

Mass Intentions

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday August 15th, 2026—Vigil
11:00 AM Funeral Mass— Mary Bonczek
3:45 PM + Rosea Herb Hinsch by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Peter & Bobby Conti by Jim & Toni Tauzel
+ Fr. Ron Green by The Fedor Family
* God’s Blessings, Peace and Good Health
for the Gusmano Family by The Gusmano Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday August 16th, 2026—Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 AM + Sister Mary Louise Grube by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Dan Twomey by Rose Twomey & Family
+ Peter Johnson by Millie Kenyon
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Wednesday August 19th, 2026—
9:00 AM + Clifton Barnes by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Ann Haskell by Evans Family

Friday August 21st, 2026—
11:00 AM Adoration
12:00 PM Mass
+ David Bonhole by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Mary Ellen Cunningham by Debi & Henry Sanna
+ Francisco Miccio by Constance Ruehl

Saturday August 22nd, 2026—Vigil
2:00 PM + Wedding—Jason & Christine Wellington
3:45 PM + Margaret Schneider by Chuck & Janet Papst
+ Mary Pavlick by The Fedor Family
* For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday August 23rd, 2026—Twentieth-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 AM + Ronald Bahr by Kelly & Caleb Zebrowski
Borst Field + Jo-Ann Gerde by Debi & Henry Sanna
* Deborah & Henry Sanna* by Chris Gartung
* God’s Blessings, Peace and Good Health
for the Gusmano Family by The Gusmano Family
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For Healing Rosary—Friday— 7:00 p.m.
Meeting I.D. 284 242 6978 Password: 104215

Lectors: 08/22/2026 & 08/23/2026
3:45 PM: Denise Weber, 10:30 AM: Barbara Guilfoyle
Eucharistic Ministers: 08/15/2026 & 08/16/2026
3:45 PM: Diane Fedor, 10:30 AM: Theresa Clements
Altar Servers: 08/23/2026
10:30 AM: Quinn Serdy, Julianne Militello
Greeters: 08/23/2026
10:30 AM: Kristin Flachs, Helen Siems
Ushers: 08/23/2026
10:30 AM:

Readings for the week of August 16th, 2026

Sunday: Is 56: 1, 6-7/ Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28
Monday: Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Mt 23:1-12

Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Aug 16th, 2026

Op. 664—Dwelling Place
Ps 67: O God, Let All the Nations
Off. 581—You Alone
Comm. 761—Table of Plenty
Cl. 593— Lift Up Your Hearts

Weekly Offering Table			
	Weekly Need: \$ 3,250.00		
	Aug 8 th & Aug 9 th , 2026		
	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$ 975.00	\$ 1,950.15	\$ 2,925.15
“Please write a separate check to St. Joseph’s when requesting a mass intention.”			
Mass Intentions are \$15.00 each.			
Thank you for supporting your parish!			



Parish Family Picnic Invitation

Dear Friends,

You are warmly invited to our **Parish Mass and Picnic** on **Sunday, August 23rd** at 11:00 a.m. at the Borst Field Pavilion, Schenevus. Mass will be at **11:00 a.m.** and the picnic followed thereafter.

This special gathering is much more than a picnic. It is an opportunity for us to come together as one Family—our parish family, our faith family, and God’s family. Through prayer, fellowship, laughter, and sharing a meal, we strengthen the bonds that unite us in Christ.

Please do not miss this joyful celebration! Bring your family and friends and joins us for a wonderful day of fun, friendship, and community.

There are sign-up sheets available for the food and desserts, a sign up sheet for helping with setting up and cleaning after the picnic and a sign up sheet if you are planning to attend.

Your kindness and generosity will help make this event a great success, so please take a moment to sign up.

We look forward to celebrating with all of you!

May God bless you and your families,

Your friend,

Fr. Joe

Mass Time Change

The following Mass time changes will be made only on September 13th:

Sunday—St. Joseph’s Catholic Church—9:00 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul’s Catholic Church—11:00 a.m.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS!!

There will be a Finance Council Meeting
on Wednesday, August 19th at 2:30 p.m. in the
Parish Hall.



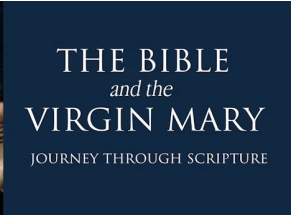
St. Joseph’s Annual
Parish Picnic Pie Contest



Don’t forget to sign up to enter our pie contest this year! A sign-up sheet is on the piano podium.

Can you help us financially?

Thank you for your generous support to St. Joseph. Your donation helps us to pay the bills. Without you, what will we do? Please attend mass and help us with your offering. Now you can make your weekly offering to St. Joseph by mail or place it in our side door rectory drop box. You are all in my prayers and masses. God Bless You! Fr. Joe



The Bible and the Virgin Mary is based on the work of Dr. Scott Hahn. Dr. Hahn, an exceptionally popular speaker and teacher, has delivered hundreds of talks nationally and internationally on a wide variety of topics related to Scripture and the Catholic faith and is the bestselling author of numerous books. He is a professor of Theology at Franciscan University of Steubenville and the founder and president of the Saint Paul Center.

Matthew Leonard, the presenter, is an internationally known speaker and author. A convert to Catholicism and former missionary to Latin America, he is a frequent guest on radio and television programs and hosts a podcast on iTunes titled The Art of Catholic. Matthew holds a master's in theology from the Franciscan University of Steubenville.

Purchase study guides: <https://catholic.market/programs/bible-the-virgin-mary/>

Watch on Formed!!

Eucharist & Lector Schedule

Anyone who has to make a change or changes to their dates on the schedule, should call Joan DeBenedittis at the parish office. Thank you.

Discipleship Catechist Teachers Needed

Corinne Connington is in need of catechist teachers for the upcoming Discipleship Formation Year. Please contact her at 1-845-728-3733 if you are interested in helping. Thank you!

Registration Forms

St Joseph's Discipleship for Children and Youth registration forms have been mailed out. Please send back as soon as possible so that we may order all the material needed for 2026-2027 school year. If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child for the program, please call Corinne Connington (845)728-3733 or call St Joseph’s Rectory at (607)397-9373.



St. Stephen of Hungary
Feast Day—August 16th

Some people think of Jesus as just a good guy, others as a prophet, some as a sage, and yet others as the Messiah, God, and Savior. At one level or another, Jesus is almost universally admired. Yet, few people consider him a relevant leadership model for their lives.

Jesus gives us the ultimate example of what it means to be a servant leader, most explicitly when he washes the disciple's feet:

“If I, therefore, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another’s feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do.” (John 13:14-15)

Among the saints, there are the rare kings and queens who strove to follow Jesus’ example of servant leadership. One of them was Saint Stephen of Hungary.

Stephen ascended to the throne in 1000 AD as the first King of Hungary. Most of the country was still pagan, and Stephen saw it as his duty to evangelize them. He did not do so as a ruler imposing a new religion, but as a true servant leader.

Stephen built countless churches, founded dioceses, and invited caring missionaries to come minister to the pagan population. But his work went beyond these grand gestures. Stephen was known for his personal piety and care for the poor, the sick, and the marginalized. He established laws that protected the weak and promoted justice, reflecting his commitment to the well-being of all his subjects.

Saint Stephen of Hungary led not with an iron fist, but with a compassionate heart, always putting the needs of his people first. His legacy is an inspiration to all leaders seeking to follow Jesus.

Jesus gave birth to the method of leadership that Saint Stephen and many other leaders have followed.

Throughout history, most kings, queens, and emperors have measured their strength, power, and greatness by their wealth and the number of servants they ruled over. But the greatest leader of all time did not come to be served. Jesus came to serve.

At different times, we are called as leaders. Some as mothers and fathers, others as CEOs and presidents. Whatever form of leadership we are called to, let us exercise it with one thing in mind: we are here to serve and lead others in powerful service.

How are you called to be a servant leader at this time in your life? (reprinted from Dynamic Catholic)

2026 Steubenville Youth Conference Statement

<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
\$3,956.00—Donations	\$9,967.69
\$3,122.00—Sales	
\$2,889.69 —Youth Acct	
\$9,967.69	

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GREECE PILGRIMAGE
In the Footsteps of St. Paul with Greek Isle Cruise
Fr. Joseph Arockiasamy

“The world is a book and those who do not travel Read only one Page.”
Set a goal to travel with Fr. Joe to Greece.
October 30th—November 9th, 2026
For additional information, please visit <http://www.206Tours.com/cms/frarockiasamy>

Prayer Remembrance

Please, remember all of our homebound, sick and dying, hospitalized, and the needy! Pray for all the cancer patients! Pray for all of our veterans and soldiers and especially for all the soldiers who are in war zones!! Special prayers for Arthur Verity, Maryann Legaspi, Ean Shirm, Alfred Staudohar, Judy Staruck, JoAnn Barnhart, Grace D. Leggio, Frances Florance, Nick Wicowski, Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Shannon Colin, Beverly Erway, Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire, Felix Dziembowski, Karl Hoecker, Fred Kirch, Justin Deas, George Olsen, Jeanne Chase, Adrian Origen, Dan Gorke, Toni & Larry Bobnick, Bill Fredette Jr., Paula Jenkins, Janet & Charles Papst, Lois Golda, Ramona Adesso, Matthew Sivacek, Bill Morgner, Ruth Vinci, Brian Rock, Sean Filipowski, Rick & Wade Lewis, Ed Serdy, Anne Tiner, Caleb & Kelly, Gene Rothe, Ed Hillenbrand, Alvira Braga, Matt Mantione, Charlene Tiffany, Dannah Carter, Walter Marchlowski, Nathan Clements, Joyce Hennelly, Carole Rooney, Ernie Gartung, Fred Kersman, Tracie Newkirk, Fr. Ed Golding and Frank Brimlow for a speedy recovery.



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Mission Statement: To form Missionary Disciples through encountering the Lord in Word, Sacraments and one another to transform the communities in which we live.

Vision Statement: St. Joseph is a Vibrant, Welcoming, Evangelizing and Transforming Catholic Community!

***There Is Room for Pagans
in the Father’s House***



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Joe X. Arockiasamy

Secretary: Joan DeBenedittis

Cemetery Manager: Kelly Daniels

Coordinator for Discipleship Formation for Children and Youth: Corinne Connington

Music Director: Terry Hait

Bookkeeper: Mike Argiras

Trustees

Diane Fedor & William Fredette

Finance Chairperson

Amy Muehl

Will you please remember “St. Joseph’s Church”

August 16th, 2026

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening: 3:45 PM

Sunday Morning: 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses

Wednesday: Mass 9 AM

Friday: Adoration 11 AM—Mass 12 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Sacraments

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 PM –3:30 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are held the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Contact the Parish Office for additional information.

The Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements for wedding should be made at least six months prior to the marriage.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call our Parish Office to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Please call the Parish Office

All are Welcome to St. Joseph!