

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for APRIL 2026:

FOR PRIESTS IN CRISIS

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



† ST. JOSEPH †



April 26, 2026

10:00 a.m. April Celebrants

Tuesday, April 28

6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Wednesday, April 29

7:50 a.m. Rosary

8:15 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday, May 1

St. Joseph the Worker

NO MASS

Very Rev. Godfrey Mullen

Bishop Installation

BLESSINGS TO OUR APRIL CELEBRANTS!

Here's a shout-out to our celebrants: *Marilyn Boysen, Lori Brummer, Tristan Brummer, Aaron Cerny, Liv Cerny, Eric Guijon, Jesus Roman, Yanet Roman, Marge Selinger, Luisa Vercede, Katelyn Wiggs and Jonathan & Jennifer Lintz, John & Karen Winzenburger.* The Parish celebrates and prays for YOU!

St. Joe will have the **SEEDS AND PLANT BEDDINGS BLESSING** today! We continue this long-time tradition, reflecting belief in divine providence and the importance of agricultural stewardship, with the intercession of St. Isidore, the patron saint of farmers and workers, as we pray the end of the litany, *"Grant, O Lord, that through the intercession of Saint Isidore, the farmer, we may follow his example of patience and humility, and so walk faithfully in his footsteps so that, in the evening of life, we may be able to present to You an abundant harvest of good fruits, You who live and reign forever and ever. Amen."* God bless our farmers and gardeners!

Come and enjoy a St. Joseph family event, **DIA DEL NIÑO (Children's Day)** today, April 26, 2026 from 2:00–5:00 p.m. at the Hall. There will be a bounce house, pizza, games, prizes and more! Extra treats are most welcome. This event is open to everyone so bring family, friends and join us in celebrating our children! For questions, please contact Rosi at 618-303-4777.

† ST. MARY † OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday: 8:15 a.m. Mass

Thursday: 8:15 a.m. Mass

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Mass

† ST. FRANCIS XAVIER †

Sunday: 12:15 p.m. Spanish Mass



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

April 7 Liv Cerny

April 7 Eric Guijon

April 7 Jesus Roman

April 7 Yanet Roman

April 7 John & Karen

Winzenburger

April 17 Jennifer & Jonathan

Lintz

April 20 Katelyn Wiggs

April 28 Marilyn Boysen

This St. Joseph building, our Church home, turns **100 YEARS OLD** next month! We hope you are enjoying the Centennial Celebration Newsletters. The April 2026 issue features **FATHER URIEL, DEACON PAT** and the **AGONY IN THE GARDEN** window from the **A. FLAMM, SR.** Family. Don't forget to pick up your copy! Also, mark your calendars to save the date for the Centennial Anniversary Mass, which will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 7, 2026 with Bishop-elect Mullen!

Let us pray for our 11 Faith Formation (PSR) Students who will be receiving their **FIRST COMMUNION** next Saturday, May 2, 2026: *Ehoc Alvarado, Emilia Alvarado, Raquel Alvarado, David Amezquita, Ava Carmona, Daymion Carmona, Nancy Godinez, Valerie Godinez, Eldon Myers, Tadeo Uribe and Joseph Venturelli.* We also pray for, and thank, their families, mentors, Father Uriel and all who are helping in the preparation for this holy and special Sacrament! **COOKIES** will be served after Mass. Congratulations also to **KADEN LINCOLN**, with his family, and sponsor, Rick Flamm, for coming into full communion with the church last weekend! Your Catholic Family welcomes you, Kaden!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 10:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Lector: Sherry Haddick

EM: Mark Haddick

Tom Cerny, Deb Russell

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 10:00 a.m.

May Crowning/Fifth Sunday of Easter

Lector: Lori Cohen

EM: Salvador Tomas

Liv Cerny, Deb Russell

Sacrament of RECONCILIATION: Wednesday & Friday after Mass and by appointment

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH

The deadline to submit an announcement for the BULLETIN is Thursday evening. You may email it to: stjoecobdenLV23@gmail.com and/or stjosephscobden@gmail.com. For questions, please call or text Luisa at (618) 967-4452.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

APRIL 19, 2026

General Fund \$3,446.00
Offering \$2,646.00
CSMA \$800.00
Building Fund \$120.00
Cemetery Fund \$330.00

Thank you for supporting St. Joe!

PRAYERS OF PETITION

Those in the Military (Active Duty): Scott Bourne, Aaron Cerny, Katie Eck, John Russell, Lauren Sweitzer, Devin Vitt

Those in Need of Healing: AYB, Alan & EJ Anderson, Jack Bailey, Marvin B, Brian, Rachel, Dan Cirilla & Family, Cade Cohen, Ray & Paula Eaton, Flamm Family, Regina Fuse, Jake Harris, Sue Hayden, Mark, F. Johnson, Shawn Knupp, Mary Martin, Cari Hatley Marx, Stan McGee, Joan Patterson, Sheron Pearson, Dominic Pedrotty & Family, Bonnie del Rosario, TR, Zetta Ramsey, Vicki Sadler, Donna Shannon, Linda Spray, Rosie Stadelbacher, Diana Steele, C. Timms, F. Tuliao, Carrie Turner, Reed Uekman, Tia Villarreal, Wacker Family

Those in the Nursing Home: Jo Cerny, Larry Flamm, Mike McClelland

Got an elementary, high school or college **GRADUATE** this year? Please email their names to Luisa at stjoecobdenLV23@gmail.com so we can honor them here in the bulletin!

The next Food Pantry **DISTRIBUTION DAY** will be *Wednesday, May 1, from 4:00-5:00 p.m.* This bi-monthly event is open to all members of Union County, without cost or requirements for eligibility. Volunteers for this week are Maria Carmona and Margaret Dale. Also, donations of *cornbread muffin mix, oatmeal, cereal, Hominy/black/dried pinto beans, white rice, maseca cornmeal tortillas, masa cornmeal tamales, flour, sugar, oil, corn, canned goods like tomatoes/chicken/fruit/vegetables, laundry detergent, dish soap and diapers (of any size) and personal care products such as shampoo/conditioner/soap/lotion/deodorant/toothbrush/toothpaste* are gratefully accepted and appreciated, to add to the regular staples of the Pantry. The St. Joe Food Pantry is also needing someone to **ASSIST** with inventory and, occasionally, shopping for supplies. If you are interested, have questions or need more information, please contact Molly Cerny.

MAY CROWNING & OUR LADY OF FATIMA. St. Joseph will have May Crowning next *Sunday, May 3, 2026.* According to Women for Faith and Family, May Crowning is "a Catholic tradition to honor Mary, our Mother, during the month of May by placing on her statue a crown of flowers. This lovely devotional ceremony is held in many parishes and often with Catholic children. The May Crowning gives the children an opportunity to specially honor the Blessed Mother of Jesus, and to give thanks to her for bringing our Savior into the world." The crowning will also be done in honor and remembrance of Our Lady of Fatima, who appeared to the three children in Portugal a century ago. Her feast day falls on the month of May (the 13th), which in itself is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please spend some time reading about Our Lady of Fatima, her miraculous apparitions to Lucia Santos, cousins Jacinta and Francisco Marto, and to thousands of people, the miracle of the "Dancing Sun", the three secrets and her requests for the world. Go to ourladyoffatima.org.

St. Joseph will be participating in the St. Anne Cradle of Hope **BABY BOTTLE DRIVE!** St. Anne Cradle of Hope in Carbondale, a Catholic Charity of the Diocese of Belleville and not an outside agency, is "a nonprofit Catholic organization that provides material and spiritual assistance to pregnant women and families with young children". This drive is their major fundraising event, held once a year from Mother's Day through Father's Day. The **BABY BOTTLE BANKS** will be available here in St. Joe from May 10-June 21, 2026. Please take a bottle and help our moms, dads and children in need! Visit stannecradleofhope.org/stanne-coh to learn more about how St. Anne COH helps the community.

From the Diocese: CSMA. "It is only through your prayers, kindness and generosity that our diocesan ministries can continue providing services to our parishes, schools and the needy among us throughout the 28 southernmost counties of Illinois. Please support the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal today!" - Bishop-elect Godfrey Mullen, OSB

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