



## Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018



### *2018 First Communicants*

Cristian Alcantara	Nicholas Espinosa	Xavier Lopez	Arcelia Pozo
Dominic Andreatta	Daniel Fahmi	Claire Lube	Evelyn Pundmann
Mackenzie Andrews	Hannah Farr	Evan Luhm	Caitlin Reece
Phillip Baer	Molly Fetters	Conor Macatangay	Benjamin Richtman
Kaila Baginskis	Ethan Figueroa	Tate MacDonald	Tatyanna Romero
Henry Baker	Michael Foskett	Alina Matusiak	Paige Rook
Finn Bastuga	Grant Gagnon	Alivia McCarroll	Alaina Schlueter
Cameron Baumhart	Thomas Gallagher	Abigail McLaughlin	Anne Scholz
Reider Benjamins	Addison Haggerty	Ethaniel Medina	Jackson Sharpee
Estella Bower	Micaela Haggerty	Gabriella Menzione	Nora Shields
Brynlee Boyer	Aisling Halpin	Jason Mihalik	Broderick Siebert
Collin Burgette	Jack Hayes	Emily Myles	Sophie Spanovic
Ramiro Cahue	Owen Henrikson	Katie Myles	Lauren Surratt
Reid Cameron	Nora Heverin	Marissa Napadow	Brian Swanson
Courtney Canty	Rayne Hicks	Aiden O'Brien	Krystian Szumowski
Ella Cho	Madeline Kalinsky	Sean O'Donnell	Cole Tallon
Lucas Churma	Eva Karmik	Franklin Oko	Tyler Triggs
Renee Ciezadlo	Jacob Kelly	Qamelia Orellana	Olivia Urbanski
Aspen Clayton	William Klauseger	Matthew Oros	Amelia Van Bergen
Ryan Clinton	Nathan Kolakowski	Margaret Pacelli	Nicholas Vojack
Kellan Collins	Julia Kozar	Colin Paul	Braeden Warner
Connor Crowley	Kiernan Lacey	Nadine Pelc	Benjamin White
Chase Cucinella	Jeremy Lane	August Pelkey	Henry Whittaker
Ryker Czubak	Christopher Lange	Lukas Petrauskas	Joseph Wilson
Brooklynne Dawson	Faye Lanucha	Armand Petrino	Thomas Wilson
Edward Dhein	Alexa Lazzeri	Emma Phillips	Evan Young
Jackson Dosch	Keenan Leyba	Simon Poulin	Sasha Zawila

## Directory

### St. Joseph Parish Business Center

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**Youth Ministry:** 630.964.0216 x1210

**St. Joseph School:** 630.969.4306

[www.stjosephdg.org](http://www.stjosephdg.org)

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm

### Weekday Masses:

7:00 am (Monday-Friday)

8:00 am (Saturday)

Weekday Holy Days: Call for schedule

### Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession)

Saturday: 3:30—4:30 pm

**Registration:** We are happy to welcome new members to our community. Please contact Deacon Frank Kozar at 630.964.0216 x1107.

### Pastor:

**Rev. John Phan** • [jphan@sjpdg.org](mailto:jphan@sjpdg.org)

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## God's Call to Us

### (The St. Joseph Parish Mission Statement)

St. Joseph Parish is a community chosen and called by God to be sent and directed by the Holy Spirit.

It exists to provide the People of God the pastoral care and spiritual nourishment they need to proclaim the good news of Christ in their lives and to the world.

## Our Response to God's Call

### (The St. Joseph Parish Vision Statement)

St. Joseph Parish is a community of God's People empowered by the Holy Spirit to promote God's reign in the world. Nourished by Word and Sacrament, we will grow together in faith, hope, and in a passionate love of God and neighbor. In our families, we will teach and learn the love of Jesus Christ. In our various occupations we will make decisions and set priorities in accordance with the values of the Gospel. And in the world around us we will stand always for justice, compassion and peace.

## Sacraments

**Baptisms:** We celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism every Sunday. Parents are required to attend a Baptismal formation meeting. Baptisms are scheduled at this meeting. Please call the Parish Center for reservations and further information.

**Marriages:** Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance to provide ample time for preparation of this sacrament. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

**Sick or Homebound:** If you or a member of your family is hospitalized or homebound and would like a priest to visit, please notify the Parish Center.

**Parish Boundaries:** North: Tollway; South: 59th St. East: Prospect Avenue and extensions north and south; West: Belmont Avenue

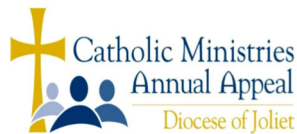
## To Register Your Child at St. Joseph School

Email [register@sjsdg.org](mailto:register@sjsdg.org) and you will receive instructions how to register a new student or returning student online. Registrations accepted anytime throughout the school year. For school tours, please call the school office.

# Stewardship

## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In Christ we find our ability to bear fruit and glorify God, thereby receiving his blessings. We must understand the importance of being firmly connected to Jesus Christ. This unity not only makes us true children of God, but it empowers us to bear the presence of Christ in the world – to carry on his mission in our words and deeds.



### Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Report St. Joseph Parish

Monthly pledge payments for Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Parish Goal	\$ 120,800
Amount Pledged	\$ 88,736
Amount Paid	\$ 65,462
Remaining Balance	\$ 23,274
Donor Count	339



Each day at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, we assist individuals and families who need an angel - veterans who have lost their homes, single mothers who seek warm clothes for their children, and seniors who are forced to choose between paying rent and buying food.

Thankfully, we have found someone who is so special and generous... that he is almost like an angel on earth. This anonymous donor wants to team up with **you** to continue to help our struggling neighbors.

**For every dollar you donate, our special angel will match it – up to \$50,000.**

Please be generous. This is an opportunity to help someone who will have nowhere else to turn if Catholic Charities isn't there to help. Please send in a donation by May 31. Please make check payable to:

#### Catholic Charities Angel Fund

16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403

Donations can also be made at:

[catholiccharitiesjoliet.org](http://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org) or by calling 815.724.1140.

Bless you for your support of Catholic Charities.

Together we are doing God's work – changing and saving lives! If you can't send a gift, please remember the vulnerable and needy in your prayers.

## Calling all St. Joseph School Alum!

The St. Joseph School Marketing Committee is working on an article about how St. Joseph School prepares its students for success and the future. We'd love to get your thoughts on the subject.

Some questions to consider as you reflect on your experience at St. Joseph School:

In what ways did St. Joseph School prepare you for high school? Beyond high school? Your future? Is there a particular class, activity, teacher, extracurricular activity, coach, etc., you feel helped contribute to your success?

Your thoughts on your experience at St. Joseph School are greatly appreciated.

If you'd like to share with us where you continued on to beyond St. Joseph School (what high school, college, etc.), what you are doing now, achievements, etc., we'd love to be able to acknowledge and highlight our alumni in upcoming marketing efforts.

Please email [SJSMTG2017@gmail.com](mailto:SJSMTG2017@gmail.com) with your feedback and information.



# Stewardship

## First Holy Communion Attire

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society continues to collect First Holy Communion suits and dresses.



If you have Communion attire that you care to donate, please bring to the Parish Center. Thank you very much!



## Fifth Sunday of Easter

Jesus offers a quintessential stewardship statement in today's Gospel reading: "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Jesus Christ offers us the fullness of eternal life. Do our lives reveal that this is what we want? Do we believe that by hearing the Word of the Lord and responding we not only produce "good fruit," but abide in the very life of God?



You shop. Amazon gives.

St. Joe's St. Vincent de Paul Society and Amazon Smile

Attention Amazon Shoppers! You can help us by naming us as your charity of choice.

1. Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)
2. Select St Vincent De Paul Society St Joseph Conference Downers Grove

Please note, Confrence is spelled like some pronounce it without an "e" between the "f" and "r". We ran out of space and had to shorten "Conference" to "Confrence". A percentage of your purchase is automatically donated to our conference with every order you place.

Thank you for your support.

[www.vocations.com](http://www.vocations.com)

The Joliet Diocese Vocation Office web pages are a confidential way to learn more about priesthood and religious life vocations.

Information is also available by calling Deacon Frank Kozar at 630.964.0216 x1107.



Volunteers Needed

Catholic Communion Ministry

Good Samaritan Hospital – Downers Grove

Contact: Gail Miskowicz-Retz at 630.852.5347

or

[Gail.Miskowicz-Retz@advocatehealth.com](mailto:Gail.Miskowicz-Retz@advocatehealth.com).

Attention Kohl's Customers:



You can pay your Kohl's credit card bill with Manna Kohl's gift cards!

Use your Kohl's credit card to take advantage of all the great offers at Kohl's and then support St. Joseph School with your payment. Use the Manna gift cards to pay your bill at any store register. Manna cards can be bought at the Cash & Carry table after Masses on Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am. If you would like to have your order ready and waiting, mail [cjagiello@sjpdg.org](mailto:cjagiello@sjpdg.org) with your order and it will be ready for pick-up at the Cash and Carry table or at the Parish Center.

A Call to Stewardship

### Fiscal Year Stewardship Information

Sunday, April 22

Year-to-Date Goal	\$ 1,175,160.00
Actual Year-to-Date Gifts:	\$ 1,112,438.41
Amount Short of Needed Goal:	\$ 62,721.59
Weekly Sunday Goal:	\$ 27,980.00
Sunday Contributions	\$ 17,696.00
Electronic Contributions	\$ 1,317.18
Gifts from April 22	\$ 19,013.18

Thanks for Giving First Fruits and Taking a Step!

### Patronize Our Bulletin Advertisers

The bulletin is provided to St. Joseph Church free of charge thanks to the businesses that advertise. Please consider those who advertise in the bulletin first when shopping for goods and services.



## St. Joseph Youth Apostolate

### Summer Mission Trip to serve the poorest of the poor in Jamaica

*On the left is a picture of the home we will build for a family that has NO shelter. The home has a 14' x 6' floor and a tin roof. All of the homes are painted "Caribbean" blue and white. These homes are referred to as "Little Blue Houses" on the Island. They were engineered so that if the government comes in and tells a family that they need the land that their home is on, the little blue house can be deconstructed and moved to another location.*

## Will You Help Us Build a House and Send Our Young Teens to Serve?

From June 23-30, a group of St. Joseph Parishioners, teens and adults will be traveling to Jamaica to serve others. This will be our fifth year working in conjunction with *Isle Go Missions* where we will build a basic house for a family who is homeless. We will do the physical labor — but funds are needed to purchase supplies and help our young missionaries raise money to travel to Jamaica to serve.

The entire cost for an adequate but simple home in Jamaica is \$2,400. The cost per student to travel to Jamaica for this life-changing experience is approximately \$1,550. This includes all travel costs, lodging in simple (but safe and gated) villas in Mammee Bay, and all food except for one meal.

Donations will be accepted and most gratefully appreciated in any amount! Please make check payable to: St. Joseph Youth Apostolate. Please indicate in the memo line that it is for the **Jamaica Mission Trip**.

Send donations to St. Joseph Parish via mail or drop off at the Parish Center reception desk. You can also put your donation in the Sunday collection basket.



This year, we hope to have a **Thank You Dinner** for all of our benefactors after the mission trip to thank you and show you a slide show from the trip!

Questions?  
Contact Marta Spiezio,  
Director of Youth Apostolate  
630.964.0216 x1210.



*When we bless the house and the family that will live there and hand them a key to their new home, one would have thought we built a mansion! Last year we built a little blue house for Shenoi and her husband and their little girl and baby boy.*



# Mother's Day Gifts

**It's time to enroll in St. Joseph Parish yearly Spiritual Bouquet of Masses for a lasting Mother's Day Gift or Remembrance**

The Perfect Mother's Day Gift is offered by St. Joseph Church. There is no better gift than the gift of prayer! Give the gift of a spiritual bouquet for that special mother in your life.

St. Joseph Parish will offer a monthly Mass for all mothers included in the Spiritual Bouquet. The special woman in your life will be enrolled in these monthly Masses. You will receive a beautiful card with all the dates and times of the Masses throughout the year. On Mother's Day, you will present the card to the mom you have enrolled. The names will also be listed on the cover of our bulletin on Mother's Day.

To enroll, fill out the order form below and drop it off at the Parish Center, put in the Sunday collection basket or send it with your student to St. Joseph School. Your card will be available for pick-up at the Parish Center Office or we can mail it to you if needed. Please be advised that there is a limited number of cards available. ***Your enrollment must be received by Monday, May 7 to be included in the Mother's Day list on the bulletin cover.*** This is a beautiful gift to either remember a mom who is deceased or living in a monthly Mass.

**The suggested offering is \$15.00 per enrollment**

Make check payable to St. Joseph Church

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## Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet Enrollment Form

Please Remember: \_\_\_\_\_  living  deceased

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Please Remember: \_\_\_\_\_  living  deceased

Please Remember: \_\_\_\_\_  living  deceased

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:  I will pick up Spiritual Bouquet Card(s)  No card

Cards may be picked up Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-8:00 pm & Friday, 9:00 am-4:00 pm at the Parish Center Office, 4824 Highland.

If you are unable to pick-up your card(s), please contact Marta Spiezio at 630.964.0216 ext. 1210.

## Feed Your Spirit

### *Tuesday Night with the Sisters*

2018 Theme: *The Diversity of Benedictine Life – how sisters, monks, oblates and lay people live their Benedictine Life.*

Programs take place in the Monastery Chapter Room from 7:00-8:00 pm. Please come to the Sacred Heart Monastery entrance at 1910 Maple Avenue, Lisle. The statue of the Sacred Heart is at our front door.

**May 8**

#### **Stability and Environmental Stewardship: Think Global, Act Local**

Jean-Marie Kauth, PhD will describe her work with environmental stewardship at Benedictine and elsewhere and discuss the connection with the Benedictine Hallmark of stability.

A free-will donation is appreciated to support our programs.

### **Joyful Again! Program for Widowed Men and Women**



Are you widowed? Feeling stuck? Looking for a way to navigate your way through life's changes and hoping to find joy in living once more?

The Joyful Again program brings understanding and hope to help you in your life's new journey.

Upcoming dates and Locations:

**June 23 & 24**

St. Julie's, Tinley Park

**July 21 & 22**

Holy Family, Inverness

**August 11 & 12**

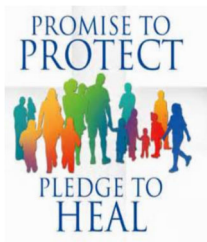
Mary Queen, Elmhurst

Contact Joyful Again Widowed Ministry at 708.354.7211 for more information or to register.

Email: [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com).

Website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org).

### Did you know?



Safe Environment training is taking place in all dioceses of the United States. Over two million clergy, employees, and volunteers have been trained to prevent and respond to the abuse of children. Contact your local coordinator to find out how you can get involved.

### Small Tasks

Each small task of everyday life is part of the total harmony of the universe.

— St. Thérèse of Lisieux

## ST. JOSEPH PARISH EVENTS • WEEK OF APRIL 29

#### Abbreviations:

Chu-Church  
Ch-Church Hall  
DR-Dining Room  
HR-Handbell Rm  
MR-Music Room  
PC-Parish Center  
PCL-Parish Center Library  
PL-Parking Lot  
Sch-School  
Sh-School Hall  
YR-Youth Room

(Please note meetings may be subject to change or cancellation.)

#### Sunday, April 29

9:00 am Liturgy of the Word Chapel

#### Monday, April 30

9:00 am Fitness Group Ch2

4:00 pm American Heritage Girls Leader Meeting DR

6:00 pm Adoration Chapel

7:00 pm Charismatic Prayer PC Chapel

#### Tuesday, May 1

9:30 am Gospel of John PCL

1:00 pm St. Joseph the Worker Chu

5:30 pm Knights of Columbus Officer's Meeting Ch1

7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal Chapel

#### Wednesday, May 2

9:00 am Fitness Group Ch2

#### Wednesday, May 2

1:00 pm Contemplative Prayer Grp PCL

6:30 pm Legion of Mary Conf Rm Sm

6:30 pm SAFE Conf Rm Lrg

7:00 pm SJSM Rehearsal Chapel

7:00 pm Handbell Choir Ch3

8:30 pm Youth Rosary YR

#### Thursday, May 3

6:00 pm 1st Communion Practice Chu

#### Friday, May 4

9:00 am Fitness Group Ch2

#### Saturday, May 5

9:00 am Lector Training Chu

9:00 am 1st Saturday Rosary Ministry Rm

3:30 pm Confessions Chapel

8:00 pm Discovery PC/All Rooms

## Feed Your Spirit



### **Tell the Story of Our Faith!**

#### **The Ministry of the Lector at Saint Joseph Parish**

**Training Session on Saturday, May 5 at 9:00 am**

Lectors proclaim the word of God at liturgical celebrations. The lector is a liturgical minister who feeds the assembly at the Table of God's Word. He or she tells the living story of our faith and is the instrument through which God speaks to the gathered assembly. Lector formation includes a basic introduction to Scripture as it relates to Sunday liturgy, familiarity with the Lectionary (the ritual book for Scripture), and the practical considerations for public reading within the context of worship.

A training and formation session for those interested in the ministry of the lector will be held on Saturday, May 5, at 9:00 am. *Pre-registration is very important.* Please contact Roberta Raike ([raike44@hotmail.com](mailto:raike44@hotmail.com)) *before* attending the training session for details if you are interested in becoming a lector. You may also contact Bob Valle, Director of Music/Liturgist at the parish ([bvalle@sjpg.org](mailto:bvalle@sjpg.org) or 630.964.0216, ext. 1209).

### **The Ministry of the Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training Session on Monday, May 7 at 7:00 pm**



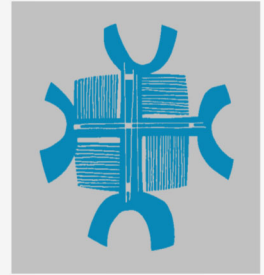
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist the Priest in distributing Holy Communion at Masses. Our Lord, present under the forms of bread and wine, is food for our journey to the kingdom! For those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers, there are special formation sessions which focus on the spirituality of the minister, the ritual of the Eucharist, and guidelines specific to Saint Joseph Parish.

The next formation session for those interested will be held at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 7. *Pre-registration is very important!* Please contact Rob Visher at 630.244.6813 or [rvisher@gmail.com](mailto:rvisher@gmail.com) *before* the training session for details if you are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. You may also contact Bob Valle, Director of Music/Liturgist at the parish [bvalle@sjpg.org](mailto:bvalle@sjpg.org) or 630.964.0216, ext. 1209.



## Liturgical Ministry Sign-Up for Spring 2018

People often worry that they do not have enough time to give of themselves to the parish community. But there is a way to offer yourself to Saint Joseph Church while you are at Mass. Consider one of the following ministries as a way to give of your time. We are looking to recruit parishioners into the following ministries over the next several weeks. After an initial formation session, involvement in these ministries does not require additional time outside of the Mass that you normally attend. You will be doing your part to help our parish grow!



*Check the ministry in which you would like to serve our parish.*

### ----- **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**

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### ----- **Lector**

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### ----- **Greeter**

Be a joyful face for Saint Joseph Church! Be the first to make everyone feel at home in the community! If you are someone who likes meeting and talking to new people, or are looking for a way to start getting involved at the church, then being a Greeter may be the perfect fit for you. St. Joseph Greeters welcome visitors and greets parishioners as they enter the church. The time commitment is minimal - 20 minutes before Mass begins - but is so important to the spirit of each liturgical gathering.

### ----- **Usher**

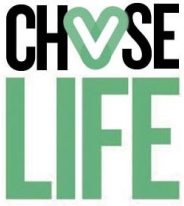
Ushers are one of the welcoming presence ministries, and they assist the assembly by removing obstructions to their full participation in the Mass. Yes, they pass the baskets for collections and pass out bulletins after Mass, but they also help to seat people, arrange to have communion brought to those who cannot join the communion procession, open doors, and smile a lot! The only additional commitment over your Sunday Mass requirement is to arrive ten minutes earlier, which guarantees you will always find a parking spot! You may want to assist either at the Mass you normally attend or at any Mass, if you don't regularly attend a specific one.

*Print your information and return to Bob Valle, Director of Music/Liturgist at the Parish Center, or place in the collection basket. You can also contact Bob at 630-964-0216 ext. 1209 or at [bvalle@sjpdg.org](mailto:bvalle@sjpdg.org).*

NAME -----

EMAIL -----

PHONE -----



## Jesus Is Coming!

March 25 was the celebration of the Annunciation of the Lord, when the angel Gabriel told Mary that she had found favor with God and would bear a son Jesus, who would be called the son of the Most High. While Mary conceived by “the Holy Spirit...and the power of the Most High” (Luke 1:35), *Jesus in his human nature developed in the Virgin Mary’s womb the same as us.*

Week 5: Jesus is now about 30 days old. His mother Mary may not yet be physically aware that she is pregnant, but Jesus has been settled in her womb and drawing sustenance from her for about three weeks. He has increased almost 100 times in length, but is still less than 10mm long—about 4/10ths of an inch!

At about day 18, the Sacred Heart of Jesus began beating. By day 21 His circulatory system was closed and separate from Mary’s, His precious blood—which will be spilled for us on the first Good Friday—flowing through His body. Now after four weeks His eyes, ears, and respiratory system are forming. Although still hidden from the world, soon He will be able to hear His Blessed Mother’s and foster father’s voices—perhaps even the words of Elizabeth as Mary greeted her: “Blessed is the fruit of your womb!” (Luke 1:42)

*Check out the poster on the narthex bulletin board for more fetal development information.  
And stay tuned for more on the development of Jesus next month!*

### St. Joseph Catholics for Life: Promoting the Culture of Life through Prayer, Education, & Action

For more information or to be added to our mailing list: email [SJC.ProLife@gmail.com](mailto:SJC.ProLife@gmail.com), or call Bob LeMay @ 630.464.5344.

## HELPING NEW MOMS FOR MOTHERS DAY!



### "Walk-By" Baby Shower ~ May 12-13 at all Masses

*For the benefit of the moms and babies at:*



### Purchase and bring to Mass the below-listed baby care items:

- ✦ Diapers, wipes, & ointments
- ✦ Laundry products
- ✦ Baby grooming products: shampoo, soap, lotions, etc.
- ✦ Mom grooming products: soap, lotion, face creams  
(Maybe some “splurge” items for moms like bubble bath!)

**There will be a bassinet in the narthex for your donations!**



# "Living the Virtues"



## Catholic Kids' Club 2018

**Catholic Kids' Club 2018 for children Pre-K 4 through Grade 3.  
June 18 - 21 ... 9:00 am - 11:30 am ... \$25.00 per child including T-shirt  
...St. Joseph Catholic Church...**

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_ T-shirt size: child size S - M - L - XL (circle one)

Special Needs or Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phones: Mom \_\_\_\_\_ Dad \_\_\_\_\_

Email/s: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Designate the best way to contact you

Emergency Contact:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of child's physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please contact Jacquie at 630.964.0216 x1106 for more information.  
Catholic Kids Club form can be dropped off or mailed to the St. Joseph Parish Center.**

## Praying From Sunday to Sunday

### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — The church was being built up, and grew in numbers (Acts 9:26-31).

**Psalm** — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth (1 John 3:18-24).

**Gospel** — Remain in me, as I remain in you. I am the vine, you are the branches (John 15:1-8).

### Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16;  
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;  
Jn 14:27-31a or (for the memorial)  
Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;  
Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4;  
1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17  
or Jn 17:11b-19

### Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Monday: St. Pius V

Tuesday: St. Joseph the Worker

Wednesday: St. Athanasius

Thursday: Ss. Philip and James;  
National Day of Prayer

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: First Saturday; Cinco de Mayo



### Pray for the Sick

David Bicek, Lou Duller, Leslie Fletcher, Patricia Fletcher, Aida Francisco, Peter Gillespie, Channing Hesse, Fr. George Hurley, Gertrude McGarry, John Rossi, Belle Singer, Jeff Smith, Keith Venard, Diane Whitacre, and all who are in nursing homes and hospitals.

### Sunday, May 6 † Gospel of John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples:

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love."

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."

St. Joseph Parish Community would like to recognize and remember in prayer, all active duty military personnel serving our country here and throughout the world.



Emily C. Behrel  
Matt Dickey  
Lynnea K. Jensen

Kevin J. Levesque  
Justin T. Lewandowski  
Ian A. Nogle

If someone in your family is a member of the military and you would like to include their name on the bulletin board in the narthex and in the Sunday bulletin, please call the Parish Center or email: [nogle@sjpdg.org](mailto:nogle@sjpdg.org).

Please inform the Parish Center when your soldier returns home. Thank you!

### Eucharistic Adoration

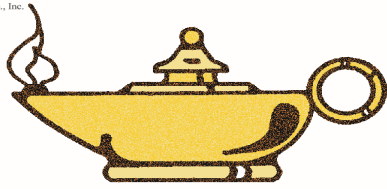
Our Lord Invites Us All to Eucharistic Adoration

**Mondays from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

St. Joseph Church Chapel

Holy Rosary at 7:30 pm

24 Reasons for Spending Time Before the Blessed Sacrament:  
<http://www.tiny.cc/adorechrist>



COMMITTED TO TRUTH

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

April 29, 2018

Let us love not in word or speech  
but in deed and truth.

- 1 John 3:18

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY, April 29**

7:00 AM James Seegers  
9:00 AM Anna Amodeo &  
the People of the Parish  
11:00 AM Stephanie & Feliks Swierzbinski  
5:00 PM Mary Ann & Joseph Bigane

**MONDAY, April 30**

7:00 AM Joseph F. Svec, Sr.

**TUESDAY, May 1**

7:00 AM Florence Guderley  
8:15 AM Peter Kippes, Sr.

**WEDNESDAY, May 2**

7:00 AM London Lotarski

**THURSDAY, May 3**

7:00 AM Florence Guderley

**FRIDAY, May 4**

7:00 AM Souls in Purgatory

**SATURDAY, May 5**

8:00 AM Francesca Opre  
5:00 PM Kelly & Anthony Mancuso  
One Year Wedding Anniversary

**SUNDAY, May 6**

7:00 AM Dena & Adam Mini  
9:00 AM Roberta Joyce  
11:00 AM People of the Parish  
5:00 PM John Poloncsik

**Ministry Schedule for Saturday, May 5 & Sunday, May 6**

Mass Times	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers	Greeters
SATURDAY 5:00 PM	D. Aragones R. Raike	S. Fahey, S. Jesse, J. McReynolds, J. More, L. Rovens, T. Wasilowski	M. Ranquist B. Karmik G. Gozdzik	
SUNDAY 7:00 AM	A. Porter N. Woods	P. Bowe, S. Bowe, J. Menard, M. Menard, M. Raines, G. Wroblewski	P. Elisha D. Swanson K. Swanson	D. Wozniak S. Wozniak
SUNDAY 9:00 AM	T. Burke S. Jagielo	V. Barrett, D. Dryer, T. Dryer, S. O'Brien, R. Visher, T. Wilkinson	C. Van Anne H. Redmond J. Dunn	C. Mejdrieh K. Conness
SUNDAY 11:00 AM	M. Kippes J. Piliponis	L. Kosciak, E. LaBuda, P. Nielsen, E. Ohman, M. Taylor, C. Weinberg	H. Baer P. Eschenbach A. Eschenbach	E. LaBuda R. Tandaric
SUNDAY 5:00 PM	T. Pal L. Nogle	S. Becker, M. Dempsey, J. Gargula, L. Nogle, M. Pattanayak, A. Sima	J. Kane C. Kane E. Kane	



St. Joseph  
Council of Catholic Women Presents:

*Create a Personal Mary Garden  
To honor our Blessed Mother*

Friday, May 11 ▪ 7:00 - 9:00 pm

St. Joseph Church Fitzgerald Hall  
(lower level of the church)

The evening includes:

- ◆ Rosary to honor Mary;
- ◆ Installation of Officers;
- ◆ Guest Speaker, Bob Lifka of Flower Specialties; and
- ◆ Beverages, food, plants, container and Marian statue.

For more information, contact Sue Wozniak at 630.968.0018.

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*Create a Mary Garden Container*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number in party: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ total \$ enclosed.

**Detach and return with payment to:**

St. Joseph Parish Center, 4824 Highland Avenue, Downers Grove, 60515.

You can also include in the Sunday collection basket.

Please mark the envelope "Mary Garden".

**Make check payable to Council of Catholic Women.  
Payment should be received by Wednesday, May 9.**

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