

## **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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## **Directory**

### St. Joseph Parish Business Center

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**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Sunday: 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am and 5:00 pm

**Weekday Masses:** 7:00 am (Monday-Friday) 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

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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.

**For 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

Visit **www.stjosephdg.com/admission** for registration information. Registration accepted throughout the school year. For school tours, please call the school office at 630-969-4306.

## The 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 28, 2024

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- Mk 1:23-25

#### Mass Schedule and Intentions

#### Sunday, January 28

7:00 AM The Souls in Purgatory 9:00 AM Richard Guzior (L) and Frank Stava Jr. 11:00 AM Elizabeth Grochowski

5:00 PM The People of the Parish

9:00 am Sunday Mass is LIVE-STREAMED. Visit www.stjosephdg.org and click on Livestream.

#### Monday, January 29

7:00 AM Bernadette Bergen and Robert McCue

#### Tuesday, January 30

7:00 AM The Souls in Purgatory

#### Wednesday, January 31

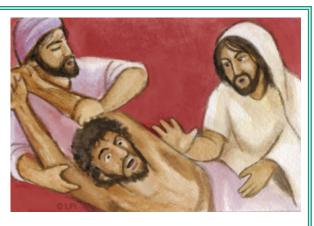
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#### Thursday, February 1

7:00 AM The Lech Family

#### Friday, February 2

7:00 AM The Souls in Purgatory



#### Saturday, February 3

8:00 AM Claudette Binkowski and the Deceased Members of

the Riermaier Family

5:00 PM The Souls in Purgatory

#### Sunday, February 4

7:00 AM The People of the Parish

9:00 AM Jack Himpler and

Jim Himpler

11:00 AM Richard Guzior (L)

5:00 PM The Souls in Purgatory

## A Call to Stewardship

You have not forgotten "to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased."

Hebrews 13:16

Weekly Sunday Goal	\$24,730
Sunday January 21th Gifts	\$48,445
Year-to-Date Sunday Goal	\$741,900
Year-to-Date Gifts	<u>\$730,853</u>
Total Short of Goal to Date	\$11,046

#### Seniors Invited to Defer Property Taxes

Qualified senior citizens, aged 65 years and older are invited to apply for the **Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Program**. The program allows participants to defer property tax payment until the property is sold. The deferral is treated as a loan and accrues 3% simple interest until paid. To qualify, the applicant's household income cannot exceed \$65,000. Additionally, the property must be used exclusively for residential purposes.

The application period closes March 1, 2024. For more information, contact the DuPage County Treasurer's Office at 630-407-5900 or www.dupageco.org/treasurer



## Chapel is open MON-FRI 9AM-4PM Located at 4824 Highland Avenue

Ring the front bell to be buzzed in and directed to the second floor chapel. The chapel is not handicap accessible and requires a total of 23 stairs.

## Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

"'I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin.

and will put my words into his mouth;

he shall tell them all that I command him." (Dt 18:18)

#### Dsalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

#### Second Reading:

An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord.

so that she may be holy in both body and spirit. (1 Cor 7:34)

#### Gospel:

The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. (Mk 1:22)

## Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

#### Sunday:

Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/ 1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

#### Monday:

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

#### Tuesday:

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/ Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

#### Wednesday:

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

#### Thursday:

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

#### Friday:

Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

#### Saturday:

1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/ Mk 6:30-34

#### **Next Sunday:**

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays St. Joseph Church 3:30 - 4:30 pm

## Observances for the week of January 28, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time,

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

Wednesday: St. John Bosco, Priest

**Friday:** The Presentation of the Lord,

World Day for Consecrated Life

Saturday: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr;

St. Ansgar, Bishop

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### The Next Monthly St. Peregrine Prayer Service Thursday, February 22, 7 pm



Please see the St. Joseph Parish website for more information and future dates.

# **Eucharistic Adoration**

St. Joseph Church

Mondays 7:00 to 8:30 pm Tuesdays 9:00 am to 12 pm

Stop in the church for a few minutes of Adoration or however much time you wish to spend with Our Lord. He is waiting for you!

"Blessed are they who do not see and yet believe" -John 20:29



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.

Lt. Julia M. Anderson P.O. 1 Emily C. Behrel Cpt. Ian Correll Sailor Steven Derdzinski Matt Dickey Teddy Evans Lynnea K. Jensen Austin Kus, US Navy Sheila Perazal Kus, Air Force Jack McGuire, US Navy Maeve McGuire, US Navy S Sgt Ian A. Nogle Lt. Bruce Penny Put Brandon Skenandore Vincent Wrobleski SPC Abigal Baran, US Army

To include/remove a name, contact the Parish Center







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#### Dear Parishioner.

In today's world, we often find ourselves seeking approval and acceptance from those around us. We yearn for recognition from our friends and colleagues, spending our time, energy, and attention on building an image that will give "us" glory instead of giving God glory.

Saint Paul reminds us in his letter to the Corinthians, "Whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God!"

As Catholics we are called to embody the theme of our 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), that in whatever we do, do everything for the Glory of God. When we live a life aimed to glorify God, we live differently. Every action we extend, becomes a testament to God's splendor and majesty in our lives. The glory of God is His Church and His people fully alive.

When you give to the CMAA, you breathe life into the mission of our diocese, which supports our poor, vulnerable, homeless, hungry, unborn, children, adults, seniors, disabled, marginalized, and so many more. You make the ministries of Catholic Charites, Seminarians' formation, and the education of our children and young people a reality.

I invite you to join me in prayerfully making a gift to the CMAA. Every contribution will make a difference in the lives of all we serve. Please take a moment and read about the life-changing impact your gift makes in the enclosed brochure.

Thank you for your generous and prayerful support. May God bless you always as together we do everything for the Glory of God!

Peace,

Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks

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Bishop of Joliet

PS- please return the enclosed pledge card by February 10 or go to JolietDioceseAppeal.org to give online.



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#### January 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon our diocese will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For more than 50 years, this collection has given Catholics in the United States an opportunity to share faith in unity with our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout Latin America and the Caribbean islands.

The work of evangelization is carried out by Christians who meet people where they are—not only in a geographical sense but also in the context of culture. Though the Gospel is unchanging, we have many ways to make it relevant to people of all cultural, ethnic, and linguistic backgrounds.

The countries of South America have diverse populations from Indigenous, African, European, and Asian ancestries, all with different cultural experiences. By welcoming and understanding people from so many backgrounds, the

Church grows and continues its mission of making disciples of all peoples. In Brazil, the Brazilian Bishops' Conference organized visits and meetings to engage Afro-Brazilian Catholic leaders in discussing a variety of themes, including



social pastoral ministry and the vision of Pope Francis. In Peru, missionaries working in the Peruvian Amazon bring the Gospel to the Ashaninka and Matsigenka communities of about 60,000 people.

Such encounters and engagement with the peoples of South America are made possible when Catholics in our diocese are generous to the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your participation in the collection truly becomes a way to share your faith and support evangelization efforts among all peoples.

Our diocese takes up this collection on the weekend of January 28. Please be generous toward this collection. Consider giving at Mass or through your parish's online giving platform. The #iGiveCatholicTogether website (https://usecb.igivecatholictogether.org/organizations/usecb-church-in-latin-america) also accepts online funds for the collection. Your support truly makes a difference. Thank you and God bless you.

For more information on the Church in Latin America and the many projects funded by the collection, please visit <u>www.usccb.org/latin-america</u>.

Paz y bien,

Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks Bishop of Joliet

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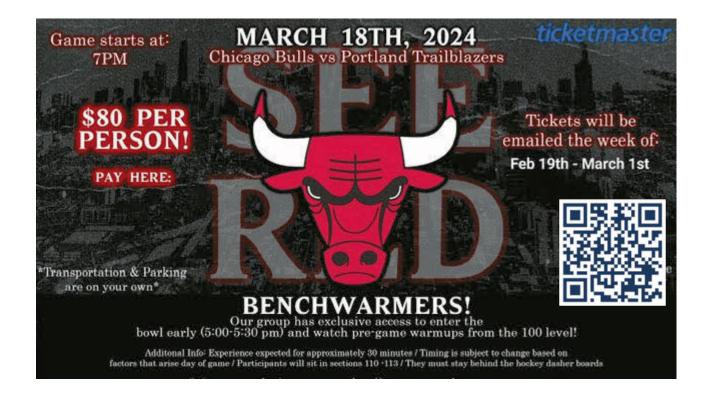


## **Questions?**

Please contact Michele Geragh (michelegeraghty62@gmail.com) or Patrick Harbauer

or Patrick Harbauer (patrickharbauer@gmail.com)

To Register scan the QR Code above or go to https://stjosephdg.org/beformed



## Thank you, Thank you!

As of January 9, **St. Joseph's has raised \$130,242 from 178 donors through our** *Running on a Prayer Campaign* to ensure we can enjoy reliable, energy-efficient comfort for many years into the future!

With donations ranging from \$15 to \$20,000, I am most grateful for each and every gift received. Thanks to you we have already reached 40% of our \$320,000 goal.

If you are still considering a gift, please know that any size donation will help us achieve 100% of our goal!

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Al

## St. Joseph Church Air Conditioning Running on a Prayer!

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## **BLOOD DRIVE TO** HONOR LYNN ROVENS

The Knights would like remember and honor the soul of one of our longtime parishioners, Lynn Rovens who passed away at age 67 this past year. Lynn was a devout Catholic and served in the youth ministry, attended weekly rosary services, service trips, and participated in World Youth Day. She was a dedicated wife. mother, grandma, aunt, cousin and sister.



## **THURSDAY February**

3:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Helpful tip: and drink plenty of water before donating

Make sure to eat a healthy meal PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED.

Lynn and her husband Rick were frequent donors at our Blood Drives. We ask that you help us honor Lynn by donating life at our upcoming blood drive. Please sign up to donate today.

Blood Drive is sponsored by the St. Joseph's Parish Knights of Columbus and will be in the Lower Level of the Church at 4801 Main St. in Downers Grove.

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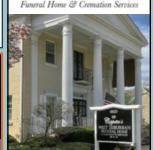
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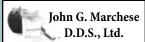
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