

Saint Joseph Catholic Church
November 22nd & 23rd, 2025



**A Parish Apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter
A Mission Church of Queen of Apostles, Joliet**

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2025 Liturgical Calendar and Mass Intentions

Sanctuary Lamp	for an Increase of Piety for Mr. & Mrs. Spencer, requested by Mr & Mrs Spencer
Sat. Nov 22nd	Christ the King (Novus Ordo calendar)
4:15 pm	Intention of celebrant
Sat. Nov 22nd	Twenty-fourth and Last Sunday after Pentecost
6:00 pm	Sally Polesel+
Sun. Nov 23rd	Twenty-fourth and Last Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 am	Living & Deceased Members of the Geck & Dieringer Families, by Beverly Geck
10:00 am	Pro Populo
Mon. Nov 24th	St John of the Cross, Confessor and Doctor
7:30 am	for the Poor Souls in Purgatory, by Nevin Family
Tues. Nov 25th	St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr
7:30 am	Sally Polesel+
Wed. Nov 26th	St. Sylvester, Abbot
7:30 am	In Repentance and Reparation for the Sins within Our Church and Our World
Thurs. Nov 27th	Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
9:00 am	Frank Joseph Orvino+ , by Orvino Family
Fri. Nov 28th	Feria / Votive Mass
7:30 am	John J Nevin Sr, by Andy Nevin
Sat. Nov 29th	St Saturninas, Martyr
8:00 am	Warren Dorman+ , by Cheryl Gilmartin
Sat. Nov 29th	First Sunday of Advent
4:15 pm	Intention of celebrant
Sat. Nov 29th	First Sunday of Advent
6:00 pm	J D Vance & Family, by Mary Lynn Panek
Sun. Nov 30th	First Sunday of Advent
8:00 am	Living & Deceased Members of the Geck & Dieringer Families
10:00 am	Pro Populo



St. Joseph's Goal for 2025: \$30,400
Amount Pledged to Date: \$27,085
Amount Paid to Date: \$26,895
Bal Due to Pledged Amt: \$ 190
Bal Due to Goal Amt: **\$ 3,505**
REBATE: **\$ 0**

It is not too late to make a pledge for the CMAA. Once we reach our goal, St. Joseph Mission will receive a rebate. Please go to <https://giving.diojoliet.org/annual-appeal> to make your secure donation. We remain **\$3,505** short of our goal.

Music for November 22 & 23, for **St Joseph & Ss Peter and Paul**

Song Title	St. Jos. 4:15 pm
Processional Antiphon	N.A.
Offertory Hymn	
Communion Antiphon	
Recessional Hymn	

Song Title	St Jos. 10 am	SSPP 4:30 pm
processional:		No music
sperges, Mass VIII, Credo I		
cessional:		

By the Numbers for November 15th & 16th, 2025

Regular Collection	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$1,122.00
	Saturday 6:00 PM	\$388.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$2,217.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$1,529.50
	Naperville 4:30 PM	\$1,263.00
Special Needs	Saturday 6:00 PM	\$200.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$85.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$155.00
	Sunday 4:30 PM	\$20.00
Building Fund	Saturday 4:15 PM	\$20.00
	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$165.00
	Sunday 4:30 PM	\$10.00
All Souls' Day	Sunday 8:00 AM	\$40.00
	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$15.00
Immaculate Conc.	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$10.00
Christmas Offertory	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$25.00
Solemnity of Mary	Sunday 10:00 AM	\$10.00
Diocesan Seminary Offering		\$60.00
Votive Lights		\$171.80
Mass Intentions		\$180.00
Salt		\$2.00
Donuts		\$39.00
FSSP Seminary [OLG]		\$110.00
Christmas Flowers		\$15.00
TOTAL		\$7,852.30

Thank You for Your Generosity



Our Lady of Fatima Holy Hour

The next Fatima Holy Hour will be Tuesday, January 13th at 6:00 PM.

Last Weekend's Mass Attendance

4:15 pm	39
6:00 pm	60
8:00 am	175
10:00 am	181
4:30 pm	134

Mass Intentions

For the time being, there will be a moratorium on accepting Mass intentions. Quite a few have already come in for 2026, and as soon as we are free to accept more intentions, we will let you know. Thank you. If you need ideas on where you might submit Mass intentions, please speak with Fr. Rickert.

Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Please join us every Friday for Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 7:30 AM morning Mass until Noon. The Seven Sorrows of Mary Novena and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed until 9:00 a.m. Silent Adoration will follow with the "Changing of the Guards" / (Adorers) at the top of each hour until Noon. All are welcome to come and adore Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.



Sale of Land

The empty lot directly to the east of the school belonged to St. Joseph's. Some months ago, a buyer expressed an interest in acquiring it. The end results are that he did purchase the land and that St. Joseph Mission received \$71,500 for it.

Please note that since this property no longer belongs to us, no one is allowed on it without the owner's permission. We need to respect the rights of the new owner.

Thank You

Many thanks to everyone on the occasion of my formal installation as rector, and particular thanks to Bp. Ronald Hicks and Fr. Michael Groth. Thanks to all of you for your support and prayers. May God bless and reward you all.

Church Cleaning Volunteers Needed!

We need people on **Saturday, Dec. 6**, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass to clean the church thoroughly to prepare for Christmas decorations. Tall people are especially needed to reach certain areas, but everyone is welcome and encouraged to help. All of the supplies needed will be provided. Let's hope the old saying holds true, "Many hands make light work." Thank you and may God reward you.

Prayer to Our Suffering Savior for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

O most sweet Jesus, through the bloody sweat which Thou didst suffer in the Garden of Gethsemani, have mercy on these Blessed Souls. Have mercy on them.

R. Have mercy on them, O Lord.

O most sweet Jesus, through the pains which Thou didst suffer during Thy most cruel scourging, have mercy on them.

R. Have mercy on them, O Lord.

O most sweet Jesus, through the pains which Thou didst suffer in Thy most painful crowning with thorns, have mercy on them.

R. Have mercy on them, O Lord.

O most sweet Jesus, through the pains which Thou didst suffer in carrying Thy cross to Calvary, have mercy on them.

R. Have mercy on them, O Lord.

O most sweet Jesus, through the pains which Thou didst suffer during Thy most cruel Crucifixion, have mercy on them.

R. Have mercy on them, O Lord.

O most sweet Jesus, through the pains which Thou didst suffer in Thy most bitter agony on the Cross, have mercy on them.

R. Have mercy on them, O Lord.

O most sweet Jesus, through the immense pain which Thou didst suffer in breathing forth Thy Blessed Soul, have mercy on them.

R. Have mercy on them, O Lord.

(Also, Recommend yourself to the Souls in Purgatory and
mention your intentions here)

Blessed Souls, I have prayed for thee; I entreat thee, who are so dear to God, and who are secure of never losing Him, to pray for me a miserable sinner, who is in danger of being damned, and of losing God forever. Amen.

Men's Book Club

The Men's Book Club [MBC] meets biweekly on alternate Thursday nights in the St. Michael Room. Our next four meetings are scheduled for the following evenings: December 04, December 18, January 08 & January 22.

Meetings begin around 7:00 PM, following the Holy Hour and the sessions run about 75-90 minutes.

We will begin our review our next new book – ***Money Manipulation & Social Order***, by Fr. Denis Fahey – at our next meeting on December 04. Now is a great time for a newcomer to join in our discussion!

New additions to the group are always welcomed!



The dedication to Fr. Fahey's book mentioned above

“To the Immaculate Queen of Heaven and Earth, to St. Joseph, the Head of the Holy Family and the Protector of the Universal Church, to St. Thomas Aquinas, the Catholic Church’s Official Teacher of order, and to St. Brigid of Ireland, who was so well versed in the arts of rural life, this book is lovingly and humbly dedicated by the author, in the hope that by their intercession it may contribute in some little way to the return of the world to the full acceptance of the rule of Christ the King, so that social environment may once more sustain men in their efforts to live as members of His Mystical Body.”

2nd collection this week – donations sought for the Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary [FSSP]

This weekend, November 22 + 23, there will be a second collection at all of our Masses seeking donations to fund the seminary operated by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter in Denton, Nebraska. Please help support our seminarians!

St. Joseph Library

The St. Joseph's Church library is located in the St. Michael room. Stop in and check out the books and devotional materials.

You may sign them out for up to one month. Please return them at that time.



St. Joseph Music News

ANNOUNCEMENT: "Cantate Domino canticum novum"

Our Fall 2025 Choral Season has begun. Our Adult Choir rehearsals are Thursday evenings, after Benediction, from 7 pm - 8:30 pm in the Choir Loft.

The St Joseph's Children's Choir rehearses in the Choir Room in the School Building from 6-8 pm every other Tuesday, beginning September 2nd.

New members are always welcome! If you are interested or have any questions, please speak with our music director, Lewis McAdow, after the 10 am Sunday Mass or contact him through the rectory.

Schedule Notes for the Week of Nov. 23rd

There will not be coffee and donuts on Sunday, Nov. 23rd.

On Thursday, Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. only; all other Thursday events will not take place.

On Friday there **will** be exposition and benediction after Mass till noon as usual.

On Saturday, there will not be religious education classes.

Prayer Intentions for healing and sick members:

Aerielle Bonham, Joanna Mellin, George MacZura, Steve Niemiec, Donna Antolik, Mary Deskovich, James Rader, John Rader, Lawrence Lee, Heather Boudreau, Joe Haumann, Darlene Haumann, Laura Sniegowski, Christy Becker, Jim Dernulc, Mary Lund, Kathleen Mary McNair, Ray Tomanio, Merlin Melnarik, Kaira Paramo, Russler Family, Angie Schuman, Judy Splayt, Fr. Chris Steinle, OSA, Jim Wright, Ken Zabel, Adele Stukas, Aldona Peciura, Nancy Tomanio, Zita Stukas, Hellmann/Roman/Kasperek, Robert Fearncombe, Jr., Isabella Goodrich, Theresa McCague, Mary Mitchell, George Magee, Fr. Christopher Manuele, Susanna Wheeler, James Wheeler, Ricardo Martinez, Ayako Naganuma, Mason Leon Raymond Courtney, Cyndy Crane, Isabella Woodsick, Johnny Schutzius, Ilona Leja, Chris & Theresa Galounis, Marilyn Dolnack, Sandra Surges, Cole Francis Leon, Sue Gorski, Lisa Herron Family: Claudia, Nicholas, Richard and Sandra Pope, Kathy Barthelt, Linda Nace.

Prayer Intentions for the deceased:

Ana Raciunas, Vera Busch, Richard Dernulc, Warren Dorman, Sally Polesel, Peter Polesel, Frances Rader, Grace Niemiec, Robert Deau, Ben Bazik, Joseph Birsa, Pat & Glen Dykhuizen, Tahara Dykhuizen, Barbara Schoenberger, Fran Nelli, Dale Bixenmann, Arthur Birsa, Mary Rose Bucciarelli, Diane Wolfe, Bonnie Nagra, Corinne Bowers, Dr. Stephanie Pavnica, Andrew Pavnica, Maria Fairman, George McCague, Linda Stortz, Kevin Hansen, Richard Blaskie, Fr. Vytas Memenas, Ed Bowlan, Rich Goss, Art Johnson, Rod Springer, Fr. Jess Testa, Lenore Anders, Rita Luzbetak, Mark Evans, Ellen Schutzius, Miguel Piña, Adeline Garvy, Mary Shankland, Alex Tomasino, Stephen Sculley, John J. Nevin Sr., Michael Kelly, Anita Goss, Donald Tadda and Nancy Fury, Glen Proud, Robert Mitchell, Kenneth Kirstein, Joseph Carrabotta, John Kish, Carol Galuszka, Fr. Don Buggert, George MacZura IV, Sean O'Connor, Delfino and Maria Carmen Orozco, George Wojtas, Bonnie Reichstadt, Carol Towne, Daniel and Yolanda Moreno, Bob Kuprewicz, Cecilia Hansen, Dianne Figiel, Rosemarie D. Jurgens, Marie MacZura, Deacon Kevin Neis

**Please contact the rectory to add or update
names on either list. Thank you**

Mass Schedule

Ordinary Form

Saturday 4:15 pm

Extraordinary Form

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am and 10:00 am

Sunday (Ss. Peter & Paul in Naperville) 4:30 pm

Daily Mass - Extraordinary Form

Monday thru Friday 7:30 am Saturday 8:00 am

Thursday Evening 5:30 pm - followed by Holy hour & Benediction

First Friday of every month 6:00 pm

Holy Day of Obligation

Ordinary Form 4:15 pm anticipated Mass, if a priest is available

Extraordinary Form 7:30 am & 6:00 pm

Confessions

30 minutes before Mass

Welcome Visitors

Worship aides for both forms of the Mass are in the pew racks. We welcome new parishioners. **Registration forms** are in the back of church in the pew racks. Turn your form in to Fr. Rickert or place it in the collection basket. Also, there is no need to respond "Amen" at Latin Mass Holy Communion.



Weddings



For parishioners with faithful parish membership of at least one year who wish to be married at St. Joseph, contact the rectory at least 6 months prior to your intended date.

Baptisms



To schedule your family's Baptism, please call or email Fr. Rickert. Any weekday is possible, but Saturdays are preferred.



Dear Faithful in Christ,

I will now begin to address the question, "What specifically to read in the Bible? Where to begin?" As I mentioned, the Holy Gospels are probably the best place to start, and I would recommend reading them in the order they appear: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The first three are called "synoptic Gospels" because they are very similar in their narrative approach and sequence of events. The Holy Gospel according to St. John seems to me more like a series of reminiscences. It is true history, but it is not organized in a "point A to point B" way to the degree that the other Gospels are. There are some recordings of the Gospels in audio format, though, unfortunately, it seems there are few Catholic ones. (One priest I know is especially fond of the recording of the New Testament done by Johnny Cash.)

After the Gospels, you could read the Acts of the Apostles, which might be called the second half of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, in which he recounts the early history of the Church. It is a book full of adventures, remarkable speeches, and even conflicts internally and externally. It can certainly help give perspective on the Church of today.

Another possibility would be to turn to the "Catholic Epistles," the seven books that follow the writings of St. Paul. These are the 2 letters of St. Peter, 3 letters of St. John, the book of James, and the book of Jude. They should all be read repeatedly and frequently, though I personally put extra emphasis on 1 John and James. The latter book, interestingly, says outright "Faith without works is dead," and for this reason Martin Luther rejected it. (It somehow got back into their Bible, but that is no matter here.)

The Epistle of James also speaks of the importance of control of the tongue, and Matthew Kelly has an excellent book about this.

God bless –
Fr. Rickert