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APRIL 2025 | ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome to St. Joe's!

Weekend Mass Times Saturday | 5 PM

Sunday | 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, & 5 PM

Daily Mass Times

Monday - Friday | 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM Saturday | 8:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday | 9 AM & 3 PM

Confessions

Saturday | 11 AM - 12 PM

Rosary

Monday - Friday | 7:45 AM

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday | 9 AM - 4 PM

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A LETTER FROM FR. JAKE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Pope Francis has declared this Jubilee year as a time for us to be *Pilgrims of Hope*. This theme perfectly complements our parish focus on *Following Jesus*, for as St. Paul reminds us, "*Jesus Christ is our hope*" (1 Tim 1:1). Lent offers us a special opportunity to embrace the practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These disciplines cultivate a lasting hope, allowing us to face the present with courage and step into the future with greater confidence as followers of Jesus.

At St. Joe's, we are embracing this call with our own Lenten theme: "Road to Hope", which leads us to the "Road to Life." Throughout Lent, we have been reflecting on ways to build hope in our hearts and share it with others. In keeping with the Jubilee's spirit of pilgrimage, we are using the image of a road trip to guide us along this journey of hope.

As we began our Lenten journey, guided by the readings and message from Sunday, March 9, we reflected on what it means to "Let God Take the Driver's Seat." We started by focusing on the practice of fasting. Just as a driver must surrender control to a trusted navigator, we are invited to let God take the lead in our lives. Many of us consider what we might need to "fast" from, distractions, habits, or worries that prevent us from fully trusting in God's guidance. Letting go is not always easy, but when we place our trust in the Lord, we find peace and clarity along the road.

The following week, inspired by the message from Sunday, March 15, we turned our attention to prayer and the importance of "Making Sure We Can Hear the Directions." Just as travelers must listen carefully to the GPS stay on course, we are called to quiet our hearts and tune in to the voice of our Savior. Through prayer, we open ourselves to God's guidance and deepen our relationship with Him. Many have shared how moments of quiet reflection during Lent have brought them closer to Christ and His will for their lives.

As our journey continued, we headed into our third week, focusing on "Construction Zones," and we acknowledged that every road comes with obstacles. In our spiritual lives, these "construction zones" - the trials and challenges we face - can slow us down. Yet, as we reflect on past difficulties, we often recognize how God has used those moments to shape and strengthen us. This week was a reminder that even in seasons of struggle, Christ walks with us, working all things for our good.

In the weeks ahead, this month of April, we will continue traveling this Road to Hope towards Easter. We will reflect on the practice of almsgiving and the importance of "Noticing our Blind Spots." Just as drivers must check for things they cannot immediately see, we are called to ask the Lord to reveal the needs of those around us, especially those most in need of hope and help. How might you share your blessings and extend kindness to someone who needs it?

As we approach the final week of our journey, we are reminded to keep our eyes on the **destination**. It is easier to stay hopeful when we remember where we are headed. Jesus journeyed to Jerusalem to fulfill His saving mission through His Paschal Mystery - His suffering, death, and resurrection. This is our ultimate source of hope and the destination of our Lenten journey. As we continue walking together, let us hold fast to the promise of new life in Christ.

I invite you to continue journeying with us on this Road to Hope, trusting that it will lead us to the fullness of life in Christ. May this season be a time of grace, renewal, and a deepening of hope in your hearts.

God Bless.

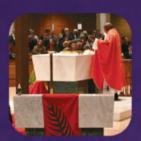
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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

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SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025 – SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025



PALM SUNDAY • APRIL 13

5:00 PM Saturday Mass

7:00 AM

9:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt following Mass *Live Stream

11:00 AM

5:00 PM



HOLY THURSDAY • APRIL 17

9:00 AM Morning Prayer *Live Stream

7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper *Live Stream

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass Adoration until **11:00 PM** in the Koenig Center *Live Stream



GOOD FRIDAY • APRIL 18

9:00 AM Morning Prayer *Live Stream

3:00 PM Celebration of the Passion of the Lord *Live Stream

6:30 PM Stations of the Cross

7:00 PM Celebration of the Passion of the Lord



HOLY SATURDAY • APRIL 19

9:00 AM Morning Prayer *Live Stream

12:00 PM Blessing of Easter Food

8:00 PM The Great Easter Vigil *Live Stream



EASTER SUNDAY • APRIL 20

7:00 AM Mass

9:00 AM Mass *Live Stream

11:00 AM Mass

11:00 AM Mass - Family Focused Mass in Koenig Center

1:00 PM Mass

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Children's Faith Formation Fall Registration

Opens April 1

Enroll now for St. Joseph's 2025-2026 CFF program! Classes for Pre-K to 8th grade start in September. Register on our website!

Euchre Night

April 5 | 6:30 PM | 200 Building Basement

Come play euchre on the first Saturday of each month! Whether you're an experienced player or new to Euchre, join us for cards, enjoy snacks, and meet people in our community. Open to singles and couples 21+. Register on our website!

Ministers of Care

April 5 & 12 | St. Francis de Sales

Ministers of Care bring Christ's presence to the sick and homebound through prayer, companionship, and the Eucharist. Learn more & register on our website!

Lent Almsgiving Distribution Weekend

April 12 & 13 | All Day | Gym

Come volunteer in the gym by helping to collect, sort, and distribute the gifts to agencies. Please sign up on our website to help.

Mission Trip Bake Sale

April 12 & 13 | After All Masses

This weekend, stop by after Mass to pick up some delicious baked goods. All proceeds will help send our teens to Britt lowa, where they'll be serving those in need, deepening their faith, and sharing Christ's love with others.

Grief Sharing Gathering

April 13 | 12:15 PM | St. Joseph Room

Come socialize with other members of our St. Joseph faith community who have lost a loved one. Share your story and find friendship.

Easter Egg Hunt

April 13 | After 9:00 AM Mass | Sunrise Rotary Park

Join us for the Easter Egg Hunt, immediately following the 9 AM Mass. The event is free and open to all children ages 10 and under. Please bring a donation for the food pantry, and don't forget your Easter baskets or bags!

Palm Sunday

April 13 | Church

Join us for Palm Sunday, which marks the beginning of Holy Week, when we remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. At the start of Mass, you will receive palms to hold and wave.

Vacation Bible School Registration

Opens April 15

Join us this summer for an exciting week at St. Joseph's VBS! Open to kids entering Pre-K through 5th grade. Register on our website!

Holy Week

April 17, 18, 19, 20

Join us for Holy Week, the most powerful week of our faith! Walk with Jesus from Palm Sunday, the triumphant entry into Jerusalem, to the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, His sacrifice on Good Friday, the quiet reflection of Holy Saturday, and the joy of Easter. Celebrate this holy season with us. For details, see page 3.

Retirees & Wannabes Spring Luncheon

April 24 | Noon | Austin's Libertyville

Join us for the Spring Luncheon! Reservations and payment due by 4/18. For details, call the St. Joseph Parish office.

Women's Ministry Bunco Night

April 24 | 7:00 PM | 200 Building Basement

All women are invited to a fun and relaxing evening at our Women's Ministry Bunco Night. Email stjosephwomensministry@gmail.com to sign up.

Men's Legacy Weekend

April 26 & 27 | Formation Center

This two-day event offers a chance to connect, deepen your faith, reflect, and grow with up to 40 men from our parish. Sign up on our website!

Mass for Those Who Grieve the Loss of a Child

April 29 | 7:00 PM | Church

Join us for a special Mass to remember and comfort those grieving the loss of a child.

SAVE THE DATE!

- May 3 & 10 | First Communion
- May 6 | May Crowning
- May 7 I Women's Ministry Spring Luncheon
- May 11 | Mother's Day
- June 21 | Women's Ministry Morning of Reflection

For more information about these events, registration, or any questions, please visit our website or give our Parish Office a call at (847) 362-2073. We're here to help!

PRAYING FOR

April Mass Intentions

4/1	Thomas & Elizabeth Davis, Donald Dixon Sr., well-being Jackson Groth family, well-being Lisa & Michael Godfrey, well-being St. Joseph Confirmands
4/2	Terri Noll, Larry & Genie Burnette, Edward Glynn, Don Cuddihee
4/3	Edward Glynn, Susan Stuecheli, John Russert, Mary Jordan
4/4	Richard Boyd, Michael Hettinger, Joe Ptasienski, well-being Lynda Waddick
4/5	Vito, Theresa & Vincent Gargano, Peter Cline, Chuck Tschanz, Edward Glynn
4/6	All Parishioners
4/7	Dean Stehle, Chuck Tschanz, Paul Sullivan, Michael Winter
4/8	Maureen Boyle, Martin Rosinski, Jacek Ryba, well-being Matthew & Ethan Ortega
4/9	Bob & Jean Mitchell family, Marijo Komp, Edward Glynn, Rita Sula, Tom Courtemarche
4/10	Susan Steucheli, Jane Gannon, Esther Wiserich, well-being Erik Homan
4/11	Richard Boyd, Clare Coleman, Renee Zunino, Vito, Theresa & Vincent Gargano
4/12	Edward Krol, Claire McDonnell, Isaac Alaniz, Sue Boehne
4/13	All Parishioners
4/14	Dorothy & Joseph LaReau, Thomas Deslauriers, Christine Amborski, Edward Glynn
4/15	Evelyn Lobus, William Hipp, Marcia & Tom Morrison, Steven Gissing
4/16	Dorothy Peterson, Elizabeth Chisholm Phillips, Edward Van Hoorn, well-being Kristine Knutson
4/17	Holy Thursday
4/18	Good Friday
4/19	Holy Saturday
4/20	Wishing you a blessed and joyful Easter!
4/21	Bob & Jean Mitchell family, Ruth Hedberg, George DuFour, Edward Glynn
4/22	Bill Hickey, Maria Elena Castillo, Ann & Patsy Panico, Carmencita Castro
4/23	Joe Ptasienski, Marijo Komp, Edith Leu, Ervin Majeski
4/24	Kathy, Mary, James McLaughlin, Fr. Jim Murphy, Elizabeth White, Wedding Anniversary of John & Ginny DeReu
4/25	Jack & Dorothy Brennan, Bernadette Doherty, Martin M McGreal, Vito, Theresa & Vincent Gargano
4/26	Rita Rosanna Kelley, John O'Hern, Allen J Wamser, Geraldine Majeski
4/27	All Parishioners
4/28	Jonathan Grote, Al & Katie Brusaw, Cole Adkins, James Pavlus
4/29	Barbara Miller, Thaddeus Bond Jr., Carmela A Griseta, Kyle Debevec
4/30	Orville & Barbara Himmelberg, Carla Rizzo, Catherine Bloom, Ellie Sage

March Baptisms

Emma Luna Boyer,

daughter of Marisol (Guzman) and Nicholas Boyer

Alexandra Mae Davis,

daughter of Cassandra (Scanman) and Daniel Davis

Hudson Garrett Enriquez,

son of Sarah (Fasen) and Salvador Enriquez

Violet Sofia Love,

daughter of Angelica (Kamysz) and John Love

Lyla Madeline Matranga,

daughter of Grace (Plamondon) and Michael Matranga

Kate Rosemary Mesce,

daughter of Alicia (Kon) and John Mesce

Cameron Dale Self,

son of Katherine (Starck) and Jacob Self

Savannah Grace Seneczko,

daughter of Lauren (Zapka) and Jacob Seneczko

Welcome, New Parishioners!

Rixcel and Mary Amadeo, Michael and Jennifer Brooks, Michael and Sheila Chinino, Julie Ferguson, Jason and Alyse Green, Don and Maureen Kotek, Martha O'Connor, Sean Koller and Erika Teitz, Jeffrey and Sarah Ptacek & Miguel and Jenny Rosales

Who Are Sick

Pope Francis Dennis Egidi Beverly Egidi

In Memory Of

Rosa Maria Otero Calapatia Jessie Cantos **Thomas Davis**

Marie Kloss

Carol Liermann

Judy Pagano

Salwa Parhad

Jacek Ryba

Lenora Sage William G. Seeger

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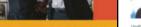
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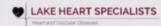
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Prayer and worship that deepen our spiritual life

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