

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026—Vigil**  
**3:00 PM Reconciliation Service (Children)**  
**3:45 PM** + Fred Golja by Karen Hermanowski  
 + Karen Knapp by David & Theresa Clements  
 + Charles & Anna Diehl by Don & Karen Jahnke  
 \* For an End to Abortion\* by Bill & Lu Colin

**Sunday May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026—Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**10:30 AM** + Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary by Debi & Henry Sanna  
 + Marie Roberts by Lisa Roberts  
 + Mary Kersman by Fred Kersman & family  
 \* For an End to Abortion\* by Bill & Lu Colin

**Wednesday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**9:00 AM** + Alex Mustico by Debi & Henry Sanna  
 + John & Mary Jo O'Donnell by Jim & Joan Tiner  
 \* God's Blessings, Peace and Good Health for the Gusmano Family" by the Gusmano Family

**Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026—The Ascension of the Lord**  
**7:00 PM**

**Friday May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**11:00 AM Adoration**  
**12:00 PM** + Christopher Cuomo by Debi & Henry Sanna  
 + Waldemar Walowski by Maggie

**Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026—Vigil**  
**3:45 PM** + Frank Layden by Debi & Henry Sanna  
 + Sophie & Reinhold Jahnke by Don & Karen Jahnke  
 + John C. Gartung by Theresa & David Clements  
 \* For an End to Abortion\* by Bill & Lu Colin

**Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026—Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
**10:30 AM** + Nancy Schnaars by Lorraine & Frank Brimlow  
 + Dan Twomey by Rose Twomey & family  
 + Peter Johnson by Millie Kenyon  
 \* For an End to Abortion\* by Bill & Lu Colin

**Liturgical Ministers**

**Lectors: 05/16/2026 & 05/17/2026**  
**3:45 PM: Pat Fowble 10:30 AM: Janet Wenner**  
**Eucharistic Ministers: 05/16/2026 & 05/17/2026**  
**3:45 PM: Theresa Clements 10:30 AM: Brian Keenan**  
**Altar Servers: 05/17/2026**  
**10:30 AM: Julianne Militello & Quinn Serdy**  
**Greeters: 05/17/2026**  
**10:30 AM: Molly Snyder, Helen Siems**  
**Ushers: 05/17/2026**  
**10:30 AM: Greg Provencher & Natalie Provencher**

**Readings for the week of May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21  
 Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a  
 Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11  
 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15  
 Thursday: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20  
 Friday: Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:20-23  
 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

**Six Sunday—May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

Op. 458—Alleluia, Sing to Jesus  
 Psalm 66: Let All the Earth Cry Out  
 Off. 702—Prayer of St. Francis  
 Comm. 644—Your Words Are Spirit and Life  
 Cl. 603— Now Thank We All Our God

**Weekly Offering Table**

	<b>Weekly Need: \$ 3,250.00</b>		
	<b>May 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026</b>		
	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Regular</b>	<b>\$ 1,003.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,661.00</b>	<b>\$2,664.00</b>

“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!**

**2025-2026 Diocesan Appeal**

The Diocesan Appeal for 2025-2026 has begun! Information has been sent to our parishioners. Our assessment for the Diocesan Appeal is \$20,049. Our contributions to date are 9,545.00 from 33 of our parishioners.  
**Thank you to all of the parishioners who have sent in contributions. We have 47.6% of our total needed. Hopefully, we can finish our goal shortly.**

**Fundraising**

Help our St. Joseph’s Youth Group get to the **Steubenville East Catholic Youth Conference!** We are pre-selling delicious Krispy Kreme Original Glazed donuts and half dozen for raspberry filled to help cover travel and registration costs for our teens.

**Cost:** \$12.00 per dozen, raspberry filled half a dozen \$12.00

**Order Deadline:** May 31<sup>st</sup>

**How to Order: After the Masses**

Thank you for helping our youth encounter Christ at Steubenville East! Your support makes this life-changing trip possible.



**First Holy Communion**



On **May 17th**, our children will receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time. We ask every parishioner to keep all the children in your daily prayers. May they always feel the warmth of Christ’s love and the support of this community as they take this beautiful step in their faith journey."

**Communicants**

<i>Adam Gorke</i>	<i>Lexi Gorke</i>
<i>Anthony Carimando</i>	<i>Ellie-Mae Flannery</i>
<i>Levi Flannery</i>	<i>Rosemary Basile</i>
<i>Walker Peeters</i>	<i>Waylon Peeters</i>

**Many thanks to Corinne Connington & Jeanette Castro!!**

**\*For Healing Rosary—Friday— 7:00 p.m.\***  
 Meeting I.D. 284 242 6978 Password: 104215

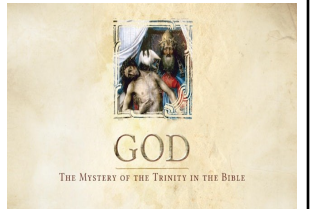
**Can you help us financially?**

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 Mystery of the Trinity in the Bible**

About this series

What do we mean when we say 'God'?



Misconceptions about God abound, even among Christians, and these misconceptions can become obstacles in our relationship with God. Join Augustine Institute Assistant Professor Dr. Elizabeth Klein for a careful study of Scripture that will lead you to a deeper and clearer awareness of who God is, equipping you to share this truth with others.

Starting in the Old Testament, Dr. Klein presents what God says about himself at various points in salvation history, and how he reveals to Israel that 'the Lord is one' (Deuteronomy 6:4). Moving to the New Testament, Dr. Klein shows how this one God then reveals himself as three. Along the way you'll get answers to questions such as, How can God be transcendent and personal? If God is one, how can Jesus be God? What does it mean that 'God is love' (1 John 4:8)? Why is the doctrine of the trinity the central mystery of our faith when the word 'Trinity' never appears in the Bible? Produced from our state-of-the-art studios, this dynamic program combines an in-depth biblical study with insightful questions, an explanation of common misunderstandings regarding God, and personal reflections that will strengthen your faith in the one true God, who is a communion of three Divine Persons.

**Watch on Formed!!**

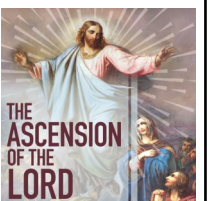


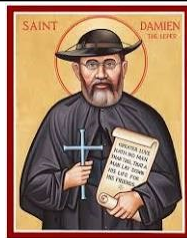
**2nd Collection—Catholic Charities**

The Diocese of Albany is promoting Catholic Charities this coming weekend. They need your help in delivering services to those in need of assistance. With your cooperation, they can continue with serving the needy and less fortunate.

**Ascension of the Lord**

This Thursday we will be celebrating the Ascension of the Lord at St. Joseph’s— 7:00 p.m. and at St. Vincent de Paul’s — 12:00 p.m. (Noon). This is a Holy Day of Obligation—Please give thanks to our Lord.





**St. Damien of Molokai**  
**Feast Day—May 10th**

Born in Belgium in 1840, his birth name was Joseph, and he was the youngest son of a farmer.

He was forced to leave school at the age of 13 to work on the farm but in his early 20s he left to join his brother, Pamphile, entering The Congregation of The Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, and there, he took the name Damien.

His brother was due to be sent as a missionary to Hawaii, but he became ill, so Damien went in his place, and in 1864, he was ordained a priest in Honolulu.

Eleven years later he was assigned to a team of Chaplains who were sent, for three months a year, to a leper colony on the island of Molokai but, once there, Damien volunteered to stay permanently.

The island was in a state of disarray. Fr. Damien began by caring for the people's physical, medical, and spiritual needs, and advocating for the government's support that had been promised but not delivered. Before long there were new houses, a new Church, a school, orphanage, and local morale improved dramatically.

A few years later, Fr. Damien convinced the Franciscan Sisters of Syracuse, led by Mother Marianne Cope, to help staff in the leper colony there.

For the next 12 years, Fr. Damien would tend to the needs of the lepers while continuing to build up the community but, in 1885, he contracted leprosy himself.

He worked continuously for the next four years while spending a great deal of time in the presence of The Eucharist and praying for The Rosary in the cemetery.

But, in 1889 he at last succumbed to leprosy.

**St. Damien of Molokai**, please pray for us. *(reprinted from Feast days Covenant Catholic)*

**Altar Rosary Society**



This Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. the Altar Rosary Society will be praying the Rosary. Please come and join them in praying the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary. God bless!



**K of C Council 5419**



**Fellowship Meeting**—Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph's in Worcester. Eucharistic Adorations 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>

**Many thanks to all of the volunteers who helped out with our Spring Sale and Cleanup. Without you, we could not be as successful as we were!**

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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 30<sup>th</sup>—November 9<sup>th</sup>, 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, Joseph Fedor, Alfred Staudohar, Judy Staruck, JoAnn Barnhart, Grace D. Leggio, Frances Florance, Nick Wiecewski, Karlene Tauzel (Stokes), David Miller, Shannon Colin, Beverly Erway, Jeannie Zaengle Wilshire, Felix Dziembowski, Karl Hoecker, Fred Kirch, Justin Deas, George Olsen, Jeanne Chase, Francisco Miccio, Adrian Origion, 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 & Helen Tiffany, Margaret Schneider, Dannah Carter, Walter Marchlowski, Nathan Clements & Joyce Hennelly 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!

**May 10<sup>th</sup>, 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!**

***The Father Will Give You the Spirit***



**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

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**Finance Chairperson**

Amy Muehl

**Will you please remember “St. Joseph's Church” in your Last Will?**