

# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for MAY 2026:*

## THAT EVERYONE MIGHT HAVE FOOD

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



## † ST. JOSEPH †



**May 10, 2026**

10:00 a.m. All Moms

### Tuesday, May 12

6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

### Wednesday, May 13

**Our Lady of Fatima**

7:50 a.m. Rosary

8:15 a.m. Deacon Pat Patterson

### Thursday, May 14

7:00 a.m. Ascension Mass

### Friday, May 15

8:15 a.m. Robert Lintz

8:45 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

## HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Happy Mother's Day to all Moms, grandmothers, godmothers, mom figures and especially our heavenly Mom, Mother Mary!

You have our love and heartfelt gratitude.

You are a great blessing to families and the Church.

*Thank you for your Yes to Motherhood!*



According to simplycatholic.com, "The **ASCENSION** is the completion of the Easter mysteries of Jesus' life, passion, death and resurrection, and it is the final step before the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "Jesus' final apparition ends with the irreversible entry of his humanity into divine glory, symbolized by the cloud and by heaven, where he is seated from that time forward at God's right hand" (No. 659)." *We will be celebrating the Ascension of the Lord this Thursday, May 14, 2026 with a 7:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph and 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary.*

This St. Joseph building, our Church home, turns **100 YEARS OLD** this month! We hope you enjoyed the Centennial Celebration Newsletters. April 2026 is the last issue but, as a gift, the church will be receiving a compilation of all past newsletters! Also, don't forget to mark your calendars and 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 Godfrey Mullen. Your invitation is coming soon!

## † 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

May 3 Gary Wiggs

May 4 Linda Spray

May 4 Joel Vercide

May 5 Patty Flamm

May 8 Carl Dasenbrock

May 9 Caleb Aronson

May 9 Tiffany Brown

May 9 Theresa Vercide

May 10 Andrew Brumleve

May 17 Bekah Russell

**MAY DAYS** of note: *May 10* – Mother's Day, *May 13* – Parish Council meeting, *May 14* – Ladies Sodality meeting, *May 20* – Food Distribution Day; *May 14 & 17* – The Ascension of the Lord; *May 25* – The Blessed Virgin Mary (Mother of the Church), Memorial Day; *May 31* – The Most Holy Trinity, St. Joseph Church Building 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

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 starting today, May 10 to June 21, 2026 – please take a bottle or more and help our moms, dads and children in need!* Your donation will be used to purchase essential supplies for expectant moms, dads and children ranging from newborn onwards. Please check the back of the church and take informational material regarding this drive, the Cradle of Hope and how you can support this much-needed ministry.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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

***Mother's Day***

Lector: Mark Haddick

EM: JP Russell

Maria Carmona, Lori Cohen

**SUNDAY, MAY 17, 10:00 a.m.**

***The Ascension of the Lord***

Lector: Deb Russell

EM: Gary Wiggs

Geof Skinner, Diselda Tomas

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](mailto:stjoecobdenLV23@gmail.com) and/or [stjosephscobden@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephscobden@gmail.com). For questions, please call or text Luisa at (618) 967-4452.

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

#### APRIL 26, 2026

General Fund \$2,611.00  
Offering \$2,451.00  
Seminarian Ed \$160.00  
Building Fund \$285.00

*Thank you for supporting  
St. Joseph Church!*

### 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 spring? Please email the information to [stjoecobdenLV23@gmail.com](mailto:stjoecobdenLV23@gmail.com) so we can congratulate them here in the bulletin.

Have questions or concerns? Would like you to be in the know about matters regarding St. Joe? All are welcome to attend the next **PARISH COUNCIL** meeting this *Wednesday, May 13, 2026, 6:30 p.m.* in the church Library. Come and join us.

The **ST. ANN ALTAR SODALITY** invites all ladies of St. Joseph Church to their last meeting before the summer on *Thursday, May 14, 2026, 6:30 p.m.* in the Parish Hall. The Sodality is a group of Catholic women who enjoy fellowship while serving God, our parish and the community. All St. Joseph ladies are automatic members of the Sodality. We hope you can attend!

**MISSION COLLECTION THANKS.** Fr. George Knab, O.M.I. who conducted “Simply Live! True Religion for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”, the two-parish Lenten mission, sent these words: “*I was delighted to join Father Uriel and parishioners in prayerfully commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dedication of St. Joseph Church. Contributions to the mission collection totaled \$1,365.00. Thank you! Through this help, the preaching of the gospel in Cobden and Anna is promoting its spread among the very poor.*” The proceeds benefit Vocation Fund – Zambia, which supports the recruitment and formation of Zambian seminarians for Oblate missionary work in south central Africa and beyond. For more information about the Oblates and their ministry in Zambia, you may contact their website, [www.omiusa.org](http://www.omiusa.org).

*From the BKC Board:* Bald Knob Cross is needing **VOLUNTEERS!** With Bald Knob being open almost everyday, more volunteers are needed to welcome visitors, answer history questions and work the register. Picking the days and hours to work at the Welcome Center is the volunteer’s prerogative. If you have free time and are looking for a place to be of service, please contact Reg at (618)3192163.

*From the Diocese:* Do you remember the **Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)** Catholic retreat program? Are you a teenager or young adult (age 17 or older) who is looking for an opportunity to strengthen your relationship with Jesus Christ? Have you ever experienced a TEC retreat and would like one of your loved ones to have the same opportunity? Are you a youth leader who is looking for a retreat program to offer to your Christian youth community? Are you just looking for an opportunity to help share your faith with the young people of the Belleville Diocese? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please contact the Belleville Diocesan TEC board for additional information about upcoming retreat weekends. [Belleville.tec@gmail.com](mailto:Belleville.tec@gmail.com) or contact [bellevilletec.org](http://bellevilletec.org) to submit an application.

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