

*Nurtured by Word and Sacrament we are called to share our faith and reach out to others in need.*

- Parish Mission Statement



# St. Joseph Parish

211 NORTH CENTER AVENUE, BRADLEY ILLINOIS

## Services

### Weekend Liturgy

*Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm*

*Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am & 11:00 am*

### Daily Mass

*Monday-Thursday 7:00 am*

*Friday-Saturday 8:30 am*

### Holy Days

*7:00 am, 8:30 am & 7:00 pm*

### Eucharistic Adoration

*Tuesday 12 noon-7:00 pm*

## Sacramental Life

### Reconciliation

*Saturday 3:00 pm, also by appointment.*

### Baptism

*The first and third Sundays of the month at 12:30 pm or during the Liturgy by request. Parents are required to reserve and attend a baptism preparation class. Before choosing Godparents, please consult the office for guidelines.*

### Weddings

*Arrangements must be made at least six months before the date of the wedding. Please do not reserve a hall or make other preparations before confirming the date with one of the priests. At least one of the engaged persons (or their parents) must be a registered and active parishioner of St. Joseph. Weddings are not scheduled on Saturday evenings or Sundays.*

### Communion to Homebound

*Call Deacon Leon Fritz 815-932-6909.*

### Registration

*New parishioners are most welcome to register. Please contact the rectory. Bulletin article deadline is Tuesday at 4pm for the following weekend.*

## Pastoral Staff

### Pastor

*Rev. Anthony A. Nugent*

### Priest in Residence

*Rev. John T. Antczak*

### Deacons

*Mr. Leon Fritz & Mr. Andrew Berg*

### Secretary

*Ms. Reisha Raymond*

### Music Director

*Ms. Jeanine Paul*

### Liturgist

*Sandy Book*

### Pastoral Associate

*Sr. Denise Glazik, op*

### Business Manager

*Mr. Dale Hoge*

### Director of Communications

*Mr. Paul Storer*

### Religious Education

*Phone: 815-937-9340*

*Office Hours: Tu,Th,Fr 9a-4p, Wed 9a-8p*

*Sr. Linda Schwamberger, sfcc-Director*

*Mrs. Melissa Marcotte-Co-ordinator*

### School Principal

*Phone: 815-933-8013*

*Sr. Mary Ann Hettel, sscm- Principal*

### Director of Youth Ministry

*Mr. Matt Toohill, 815-939-2780*

### Prayer Line

*Mrs. Sandy Donley, 815-932-5333*

*Mrs. Gert Auberry, 815-932-8902*

### Office

*Mon. & Fri: 8 am - noon & 1 - 5 pm*

*Tue., Wed., Thurs: 8 am-noon & 1 - 8 pm*

*Phone: (815) 939-3573*

*Fax: (815) 939-3138*

### Parish Nurse-Office phone number, ext 307

*Website: [www.stjosephbradley.org](http://www.stjosephbradley.org)*



When Jesus entered Jerusalem for the last time before his crucifixion, he cried. Not for his fate, but because those around him did not realize of their impending salvation. In today's Gospel, Jesus has returned to Nazareth to teach in the synagogue, yet his own people doubt his truth, remembering him as a boy and as the son of a carpenter. He remarks that prophets such as him are always scorned by those who know them best, the people of their hometown.

As children, our innocent faith and belief in God is unwavering. As we grow older, we sometimes question our beliefs and put aside our faith, rather than grow even closer to Christ. This is because "Faith seeks understanding" (CCC 158). Everything else in this world is explained visually through tangible facts; only faith can come from our hearts. Perhaps Jesus cried not only for those who saw his miracles yet did not believe, but also for us who did not see. Our challenge is to be as children in our faith, unwavering, open and believing with all our hearts.

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*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 5, 2009*

## MASS INTENTIONS

JULY 6-12

**Monday, July 6-Maria Goretti, virgin & martyr**

7:00 am † Randy LaGesse (B'Day Mem.) by Mom, Becky and Russ

**Tuesday, July 7**

7:00 am † Reaferd Ellison (B'Day Mem.) by Wife &amp; family

10:00 am Prayer Service at Bradley Royale-Sr. Denise

**Wednesday, July 8**

7:00 am \* In Thanksgiving

† Carole VandenHout (B'Day Mem.) by Mike, Stephanie and Michelle

**Thursday, July 9-Augustine Zhao Rong, priest & martyr**

7:00 am † Jesse Wilder by James &amp; Sandra Travis

**Friday, July 10**

8:30 am † Mary Anne O'Connor by John O'Connor

**Saturday, July 11-Benedict, abbot**

8:30 am † Mollie Metschuleit McIntyre by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Randy Harris

4:00 pm † Ardelle Ommen by Ron &amp; Mary Ponton

† Faye St. Pierre by Thomas Cavender

† Walter Luehrs by Bob &amp; Zandra Cross

† Fritz Jeck by The Kibbons Family

**Sunday, July 12-Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am † Emile &amp; Iona Brosseau by Grandchildren

† Leonard "Shakey" Martin by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Greg Azzarelli

9:00 am † Leola Glassford by St. Joseph Church choir

† Shirley Marquis by Ken &amp; Denise Lindquist

† Louis Jamnik by Tony, Elmer &amp; families

11:00 am \* People of the Parish

*Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." So he was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his hands on them. — Mk 6:4-5*

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

**Readings for the Week of July 5, 2009**

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

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## LITURGICAL ROLES

JULY 11/12

	Lectors	Presiders
Sat	4:00 pm Fran Crews	Fr. John
Sun	7:30 am Betty Martin	Fr. John
	9:00 am Madelyn O'Brien	Fr. Tony
	11:00 am Clarissa Richards	Fr. Tony

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Sat	4:00 pm Terry Fritz, Cheryle Strother, Chris Hustedt, Sr. Denise, Marie Krzyznowski, Peggy Luehrs
Sun	7:30 am Lori Rusk, Tom Arseneau, Pat Croix, Gertrude Auberry
	9:00 am Sharyn Gross, Caroline L'Ecuyer, Drew L'Ecuyer, Matt Mantia, Marla Mantia, Karen Cross
	11:00 am Ellen Bowen, Ashley Lovell, Molly Barclay, Susan Quigley, Alex Hamilton, Mallory Hoge

**Hospitality Ministers**

Sat	4:00 pm Bev Emme, Fred Beratz, Larry Denoyer, Jeanine Luehrs, Steve Luehrs
Sun	9:00 am Regina LaFontaine, Bob LaFontaine, Mark L'Ecuyer, Jim L'Ecuyer, Macy Neubaum
	11:00 am Julie Gindy, Cody Gindy, Deb Carter, Robert Rosene, Judy Rosene

**Servers**

Sat	4:00 pm Jenna Crabtree, Heather Crabtree, Sydnie Nugent
Sun	9:00 am Darby L'Ecuyer, Gabby Chinski, Alex Feth
	11:00 am Jacob Quigley, Brandon Meier, Theresa Storer

**Organists/Cantors**

Sat	4:00 pm Ensemble I/Jerry
Sun	7:30 am Theresa /Cathy
	9:00 am Choir/Joanne
	11:00 am Ensemble II/Jeanine

**My Time With Jesus during the summer, 9 am only**

Sun 9:00 am Kelly Dickenson

**STEWARDSHIP**

**During this time, we celebrate the independence of our country. We would do well to echo the psalmist, saying "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us.**

**Collection for the weekend of June 27/28, '09****\$9,451.00****4:00 pm: \$2,734.00****7:30 am: \$2,142.00****9:00 am: \$1,850.00****11:00am: \$2,725.00****Debt Reduction donations for June-\$1,387.00**

**Mark your Calendars...Free Quart of ice Cream!  
.....As if you needed another reason to donate!**



**Sunday, July 12, 2009 is the next Blood Drive** for St. Joseph Parish 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Ministry Center on Prairie. (PLEASE NOTE THE EXTENDED HOURS) You can call 815.939.3573 for an appointment or schedule an appointment online. Go to [www.heartlandbc.org](http://www.heartlandbc.org) and click on Schedule Appointment. Type in the Bradley and our church will come up for you to complete the appt time. Walk-ins are also welcome. Any questions, call Sr. Denise.

Please make an effort to donate Blood. It is safe.

It is necessary. It is life-giving. Blood is like a parachute. If it's not there when you need it, chances are you'll never need it again. **Give someone a chance at life and healing!**

Be a Blood Donor. It won't cost you a cent. But the gesture is priceless! Be a Blood Donor. It won't cost you a cent. But the gesture is priceless!



**HEARTLAND GIVES UDDER THANKS TO SUMMERTIME DONORS**

**We welcome to the family of  
St. Joseph Parish  
through the waters of Baptism**

**Giana Nicole**

daughter of

**Beaumont Shepley  
and Theresa Coglianese**



**COURTYARD BRICKS**

Please consider adding a brick paver to our Centennial Courtyard, located between the church and school.

A brick paver is a great way to:

- Honor or memorialize a loved one
- Convey a message of hope or inspiration
- Share a verse of scripture
- Have your name or your family members names inscribed

Thanks be to God  
Williams Family  
2009

God Bless  
Martha Coy  
1915-2001

Available are

Size	Minimum Donation
12" x 12"	\$225.00
8" x 8"	\$175.00
4" x 8"	\$100.00

We will be placing current orders in the next few weeks. Future orders are subject to having a sufficient number of orders to process.

Call the parish office with any questions or stop by to complete your order form. Order forms are also available to print at [www.stjosephbradley.org](http://www.stjosephbradley.org)

**MANNA SPOTLIGHT**

Manna can still be purchased during the summer months for credit towards school tuition, religious education program, helping the youth ministry, liturgical Music program, or the Persons with Disabilities activities.

Why not treat the kids to a movie with a classic cinema card which can be used for a ticket and/or concession stand purchases. (These cards are good for the Paramount and the Meadowview theaters).

Did you know there is a \$1.00 movie on Wednesdays at 10 am at the Paramount theater?

Don't forget those gas cards for your vacation trip.

Manna certificates are sold on Thursday and Friday from 2:30-4:30 pm and after the 9 & 11 am weekend Masses at the south school entrance. There will be no Market Day delivery during the month of July, so please come and purchase your certificates during our weekday or weekend schedule above.

Hope to see you soon!

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**

**This weekend we were given the opportunity to support the works of the Holy Father all around the world. The proceeds of this annual collection are used to provide emergency funds to those who suffer from oppression, disease, war, or natural disasters, and opportunity for us to be beacons of hope to those of our brothers and sisters who are most in need.**

**God bless you for your generosity in helping those most suffering throughout the world.**

## Are we looking for the meaning of life?

Guess what? We can stop looking because we are already immersed in it. Think about it. The meaning of life is found in the things we all take for granted—the gift of life, of speaking, thinking and loving. The meaning of life is found in our relationships with family, friends and our parish community who enrich us by their presence and love.



Stewardship, which is rooted in the Old Testament and the teachings of Christ, is about recognizing what God has entrusted to us and sharing these gifts with others. After all ... Who has given us our families? Who has given us our health? Who has given us our abilities? Who has given us our determination? Who has given us our lives?

Stewardship is about thanking God for those things that give meaning to our lives. Sacrificing some of our time, talent and treasure to somehow further the mission of Jesus is not meant to burden our families or take us away from them. On the contrary, giving of ourselves is our way of thanking God for the richness of our own lives and the lives of those who are so very precious to us. Stewardship is that simple. But, that important! We all know it. But, do we all live it?

Are we even trying to change? Are we trying to be more Christ-centered? Or are we immobile? Are we just going through the motions of our faith? Please think about this ... Pray about this. The irony is that the more we give and do, the happier we become and the better and we feel about ourselves.

### “I Don’t Know”

“I don’t know.” I couldn’t even begin to count the number of times I said that to my parents when they asked me a question about pretty much anything. Do kids still say that to their parents?

Saying, “I don’t know,” to my Mom drove her nuts. She would always ask me about what I learned in school that day as we sat down to dinner. “I don’t know.” What is that show, movie, book or song that you like about? “I don’t know.” She must have eventually gotten through to me because now, as an adult, when I feel those words beginning to come out ... I usually try to be courteous and come up with an answer.

My parents taught me a lot of things and continue to teach me. Whenever I hear myself sounding like them when dealing with my little girl ... I think, “So that’s why.” They didn’t keep me away from things, make sure I was clean, feed me vegetables and get me to Mass because they were mean parents. They did these things and many more because they loved me ... pure and simple. I so understand that now.



My wife and I can’t get enough of our daughter. Yes, there are times when we need to get away and have some time on our own. But, she consumes a lot of our free time and we really enjoy her and her antics. Seeing her light up about something fills my heart with such joy. Watching her Mom care for her so gently and affectionately somehow makes me love my wife even more. Seeing her with my parents, who are her grandparents, is amazing for me. My daughter’s face just glows when they are around and this melts the hearts of my parents.

Awesome! God’s love permeates from this tiny little girl and encircles us and enriches our lives. I’m not a rich man, but I have so much love in my life.

I would never have imagined the way things have turned out. My wife is my best friend, soul mate and confidant. She is God’s greatest gift to me. My extended family is a source of understanding and love. I looked around at them recently as we all enjoyed each other’s company at the beach. I paused as I thought, “Isn’t God great?” He has given me so much. I am so grateful!

Stewardship is a way of thanking God for all of his blessings by returning a portion of these gifts (our time, talent and treasure) to the one who gave them to us. Everything we have—our jobs, our health, our families—has been given to us by God.

On the trip home from the lake, I wondered, “Am I giving enough of myself as a way of loving God and others for all he has done for me?” With my little girl fast asleep in her car seat after that happy day at the beach, I smiled and I silently thanked God.

The afternoon at the lake was a metaphor for my life. It was wonderful playing with my little girl in the sand and swimming with her in the water. What an incredible dimension she adds to me. The people I love the most were with me that summer day. They are always with me during good and bad times. It was really windy so getting out of the water was extremely cold like life is when there are difficulties. But, the warmth of the people around me, especially my wife and daughter, was like that warm beach towel. God is good. “What can I change in my life to thank him?” I thought.

As we neared our home, I was still telling my wife what a great day I had with her and our family. I’ve never been so happy. She turned and asked me what I would be doing right now if I wasn’t a Daddy? Everyday since my daughter was born has been a miracle. I know deep inside of me that being a parent is the vocation God had in mind for me. I’m just so grateful for such a precious gift. I couldn’t imagine not being a Dad. And so I answered my wife: “I don’t know.”

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### *CIA (Catholics In Action)*

### High School Happenings

#### Youth Leadership Conference (YLC)



YLC was a great experience for all who attended. Thank you for your prayers and support. We're excited to be leaders in the Parish. More pictures and stories will soon follow.

#### CIA Meeting

- ☺ What did we gain from YLC?
- ☺ Did the Keynote speaker really tell one of Matt's jokes?
- ☺ What did the Youth Congress have to tell Bishop Sartain?
- ☺ What will we be doing in Youth Ministry at St. Joe's in the next couple of months?
- ☺ How can I be empowered by the spirit?

*Bring your friends*

July 12, 2009

7:00 PM in the Ministry Center  
& U R Loved

### Catholic HEART Workcamp

July 18, Meet at the Ministry Center  
by 8:00 AM  
Join us at the 8:30 Mass

**Thank you** to everyone who is helping us financially for the mission trip. Your generosity during the hard economic times reflects your care for our youth, and for those they will serve on the mission trip.

#### **Thank you to our New sponsors**

Fran Crews

Don & Joan Pierce

3 Anonymous sponsors

Total received in sponsorships so far: \$605.00  
Sponsorships are still being accepted.

2009-10 Catholic Ministries  
Annual Appeal  
Diocese of Joliet



This is a reminder to send your Appeal coupon with payment to the Diocesan Development Office by the 15th of each month if you made a pledge. We meet our parish goal only when pledges have been fulfilled. May "Christ, Our Light and Our Hope" be with you and your family. Thank you.

The Persons with Disabilities Mass  
and Social

held once a month, does not meet in the summer months, however we are still collecting items to use as prizes and gifts. They really brings smiles to the faces of the guests that join us. We ask that you continue to bring in gifts for bingo prizes and Christmas presents. As we will begin again in September and also preparing for the Christmas party where each person receives a present.

Some ideas for the guys gifts are: shaving lotion, cologne, wallets, crossword book, little calculators, radios, disposable cameras.

The Diocese of Joliet is celebrating its 60th anniversary during 2009. A limited number of commemorative booklets have been printed. If you would like a copy, they are available in the vestibule bookrack as long as supplies last.

COME JOIN THE FUN!! We'd love to have some new faces and ideas around the table at our next planning meeting for the Fall Picnic. You are most welcome to come join us. Our next meeting is Thursday, July 9th at 7 pm in the Ministry Center (little red brick house on the Prairie). ALL ARE WELCOME AND INVITED TO COME JOIN US.

The Picnic Planning Committee