Our Vision
Through our Baptism and Eucharist, we are called to love as Christ loves and serve as Christ serves.

Our Mission
In Jesus Christ, we will grow and flourish through
- Engaging, welcoming and building community
- Lifelong faith formation
- Social justice and service to others in need
- Engaging and understanding the energy and interests of our youth
- Prayer and worship that deepens our spiritual life
- Accountability in using our resources wisely

So that we may live life abundantly!

Summer Play Groups are in Full Swing for Our Mothers with Young Children
**Upcoming Events**

**AT ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH**

More information at [www.stjoseph-libertyville.org](http://www.stjoseph-libertyville.org)

- **August 8** Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations, Church, 3:00 p.m.
- **August 17** Mass and Picnic in the Park, see page 10
- **August 22** Tables for Eight restaurant evening, see page 9
- **August 25** Blood Drive, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Gym
- **September 8 and 10** Religious Education sessions begin
- **September 28** Women’s Day of Reflection, Marytown

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St. Joseph Catholic Church **live streams** the
5:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday Masses
and occasional special events. To view the live stream
Scroll down until you see the box titled
Live Stream Video.

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**Pray the Rosary**

Please join other parishioners in church at 7:55 a.m. Monday
through Saturday to pray Our Lady’s Rosary.

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**Important Notice!**

This bulletin had an early deadline. Staff and ministries had their submissions in early, so parish programs should be unaffected.

Time-sensitive data such as recent deaths, baptisms, updates for the sick list, new parishioners and weekly collection amounts will not be updated until the August 18 Carpenter. Thank you for your understanding.

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**“Come, Follow Me…and Share the Word”**

**as of July 19, 2019**

The call of Jesus echoes across the generations and is ever the same: Come, Follow Me…and Share the Word. We are called both individually and as a community to follow Jesus as his disciples. By each of us joining in the Appeal together, we sustain Catholic schools and parishes in need, support programs of religious education, ministerial formation, and many initiatives for the protection of life and the promotion of peace and justice.

The Annual Catholic Appeal is an invitation for every Catholic family to respond with a generous heart. 90 cents of every dollar raised goes directly to the critical work of the schools, parishes, agencies and ministries of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Remember that when our parish exceeds its goal, any additional funds received above the goal amount are returned for use in our parish to support our wonderful ministries.

To learn more and to donate, visit [www.annualcatholicappeal.com](http://www.annualcatholicappeal.com). Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response!

- **Parish Goal:** $193,030
- **Amount Pledged:** $246,003
- **Amount Paid:** $212,098
- **Remaining Amount:** $33,905
- **YTD Rebate:** $19,068

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**Archdiocese of Chicago**

**Archdiocesan Firearms Policy**

The Archdiocese of Chicago is committed to providing safe environments for the community. In the midst of a culture of violence, the Church is a staunch voice to call us to be a place of peace.

The Archdiocese has long had a best practice restricting the presence of firearms in our facilities. Most of our buildings display signage, consistent with the laws of the State of Illinois, indicating that these weapons are prohibited on the premises. Cardinal Cupich recently distributed a Policy aimed at updating and clarifying the Archdiocese’s position on the prohibition of firearms on all property it owns and controls.

The Archdiocese respects the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and recognizes the right to lawfully possess a firearm for personal protection, hunting, or other sports. The Archdiocese has sought to balance the rights of all who visit our properties with the need to protect children, the elderly and other vulnerable populations. However, this Policy is rooted in the belief that our churches and community spaces are intended to be sacred sites where people come to gather, pray, and worship God. There are exceptions to this policy for law enforcement officers, and authorized security personnel. For more information about this policy, please visit [www.archchicago.org](http://www.archchicago.org).
Faith Formation

Sign up now!

2019 St. Joseph Catholic School Athletics
Annual Golf Outing
Presented by the St. Joseph Athletic Committee

Please join members and friends of St. Joseph School & Parish for our annual golf outing supporting SJCS Athletics. This is a terrific local venue where friends and family can join for golf, dinner and fun!

Friday September 13, 2019

11:00am: Shotgun Start
4:00pm – 6:00pm: Happy Hour
5:00pm – 8:00pm: Dinner Buffet, Raffle and Auction

4-person scramble tournament; fun for men and women of all ages!

Venue: White Deer Run Golf Club, Vernon Hills
25 W Greggs Parkway Vernon Hills, IL

After Golf: Head inside after you finish your round and enjoy the happy hour, followed by a wonderful buffet dinner. Tournament prizes will be awarded! We’re also shaking up the raffle items, and silent and live auctions this year, so don’t miss out!

Your donation sustains the SJCS athletic program in various facets. The generosity shown at our golf outing has made possible the establishment of our soccer program and funds new uniforms when necessary for our athletic teams. It also enables the purchase of equipment used by our student-athletes who participate in after-school sports, and every one of our students in their Physical Education courses. We truly appreciate your participation in our annual golf outing!

Thank you!

Golf Registration and Entry Fees
Please register by September 9, 2019

Register on the SJCS website: [http://sjscatholic.org/golf](http://sjscatholic.org/golf)

| Individual Golfer $125 | Golf Foursome $500 | Join us for Dinner Only $40 |

Fees include: lunch, golf, cart, contests, prizes, 2-hour “happy hour” free refreshments, and dinner.

Sponsorship Opportunities

We also have non-golf donation opportunities for individuals or businesses! Would your company like to donate? Or you can’t attend, but still want to help? We have Silver, Gold, Platinum and new Diamond level sponsorship options. For information on how you can contribute, or any other questions about the 2019 golf outing, please send an email to athleticcommittee@stjoseph-libertyville.org or call Zack Maze at 847-708-5183.

Thanks again for your support!
Theology on Tap
for Young Adults

The Young Adult Ministry of Lake County will continue the summer program of Theology on Tap on Sunday, August 11 with a discussion featuring Bishop Rassis on the topic of “Current Issues in the Church.” The evening will be at Fatman’s in Gurnee, on Route 41. For more information, email yamlake-county@gmail.com. Ages 18-39 are welcome.

Jesus desires more than anything for us to remain in his love and to allow him to live in us. Nothing should get in the way of that love. No material thing that we own or want will be greater than the love of God.

An invitation for those who are not Catholic

Have you ever wondered about God’s love or how your relationship with God can be more fulfilling? Now is the time to take the journey into the Catholic faith. Sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation will begin in September and continue through Pentecost.

To learn more, please contact: Dave Retseck, Faith Formation Office: 847-990-1266 or dretseck@stjoseph-libertyville.org or Deacon Dave Tiemeier: dctiemeier@aol.com.

WOMEN’S FALL DAY OF REFLECTION:
Image of God,
A Woman’s Spiritual Journey

For the women of St. Joseph and St. Mary of Vernon Parishes
Sponsored by St. Joseph Women’s Council

Saturday, September 28
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Marytown, 1600 Park Avenue, Libertyville

The program will be facilitated by Linda Couri, Director of Lay Ministry, Assistant Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary.

The registration fee is $15 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and Mass at noon. Participants will have ample time to enjoy Marytown’s beautiful chapel, grounds and gift shop.

Registration is required by signing up online at St. Joseph’s website: https://stjoseph-libertyville.org/womens-day-of-reflection

Payment will be accepted at the door—Cash Only. Registration will close on September 24. Sign up early! Space is limited. Any questions, contact kayfischer@comcast.net.
Teens, New & Veteran volunteers: You are invited!

Teen Aide Training

Monday, August 12, 6:30 p.m., Koenig Center

What does a Teen Aide do?
• Help catechists in their classrooms during Children’s Faith Formation sessions:
  Sunday mornings or Tuesday afternoons and/or Sunday or Friday evening.
• Welcome students, take attendance, help with prayer, activities, games, maybe even help teach if you are up for it!
• Learn to be a leader and role model to younger generations.

Pizza included!

Wanna go?
Sign up at https://stjoseph.volunteer.com/re_vol_opportunities
Information: Julie Harding, 847-990-1226, jharding@stjoseph-libertyville.org
or the Faith Formation office, 847-362-5797

Young Adult Event on August 10
Young adults—single, married and young families—are invited to spend a summer day at Mundelein Seminary on Saturday, August 10 from 2:00 to 6:30 p.m. Enjoy tours of the campus, take the 3-mile walk around the lake, attend Mass with Rector Fr. John Kartje, and finish up with a cookout dinner. In addition, meet many of the seminarians. Please remember to dress appropriately for the event, as the seminary is home to students and faculty. For information or to attend, contact Matt Paoletti at mpaoletti@usml.edu or 847-970-4919.

Can I be a catechist?

• Grow in your own faith while helping our children to open their eyes and hearts to Christ and build a relationship with the living God!
• Share in Jesus’ ministry with your own talents and gifts! Challenge yourself, have fun and make friends!
• Don’t think you have what it takes? If you have an open heart and are willing to say YES, you already do!

YOU BET!

Your time & talents are appreciated:

Traditional K-6: Co-catechists needed on Sundays in Grade 6; on Tuesdays: Catechists in Grades 4, 5 and 6

Confirmation Prep (Grades 7-8): Grade 7 catechists needed Sunday and Tuesday evenings; Grade 8 catechist for Sunday morning

Faith Weaving (once a month): Sundays: Grades 3 and 4 (combined).

Information? Julie Harding, (847) 990-1226, jharding@stjoseph-libertyville.org
or the Faith Formation office, (847) 362-5797
Prayer & Worship

Returning this fall!

Divorce & Beyond

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart …
In all your ways be mindful of him, and he will make straight your paths.”

Proverbs 3:5-6

Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations

Please join the Vocations Ministers in praying for all members of the clergy and for all those leading consecrated lives during Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. in our church.

Prayer for Vocations: Almighty Father, we beg you for an increase in religious vocations and holy marriages in our parish. Help us to be generous in our response to your call. Choose from our homes those who are needed for your work and strengthen us with the courage to say “yes” and to follow you. Help us as a parish and as families to recognize and foster vocations to the priesthood, religious life, lay ministry or whatever path you are calling us to follow. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Vicariate I Andrew Dinner

Sunday, August 11, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at St. Raphael Parish, 40000 North U.S. Hwy 45, Old Mill Creek, IL 60046

Single Catholic young men, high school-aged or older, are invited to the Vicariate I Andrew Dinner, an evening of prayer, food and conversation about the vocation of priesthood. Auxiliary Bishop Alberto Rojas, Episcopal Vicar for Vicariate I, as well as retired Auxiliary Bishop George Rassas, and priests and seminarians from the Archdiocese of Chicago will welcome them. See the online registration form for more information. Register at: www.chicagopriest.com/events/andrew-dinner or contact Fr. Michael McGovern, mmcgovern@archchicago.org or 847-395-3474.

As Disciples of Christ, We Treasure the True Richness of God

Imagine the perfect round of golf…a day at the spa…the majesty of the Grand Canyon…an ocean beach…idly drifting in a canoe on calm waters…holding a newborn child in your arms. A disciple of Christ knows that the grandeur and joy of these earthly things pales in comparison to the awe and supreme contentment a living relationship with Christ brings to all things. With Christ, colors are richer, music is more sublime—even the passing stranger, a challenging relationship, or the day’s routine can bring wonderment at the glory of God who sets the feast of life before us each and every day of our lives.

Proclaimers to Review Each Other

The Proclaimer Leadership Team invites you to a Peer Review Event on August 8. We will meet in the church from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. We hope you can take part in this chance to proclaim in front of your peers and to receive their feedback. It is a great opportunity for all of us to become better Proclaimers in service to our community of faith and Our Lord. No need to take part if you came to the peer review in June. Please contact Kris Partain by email at krispartain@gmail.com if you have any questions.
In Memory

Please pray for the souls of:

Paul Repke
Lucille Bulaich

Banns of Marriage

Monika Sobanska & Thomas Skibbs

Schedules

Sunday Masses 5:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 7:15, 9:00, 10:45 a.m. (10:45 in Church and in Koenig Center), 12:30, 5:00 p.m. Prearranged Baptisms at 1:45 p.m. Saturday Masses 8:30 a.m. (Second Saturdays-Sacrament of Healing at Mass) Weekday Masses 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. or as scheduled. Holy Day Masses: 6:30, 8:30 a.m., Noon, 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon or by appointment.

Mass Intentions

Monday August 5
6:30 Chris Jung
and Wesley Fout
8:30 Fred Allegretti
and Martin Kelliher
Tuesday August 6
6:30 Bob & Jean Mitchell
and Robert Matthews
8:30 Mary Lockowtiz
and Lucille Leary
Wednesday August 7
6:30 Charles Rohrer
and Katie Barber
8:30 Aster V. Comargo
and John Russert
Thursday August 8
6:30 Don Wichlin
and Joe Mellen
8:30 Peter N. Phillips, Jr.
and Martin Kelliher
Friday August 9
6:30 Frances Frederick
and Ed & Evelyn Lobus
8:30 Helen Tarasza
and Edward Pilaski
Saturday August 10
8:30 Bob & Jean Mitchell
and Wendell Smith
Sunday All Parishioners

moving forward: what's next for the international sharing ministry?

We are called to go out into the world to be agents of social justice and compassion. Now that our project in Nicaragua has been fully funded, it is time for us to extend our ministry to another project in another part of the world. Come join us at one of the sessions on Sunday, September 8 after the 9:00 or 10:45 a.m. Mass in the Loughry Room where we will contemplate what to tackle next. Members of the International Sharing Ministry will be there with coffee and ideas and we would love to hear your ideas, too.

Our parish continues to build our International Sharing Ministry with a solid foundation and ideology of social justice, transparency and self-sufficiency. General Criteria for project consideration include:

• Enable self-reliance and sufficiency for children living in poverty
• Align with Catholic organizations for oversight and succession plan
• Create opportunities for members of our community of faith to serve together in direct service and international justice initiatives
• Create an emotional connection between our Catholic community and international communities of faith

All are welcome to join the discussion! For more information, please contact Marjorie Gaitan at marjorieegaitan@gmail.com We hope to see you on September 8!
St. Joseph Employment Ministry to Meet August 7

The person the hiring manager likes the best is the person who gets the offer. That’s all there is to it. (They’ve already determined you’re qualified or you wouldn’t be having an interview.) The trick is to realize that your competition is just as qualified as you are. You have to be better liked than the rest of them. At our next meeting, we are very pleased to welcome back parishioner Bill Burnett to present his talk entitled “The Peak Interview”. Bill will show you exactly how to win the offer and get the job. The method is based on psychology, including insights from the only psychologist to win the Nobel Prize. The big secret is that the last thing you do in the interview seals the deal. It’s something no other presentation on job interviewing will tell you.

Please join us, and learn how Gene Hackman (really!) helped Bill recognize the key to making your interview stand out from the other candidates. Our meeting will be held from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Formation Center (112 N. Milwaukee, 60048), Room C. Please enter from the rear of the building. Our sessions are free, and all are welcome—please join us and bring a friend—we look forward to seeing you!

The St. Joseph Employment Ministry assists the unemployed and under-employed in the pursuit of fulfilling work. Anyone with a job to fill or an interest in assisting job-seekers is also invited to attend. Meetings are usually held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month and typically feature topical presentations followed by discussion and group networking. All are welcome! If you have questions, please contact John Jennings at jjennings@comcast.net. Employers are invited to post open positions with us by sending an email to: StJosephEmploymentMinistry@yahoogroups.com.

Simple Acts of Kindness and Justice https://stjoseph-libertyville.org/urgent-needs

Listed below are some immediate opportunities to help someone in our community! Simple acts of kindness and compassion can comfort someone in their journey and also warm our hearts!

**Catholic Charities** is seeking a volunteer who can paint our core values—Respect, Compassion, Competence, and Stewardship—on the wall outside of our training room. The paint and stencils would be provided. We just need your expertise!

**Waukegan to College—Tutors:** Share your talents with a student at our Saturday morning tutoring sessions. Students bring their homework from subjects ranging from 5th grade language arts to calculus. All sessions are appointment-based and subject-specific. Come every week or just plug into the schedule when you are available. **Read to Achieve:** Do you love to read? Share your joy with a student who may not yet share your excitement. Meet weekly afternoons or evenings for 45 minutes at the Waukegan Public Library. **Mentors:** As a mentor, you will be paired with a high school student to help navigate the path to college. The mentor and student meet monthly at a mutually-convenient time and place. **Graduation Coaches:** Each of our students heading off to college are supported by a dedicated Graduation Coach, who has committed to the relationship through college graduation. Often, these coaches have served as a mentor to the student through the high school journey. **Expanding Horizons:** Help our students embrace the world beyond Waukegan by connecting us with a cultural venue or workplace to visit. **W2C Office Angels:** Be a part of the team that keeps our operation running smoothly. For more information about helping Waukegan to College, contact Mike Marion at mike.marion@waukegantocollege.org.

**St. Joseph Employment Ministry is looking for Steering Team Committee Leadership.** A background in HR or Talent Acquisition is desirable, but not required. The Ministry meets in the evenings at the Formation Center, usually on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. For more information, please contact John Jennings at jjennings@comcast.net.

Blood Drive at St. Joseph Catholic Church (school gym)
Sunday, August 25
8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, register online at www.vitalant.org. Use Group Code LV51 or call 877-543-3768.

All donors will receive a Vitalant patriotic T-shirt as a thank you. Appointments recommended. Walk-ins welcome.

Prepare for your donation. Eat well—Stay hydrated—Bring an ID

Celebration of Maristella!

Come help us celebrate over 20 years of service to Lake County women and children.

Date: Friday, August 16  Time: 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Where: Post Time Sports Bar and Grill
13860 Rockland Road, Libertyville/Green Oaks

Hors d’oeuvres and 2 drinks provided for $50 per person. Cash Bar available.

To Purchase Tickets: contact Bruce at 847-373-6394.

Featuring Fran Forys, the Executive Director of Maristella!
Fran has many heartwarming stories to share of Maristella’s charitable mission of helping homeless women and children in Lake County.
**Green Tip: Protect Pollinators**

Bees, butterflies, and other key pollinators are necessary for 75% of our major food crops. Our pollinators are in serious decline due to exposure to parasites, pesticides, disease, habitat loss and climate change. If we all dedicated a small area to protecting habitats for pollinators, using native plants and sustainable gardening practices, we can help safeguard our common home. Stop pesticide use and follow these guides to start your own pollinator garden. [https://beyondpesticides.org/assets/media/documents/pollinators/pollinators.pdf](https://beyondpesticides.org/assets/media/documents/pollinators/pollinators.pdf) or [www.fws.gov/midwest/news/PollinatorGarden.html](http://www.fws.gov/midwest/news/PollinatorGarden.html)

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**Emotional Problems?**

Holbrook Counseling Center of Mundelein, a program of Catholic Charities, has professional staff who can help with all of your problems. Our therapists have experience working with individuals and couples, and treating a multitude of problems, including substance abuse and addiction as well as marital conflict, personal issues, family problems and other difficulties. Day and evening appointments available. Fees are reasonable, and we respect your privacy. 312-655-7725.

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**Community Building**

The St. Joseph’s Retirees & Wannabes Committee invites you to join them at

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**A Nice Evening Out with Friends New and Old**

Come for “Tables for Eight” on August 22

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Come as a single, a couple or a group

Mambo Italiano, 748 S. Butterfield Road, Mundelein
Cocktails: 6:15    Dinner: 7:00
Soup or Salad • Entrée ( 6 choices) • Dessert Platter • Sodas, Iced Tea or Coffee

$35.00 per person, tax and tip included. Cash bar.

Register via GiveCentral at [https://www.givecentral.org/location/181/event/18501](https://www.givecentral.org/location/181/event/18501).
Or by check payable to St. Joseph Church.
Registration deadline is August 19. Questions—call Joyce Quilty at 847-987-1939.

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**Senior Corner**

**ST. JOSEPH PARISH SPONSORED**
- August 5, Quilting Circle, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Formation Center
- August 17, Mass in the Park, 5:00 p.m.
- August 22, Tables for Eight, see above
- Women’s Guild Fall Mixer, September 25 at 7:00 p.m.
- Ministry of Praise, call Debbie Costa at 847-347-3601.
- Joyful Again program for the widowed, phone 708-354-7211 for information.

**LIBERTYVILLE SENIOR COUNCIL & SENIOR CENTER**
- August 8, Arlington Park Racetrack, $13
- August 12, Birthday Bash with Dave “Elvis” Ehler (3 Crooner’s Tribute)
- August 15, Marriott Theater “Darling Grenadine”, $37
- Men’s Bowling on Monday and Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. at Fairhaven Lanes in Mundelein
- Bingo every 3rd Thursday
- Free art class, 1st & 3rd Thursday’s by John Kirkpatrick, register at Senior Center.
Information about Senior Events along with exercise, cards, woodcarving, line dancing, dominos and more in the Senior Update on tables in Narthex. Lending Closet of used medical equipment. RTA Reduced Fare Passes at Libertyville Township. Dial A Ride, 6 a.m.-6 p.m.,

Please join us in welcoming the following new parish members: Brett & Melissa Gravois.
Welcome to our community of faith!
7th Annual **St. Joseph’s Mass in the Park**

**Saturday, August 17**

*at Sunrise Rotary Park*

(across from the Church)

Will replace the regularly scheduled 5:00 Saturday Mass

**Followed by**

**Food---Friends---and Fun!**

Rain or Shine!

**Mass at 5:00 p.m.**

- Please bring your own lawn chairs/blankets and bug spray
- Limited handicap seating available for Mass and Picnic
- Handicap drop-off is on Broadway Street

**Picnic 6:00-7:30 p.m.**

- Burgers, hot dogs, chips, cold drinks and ice cream—FREE!
- Kid’s Activities
- Music provided------so you can enjoy it------and still visit!
- Please—No alcohol or smoking

**Thanks to the following for their support:**

Sunset Foods-Culvers-Libertyville Music-Village of Libertyville Fire & Paramedics-Lake County Sheriff Department-O’Hare Irish Dance

**Sign-up/Volunteer:**

- **RSVP by August 9 to help us plan food for the picnic. RSVP at:**
  

- **We could use your help! Food serving, set-up, kid’s activities are some of the volunteer activities available. To Sign Up to Help, go to:**
  

We are looking for children to be a part of the procession. If you are interested, please send Anne DeFranco an email at amdefranco@mac.com.

If you’d like to either sing or play a musical instrument for the Annual Mass in the Park, rehearsals continue August 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Loughry Room. Send Ron Vanaasden an email to let him know in advance to have music ready for you! All Ages Are Welcome!  

[rvanasdlen@stjoseph-libertyville.org](mailto:rvanasdlen@stjoseph-libertyville.org)
Women’s Fall Mixer: Save the Date! All women of the parish are invited to attend a Women’s Fall Mixer hosted by Mother’s with Young Children, St. Joseph School Parent’s Association, Women’s Council and Women’s Guild on Wednesday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Koenig Center. More details to come!

St. Rose Quilt Circle: Do you have an interest in sewing and quilting? Are you interested in sharing ideas and techniques? Are you looking for fellowship? If so, St. Rose Quilt Circle is for you! Join us on Monday, August 5, from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the Formation Center Room D. Whatever your skill level, come and create, learn and laugh with us! For further information, contact Diane: dmvssew@gmail.com.

St. Lucy Book Club Circle: Our Circle gathers on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Room to discuss a book and enjoy refreshments and conversation. On Monday, August 12, we will discuss *The Widows of Malabar Hill* by Sujata Massey. For more information, or to see a list of upcoming titles, please contact Joy Levering at mjlevering1@yahoo.com.

St. Judith Circle: Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Do you seek connection with other women in our parish community with school-aged children? We invite you to consider joining the St. Judith Circle, *Walking with Purpose*, this fall. Bi-monthly group sessions will start in September. This group will offer a place to connect and grow in friendship and faith. We believe that change happens in the heart of women and, by extension, in their families and beyond, through Bible study. Please RSVP by September 1 to Katie Sivak (312-520-6664 or katie.m.sivak@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining or for more information. We hope to see you!

Babysitting During Mass
Would you be interested in having your 1- to 4-year-old children play with their peers while you participate in Sunday Mass? Or would you be interested in volunteering your time watching young children while their parents attend Mass? We are looking for volunteers to fill this role on a rotating basis for the 9:00 a.m. Mass, starting this September through May. Please click on the Google link if you are interested in participating: https://forms.gle/1huAy2qs3QC9gM1j8. Please contact Justine with any questions: justine.lutz@me.com.

Enjoy The Convenience Of On-line Giving
Thank you to the many families that have signed up for online giving via electronic funds transfer (EFT). EFT is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation from your bank or credit card. There is no cost to you and it provides many advantages to you and the Church. Getting started is easy—just visit our website at http://www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/resources-forms. When you participate, your gift will transfer directly into the parish bank account. You decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. You can set up a recurring pledge or a one-time gift to our offertory and special collections, so you’ll be able to give the way you want. Thank you for considering this giving opportunity. If you have questions, please contact Anna Roeser at 847-362-2073 or via email at aroeser@stjoseph-libertyville.org.
Thoughts on Giving

“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.” (Luke 12:15) The Gospel message today is contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle and become more “other-centered” and less “self-centered.”

Stewardship of Treasure

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Thank You! St. Joseph Parish is grateful to those who give generously on the weekends and monthly through our automatic contribution program. Thank you to those who regularly and generously give of their treasure as well as those who give of their time and talent to support the work our parish does in the name of Jesus Christ. Learn more at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org.

Ministry of Care, Sacrament of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Sick is celebrated at 8:30 a.m. Mass on the 2nd Saturday of each month, or by arrangement. Contact the parish office if seriously ill, hospitalized, or homebound. A Minister of Care is available to bring Communion.

Guide to Funeral Planning

Please call the parish office for assistance from a Bereavement Minister and a funeral planning guide.

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Then Peter said, “Lord, is this parable meant for us or for you? And the Lord replied, “Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master on arrival finds doing so. Truly, I say to you, the master will put the servant in charge of all his property. But if that servant says to himself, ‘My master is delayed in coming,’ and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants, to eat and drink and get drunk, then that servant’s master will come on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour and will punish the servant severely and assign him a place with the unfaithful. That servant who knew his master’s will but did not make preparations nor act in accord with his will shall be beaten severely; and the servant who was ignorant of his master’s will but acted in a way deserving of a severe beating shall be beaten only lightly. Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

REFLECTION Throughout these days of Ordinary Time, the gospels present us with the opportunity to sit at Jesus’ feet and learn directly from Him about the Kingdom of God. In recent weeks we have been reminded that we are to focus our lives on knowing and glorifying God, loving our neighbor, and resisting the temptation to be drawn into worldly pursuits. Jesus’ teachings reveal the pathway to peace and joy in this life and the delight of living in the loving embrace of the Father for all eternity. But Jesus reminds us that being a good disciple and learning all of these things is not enough. We are challenged not merely to learn but to be true imitators of Christ. We are called to take what we have learned into our hearts and let it change who we are and how we act. If we are to call ourselves disciples (followers) of Jesus, we must also be willing to become active apostles (proclamers) of His as well. Jesus warns us that “much will be required of the person entrusted with much.” By virtue of Baptism, Christians are blessed to become children of God. Through Scripture, the teaching of the Church, and the graces of the Sacraments we come to an ever-richer appreciation of the gift we have received. We are called to be people of gratitude who are willing to serve and to pass along the precious gift we have received. The call to serve is a blessing in and of itself, as it is rooted in our belief in the abundant and unconditional love of the Father who sent His Son to teach us how to love so that we will one day live in joy and peace for all eternity. Our challenge is to remember that every time more is asked of us, it is merely because more has already been given to us.

For further reflection on the New Heaven and the New Earth, see the Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraphs, 1038-1050.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS 1. Do I believe that through my Baptism, God is inviting me to live my life in His kingdom where joy and peace is His desire for me? If so, how does my life reflect that belief? If not, what might I do more actively seek out deeper entry into the Kingdom? 2. Many Catholic apologists started converting to the Catholic faith when their studies led them to the conclusion that the Catholic faith offered more—they call it the fullness of the faith. They would say we have been given more. Am I proud of my Catholic faith? Do I take full advantage of the extraordinary gifts of grace available? Do I exhibit my gratitude for these gifts? If not, what more can I do to show my gratitude to God? 3. Jesus sent forth the Apostles to proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom of God. Staying put was not an option. Am I ready to see myself as an apostle of Christ who is helping to make disciples of all nations or am I content to continue to sit at His feet and come to know Him better? Are there others in my family who would consider me an apostle of Christ and why? In my community? In the Church?

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