5th Week	\$ 661.00	\$ 2,714.00
Automated Giving	\$ 3,136.65	\$ 5,829.98
Overage/(Shortfall)	\$ 192.99	\$ 177.48



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Almost all couples who attend a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** say: "We should have done this a long time ago!" Why? Their whole relationship became more alive on the Weekend, and the Weekend reminded them of what it was like as newlyweds. The next WWME weekends away are Sep. 21-23, 2018 or Nov. 30-Dec 2 at the Courtyard Marriot in St. Peters, MO; and Nov. 16-18, 2018 at the Chiara Center in Springfield, IL. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to [www.stl-wwme](http://www.stl-wwme) or call 314.649.7317.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

### Good News Reflection

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sep. 9, 2018

#### How to have eyes that see and ears that hear

The readings for next Sunday show us God's concern for the disabled. How closely do we share in his concern for them?

We're all disabled, one way or another. We can have eyes that see and still be blind. In fact, the scripture from James shows us just how blind we can be!

If we see only how a person dresses, for example, without seeing into their hearts to recognize their gifts and talents and unique reflection of God, we are being judgmental. If we are more impressed by a person's wealth or title or college degrees than we are by his/her spiritual energy or insights or willingness to serve, we are being judgmental.

Only God can see all the good that's in a person's heart, and yet we make assumptions about others as if we're equal to God. Only God can hear the motives and longings behind a person's words, and yet we quickly judge what is being said as if we know exactly what is meant.

Judgmentalism shows us nothing more than how truly blind we are.

Jesus wants to say to each of us: "Ephphatha! May your eyes and ears and mind be opened to the truth!" However, so that we can receive this healing, we have to slow down and stop reacting to what's visible and audible. We cannot trust what we see and hear. We need to take time to prayerfully pause for wisdom and discernment and new discoveries.

This is one of the reasons why Jesus gave us his Holy Spirit. When we let God's Spirit interpret everything for us, instead of reacting, we will act the way the Lord wants us to. Instead of reacting to partial information, we will act with faith and compassion.

#### Questions for Personal Reflection:

In what ways do you show partiality toward some people? What types of people do you tend to automatically prefer, based on outward appearances? And whom do you tend to dislike until you get to know them better? How will you begin to change this automatic reaction by relying on the Holy Spirit?

#### Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

In what ways have you been judged unfairly? How does it feel? Are you judging those who judged you, neglecting to look deeper inside of them? Next, take turns in your group naming a false accusation that caused suffering, followed by other members describing the goodness that the accusers were too blind to see. (This last part is very important -- it is Jesus providing healing!)

## OTHER PARISHES AND EVENTS ELSEWHERE

The **Sangamon Valley Woodcarvers** is holding their **28th Annual Woodcarvers Show**, September 1st & 2nd, Saturday 10 am -5 pm, Sunday 10 am -4 pm at the Illinois Building at the IL State Fairgrounds. Admission is \$4.00 (12 and under are free). Well known woodcarvers, woodburners, wood turners, and intarsia carvers will be exhibiting. Carvings, wood, tools, and supplies will be for sale. How-to seminars and soap carving presented each day. Club members have donated carvings to be given away as door prizes. For more information call Betty (217) 546-8792 or [www.svwoodcarvers.org](http://www.svwoodcarvers.org).

On Sunday, September 2nd, all area high school age students are invited to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to have a **conversation about faith**. **Fr. Wayne Stock and Fr Michael Friedel** will answer your questions about Church teaching, the Mass, and current issues in society. Bring your questions and bring a friend to the Cathedral Atrium at 6:30pm. Snacks provided.

**SHG JUNIOR CHEER CAMP-** The SHG Cheerleading Squad will be hosting a Junior Cheer Camp for Pre-K through 8th graders on Friday, September 7, 2018 from 4:30 p.m. to game time at SHG West Campus. The campers will cheer during the first quarter of the SHG Football game vs. Lanphier. Pick a form up from your school's main office or email [shgcheerleading@gmail.com](mailto:shgcheerleading@gmail.com). GO CYCS!

An ad hoc group of Catholic laity and sisters invites you to join them for "**Among the Communion of Saints: A Prayer of Compassion and Lament**", 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 12, at St. Agnes Parish, 245 N. Amos Street, Springfield 62702. The prayer service will honor the experience of victims of clergy sexual abuse. Direct questions to Karen Siciliano, [aksiciliano@yahoo.com](mailto:aksiciliano@yahoo.com), 787-9561.

**Butler Funeral Home: September 13, 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 dinner at Chesapeake Seafood House from 5:00 pm-7:00 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 September 7, 2018.

**CALVARY CEMETERY FALL CLEAN-UP** – Please remove **ALL** decorations that you would like to save by September 16<sup>th</sup>. **ALL** decorations will be removed during the period of September 17<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>. The crew will begin collecting decorations early morning on September 17<sup>th</sup> and will then, weather permitting, clean remaining leaves, tree debris, etc. from around monuments as well as mow these areas before decorations are replaced. Fall decorations may be placed beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please do not leave decorations prior to October 1<sup>st</sup> as it will only take more time for the crew to remove it to access the area. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the cemetery office at 523-3726. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our cemetery well-kempt and beautiful.

Blessed Sacrament Parish is pleased to announce the beginning of **PSR for Exceptional People**, Catholic study for developmentally disabled children & adults, for the 2018-2019 academic year. The first session will be Wednesday, September 12th, with a picnic at Rotary Park at 6 pm. Subsequent classes will be held at Blessed Sacrament School on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 pm September 26th through May 15th. All developmentally disabled individuals from age 7 through adult who live in the Springfield Diocese are welcome! PSR for Exceptional People is financially supported by the Springfield Knights of Columbus Council 36 and Chatham Knights of Columbus Council 4179. Blessed Sacrament Pastor Father Jeffrey Grant & Deacon David Erdmann provide spiritual support. For more information, please call Jane Mosey-Nicoletta at 217/971-4179 or leave a message at the Blessed Sacrament Office at 217/528-7521.

**Men's Evening of Recollection** A Men's Evening of Recollection will be held **Thursday, September 13 at the St. John's Hospital Chapel (800 E. Carpenter St., Springfield), from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** There will be two meditations given by a priest, time for silent prayer and an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, followed by Benediction. All men throughout the diocese are invited to attend. The spiritual guidance at the Recollection is entrusted to a priest of the Prelature *Opus Dei*.

**Attention Young Adults!** The Forge is a Springfield based young adult Catholic ministry that strives to bring young adults into an encounter with Jesus and authentic Christian community. All young adults are welcome. This month:

Men's Bible Study - Monday, Sept. 10 at 7:00 p.m.:

Obed and Isaac's in Springfield

Women's Bible Study - Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 7:00 p.m.:

1117 Bridle Path Ln. in Springfield

Wiffle Ball and BBQ - Sunday, Sept. 16 at 6:00 p.m.:

Southwind Park in Springfield

Men's Bible Study - Monday, Sept. 24 at 7:00 p.m.:

Finley's Tap House in Springfield

Women's Bible Study - Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 7:00 p.m.:

505 Wingate Dr. in Sherman

**SPECIAL EVENT: Stump the Priests!** Wednesday, Sept. 26 at 7:00 p.m.: Cathedral Atrium. Have questions about our faith, church history, the sacraments, or anything else? Come see if you can stump the priests!

More information: @Theforge on Facebook, <https://the-forge-online.com>, Email contact: Andrew Hansen: [andrewhansen1@yahoo.com](mailto:andrewhansen1@yahoo.com).

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