

St. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 8, 2018

My grace is
sufficient for you,
for power is
made perfect
in weakness.

2 Corinthians 12:9

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

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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, Rita Havrilka, Tom Niedzielski

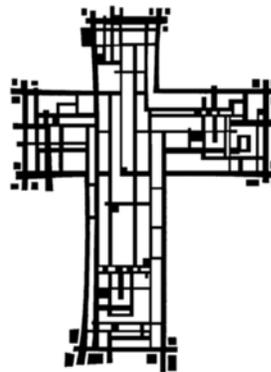
Choir

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

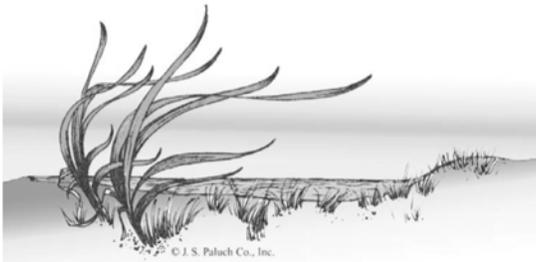
July 7 - July 8, 2018

Sat. 4:30 pm †Ellen Dahlkamp
†George & Alvina Dirksen
Sun. 8:30 am People of St. Joseph
10:30 am †Paul Vose

Masses for this Week

July 9 - July 15, 2018

Mon. 7:00 am People of St. Joseph
Tue. 7:00 am †Mary Lazzeri
Wed. 5:30 pm †Ann Huddleston
†Richard "Mick" Ryan
Thu. 7:00 am People of St. Joseph
Sat. 4:30 pm †Bill Gietl
†Alice Jones
†Martin Zehner
†Jacob Schloemann
Sun. 8:30 am People of St. Joseph
10:30 am †Larry Timoney



This Week in Our Parish

Tuesday, July 10
3:00 pm Staff Meeting

Thursday, July 12
5:15 pm Holy Hour of Adoration

Saturday, July 14
3:15-4:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday, July 15
9:30 am Music Practice

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

In this 14th Sunday in ordinary time, it is interesting to note that Jesus is taken aback by the lack of faith among His own people. Jesus' own townsfolk take offense at his preaching and He is astounded by their unbelief.

We, human beings, are normally astounded by the height of faith that some people have. Lack of faith seems a run-of-the-mill category, an everyday reality within and around us. But it looks like, for God, it is the opposite: for Him, faith is an everyday act and lack of faith is surprising. And how the lack of faith prevents even the efficacy of God's own initiatives for human welfare: Jesus was unable to perform many miracles due to the hardness of people's heart.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to have faith as an everyday presence in our lives! Then we would see even our weaknesses and tragedies becoming channels of God's Grace, as St. Paul experienced in today's second reading.

Brothers and sisters let us pray for the gift of deep faith to each one of us, so that in humility, we could surrender ourselves and our weaknesses to God, asking Him to transform us to His purposes. Thus, as Christians, fidelity to Christ and the Gospel are the hallmark of our lives.

God bless us all.

Fr. Manny



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This weekend we welcome Fr. Sylvain Mbunsu Mbila, MSC to our parish. He will make an appeal on behalf of the **Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, MSC**, a religious society of more than 2000 members active in 54 countries, most of them in developing countries. I urge you to welcome him and make a generous sacrifice to join with the MSC in order to spread the Gospel in mission lands. Your contribution is a very concrete way to express your baptismal call and share in missionary work.

weddings 

Morgan Hovey & Andrew Graham

Congratulations!

CARING COINS



During the five weekends in July, the St. Joseph Social Concerns Committee will be conducting a **“Caring Coins Collection.”** Baskets will be placed on tables at the entrances of the church. Any spare change that you may want to contribute will be greatly appreciated. All money collected will be used in offering assistance to those in need in our local community. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Matt Power at 415-3227.



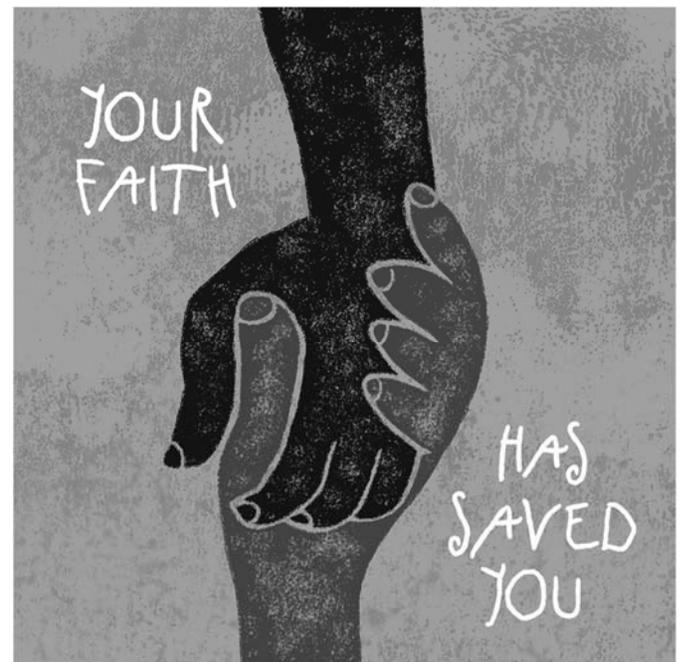
St. Joseph Community Builders will host Hospitality Sunday for all parishioners after the Sunday Masses this weekend, July 8th.

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DID YOU REMEMBER
your canned good
this month for the
Holy Family Food
Pantry?

Feed the Hungry



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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

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PARISH REGISTRATION FORMS are located in the brochure racks on the wall in the back of church... Why register in a parish?

Parish membership through registration, or a parish census, is a longstanding practice. Over the years, registration by parishioners has become increasingly important, even a practical necessity; The parish census becomes a tool by which the pastoral staff is aided to serve the parishioners; Registration in the parish enables the parishioners to apply for sponsorship forms for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation; Registration in the parish helps foster a sense of belonging and contributes to the growth of a parish as a community with characteristics of a family; Expressed membership in a parish commits a person to the parish, but also entitles the parishioner to pastoral service and care; Membership enables the pastoral staff to reach out for assistance according to the time, talent and treasure of the parishioners. Volunteer service by parishioners is indispensable for a vital, thriving parish.

July 14 - July 15: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	4:30 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Eucharistic Minister	Marjorie Schwager - 1W Theresa (Terri) M. Kean - 2W Kathryn Gebhardt - 3W Tim Kennedy - 4W Deacon Larry Day - 5W Lois Jirgal - 1B Fr. Manuel (Manny) Cuizon - 2B Laura Neale - 3B John Brennan - 4B Mathew Power - 5B	Marianne Stremsterfer - 1W Nancy Ray - 3W Deacon Larry Day - 5W Harold Pettinger - 1B Fr. Manuel (Manny) Cuizon - 3B Elizabeth Simpson - 5B	Caitlin Torrence - 1W Debra Geist - 2W Sharon Schmitt - 3W Mary Lynn Mizeur - 4W Deacon Larry Day - 5W NOT FILLED - 1B NOT FILLED - 2B Fr. Manuel (Manny) Cuizon - 3B Mike Geist - 4B Beth Murphy - 5B
Lector	Carol Greenwood Sr. Marcelline Koch, OP	David Cooper Pat Rolens Pettinger	Mary Thoele Mike Thoele
Greeter	Paul R. Mueller - 1D Judy Mueller - 2D Josh Grey - 3D Cynthia Hitchcock - 4D	Donna Holmes - 1D Diane Best - 2D Michael Heffern - 3D Jan Haines - 4D	NOT FILLED - 1D NOT FILLED - 2D NOT FILLED - 3D NOT FILLED - 4D
Mass Coordinator	Rita Havrilka Karen Siciliano	Sr. Mary Ellen Backes Pat Noel	Gloria Humphries Henry Humphries
Altar Server	Gloria Ayilisunger Liah O'Neill Lleyton Power	Eileen Kuchar NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Lisa Sabo NOT FILLED NOT FILLED

Thank you for your generous support in last week's **Peter's Pence Collection!** Our contributions will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give, visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link.

Scholarships for
CATHOLIC
Students

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.

Scholarships have been awarded to:

Maxxwell Geist, St. Agnes
Eleanor Geist, St. Agnes
Josh Grey, Sacred Heart-Griffin
Luke Hildebrand, Sacred Heart-Griffin
Liah O'Neill, St. Aloysius
Noah Ritter, Sacred Heart-Griffin



While at Prayer, please remember the people who are in the hospitals and nursing homes. Also the people who are shut-ins and those who live alone.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9;
Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16;
Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17;
Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33
Sunday: Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14;
Eph 1:3-14 [3-10]; Mk 6:7-13

Good News Reflection

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 15, 2018

Go forth in bold confidence!

In next Sunday's Gospel passage, Jesus teaches us about trust. If we're to fulfill our calling as God's missionaries of love in this world, if we're to fulfill our calling to share the Good News, we must trust God and the resources that he provides.

And we must trust that he will always provide exactly what we need when we need it, even though it doesn't always seem sufficient. It's important that we don't feed the inclination to distrust him by expecting anything other than what he provides.

Every Mass ends with a re-commissioning rite for the calling we all have. The final blessing is a sending forth after we've been renewed in our relationship with Jesus. His presence in the Word and in the Eucharist and in the Church community re-energizes us (when we pay attention) to boldly go and do all that he asks of us.

Through the priest, Jesus sends us into the world to be the visible proof that he is real and that he's alive and that he cares. With Jesus, and in him and through him, we are all evangelizers who can make a difference in the world.

Yes, all of us -- all of us who have participated in the Eucharistic celebration with conscious awareness of what we are saying and praying and receiving during Mass. Go forth in bold confidence! Jesus is sending you out from the church with his Spirit and his sufficiency.

However, when we do the packing and decide what to take with us on the mission, we like to take an abundance of stuff, just in case we might need it. Thus, we fail to show others that God is reliable and trustworthy.

To be effective evangelizers, we have to surrender over to God whatever baggage interferes with our mission.

Remember this: Surrender is not truly surrender unless we no longer want what we surrendered. If we still have some desire for it, we're attached to it by a bungee cord that yanks us back to it, yanking us away from our true purpose in life.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

In what areas of your life do you rely upon the Lord? What areas do you still need to entrust to him? What will you do this week to surrender any distrust?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

What kind of "food" do others serve you when you rely on God to provide for your needs through them? How does their service to you help them understand God? What kind of baggage should be left at home instead of carrying it into ministry? How does letting go of this better reveal Jesus to others?

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

St. Frances Cabrini's annual Garage Sale will be held in the parish hall on July 12 and 13 from 7:30 am to 2:00 pm and on July 14 from 7:30 am to 12:00 noon. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Butler Funeral Homes: July 12- 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 American Harvest Eatery 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 July 9, 2018.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat - There will be a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for post-abortive individuals July 20-22, at the Villa Maria Retreat Center. Scholarships are available for those not able to pay the registration fee. A flyer is also available at www.dio.org/plasm/project-rachel.html.

TOTUS TUUS, Latin for "Totally Yours," is a summer youth camp that combines Catholic religious instruction and having FUN!!! A team of college-age students and seminarians are coming to St. Katharine Drexel parish, Sacred Heart campus, the week of July 15 – 20. The youthfulness and energy of the teachers is an inspiring way to share the faith and their enthusiasm is contagious, so come out and join us!!! **TOTUS TUUS** is Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM for children going into grades 1-6 during the next school year. The day includes classroom instruction on our theme, The Apostle's Creed, as well as the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. Each day includes encounters with the sacraments and time for games and recess. For middle school and high school youth, **TOTUS TUUS** is Sunday-Thursday 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM with more in-depth discussions on our theme. All are invited to a potluck dinner on Wednesday at 6:00 PM. For more information, please contact Fr. Kevin Mann, (815) 451-8694, or go online to <https://www.dio.org/youthministry/parish-information.html>.

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>.

Reverend Monsignor John Ossola 80th Birthday Celebration at Little Flower – You are invited to celebrate the 80th Birthday of Msgr. John Ossola on Sunday, July 22 at Little Flower Church, 800 Stevenson Drive, Springfield, IL. Please join us for the 10:00 a.m. Mass with Msgr. Ossola as concelebrant. A reception will follow at the parish center. If you have a photo of Msgr. Ossola, we would love to use it for a slideshow.

Are you thinking about your summer vacation? A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend, away from all the distractions and pressures in your life right now, would be the BEST vacation of your life. You and your spouse will always remember this WWME Weekend away as a great time together that strengthened your marriage. The next weekends are Aug. 3-5 or Sep. 21-23, 2018 in St. Peters, MO. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to www.stl-wwme or call 314.649.7317.

Summertime is here. Hooray! Time for a vacation; time for a different schedule; time for a change of pace. No time to let up on those practices that strengthen your faith. **To encourage and continue to enrich your spiritual journey, listen to Catholic radio, 88.1 FM.** Programming includes daily Mass, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, live call-in shows, local programming and much more. You can listen on the radio, on the Covenant Network app on your mobile device or on our website: ourcatholicradio.org.

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