On September 10, St. Joseph Catholic School held a Bible Blessing Prayer Service for the Class of 2022. Each year, 6th Graders receive their own copy of the Catholic Youth Bible to use throughout their middle school years. Father Hennessey presided over the prayer service that concluded with a special blessing for the students. For more than 25 years, SJCS has held this special prayer service, and we thank our religion teacher, Mrs. Unterfenger, for coordinating this special event.
September 9, 2019

Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish,

Your pastor, Fr. John Trout, will soon be participating in the Catholic Leadership 360 Review process. This review process is part of the ordinary structure required by Archdiocesan Policy of every diocesan priest approximately every five years. It is an opportunity for Fr. Trout to recognize his talents and to grow to become a better priest and pastoral minister. Selected members of the parish staff and parish leadership, the dean, and I will be reviewers using this instrument.

According to Archdiocesan policies lay leadership and parishioners are to be given the opportunity to recognize Fr. Trout’s gifts and to share their sentiments about his ministry. We are providing a parish-wide survey as part of his review process. The survey can be easily accessed by going to Ministerial Resources for Parishes on the Archdiocese of Chicago website, https://www.archchicago.org/offices-and-ministries/ministerial-resources-for-parishes

In the middle of the page, you will find Parish-wide Survey Review for Priests. The survey is available in English, Spanish, and Polish. Please click on the word ‘Link’ next to your appropriate language to access the survey.

If you have any concerns or comments pertaining to Fr. Trout’s review, feel free to contact me directly. If you have any further questions or suggestions about the review process you may contact Fr. Bob Heidenreich, Coordinator of Ministerial Review and Priests Programs, by email (rheidenreich@archchicago.org) or by phone at the Priests’ Placement Office (312-534-5237).

When the Catholic Leadership 360 Review process has been completed, Fr. Trout will be asked to share the insights he has received and his further developmental plans with you in the parish bulletin and on the parish web site.

Thank you for your willingness to participate and provide constructive information.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Alberto Rojas
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

PLEASE NOTE:
Survey is online at the link in this letter.
Paper copies of the Survey are available in the Narthex.
The Survey is anonymous.
Responses are due to the Archdiocese by October 11.
How does this benefit you?

Many people are busy these days but also want more out of life. By simply getting together with a small group of people similar to you through Community for the Kingdom, you can open up a new part of your life that enables you to enrich your experiences with God, family, friends, work, and community. This can make a real difference in your life and in the lives of others.

What is Community for the Kingdom?

Community of Friends
Who doesn’t need more friends who are authentic and genuine? Everyone is welcome to join a group. This could be with existing friends or a new group where you meet new people. It’s a casual gathering where you get to know others while enjoying some beverages and snacks on a monthly basis. This is a flexible arrangement so you can attend when your schedule permits. The groups are usually made up of about 8 – 12 people (individuals and couples).

Connected with Christ
These aren’t bible study groups. No bible is needed – just bring yourself. It’s a small group of good people who simply listen to someone read a brief passage from scripture, reflect on it and share what comes to mind (you’re not required to share if you prefer not to) and then say a prayer together. By listening to other’s comments about the passage, you may hear something that God wants you to hear that was delivered through your group by the Holy Spirit. Additionally, you might say something that someone else needed to hear.

Compassion - Helping Others
Think back to when you needed someone’s help at a key point in your life. Who was that person(s)? You remember them because they made a difference in your life. It feels good to help others but our busy schedules may get in the way. Your group can explore ways that are convenient for you to help others. This can be a group activity or something you do on your own when it works with your schedule. This includes random acts of kindness you offer to others each day.

Why Is This Important?

Pope Francis and Cardinal Cupich are passionate about revitalizing the Church like this because it enables us to radiate the light of Jesus as the apostles taught us through small groups in the community.

Get Started or Learn More Now!
Contact David Retseck of the St. Joseph Staff: 847-990-1266, dretseck@stjoseph-libertyville.org.
ALL ADULTS ARE INVITED

Protecting God’s People
Letter to a Suffering Church

Join us for prayer and discussion of Bishop Robert Barron’s book concerning the abuse issues that the Church faces, and why being rooted in one’s faith in the Trinitarian, loving God is the right path forward.

**Tuesdays, October 1, 8 and 15**
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Loughry Room
Our Facilitator: Fr. John Trout, Pastor

Registration is required. Visit [https://stjoseph-libertyville.org/suffering-church](https://stjoseph-libertyville.org/suffering-church) to reserve your space.

**Information:** Dave Retseck, 847-990-1266 or dretseck@stjoseph-libertyville.org.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **September 25** Guild’s Fall Mixer, 7:00 p.m., Koenig Center
- **September 26** Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations, 3:00 p.m.
- **September 26** Screening of Gosnell movie, 7:00 p.m., Koenig Center
- **September 28** Women’s Day of Reflection, 8:30 a.m., Marytown,
  **October 1, 8, 15** Protecting God’s People, 7:00-9:00 p.m.,
  Loughry Room
- **October 5** Learn about the Pope’s encyclical on the environment, 9:00-Noon, Koenig Center
- **October 6** Altar Servers Family Meeting, 6:00-7:30 p.m.,
  Koenig Center
- **October 12** Oktoberfest, 6:00-10:00 p.m., School Gym

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**MEET THE SEMINARIANS WHO WILL BE WITH US THIS YEAR**

This Sunday begins a new year of the Augustus Tolton Teaching Parish Program at Mundelein Seminary. St. Joseph Catholic Church is one of 80 local parishes that opens its doors to Mundelein seminarians from across the country as a place for them to grow in pastoral formation. We look forward to getting to know the three seminarians who will be here. Their participation in the life of the parish is vital to their successful formation as holy, joyful parish priests.

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**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.

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**BAPTISMS**

- Delaney Katherine Ann Neumann, child of Stacey Buell and Edward Neumann

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**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

- Nicole Estrada & Thomas Derrig
- Stefanie Withrow & Mark Price
- Meghan Toth & Kyle Mentink

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**PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**SCHEDULES**

- **Saturday, September 28**
  - 5:00 p.m. Fr. Trout
- **Sunday, September 29**
  - 7:15 Fr. Trout
  - 9:00 Fr. Ortiz
  - 10:45 Fr. Kartje
  - 10:45 KC Fr. Hennessey
  - 12:30 Fr. Kartje
  - 5:00 p.m. Fr. Ortiz
The Red Mass

All lawyers, judges and court system personnel are invited:
Saturday, September 28
5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Catholic Church.
Reception to follow.

Sponsored by the Justinian Society of Italian-American Judges & Lawyers of Lake County

The Red Mass is a tradition at the beginning the judicial term to ask God’s guidance for all in the legal profession. Dating to the 13th Century, this Mass invokes the Holy Spirit for guidance and wisdom in upholding justice by the Bench and Bar. Today, the Red Mass is attended by judges, lawyers and officials asking God to bless, strengthen and enlighten all servants of the law in order to better achieve “the blessings of liberty and justice for ourselves and our posterity.”

Altar Servers Family Meeting
Sunday, October 6, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Koenig Center

There are two meetings a year: one in February and one in October. At this meeting, Fr. Robinson Ortiz is going to present on the Mass and share updates for the Altar Servers. All the families are invited to attend. Pizza and beverages will be served. RSVP at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/altarservers.

As Disciples of Christ, we are trustworthy in all things asked of us whether important or small

We are a part of this world and depend upon it for our very existence. Yet, we must continually ask ourselves whether we are living responsibly in the world, or leaving a path of destruction, devastation and/or chaos in our wake as we move through life. Whenever we live with a sense of entitlement or self-focus, we have forgotten the truth that God is the Creator of all things and has graciously given all of creation over into our care. Living without a deep sense of active gratitude to God for all He blesses you with on a daily basis makes it easy to slip into dishonest relationships with everyone and everything in creation, including yourself. Celebrate the trust God has bestowed on you: a disciple chooses to be trustworthy and responsible; chooses to begin each day thanking God for the gift of a new day to enjoy; chooses to end each day thanking God for all that the day held.

Bereavement Group to Begin October 20

The St. Joseph Catholic Church Bereavement Ministry is sponsoring a Spiritual Bereavement Support Group for adult men and women who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Beginning on Sunday, October 20, the group will meet for six consecutive Sundays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Formation Center. Advance registration is required. Please call Maryann Morse at 224-522-6734 or email her at mcodebike5@sbcglobal.net to register or for further information.

Blessing of the Animals

The parish will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Sunday, October 6 at 4:00 p.m. in Sunrise Rotary Park in front of church. You are welcome to bring your cat, dog, fish, gerbil, chicken, horse, or any other pet for a special blessing.

Mass Intentions

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Please Pray for the Sick

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Stan Szot
Liz Korba
Martin Heatherman
Chuck Swoboda
Jake Philbrick
Judith Boggs
Rita Gagliano
James A. Page
David Guimond
Carol Michalski
Terry Venchus
Joseph Locascio
Fr. Val Laini
B. J. Carroll
Sean Kolber
Cliff Young
Micah Peckels Quirk

In Memory
Please pray for the souls of:

Clarke Harris
Anthony Romano
**Youth Soccer Challenge 2019**

The Knights of Columbus Libertyville Council (Cardinal Stritch 3674) and the St. Joseph School Athletic Committee are hosting a Soccer Challenge shooting contest. All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2019 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge.

The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district and state competitions. The local competition will be held on Sunday, September 29 at 1:30-3:30 p.m. at Dymond Field, 444 S. Dymond Road, Libertyville, IL 60048.

Please help us plan for volunteers by pre-registering, and drop off completed forms to the St. Joseph School office by Friday, September 27. (Forms also available at the school office). Same day registration is also available from 12:45-1:15 p.m. at Dymond field on Sunday, September 29. For further information please call Bob Bachochin at 224-688-2219 or email John Shute at jshute@stjoseph-libertyville.org. To request a registration form, please e-mail Rolando at regg5100@gmail.com.

NOTE: Age eligibility of child as of September 1, 2019. Please bring some form of ID (birth certificate) to verify he or she is between the ages of 9-14 as of September 1, 2019. For more information on the challenge details, please visit www.KOC3674.com.

**Social Justice & Service**

Caring for Creation The following has a variety of quotes, with permission, from Fr. Trout’s June 16, 2019, Sunday Message. This article is submitted by parishioner Nancy Kozlowski.

“Pope Francis’ encyclical letter, Laudato Si (On Care for Our Common Home) implores us to give ourselves, lovingly, to urgently addressing the challenges we face to preserve and care for the precious gift of creation God has bestowed on us.”

“The world is as much a part of us as our most cherished loved ones; we are called to make every effort to care for creation as we care for our loved ones.”

“We must acknowledge our interdependence on each other and recognize our interdependence with all of creation.”

“...reflecting on what we pay attention to in life is essential.”

“Will we love as God loves so that we do not visit horrors, not so much on ourselves, but on subsequent generations—on your children and grandchildren?”

**Social Justice & Service**

Rooted in Love

Attend the Saturday, October 5 free event, “Rooted in Love,” 9 am-Noon in the Koenig Center. Speaker will be Fr. Richard Fragomeni. Register soon at (https://stjoseph-libertyville.org/care-for-creation) or Mary Causey at 847-990-1213.

May God grant us the courage to do good without waiting for someone else to begin, or until it is too late. (Pope Francis, Sept. 1, 2019)

Will we heed the Pope’s pleas? Will we act for justice? Please join us in finding solutions for saving the environment in Laudato Si.

**Toiletries, Welcome Home Kit Items, Clothing and Blankets Needed**

Please bring donations to the Narthex on September 28-29.

The Franciscan House of Mary and Joseph is an overnight shelter in Chicago with 246 beds that offers showers, supper, a bed for the night, and breakfast. Any questions, please phone Laura Zacks, 847-987-8575. The following items are needed:

**Personal Items**
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Razors & shaving cream
- Moisturizer
- Feminine hygiene products

**Clothing**
- Socks (new)
- Underwear (new)
- Clothing – L to 3X
- Coats (winter and spring)

**Linens and Towels**
- Items can be new or gently-used.
- Bath towels (no beach-size towels)
- Sheets (for twin-size beds)
- Blankets (no quilts)

**Welcome Home Kit: NEW Items only, please**
- Laundry Baskets: Used to fill and hold the Welcome Home Kits

**Kitchen Items: NEWLY PURCHASED**
- Place settings: plates, bowls, silverware, glasses, cups
- Pans: frying pans, 4-qt. saucepans with lids
- Bakeware: baking pans, cookie sheets
- Gadgets: Strainers, cutting and paring knives, long handle spoons, spatulas, tongs, can openers, measuring cups

**Cleaning Supplies**
- Sponges, brooms, mops, dish soap, hand soap, all-purpose cleaner, dishcloths, towels, paper towels, buckets, waste baskets

**Bathroom Items**
- Towels: bath towels, hand towels, washcloths
- Toiletries: shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, toilet paper

**Bedroom Items**
- Twin-size sheet sets and comforters/blankets
- There’s an immediate need for a few full-size sheets and comforters/blankets.
Respect Life Activities in October

St. Joseph Catholic Church will celebrate life this October with our Annual Life Chain on Sunday, October 6 after the 12:30 p.m. Sunday Mass. It is a time of silent prayer in reparation for the sins against life (abortion and euthanasia). We will gather in front of the Formation Center and signs and Rosaries will be provided. The following weekend is the Annual Baby Shower on Sunday, October 13 in the Narthex before and after all Masses. Pastel ribbons with tags for suggested baby gifts will be hung on the walls of the church beginning on September 28.

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 Lake County Services
  - Evening Supper Volunteer in Round Lake

The supper volunteer is providing direct service to low-income clients and families who are hungry. The purpose of this activity is to provide clients in need of assistance with meals for themselves and their families and to foster community engagement among the clients. Duties and responsibilities:
  • Arrive 5:30 p.m. • Check-in with the Catholic Charities site leader • Bring salad, hot entrée and dessert for 25 people (or provide $300 and Catholic Charities will purchase the meal from a caterer) • Set up tables and chairs • Set the tables with placemats and rolled cutlery • Place creamers and salt and pepper on tables • Make coffee • Prepare drinks (lemonade, iced tea, water) • Prepare and plate the food • At 6:30, say a prayer • Serve drinks, salad, meals and dessert • Wrap leftovers and allow clients to take • Clean up • Shut off lights when leaving. Tips from fellow volunteers: Wear comfortable shoes, eat before you come, and a smile goes a long way! Please contact Sue Fowler-volunteer coordinator at Catholic Charities to sign up for the first Wednesday of a month! 847-782-4126 or e-mail sfowler@catholiccharities.net.

- Winchester House Volunteer Opportunities

Winchester House is looking for volunteers to host a monthly Men’s Group. Topics could include sports, military, mechanics, etc. Times and dates TBD. Also looking for volunteers to support Bingo games on Monday and Thursday afternoons at 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. There are residents who love to play Bingo but need extra help. Contact Name: Sherri Devers, 847-377-7200 or email: events@winchesterhouse.com.

St. Joseph Employment Ministry to Meet October 2

Where can you turn for answers to your job search questions? At our next meeting we will address your most pressing questions, such as: What’s the most productive source of job leads in my field? How do I explain why I left my last position? How can I take advantage of social media to connect with potential employers? On October 2 we will hold an “Ask the Coach” Open Workshop to focus entirely on your questions and concerns. Meet and learn from career transition expert Dan Barber, along with members of our Leadership Team and your fellow job seekers. We meet from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Formation Center (112 N. Milwaukee, Libertyville, 60048), Room C. Please enter from the rear of the building. The session is free, and all are welcome. Please join us, and bring a friend!

The St. Joseph Employment Ministry assists the unemployed and under-employed in the pursuit of personally and professionally fulfilling work. Anyone with a job to fill or an interest in assisting job-seekers is also invited to attend. Meetings 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

Community Building

Senior Corner

ST. JOSEPH PARISH SPONSORED • Register at parish office for October 9 Windy City Tour • Women’s Guild Fall Mixer, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. • September 26, Gosnell movie night, 7:00 p.m., Koenig Center • September 28, Women’s Day of Reflection, Marytown, see page 9.

LIBERTYVILLE SENIOR COUNCIL & SENIOR CENTER • September 23, Lunch & Learn: Hearing Healthy, free lunch • September 24, Alzheimer’s lecture, 2 p.m. • September 26, Movie Matinee, 1:30 p.m. • September 30 Senior Safety by Libertyville Police, 1:00 p.m. Bingo every 3rd Thursday. Information about Senior Events along with exercise, cards, woodcarving, line dancing, dominoes 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., 800-201-6446. Afternoon movies at library: Thursday (Cook) or Friday (Aspen).
Mothers with Young Children

MYC Mom’s Night Out – Women’s Guild Fall Mixer & MYC Member Social on Wednesday, September 25 at 6:00 p.m. at Formation Center.

- Cooking Demonstration performed by Chef James Camp of Our Chef
- Learn to build fall garden containers and simple centerpieces with Nora Kennedy of Craig Bergman Landscape Design

Complimentary Wine Tasting presented by Wine and Spirit Warehouse
Appetizers, Dessert, Wine and Beverages will be served

RSVP Today - Seating is Limited
$15.00 Registration starting September 21 and at the door

Please register online at https://www.givecentral.org/location/181/events-list-basic/category/605 orUrl
Please mail or drop off cash or check
(payable to Women’s Guild of St. Joseph Catholic Church) to: St. Joseph Parish,

ATTN: Women’s Guild Treasurer, 121 East Maple, Libertyville, IL 60048
Please contact Carolyn Guild Treasurer, 121 East Maple, Libertyville, IL 60048
Please contact Carolyn Metalfield with any questions: husnick_carolyn@yahoo.com

Babysitting During 9:00 Mass Has Begun

Last week our Parish Nursery opened in the Loughry Room during the 9:00 a.m. Mass. We hosted 10 children with fun crafts and playtime. Please drop off your 1- to 4-year-old no earlier than 8:45 (space is limited). Please use the Koenig Center doors east of the Parish Office. Note: there will be no Nursery on October 13. We are looking for more adults and high school/junior high students to help. To volunteer, please contact Justine Lutz at: Justine.lutz@me.com or 773-704-7055.

Are You a Welcoming Person?

Do you remember when you joined St. Joseph Catholic Church? Do you remember coming to Mass and looking around the church for a friendly face? Every year, the parish welcomes around 125 new families (about 400 new members) to our parish community. The Welcoming Committee takes an active role in ensuring that these newest members receive a warm and personal greeting and a gift from the parish. We are looking for men or women to join our “Ambassadors.” Would you enjoy meeting these newest members among us and share a “welcome basket” with them on behalf of the parish? The task is simple and not labor-intensive (deliver a few baskets each year) and it helps to provide personal connections on behalf of a parish as large as ours. If you are interested or need more information, please contact either Gerry Salzman (gesint49@gmail.com or 847-612-4099) or Tom Zimmer (trzimmer@yahoo.com or 847-322-6013).
ST. JOSEPH’S OKTOBERFEST
OCTOBER 12 IN THE SCHOOL GYM, 6 TO 10 PM
HOSTED BY YOUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3674
Great German Food: brats, weiners, German potato salad, sauerkraut, big soft pretzels, macaroni & cheese, potato chips.
Cash bar for beer, wine, soda and bottled water.
50/50 Raffle for Mothers with Young Children charity.
German music by Steve’s Oompah Band, face-painting, balloon sculptures.
Register online at Give Central
https://www.givecentral.org/location/181/events-list-basic/category/1208
Mail or drop off check made out to St. Joseph at Parish Office,
121 E. Maple Avenue.
Questions: email David Recker at davidrecker@att.net.

A FEW PLACES LEFT FOR THE OCTOBER 9 WINDY CITY TOUR
October 9, 8:45 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (The October 2 trip is SOLD OUT) Visit a suburban and a crown jewel of Chicago churches remarkably connected by the Chicago Fire. See the spectacular Elk’s National Veterans Memorial. Two different histories of Chicago done in tile. Walk a plaza full of photo ops. Lunch in the historic Union League Club followed by a 30-minute stroll around this area of architectural significance. See Tiffany windows close enough to touch, the Riverwalk, and a sunset reflected in a building itself being reflected by another across the river. Sign up now at the St. Joseph Parish Office. Cost including lunch: $60/person. Checks payable to St. Joseph Church. Email addresses & cell phone numbers are requested for everyone who has them. Coach departs from parking lot at Hurlburt Court & Park Place at 8:45 a.m., returning about 7:00 p.m.
Wear comfortable shoes with non-slip soles, and bring a light coat for the sunset stop. Questions to Dick Jacob, seabeejake@comcast.net or 847-744-0235.

WOMEN’S FALL DAY OF REFLECTION:
Image of God, A Woman’s Spiritual Journey
Saturday, September 28
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Marytown, 1600 Park Avenue, Libertyville
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: 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.

FAITH FORMATION
Faith Formation

Bishop Robert Barron’s

THE MASS

Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and you’ll be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.

See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from God and a response from his people, the Church, and, most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist.

The Mass will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life.

Video series presented in six parts.

Mondays, 7 to 8:30 p.m.
October 21 - November 25
Loughry Room

RSVP before October 11
to order the study books
for each participant.

www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/themass

Facilitator:
Fr. Robinson Ortiz
Associate Pastor,
St. Joseph Catholic Church
ST. JOSEPH CLERGY APPRECIATION WEEKEND

Do you ever wonder what it would be like if St. Joseph did not have its priests and deacons, or how blessed we are to have them serving Christ?

Many of us are inclined to take our clergy for granted when we see them at weekend Masses or occasionally at other parish events.

That is why the St. Joseph Vocations Ministry is promoting Clergy Appreciation Weekend on October 12 and 13. During that weekend, take the opportunity to express your gratitude for all that our clergy does to serve and grow our vibrant faith community.

In next week’s Carpenter read about the many benefits that we receive from and through our priests and deacons. In the meantime, reflect on what actions of the priests and deacons you, personally, are grateful for and how you could express your gratitude—a simple, verbal thank-you, a prayer, a card, or a note are just a few ideas.

2019 TEND THE FIRE DINNER ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

Larry Gundrum is this year’s Tend the Fire honoree. Please join us on Saturday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m. (after 5:00 Mass) in the Koenig Center to honor parishioner Larry Gundrum. Our annual Fr. Ken Kiepura Tend the Fire Tribute Dinner is held to honor one man in the parish who represents Fr. Ken’s legacy of friendship and faith. Larry has been involved with several ministries at St. Joseph Catholic Church over the years and continues to provide the parish with leadership, kindness and spirit.

Join us for a great evening of hospitality. This gourmet dinner features a great chef, waiters, drinks and delicious dessert. You can reserve your place at https://www.givecentral.org/location/181/event/19065 or drop a check made payable to St. Joseph Men’s Ministry at the parish office. Cost is $45 per person. Ticket sales end on Wednesday, October 2. Please email Jim Connell at jimconnell.zb@gmail.com or call 847-837-4563 or conuoha@usml.edu.

LEARN ABOUT THE DIACONATE

The Institute for Diaconal Studies invites men, along with their wives, to attend an Exploring the Diaconate session on Wednesday, October 9 at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Glenview, McDonnell Hall (lower level of church). Register with Sr. Caroline Onuoha, 847-837-4563 or conuoha@usml.edu.

SPEAKER SERIES AT CARMEL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

All are invited to the Spiritus series of talks at Carmel. The first will feature Fr. John Kartje, Rector of Mundelein Seminary, in conversation with Carmel Principal Jason Huther on Thursday, September 26 at 6:30 p.m. It will be in the Black Box Theatre at the school at One Carmel Parkway in Mundelein (south side of Rte 176 west of Libertyville). Learn what drives these two to work for the future of the Church and the world. Free event. More information at www.carmelhs.org/spiritus.

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.

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 video: go to www.stjoseph-libertyville.org. Scroll down until you see the box titled Live Stream Video.
**Accountability**

We’ve updated our social media URLs

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Email Newsletter: sign up here
Sign up to receive occasional emails from the parish. We currently send an email out twice a month.

**Thoughts on Giving** “No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth).” (Luke 16:13) Is money a “god” that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

**Bulletin Submissions**
Submit Carpenter articles to Marie Tuohy (marietuohy@sbcglobal.net) after approval by your Pastoral Staff Lead. Articles must be received by Noon on the Monday before issue date.

**New Parishioners**
Welcome! Please stop or call the parish office weekdays from 9:00 to 4:00 p.m. or download registration form on-line at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org.

**Announcements at Mass**
Due to Jasmine Sosa at jsosa@stjoseph-MJCFSUZWJMMFPSH%FBDPO(FPSHF,BTINBS at gkashmar@stjoseph-libertyville.org by noon on Mondays. Guideline: 1-2 sentences.

**Accessibility**
If you have a disability and require special accommodations at a parish event, please call the parish office.

**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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**Stewardship of Treasure**
Weekly Offering for September 1, 2019

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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.

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**Matrimony**
Congratulations! Please contact the parish office as soon as you are engaged. 6 months is usually required for marriage preparation.

**Infant Baptism**
As an expectant parent, you are invited to the Pre-Baptismal Session 3 months prior to birth; 6:00 p.m. the 2nd Monday of every odd-numbered month at 6:00 p.m. in church.

**Baptism for School-Aged Children**
Preparation classes for parents and children begin in September. Call 847-362-5797 for information and registration.

**Sacrament of Penance**
Celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday mornings or by arrangement.

Office Hours & Evening Access: The Parish Office and Ministry Center at 121 E. Maple Avenue is open 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. - Noon on Saturday. The front door of the P.O.M. Center has a keypad for entry into its vestibule area. Anyone hosting a scheduled meeting in the evening or on a weekend is asked to pick up the key for the space they need before 4:30 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.) or by 12:00 Noon on Saturday (for weekend meetings) if you cannot make it by 4:30 (M-F) or by Noon Saturday, please call the office, 847-362-2073, before 4:30 (M-F) or Noon Saturday to reserve your key and to get the access code for the vestibule, where the key will be kept. You must return the key immediately after your event by putting it in the same box you obtained it from, NOT in the slot to the left of the door.

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**NEXT SUNDAY’S GOSPEL — Luke 16:19-31**

Leaders: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who lived in torments and in anguish. Dogs used to come and lick his sores.

"When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.'

"Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.'

"He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father’s house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.'

"But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'"

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

**REFLECTION**

In this week’s Gospel Jesus clearly and directly confronts us with the fundamental choice we are all called to make: do we seek to follow God’s plan for our lives or are we going to pursue the worldly values of wealth, power and control? As if to add emphasis to the significance of making the proper choice, Jesus continues in next Sunday’s passage to graphically share the consequences of that choice. Upon the death of both a rich man and Lazarus, a poor man, Lazarus is seen beside Abraham enjoying heavenly joy and peace while the rich man was in the ‘netherworld’ in torment and regret. While the passage highlights the ultimate eternal destiny of our immortal souls to either heaven or hell, we should also contemplate that as children of God we are created to choose to live in the Kingdom of God during our earthly exile. St. Paul reminds us that as baptized Christians we are called to live lives of “righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience and gentleness.” (1 Timothy 6:11-12) If we answer that call, it will not only lead to heaven but holds the promise for a life of joy and a peace here on earth. It can be difficult to stay true to that choice in this age of consumerism and constant encouragement to adopt secular values. Again Paul reminds us to “compete well for the faith.” There is an ongoing battle within each of us. Our spirit encourages us to seek unity with the Lord and to resist the temptation to seek out pleasure, comfort and worldly gratification. Fortunately we have the graces from the words and the life of Christ and the Sacraments to keep us on the path to joy and peace in this life and union with the Father in the next.

For further reflection on the challenges of seeking holiness in a material world, see *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*, paragraphs 2405-2418 and 2534-2550.

**REFLECTION QUESTIONS**

1. Our choice is clear: the Kingdom’s plan for my life or the world’s plan. What steps am I willing to take to discern and follow God’s plan for my joy and peace? Where do I put God’s plan aside to focus on worldly pursuits?

2. The Catechism and other teachings of the Catholic Church point out all of the graces that God wishes to make available to us to help us live truly satisfying and holy lives. Where do I find grace in my daily life? What practices can I adopt to help me to be more closely attached to Christ and more insulated from worldly temptation?

3. Paul reminds us that our life’s work is to pursue righteousness, faith, love, patience and gentleness. How am I doing in each of these areas? How would other people know I am seeking to follow Paul’s encouragement?

**Readings for the Week**

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