



# Saint Joseph

CATHOLIC CHURCH

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021**

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### Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 8:00 a.m.  
Friday: 8:00 a.m.

**Confession:** Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 7:00 am. & 10:00 a.m. or  
by appointment.

**Office Hours-** Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday and Thursday  
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### PARISH STAFF

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## 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." - Lk 1:41-42

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### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Did you ever find yourself wishing that God would just step in and fix all that is wrong with the world? After all, how much longer can all of this go on? There is so much inequity in life. Our world's political, economic, and environmental systems do not always serve the best interests of people. We read stories about injustice, disregard for human life, greed, heartache, and people being hurt and deprived every day. People are still starving and there is often little regard for human life. This is not the way God intended it to be. Realizing that we have caused most of these problems ourselves, we look to God for an answer and a way out of the difficulties we have created. Taking responsibility for our actions is not something that comes easily. What we fail to see is that God has already sent the answer in the person of Jesus Christ. God did fix our problem! Mary had to set her needs aside in order for the Son of Justice to come into the world. We need to do the same. It is only by believing in, listening to, and acting upon what God has spoken that true peace will ever come to be, and God's fix be made known.

### SACRAMENT PREPARATION

**Marriage:** Contact Deacon Luke Mahsman at least six months in advance to schedule a wedding.

**Baptism:** If you are expecting or need information about Baptism, please contact Deacon Luke Mahsman for a meeting.

### MISSION

St. Joseph Catholic Church is a faith community, guided by the scriptures and traditions of the church, whose mission is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ through celebration of the liturgy, sacraments, prayer, faith fellowship, and service to others.

### Bishop McKnight's December prayer intention for our Local Church

For our children and youth: that the example of parents and other adults of the parish may foster a sense of openness to the Holy Spirit in their lives.



## Mass Intentions & Schedules

**Saturday, December 18th @ 5:30 p.m.**

Don Krekemeyer+

**Sunday, December 19th @ 7:30 a.m.**

Parishioners of St. Joseph

**Sunday, December 19th @ 10:30 a.m.**

Bob Powell+

**Tuesday, December 21st @ No Mass**

**Wednesday, December 22nd @ 6p.m.**

Frank Schwartz+

**Thursday, December 23rd @ 8 a.m.**

Florence Fohey+

**Friday, December 24th @ 4 p.m.**

Parishioners of St. Joseph

**Friday, December 24th @ 9 p.m.**

Nancy Cummings Thomanson+

**Saturday, December 25th @ 9 a.m.**

Wallace, Christine & Donna Gail+

**Saturday, December 25th @ 5:30 p.m.**

**No Evening Mass**

**Sunday, December 26th @ 7:30 a.m.**

Parishioners of St. Joseph Church

**Sunday, December 26th @ 10:30 a.m.**

Margaret Kitch+

## Prayer Requests

**Please pray for our parishioners and our extended family and friends:**

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Jacque Hess         | Rodney Gottman  |
| Suzy Harrison       | Paul Quinn      |
| Bobby Dodd          | Wanda Madden    |
| Betty Tucker        | Ellen Goodwin   |
| Kaitlyn Shivley     | Julianne DeHaan |
| Donna Rupp          | Zac Abell       |
| Dee Gottman         | Pat Foster      |
| Don Mudd            | John Gottman    |
| Guido Merkel        | Bill Gottman    |
| Michelle Richardson | Tim Schroeder   |
| Troy Rager          | Marie Baker     |
| Sue Wagner          | Dan Gard        |
| Beverly Duncan      | Jerry Hagan Jr. |
| Davia & Paul Brown  |                 |

**Please pray for our church members who are currently in nursing homes or homebound:**

|                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Elizabeth Roth     | Mary Ann Miller  |
| Elizabeth King     | Phyllis Kroeger  |
| Ferd Dames         | Janet Barnes     |
| Virginia Buckman   | Janet Schwartz   |
| Richard Krekemeyer | Marie Thorington |

**Sister Marlene Buese** has retired and moved. She has celebrated her 60th anniversary as a religious sister. She would love to hear from her friends.  
**Address:** Sr. Marlene Buese, SSND  
118 Melissa Apt. 3 O'Fallon, IL 62269

## Parish upcoming events

**Sunday, December 19th**

CCD/PSR classes from 9 a.m. -10:15a.m.

(cinnamon rolls and milk served)

Decorating the church after 10:30 a.m.

Mass. Lunch will follow for those who help.

H.S. youth group will meet from

5:30-7:30p.m. Dinner Served!

**Tuesday, December 21st**

Adopt a child set up at Farischon Hall from 4 -6p.m.

**Wednesday, December 22nd**

Adopt a child distribution day at Farischon Hall from 2-6p.m.

**Friday, December 24th-Christmas Eve**

Mass at 4p.m. and 9p.m.

**Saturday, December 25th-Christmas Day**

Mass @ 9a.m.

No 5:30p.m. Mass

**Sunday, December 26th-The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

Mass at 7:30a.m. and 10:30a.m.

**Monday, December 27th-Office Closed**

**Friday, December 31st-The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

Mass @ 6 p.m.

**Saturday, January 1st Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

Mass @ 5:30 p.m.

**Sunday, January 2nd**

Mass at 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**Monday, January 3rd-Office Closed**

**Thursday, January 6th-Epiphany**

**Sunday, January 9th-New year** celebration pot luck dinner for all families of St. Joseph from 11:30-1:30 p.m.

## PRAYER Requests

If you would like someone on the prayer list please contact Cathy at the office. When someone goes into the Hospital, the family must contact parish staff and let us know about the situation so that we can help assist your family member.



Beth Anderson is the parish nurse for Holy Family and St. Joseph. If she can help you or a loved one. Call: # 573-795-5828 or email [nursebethhfsj@gmail.com](mailto:nursebethhfsj@gmail.com)

**Many hands make light work.**

Join us at St. Joseph Church on Sunday, December 19th from 11:30 a.m. to ? to decorate the church for Christmas. A light lunch will take place at Farischon Hall for those who help with decorating.



## HOLIDAY Mass Schedule

**Friday, December 24th-Christmas Eve** Mass at 4 p.m. and 9 p.m.

**Saturday, December 25th-Christmas Day** Mass @ 9 a.m. (No 5:30 p.m. Mass)

**Friday, December 31st-The Nativity of the Lord** Mass @ 6 p.m.

**Saturday, January 1st-Mass** @ 5:30 p.m.

**Sunday, January 2nd-Mass** @ 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.



**PRAYER FOR A STEWARDSHIP PARISH**  
My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will be prayerful, if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring others into worship, if I invite and bring them in. It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity, and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being all things that I want my parish to be. Amen.

**Parish Finances not available at time of publication**

**CSA Stewardship Appeal**

St. Joseph, Palmyra Date: 12-10-21

**St. Joseph Goal:** \$15,810.00

**Amount Committed:** \$8,725.00

**Amount Received:** \$9,930.00

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St. Joseph website  
[sjpalmyra.diojeffcity.org](http://sjpalmyra.diojeffcity.org)



Contact the office if you want to receive parish news and updates.



**Palmyra Ministerial Alliance Advent Devotional Lunches**



will take place on Wednesdays at noon starting December 1st. The host church will provide drinks and desserts. Please bring your own sack lunch. **All are welcome to attend these devotionals provided by the ministerial alliance in Palmyra.**

December 22: Palmyra Lutheran Church



**Religious Education News**

**High School youth group 9th-12th grade**



December 19th  
from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Teens need to bring an item to share for dinner. Drinks provided!

**Middle School youth group 5th-6th grade and 7th-8th grade CCD/PSR**

Sunday, January 16, 2022  
from 11:30-1:30pm



Classes in session  
Sunday from  
9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

**December 19th**-Classes in session (in class advent party) Youth Mass @ 10:30 a.m.

**December 26th & January 2nd**-No Classes

**January 9th**-Classes in session, 10:30 a.m. Youth Mass and join us in a potluck dinner after Mass for entire parish. Drinks and Tableware will be provided. Bring a main dish, side dish or dessert. All are welcome to attend.

**January 16th**-Classes in session  
2nd Grade Parent Meeting @ 9:30 a.m.

**Birthdays at St. Joseph**

- December 18th**  
Kara Dames, Olivia Pruett
- December 20th**  
Isaac Krekemeyer
- December 21st**  
Eddison Brown
- December 22nd**  
Patrick Anderson
- December 23rd**  
Sarah Baxter
- December 26th**  
Kim Donelseon
- December 28th**  
Donna Rupp
- December 29th**  
Jim Church
- December 31st**  
Tony Lenzini , Ann Bross,  
Kadon Timbrook



**Blessing Box at St. Joseph**

Suggested donations are; single serve fruit cups, cereal, cereal bars, crackers with cheese or peanut butter, potted meat, juice boxes, water bottles. As temperatures drop, we would like to add the following items in all sizes; gloves, socks, hats, scarves . Thank you for your generous donations Items can be dropped off at the church hall during office hours.



**Adopt a Child Program for Ministerial Alliance**



Return all gifts wrapped with the tags on them for the Palmyra Adopt-a-child program. Please bring gifts to the church office or place them near the confessional in church no later than December 16th. All gifts will be distributed to families on Wednesday, December 22nd. Helpers will be needed with distribution from 2 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Contact Cathy Fohey or Pam Hess if you are interested in helping with this program.

**Palmyra food pantry** needs are personal care items. Toothpaste, bar soap, deodorant. A basket for these items are located in the vestibule of the church and at the church hall.

**Ministries for Weekend Masses**

**5:30 p.m. Mass**

**Ministers of Hospitality for December**

Steve & Joanne Conoyer

**Lectors**

Dec. 18th Ella Goldinger

**Servers**

Dec. 18th Mahsman's

**Live Streaming & Technology**

Dec. 18th Cindy Gervais

**Eucharistic Ministers/Sacristan**

Dec. 18th Joe & Terry Barnes

**December 25th**-\*No 5:30 p.m. Mass  
Christmas Day Mass @ 8 a.m. (Volunteers needed) Sign up in the vestibule of the church.

**7:30 a.m. Mass**

**Ministers of Hospitality for December**

Rich & Susie Wolfmeyer

**Lectors:**

Dec. 19th Ellen Goodwin

**Servers:**

Dec. 19th D. Dames, T. Jones, M. Jones

**Eucharistic Ministers/Sacristan for**

Dec. 19th Ross & Karen Dames

**10:30 a.m. Mass**

**Ministers of Hospitality for December**

Chuck & Jeanne Wigle and Brad Wigle

**Lectors:**

Dec. 19th Youth Mass

**Servers:**

Dec. 19th Youth Mass

**Eucharistic Ministers/Sacristan**

Dec. 19th Kevin DeHaan, Diane DeHaan

**Sunday, December 26th**-Volunteers are needed for 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Mass Sign up sheets are available in the vestibule of the church.



**Ministries for January 2022** will be placed in the bulletin on December 26th. Please take time to look during the holidays to see if you are scheduled for a weekend mass or find a replacement asap. Check your emails, flocknotes and the St. Joseph website for updated schedules.

**We are Better Together!**

“Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?” (Lk 1:42-43)

