

Mass Intentions

Saturday November 30th, 2024—Vigil
3:45 PM + Linda Gartung Clements by Dave & Theresa Clements
 * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday December 1st, 2024—First Sunday of Advent
10:30 AM + Rebecca Gartung by Henry & Debi Sanna
 + Magdalena Dorothy Uzar by Peter Frank Uzar
 + Mary Margaret Longendyke by Jim Longendyke
 * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Wednesday December 4th, 2024
9:00 AM Mass

Friday December 6th, 2024
11:00 AM Adoration
12:00 PM Mass

Saturday December 7th, 2024—Vigil
3:45 PM * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Sunday December 8th, 2024—Second Sunday of Advent
10:30 AM + Beatrice Sarter by Snyder & Sarter Families
 + Jack & Carolyn Muehl by Amy & Bernie
 * For an End to Abortion* by Bill & Lu Colin

Monday December 9th, 2024—The Immaculate Conception
12:00 PM Mass (This is a Holy Day of Obligation)

Weekly Offering Table

Weekly Need: \$ 2,973.41

November 23rd & November 24th, 2024

	Sat	Sun	Total
Regular	\$364.00	\$1,415.00	\$1,779.00
Human Dev	\$108.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 448.00
Candles & Poor			\$ 48.50

“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!

Instagram

St. Joseph and St. Vincent de Paul now have an Instagram. If you have Instagram, look for “[joevin138](#)”,

Liturgical Ministers

Lectors: 12/07/2024 & 12/08/2024
3:45 PM: Cheryl Jory
10:30 AM: Sean Filipowski
Eucharistic Ministers: 12/07/2024 & 12/08/2024

3:45 PM: Patricia Fowble
10:30 AM: Barbara Guilfoyle
Altar Servers: 12/08/2024
10:30 AM: Jayson Krueger, Tallulah Kelley

Greeter: 12/08/2024
10:30 AM: Charlotte Kelley
Ushers: 12/08/2024
10:30 AM: Griffin Kelley

Readings for the week of December 1st, 2024

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
 Monday: Is 2:1-5/Mt 8:5-11
 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24
 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37
 Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27
 Friday: Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31
 Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35—10:1,5a, 6-8

December 1st, 2024 —First Sunday of Advent

Op. 296—Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus
Psalm 25 “To You, O Lord”
Alleluia: 274 O Come, O Come Emmanuel with V-1
Off. 290—Creator of the Stars of Night
Comm. 649—There Is a Longing
Cl. O Blessed St. Joseph

The Responsorial Psalm

“ O Come, O Come Emmanuel ”

Discipleship Formation Donations Needed!!



Discipleship Formation would like to collect dollar store 2025 calendars and hand creams for the nursing homes in our local area.

A container for donations will be provided in the hall. Please consider donating. Let’s be a beacon of light for the residents in the nursing homes. They are lonely and miss their loved ones and for some this is all they may receive. God Bless, Corinne Connington—DFCC

2024-2025 Diocesan Appeal

The Diocesan Appeal for 2024-2025 has begun! Information has been sent to our parishioners.

Our assessment this is \$19,524.00. To date, we have received \$5,975.00 in donations from 18 of our parishioners. Please be generous in supporting our Diocese so that they can continue to help in providing services to our parish and other parishes throughout the Albany Diocese. Thank you.

Discipleship Formation Dove Sale



The children from Discipleship Formation will be selling Remembrance Doves for \$5.00 each to be put on the St. Joseph’s Christmas tree this year.

These doves are not only for the deceased, they can be for the ailing or someone that needs prayers. They will be displayed at the social hour in the parish hall and the Christmas boutique and can be purchased at that time. The children from Discipleship Formation will place them on the tree.

“The faith given to me in baptism suggests to me surely: by yourself you will do nothing, but if you have God as the center of all your actions, then you will reach the goal”....Bl. Pier Giorgio

Immaculate Conception



Mass for The Immaculate Conception will be held on Monday, December 9th at 12:00 p.m.
(This is a Holy Day of Obligation.)

Trustees Meeting

There will be a Trustees Meeting on Friday, December 13th at 4:00 p.m.

Christmas Cheer

If you know of any child who may be in need of a Christmas gift, please contact the parish office at 607-397-9373 before December 20th.



Cantata Rehearsal

Cantata rehearsal will be for all parts with accompaniment on Wednesday, December 4th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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



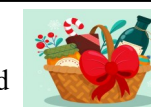
St. Joseph’s Annual Christmas Boutique
Saturday—December 7th
9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Don’t forget to do your holiday shopping at our annual Christmas Boutique!

Come browse, eat some food, meet with friends and of course buy some Christmas gifts!

And, don’t forget to purchase your raffles for St. Joseph’s Parish Annual raffle. The drawing for will be held on December 7th after boutique!!

Holiday Basket RAFFLE



This year we will be raffling a Christmas Food Basket at our Social Hours and at the Christmas Boutique. Raffles will be a \$1.00 a chance and all proceeds will be used for our church expenses.

Discipleship Formation Christmas Schedule

- December 1st the start of the Jesse Tree
- December 1st Practice for the Christmas Pageant
- December 8th Practice for the Christmas Pageant
- December 14th 12 pm Cookie Baking for the Homebound. Craft tables fun, Hot cocoa and snacks
- December 15th practice for the Christmas Pageant
- December 17th Christmas Caroling, Storytelling in the Church starts at 5:30 p.m. Parents, please Stay for the Fun!!
- December 22nd Christmas Pageant during the 10:30 am Mass Christmas Hospitality to follow.

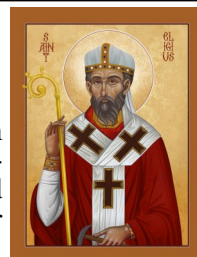
January 5th, 2025, Three Kings Day (The Epiphany)

MAY THE GOD OF HOPE FILL YOU WITH LOVE, PEACE, AND JOY!

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Saint Eligius
Feast Day—December 1st



Eligius (also known as Eloi) was born around 590 near Limoges in France. He became an extremely skillful metalsmith and was appointed master of the mint under King Clotaire II of Paris.

Eligius developed a close friendship with the King and his reputation as an outstanding metalsmith became widespread. With his fame came fortune. Eligius was very generous to the poor, ransomed many slaves, and built several churches and a monastery at Solignac. He also erected a major convent in Paris with property he received from Clotaire's son, King Dagobert I.

In 629, Eligius was appointed Dagobert's first counselor. Later, on a mission for Dagobert, he persuaded the Breton King Judicael, to accept the authority of Dagobert. Eligius later fulfilled his desire to serve God as a priest, after being ordained in 640. Then he was made bishop of Noyon and Tournai. His apostolic zeal led him to preach in Flanders, especially Antwerp, Ghent, and Courtaai where he made many converts.

Eligius died on December 1, around 660, at Noyon. He is the patron of metalworkers and his feast day is December 1. The use of one's talents and wealth for the welfare of humanity is a very true reflection of the image of God. In the case of St. Eligius, he was so well liked that he attracted many to Christ. His example should encourage us to be generous in spirit and kind and happy in demeanor. (catholic.org/saints)

St. Joseph's Holiday Mass Schedule

Immaculate Conception—Dec. 9th—12:00 pm
 Communal & 1st Penance Service—December 20th—6:00 p.m.
 Christmas Eve— Dec. 24th—3:00 pm
 Christmas Day—Dec. 25th—11:00 am

St. Vincent de Paul Holiday Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve— Dec. 24th—5:30 pm
 Christmas Day—Dec. 25th—9:00 am

Christmas & New Year Celebration

St. Joseph's Catholic Church is hosting a free community dinner on Monday, December 30, 2024 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in our parish hall to celebrate **Christmas and New Year!**

Please call the rectory at 607-397-9373 if you plan to attend.

Hope you can join us!!

For Healing Rosary—Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Meeting I.D. 284 242 6978
 Password: 104215



K of C Council 5419



Fellowship Meeting—Tuesday, December 12th at St. Joseph's in Worcester. Eucharistic Adoration begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by Rosary at 6:30. Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

For more information, visit us on the web at: <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc5419>

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Prayer Remembrance

Please, remember all of our homebound, sick and dying, hospitalized, and the needy! Pray for all the cancer patients and COVID 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, Joseph Fedor, Alfred Staudohar, Judy Staruck, JoAnn Barnhart, Grace D. Leggio, Frances Florance, Nick Wicowski, William Libasci, Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Ed Cacioppo, Shannon Colin, Alexander Mustico, Jim Bender, Tessa Rheingold, Bob Colichio, Beverly Erway, Jill Scott, Sharon Heller, Alice Hughes, Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire, Felix Dziembowski, Karl Hoecker, Fred Kirch, Justin Deas, Claudia LaPierre, George Olsen, Jeanne Chase and Francisco Miccio 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!

Waiting in Tension
Watchful, but not Afraid



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Joe X. Arockiasamy

Secretary: Joan DeBenedittis

Cemetery Manager: Kelly Daniels

Coordinator for Discipleship Formation for Children: Corinne Connington

Music Director: Terry Hait

Guitarist: Richard Gruber

Bookkeeper: Mike Argiras

Trustees

Diane Fedor & William Fredette

Finance Chairperson

Amy Muehl

Will you please remember "St. Joseph's Church" in your Last Will?

December 1st, 2024

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!