Carpenter

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!

Community For The Kingdom
Path of Caritas (Love)

Ministries of Justice
Respect Life
Lake County United Catholic Charities
Mentoring Employment
Ministry Refugee
Resettlement
CASA Child Advocacy
Care for Creation
Catholic Education & Nutrition for Children
Catholic Relief Services.
Bed Ministry
Rosary Makers

Ministries of Mercy
PADS
Giving Trees
Food Pantries
Back Packs
Knights of Columbus
Aid for Women
Waukegan Soup Kitchen
Franciscan Outreach
Simple Acts of Kindness
Prison Ministries
International Sharing:
El Nino Rey, Peru,
Moshi, Nicaragua
Elder Care

Social Justice
Remove root causes
Improve structures

Charitable Works
Meet basic needs
Aid individuals

"The conscience is called by this social teaching to recognize and fulfill the obligations of justice and charity in society." (Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church, no. 83)

“Social justice. . . concerns the social, political and economic aspects and, above all, the structural dimension of problems and their respective solutions.” (Compendium, no. 201)

"The Church cannot neglect the service of charity any more than she can neglect the Sacraments and the Word. . . . Those who are able make offerings in accordance with their means . . . to support orphans, widows, the sick and those who for other reasons find themselves in need, such as prisoners and foreigners." (Pope Benedict XVI, Deus Caritas Est, no. 22)
October 20, 2019

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Love for God’s people and the mission entrusted to us as disciples stands at the heart of Renew My Church. Each October on World Mission Sunday, we join with the Church across the globe in joyful response to the call to "go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature" (Mk 16:15). This year, the Holy Father, Pope Francis calls for an Extraordinary Mission Month throughout the month of October in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Apostolic Letter Maximum Illud which, "sought to give new impetus to the missionary task of proclaiming the Gospel."

In calling for this Extraordinary Mission Month, the Holy Father invites us to transcend national boundaries in these troubled times in our world, bearing witness "to God's saving will through the Church’s universal mission." The World Mission Sunday collection, celebrated worldwide on October 20, supports the efforts of over 1,000 economically poor dioceses to provide spiritual and material aid to people across Africa, Asia, and remote areas of Latin America and the Pacific Islands. Recipient churches and congregations also bring hope to people facing poverty, violent conflict, and displacement in the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe.

In honor of the Holy Father’s call to renewed fervor for the Church’s universal mission, every parish engaged in works of solidarity and charity with our global neighbors are invited to join the diverse community of Archdiocese of Chicago in a Mass of Thanksgiving for missionaries next Sunday, October 27 at St. Ferdinand Church beginning at 5:00 p.m. Together we will give thanks for the local parishes that are dedicated to the Catholic Church’s world mission.

It is my prayer that each parish is inspired to embrace World Mission Sunday as an opportunity to join with the global Church in making disciples throughout our world, as we are called to do during the Renew My Church process. May our witness inspire others in our Chicago community, especially young people, to embrace the call to love and follow Christ. With every good wish, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[Signature]

Archbishop of Chicago
Thank you to all who attended the meeting on Monday, September 23, to support the opposition to the sales of recreational marijuana in Libertyville. We were pleased to learn that our voices were heard and the Zoning Board recommendation was unanimously against cannabis sales or cultivation in Libertyville.

However, we are not finished. The final decision will be made by the Village Board and we need continued support. This decision could have severe repercussions on our community. Given the numerous known risks cannabis use poses to human society and human health—emotionally, physically, and mentally—it is regrettable that the government has decided to facilitate and support the use of an addictive substance that will have disastrous effects for so many people.

This topic is on the agenda for the upcoming Village Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 22 at 8:00 p.m. at the Libertyville Civic Center. A large crowd is anticipated, so please arrive early to ensure our voices will again be heard.

See the graphic below which demonstrates that in the most mature retail cannabis sales locations in the United States, retail outlets grow at such a rate that they exceed the population-based ratio of Starbucks and McDonald's combined (two retailers that have previously dominated communities).

Please attend this meeting on Tuesday, October 22, at 8:00 p.m., at the Libertyville Civic Center to ensure that our voices are heard.

In Christ,

Father John Trout

I will be leaving for my annual silent retreat on Sunday, October 20 and will return on Sunday, October 27. The retreat will be at Sacred Heart Jesuit Retreat Center in Sedalia, Colorado. Please keep me in your prayers during this special time of prayer and reflection. Be assured of my daily prayers for you and your loved ones as I devote one hour of prayer each evening before the Blessed Sacrament for your intentions.

- Fr. John Trout
The Pope's Tweet of the Week
Let us pray for our communities, that by giving witness to the joy of Christian life, they may see a flowering of the call to holiness. @Pontifex

Upcoming Events at St. Joseph Catholic Church
More information at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org

October 24 Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations, 3:00 p.m.
October 21 Six-week program on The Mass begins, 7:00 p.m., Loughry Room
October 26–27 Coat Drive in Narthex
November 9–10 Men's Legacy Weekend
November 13 Day of Adoration, 1:00 to 7:30 p.m., Church
December 1 and 3 Community for the Kingdom Advent groups begin

A Word from the Social Justice & Service Commission
This weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday throughout the Church in response to the Gospel invitation to solidarity with all the world's peoples, especially those most in need of the good news of God's love.

We would like to take this opportunity to shine a spotlight on the many dedicated ministers who work under the banner of St. Joseph Catholic Church, and to thank our parish as a whole for its commitment to promoting social justice and acts of kindness and mercy in our communities, our state and across all borders.

St. Joseph Catholic Church actively supports more than 30 ministries that represent the basic tenets of Catholic Social teaching: the dignity of the human person, care for God's creation, the dignity of work, options for the poor and vulnerable, solidarity, and peace and justice for all. We support these ministries through our time and talent with countless volunteer hours, and with our treasure, through 6% of annual plate collections and our monthly Gold Envelopes.

Being able to disburse greatly-needed resources is a gift for us, but more than that, our involvement in these ministries has brought great transformation and joy, not only to those we serve, but to our own lives. This work allows us to see all people as children of God deserving of love, mercy, justice and dignity—opening our hearts and our minds to God's faithful love and grace.

Christ has charged us to love our God with all our heart, all our soul and with all our mind, as his greatest commandment, and also that we should love our neighbor as ourselves.

This is not always easy—the stranger, the outcast, the orphan, the widow, the sick, the vulnerable, the distant and the poor are all our neighbors. Loving them can be inconvenient, frustrating and difficult, but we do it because of our baptism which makes us Disciples of Christ.

It is your gifts that make it possible for us to serve God in such a beautiful way and we thank you. Your commitment to Social Justice and Acts of Kindness and Mercy is a testament to our faith and a profound witness to our love for our neighbors through Christ. May God bless all of us and those we serve through our ministries!

Social Justice & Service

Care for Creation
Advocacy Day in Springfield: Support Clean Energy Jobs Act
Join members of our community in attending the 2019 Fall Advocacy Day on October 29 in Springfield. The bus leaves from behind the Formation Center at 6:00 a.m. It’s a great opportunity to rally and meet with our legislators to promote the new Clean Energy Jobs Act. To register, visit: www.faithinplace.org/events/fall-advocacy-day-2019

If you can’t attend, you can still make your voice heard. Just go to the following Faith in Place Action website. www.faithinplaceaction.org/get-involved/take-action/support-the-clean-energy-jobs-act-ceja/

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.

Halloween Candy for The Franciscan House of Mary and Joseph in Chicago
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. The guests enjoy a piece of candy after their meal. We are collecting Halloween candy for them! What a great way to share your extras! Please drop candy off in the back of the church on November 2 and 3. Any questions, please phone Laura Zacks at 847-987-8575.
St. Joseph Social Justice Fund - Faith in Action

We are blessed to be part of a generous parish that contributed $225,067 in 2019 to organizations that work to improve and change the lives of families, children and people living in poverty. We are grateful to our parish community for contributing 6% of weekly donations and the growing number of parishioners who contribute through our GOLD ENVELOPES and Give Central (www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/support-us on the St. Joseph website).

Our mission is to enable the sharing of our God-given talents and strengths in the service of others and our goal is to transform our parish community through engagement and faith-in-action experiences. Through our Social Justice Fund and GOLD ENVELOPES we are able to focus on the importance of dignity and self-sufficiency.

The needs are enormous and we have a high standard for selecting organizations that receive our support. We emphasize support for Catholic social service and human service organizations such as Catholic Charities and Catholic Relief Services. We also support social service and human service organizations that are aligned with our parish mission and goals as well as USCCB guidelines. We require that the majority of organizations provide growing opportunities for parishioner ministry engagement. And we require that organizations provide periodic reports on outcomes and sustainability.

Our St. Joseph parish community is currently engaged in more than 30 Social Justice and Service Ministries and the following organizations received financial support in 2019:

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“Looking for a job during the holidays is a waste of time…might as well forget about it until January.” If this is what you think, you really should come to our next meeting. This is a common misconception that we hear every year! Please join us for a discussion about how to most effectively move your job search forward during the holidays. Our meeting, entitled *Job Search During the Holidays*, will be led by Dan Barber, a highly experienced career transition professional from our community. We meet from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Formation Center (112 N. Milwaukee, Libertyville, IL, 60048), Room C. Please enter from the rear of the building. The session is free, and all are welcome.

The St. Joseph Employment Ministry assists the unemployed and under-employed in the pursuit of one 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 each month and typically feature topical presentations followed by group networking. If you have questions, please contact John Jennings at jfjennings@comcast.net. Employers are invited to post open positions with us by sending an email to John.

**Taizé Prayer**

*Thursday, October 24, 7:00 p.m.*  
St. Mary of Vernon Catholic Church  
All are welcome  
Renew My Church

**All Souls’ Day Mass**

St. Joseph Bereavement Ministry invites you to join us as we celebrate All Souls’ on Saturday, November 2 at 7:30 p.m. All Souls’ is a special day to remember all those who have gone before us and are now enjoying eternal life in the kingdom of God. The Mass will include the reading of the names of those who have died in the past year, as well as a special blessing of the candles that will be presented to their families. To help our parish community honor and remember all the souls in their prayers, pictures of the deceased will be on display in the Narthex during the month of November.

**Be a Part of the Cleaning Ministry**

We are looking for some new people to join our group. We work individually on a rotational basis in light cleaning of the sanctuary, straightening the book holders in the pews, emptying and cleaning the holy water fonts, etc. If you have 1 to 1-1/2 hours once every 6 weeks, please contact Kris Partain at 847-477-3642.

**Need a Low Gluten Host?** If you are in need of receiving a low gluten Host, we will be consecrating a number of low gluten Hosts to be kept in a special ciborium in the Tabernacle. This ciborium will be available at the serving station of the presider for each Mass. Please come to Communion at the presider’s station and indicate that you receive a low gluten Host.
**Prayer & Worship**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Donna Hantrobski  
Charlotte McLarnon  
Nancy Bodner  
Paula Markos  
Bill Graham  
Don Arndt  
Alejandro Benavides  
Fernando Benavides  
Ivey Partain  
Janice Kleinschmidt  
Peter Krol  
Tom Omiatek  
Kelly Hobbs  
Stan Szot  
Rita Gagliano  
David Guimond  
Carol Michalski  
Terry Venchus  
Joseph Locascio  
Fr. Val Laini  
B. J. Carroll  
Sean Kolber  
Micah Peckels Quirk

After 4 weeks, please notify the parish office if your loved one is still in need of our prayers.

**BAPTISMS**

Nicholas Anthony Malham, child of Filomena (Fiore) and Timothy Malham  
Alexander James Moberg, child of Ann Rowley and James Moberg

**IN MEMORY**

Please pray for the souls of:  
Nancy Adams  
Audrey Garrity  
Joe Calcagni

**LISTEN TO THE SUNDAY HOMILIES**


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**THIS WEEK’S READINGS CALL US TO ASK:**

As Disciples of Christ we know prayer is essential to the spiritual life. The very basics of prayer life are learning the words and gestures of prayer. Further along, one becomes actively aware of the need for prayer and that no matter how many reasons why you pray, there seems to be so many more people and things to pray about. Then, if you persist in prayer, one day you realize that your prayer is like the rhythm of your heartbeat. It encompasses your whole being. At this point your prayer has moved beyond mere words and gestures, beyond the countless reasons to pray. Prayer has become who you are, the ‘why’ of your existence, how you move through life. It has become LIVING prayer. Paul exhorted the community in Thessalonica “Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit;” (1 Thess. 5: 16-19) Paul understood that for a Disciple of Christ, prayer is breath. Without constant prayer, the spirit withers and dies and we walk through life having no life within.

**SHOUT PRAISES TO THE LORD!**

Enroll in the Ministry of Praise! The Ministry of Praise is a call to those in nursing homes, retirement homes, the home-bound and all seniors. What will Ministers be asked to do? Simply pray. Each month you will receive a letter from a staff member or parishioner asking you to pray for intentions. It is a call to join in a chorus of prayer. There are no dues or meetings. Please contact Debbie Costa at 847-347-3601 or email Debbie at drc233@aol.com.

**MINISTRY OF CARE
HOME VISITS**

If you or your loved one are ill or elderly and unable to attend Mass on the weekend, we would like to hear from you. Our trained Ministers of Care are available to visit your home to bring Holy Communion. Please contact the Parish Office (847-362-2073), or Arlyss Lasecki (847-778-8023) or Judy Salzman (847-393-7689) to arrange for a Home Visit with Communion.

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](http://www.stjoseph-libertyville.org). Scroll down until you see the box titled Live Stream Video.

**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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**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.

**PRESIDERS/DEACONS**

**Saturday, October 26**  
5:00 p.m.  Fr. Kartje

**Sunday, October 27**  
7:15  Fr. Hennessey  
9:00  Fr. Luboyera  
10:45  Fr. Ortiz  
10:45 KC  Fr. Hennessey  
12:30  Fr. Ortiz  
5:00 p.m.  Fr. Luboyera
COMMUNITY BUILDING

Fun Evening for Singles Age 40+
Catholic & Single Together has a fun evening planned at St. Patrick Parish in Lake Forest on November 9 at 6:00 p.m. (or join the group at 5:00 Mass first). A Pub Night party with the music of Derrick “Suede” Stout will include good food and beer and wine and more. Meet some new people! Dancing maybe? $15 per person. RSVP to castlakecounty@aol.com.

Guild Circle News
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, October 21, 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: dmvsew@gmail.com.

Please join us in welcoming the following new parish members: Thomas & Alyssa Brick. Welcome to our community of faith!

Senior Corner
ST. JOSEPH PARISH SPONSORED • October 21, Quilting Circle, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. • October 24, Taizé Prayer at St. Mary of Vernon, 7:00 p.m. • November 2, Euchre Night, 6:30 p.m., 200 Building
LIBERTYVILLE SENIOR COUNCIL & SENIOR CENTER • October 21, Taste of October, 12:00 Noon • October 22, Prostate Cancer discussion, 1:00 p.m. • Discussion of vitamins and supplements, 1 p.m. • October 29, Cooking Demo, 1 p.m. • October 30, Halloween Party, 1 p.m. Hot Topics and Toddys, Fridays at 10:00 a.m. Movies every Thursday at 1:30 p.m. Lending Closet of used medical equipment at Senior Center. RTA Reduced Fare Passes at Libertyville Township. Dial-A-Ride, 6 a.m.–6 p.m., call 800-201-6446. Information about these Senior Events along with exercise, cards, woodcarving, line dancing, dominos and more are identified in the Senior Update on tables in the Narthex.

MOTHERS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN
MYC Saturday Night Out, Saturday, October 26 from 6:00 p.m. at Jessica Vaugn’s Home. Bring your spouse or feel free to come solo to this fun MYC night out! Pizza and salad will be ordered, card/games will be played! For further details, check out Meetup, and don’t forget to RSVP!
Parent/Tot Gym Sullivan Center on Thursday, October 31 from 9:00 a.m. at Vernon Hills Sullivan Community Center. Parents and children (1-4 years old) can play with a variety of toys including balls, big wheels, scooters, hula hoops, and more. For more information, please refer to Meetup and RSVP!
MYC Book Club - Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng on Tuesday, November 5 from 7:30 p.m. at Joni Kane’s home. Enjoy a good read and great discussion with this page-turner. Take a look at Meetup for further details and to RSVP for this mommy free time!

If you or someone you know would like to join MYC, please contact us at stjoesmyc@gmail.com. We will then provide information on the Meetup app where we post events. Membership is free and you can be as involved as you like. We’d love to have you!

Youth
COME JOIN THE FUN EVERY SUNDAY!

ST. JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY
For more information, contact Tom and Brigid Dutton at bdutton@stjoseph-libertyville.org or 847-275-2597.

Upcoming Schedule
OCTOBER 20
Service Project from 6:15-8:15 in the Souled Out Teen Space. Food will be served!
Come for some Fun—Stay for some Faith!
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.

Our SPRED (Special Religious Development) Adult Group Is Looking for a Catechist

SPRED is a ministry that offers those with special needs an enriching experience in faith formation in relationship with a catechist and friend. Respectful and designed to preserve the dignity of those with special needs, SPRED is a carefully developed small faith community. We invite you to join our catechists, to join our faith community, to open your heart and to serve special children of the Lord.

Anyone 21 or older willing to share friendship and faith with others from the community can participate as a catechist. No prior experience with persons with special needs is needed. Training and observation is offered throughout the year to help volunteers become comfortable with the SPRED method of catechesis.

If you feel called to this or have questions, please contact John Brodarick, St. Joseph SPRED chairperson, at 847-362-6787 or email at brodarick727@comcast.net.

Coat Drive Next Week

One of our Community for the Kingdom groups is hosting a Coat Drive. They need clean, lightly-used coats for men, women and children. Please keep in mind the dignity of the people receiving the coats. Information, call Joe Graham at 847-367-6088.

Join us for “The Men’s Legacy Weekend”

There comes a time in every man’s life when he’s had enough of trying to figure things out by himself; when he is tired of going through the motions; when he starts to pay attention to what is true and beautiful; when he’s looking for a place where he can be real, genuine, authentic. Maybe for you, that time is now. We invite you to join us for the Men’s Legacy Workshop Weekend, held here at St. Joseph Parish on November 9 and 10. There are no prerequisites for you to attend. You just need to be a guy who may be looking for a little “more.”

Through stories, laughter and hospitality, we connect to God through each other in a way that is unique to men. There is no “Bible thumping,” no preaching and no lecturing. There are no assignments and no expectations. You can get comfortable. You’ll have some fun. You’ll relax and eat well. You may even have a beer around a fire. Just ask a guy who has been there.

“The hospitality and food are off the charts; the laughs are abundant and the friendships that are formed are honest and real.” The Weekend starts on Saturday morning at 7:30 and concludes around 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. This is not an overnight event. You can go home after we conclude on Saturday evening and return on Sunday morning. For more information, call Chuck at 312-735-3316. Sign up on the St. Joseph Parish website: www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/mens-weekend-registration.
Faith Formation

Science Day at Mundelein Seminary
Mundelein Seminary is hosting Science Day on Saturday, November 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Cardinal Mundelein Auditorium on the seminary campus. Attend a free lecture by Dr. Grace Wolf-Chase of the Adler Planetarium on how the possibility of extraterrestrial life would affect human societies, cultures, and religions. After the lecture, there will be small group discussions led by Mundelein seminarians on the religious questions surrounding this topic. This event is intended for high school age and above. Reserve free tickets: www.bit.ly/scienceday19.

Family Mass and Autumnal Celebration
Right between blazing summer and chilly winters, autumn is the “cooling-off” season — the nighttime arrives earlier, temperatures get lower, trees flourish in color and the kitchen is filled with the aromas of soups and pumpkin spice. To celebrate the autumnal season, we invite the children to dress up in their favorite costume to celebrate October fun!

Join us on Sunday, October 27 at 10:45 a.m.
Family Mass in the Koenig Center.
During Mass, continue to be sweet, and we’ll celebrate afterwards with a little treat!
All are welcome — come as you are!
Sponsored by St. Joseph Catholic School & St. Joseph Catholic Church Faith Formation

All are welcome
Join us in prayer during a Day of Adoration
Wednesday, November 13, 2019

When and where: 1:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the church, with Benediction to follow.
What is the opportunity: Spend time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, encased in a special Monstrance blessed by St. John Paul II, a month before he died in 2005. The Holy Father consecrated the vessel to promote Eucharistic Adoration, prayers for priests and all vocations.
What if I can only visit for a few minutes? COME! Make time to be with Jesus, even if you can only stay a little while. You will be glad you did!

Hosted by St. Joseph's Vocations Ministry
Information: dretseck@stjoseph-libertyville.org

Open House at Loyola Academy
Prospective families are cordially invited to attend Loyola Academy’s Open House on Thursday, November 7. Tours begin at 5:00 p.m. and continue until 8:00 p.m. Loyola Academy is located at 1100 Laramie Avenue, Wilmette 60091. Phone is 847-920-2481. www.goramblers.org. Loyola Academy admits students of any race, color and national origin or ethnic origin.

Carmel Catholic High School Open House
Carmel Catholic High School, a four-time Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, cordially invites you to its 2019 Open House on Sunday, November 3, from Noon to 3:00 p.m. This event will give prospective families the opportunity to tour the campus, meet faculty, staff, and current students, and learn more about the Carmel Catholic community. Guided tours will begin at the Auditorium entrance (Door G) throughout the event.

Shadow Days at Carmel Catholic High School
To get a first-hand look at Carmel Catholic, we encourage prospective students to spend a day with us. During a Shadow Day, visiting students are paired with a Carmel student for the day and follow that student through his or her classes. Visitors who participate in this experience are less apprehensive about their impending high school experience. Shadow Day visits are until May. Visiting students will receive a free lunch in the cafeteria, along with fun giveaways at the end of their visit! Visit www.carmelhs.org/shadowday/.
Gratitude and Sharing God’s Gifts
Reflections on nurturing our gratitude and responding generously

1. Having an attitude of Gratitude is a way of living our lives with awareness and appreciation that all that is good comes from God, still belongs to God and is meant to be shared.

2. Being grateful to God, how should we respond? With prayer and praise to God. We owe him our best efforts to use his gifts wisely and productively. We prayerfully ask God for his guidance on how we spend our time, our resources and how we develop and apply our talents. Jesus said we are to be servants of others.

3. We are called to respond with gratitude for the blessings of our faith and our Church. We come together at Mass to give thanks to God for his gifts, to hear and ponder his word and to receive in the Eucharist the graces we need to live Christian lives as followers of Jesus Christ.

4. As a parish family of faith, we are called to the Church’s mission and through our life in the parish, we are abundantly blessed and equipped to respond. Our mission is to know the Lord and to serve him by carrying his love and mercy into the world.

5. Being grateful to God for our Catholic faith community of St. Joseph, how should we respond? In addition to worship and praise of God in community, being grateful for God’s gifts should also change our attitude toward using our collective resources in the world.

6. As people grateful to God, we are called to become good stewards of God’s gifts. We wish to return to the Lord an increase on every good gift he has given us. This includes our personal and collective talents, resources and time.

We are called to respond by taking up our role on the Church’s mission. “We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church—collaborators...in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ... This mission-proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying—is our task.” (Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, p. 43.)

At St. Joseph Catholic Church, Community for the Kingdom groups were introduced to help us fulfill our role in the Church’s mission, by promoting authentic friendships, fostering Christ-centered communities, sharing our faith, working for justice and compassionately serving others.

A Prayer for Renew My Church

Lord Jesus, you speak to us today, as you spoke to holy men and women who have gone before us.

In every age and in our own time, you call to us and say: Renew My Church.

Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us, and so enable us

- to hear you clearly,
- to listen to each other attentively,
- to imagine our future boldly,
- to discern your direction wisely,
- to persevere in your holy will courageously,
- to stay together in charity,
- to surrender our own plans readily,
- to embrace the greater good for the Body of Christ, and
- to hand on your gifts to future generations.

May we remain in the holy company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles, and all the saints. May their example and presence inspire us with patient confidence in the work of your grace. We ask this of you who live and reign with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Archdiocese of Chicago
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,BTINBSB 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.

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.

Worship Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities • Accessible Washrooms, west side of narthex • Hearing Loop for persons with hearing aids • Assisted Hearing Devices in sacristy for persons with difficulty hearing • Accessible, powered door at east end of narthex • Ramped north entrances to narthex • Accessible Ramp on east side of sanctuary • Pew Accessibility on east front side and center sections • Padded Pew last row, far southeast corner of church • Accessible parking spaces north of church along Maple Avenue • A “read-aloud” PDF version of The Carpenter for those with visual impairments. Please email request to info@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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Our YouTube address is: www.youtube.com/sjlibertyville

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.

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.

Thoughts on Giving “…proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient…” (2 Timothy 4:2) It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn’t call us to be comfortable. He called us to be faithful.

Stewardship of Treasure

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Humility is an underlying theme present in many Scripture readings. Essentially, we need to be reminded that God is God and we are not. At the same time, we should always remember that we are one of God’s children and incredibly loved. Whether we identify with the weak, the oppressed, the widow or the orphan of the first reading (Sirach:12-14, 16-18) or with whether we identify with Paul, who in the Second Reading (Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18) says that we will experience times of struggle and times of triumph. We should not get down on ourselves, nor should we get too full of ourselves. God will stand by us in whatever circumstance we find ourselves, and to Him be all the glory! We are on a running smoothly. We often want the path to holiness to be a straight one—directly to God. However, as part of our human experience, the path will have highs and lows, zigs and zags. Jesus wants us, like the tax collector in the Gospel parable, to accept our imperfect humanity. The path to perfection is our life’s journey. It requires us to accept Christ’s call to live a life of love and humility, which are clearly defined and expressed in the teachings of our faith. We are called to reflect regularly on where we are on the journey through God’s eyes, and avoid our tendency to compare ourselves to others. Some may be better or some may be worse but all are equally loved in the eyes of the Lord. God’s desire is for us to always look to Him where we will find His goodness and He will send us the graces we need to persevere in holiness.

For further reflection on the importance of seeking humility through different forms of penance, see The Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraphs 1434-1439; and on seeking God’s mercy, paragraphs 1846-1851.

**REFLECTION QUESTIONS**

1. When I reflect on my spiritual journey, do I get down on myself or do I become a little full of myself? What can help me see myself through God’s eyes?

2. When we find that we have placed our desires above God’s desire for our holiness, the Church reminds us that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a ‘celebration.’ (CCC, Chapter Two, Article 4, Section XII) Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation is our admission to God that we are not yet perfect and need His help. What are my attitudes and beliefs about the need for the Sacrament?

3. What do I do to recognize the equal dignity of all of God’s children? Are there times when I am reluctant to reach out to others in need? What do I fear? How might I further soften my heart to meet the needs of my family, friends and community?