

Request:
If you have sent in the information to the parish for the 25th or 50th Anniversary Mass ~ please contact Pauline Starling. I am missing one request.



2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal
“Do Everything of the Glory of God.”
 Appeal info will be coming to your home through the mail.



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Our Annual Parish Picnic and Welcome to Fr. Deo is scheduled at Jubilee Park on September 8th for 10:30am Mass. He is looking forward to a hometown get-together. He is excited to enjoy the wonderful food and to get to know everyone. We are providing fried chicken, hot dogs, tea and lemonade. Bring a dish to share. Please sign up online or on the sign up sheet in the back of the church. Please contact Pauline Starling to volunteer.



Is the Holy Spirit putting a desire in your heart to homeschool your children? Do you desire friendship and support for both you and your children in this endeavor? The St. Therese Catholic Homeschoolers (STCHS) is a vibrant and flourishing group of over 60 families from the greater Peoria area. We welcome all practicing Catholic desiring community and support in your homeschooling journey. We truly hope to hear from you? Please contact us at st.therese.peoria@gmail.com and our Membership Coordinator, Katie, will be in touch with you. God Bless you!

Want to see what the **PV Volunteers** accomplished this summer in West Virginia? Check out the pictures of work sites at pvprogram.org and a daily log of what work was done each day, pictures also, and the interaction with the local people. The PV community very much appreciates the support from St. Joseph in Brimfield.

Please consider registering for online giving via the parish website . Your support is vital to sustaining the mission of the Church and helps not only fund essential programs, but keeps our lights on (and AC running cool!). Scan the QR code to give online. Thank you for your generosity.



Financial Stewardship
 “Every worthwhile gift, every genuine benefit comes from above,” says St. James in the second reading. But, he reminds us, true worship of God involves using those good gifts to benefit the less fortunate. Good stewardship is not optional; it is the hallmark of our faith!”

Aug 25th	St Joseph	\$ 1,890.00
	St James	\$ 906.00

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Sept 1st, 2024
“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” JAMES 1:22
 It’s easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your words and actions reflect God’s word? Do you share your time in prayer with God daily? Do you use your talent to help those in need without expecting anything in return? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

St. Joseph	
Sat. Aug 31st	3:30pm—4:45pm Confessions 5:00 pm Thompson & Megan Family
Sun. SEPT 1st	10:30am Asselborn Family
Mon. Sept 2nd	8:00 am For those Unemployed and Underemployed
Tues. Sept 3rd	8:00 am Denny Porter+
Wed. Sept 4th	8:00 am Morris & Leona Lorenz+
Thurs Sept 5th	5:00—6:45pm Adoration & Confession
Fri. Sept 6th	8:00 am People of the St. Joseph Parish
Sat. Sept 7th	8:00 am People of St James Parish 8:30am Rosary 9:00am Holy Souls in purgatory *Fatima Devotions & Confessions following 3:30pm—4:45pm Confessions 5:00 pm Suzy Jacobs+
Sun. Sept 8th	10:30am Celine Estes+ & Family Sunday Sept 8th Mass is at Jubilee Park (severe weather will be at church then Harrison Hall)

St. James
Sunday Confessions
8:00 — 8:25 am
Sun, Sept 1st 8:30am
Cook Sieja+
 Offered by Barb Sieja
Sun, Sept 8th 8:30am
People of the Parish



St Joseph	Lector
Sat. Aug 31st	Zimmerman
Sun. Sept 1st	Chastain
Sat. Sept 7th	Burns
Sun. Sept 8th	Wilbur (At the Park)



CCD and Confirmation

After a long discussion with Fr. Deo, Fr Corey and the DRE's it has been decided to combine our CCD and Confirmation Classes with St Mary of the Woods Princeville.

This is an advantage to K-7 grades and the 8th Grade Confirmation Class. Your children will be in a slightly larger class to grow in enjoyment of their faith and fellowship. This will create a larger faith community and support system for them.

All classes are held at 10AM – 11AM on Sunday. We understand

that you might attend St. Mary of the Woods on Sunday Mass but please be assured if you place your Sunday collection in the basket, it will sent to St Joseph and deposited here.

Sacrament Classes

First Communion—If your child is in the 1st Communion class they will receive the sacrament at St Joseph your home parish.

Confirmation— Confirmation will be at the Cathedral at a date to be determined as always. Class times for all are 10AM – 11AM on Sunday. CCD will start on Sept 15th, 2024. Cost \$30 for one student or \$60 for family. This help cover the cost of the books.

Registration is available online on the St Joseph Website or in the back of the church.

Please give/mail the St. Joseph or St Mary of the Woods parish office

Sacrament of the Anointing of the sick:

Parishioners about to enter the hospital are encouraged to receive the Sacrament prior to admission. Please contact Father Deo to make arrangements.

Homebound Parishioners:

Please notify Fr. Deo if you know a homebound person who would like to receive Holy Communion.

Baptism:

Please contact Father Deo

Marriage:

Please contact Father Deo at the parish office within 9 months of the desired date.

Parish Council Meeting

Sept 26th

7pm at Harrison Hall

All parishioners are welcome to attend.

thank you!

Thank you for the wonderful generous donations and outpouring of support for my

Diocese of Jinja—Uganda.

The donations will make it possible for us to serve so many of those in need.

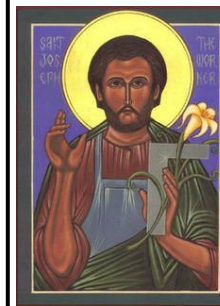
Thank you again and prayers,
Fr. Deo

Is God Calling You to Teach His Children?

Come and Be a Catechist! As we prepare for the new school year, we are in need of faithful, dedicated adults to minister to the children of our Religious Education Program. We ask that you look deep into your hearts and souls and see if God is calling you to help form the minds, inspire the hearts, and shape the hopes of the children by becoming a catechist.

By accepting this calling, you too, can become stronger in your own personal relationship with God. The rewards are heavenly! Call the Parish Center 309-446-3275 to respond to this invitation to serve.

Prayer For Labor Day Weekend



Loving Father, on this weekend, when we rest from our usual labors, we pray for all who shoulder the tasks of human labor— in the marketplace, in factories and offices, in the professions, and in family living.

We thank you, Lord, for the gift and opportunity of work; may our efforts always be pure of heart, for the good of others and the glory of your name.

We lift up to you all who long for just employment and those who work to defend the rights and needs of workers everywhere.

May those of us who are now retired always remember the valuable contribution we make to our Church and our world by our prayers and deeds of charity.

May our working and our resting give you praise until the day we share together in eternal rest with all our departed in your kingdom as you live and reign Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Area Weekend Mass and Confessions Times

St. Mary of the Woods, Princeville

Mass: Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 9:00am

Confessions: Sat 3-3:45pm Sun 8-8:45am

St Dominic Wyoming

Mass: Saturday 4:30pm Sunday 8:00am

Confessions: 3:30pm



If you attend Mass at another area church, you can drop your Sunday Collection envelope or check into their collection basket and it will be send to St Joseph/St. James Parish.