

Road Rally for Life and Pizza—Sunday October 20th

This FUNdraiser, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #5034, is for both Peoria pregnancy resource centers: Women's Care Center and Destiny for Women.



Road Rally: Cars leave at 2:00pm from St. Mary's in Kickapoo. This is approximately a two-hour road rally on mostly back roads of central Illinois. Each team is given a set of directions and questions. Cars leave at one-minute intervals.

Teams are judged on time, mileage and answers. Cost of Road Rally is \$10.

Pizza: Pizza will be served 4:30pm – 6:30pm back at St. Mary's Kickapoo.

Pizzas will be cooked on pizza steels, half inch solid steel plates, that cook pizzas as hot and as fast as a brick oven. Pizza buffet is \$10 for adults or \$20 for families with kids. Bring your own beverage including BYOB. Ice water and lemonade free. Soda \$1 a can.

You can do both the Road Rally and pizza or just pizza. If you plan on coming for pizza, give us a heads up and text the # of people by Saturday the 19th to my cell: 309-635-3276 Rick Smith

Thank you to all who donated to the Back to School Supply Drive. It was a huge success!! It's now time for the Thanksgiving Basket project. We have been asked to donate 95 boxes of stuffing mix and 95 boxes of corn muffin mix. These items will be delivered to the Food Pantry on Sunday November 17th. Checks should be made out to Brimfield Area Food Pantry. Thank you for your continued support. Questions call or text Sheila Harmon 309 645-0081



Have you given to the ADA?

The goal for St. Joseph parish is \$25,391.08— Pledged \$7,686.00

The goal for St. James parish is \$9,383.33—Pledged \$1,850.00

Have you made a pledge for the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal? A gift to the ADA, large or small, can go a long way. Consider a one-time gift or a monthly pledge for eight months. There are envelopes in the vestibule / pews. Every dollar raised to make our goal supports important diocesan ministries, and every dollar raised over our goal will be kept in the parish to help us.

St Joseph will use the funds to maintain/improve our parish



Thank You! The faculty and staff at Costa Catholic Academy would like to thank St. James Church for all the wonderful work for the Ice Cream Social that benefited the school, especially the hot dogs and treats. Thank you so much Costa Catholic Academy

Financial Stewardship

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the rich young man to give away all that he has in order to have treasure in heaven. But he is unable to free himself from his possessions, and so he goes sadly away. Does what I own keep me from following Jesus?

Sept 29th	St Joseph	\$ 3,051.00
	St James	\$ 623.00

Mission of the Month ~ Women's Care Center

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28th Sunday of Ordinary Time Oct 13th, 2024

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (MARK 10:25)

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. However, we are all called to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts, and especially the one that means the most to us! That includes our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

St. Joseph

Sat. Oct 12th	3:30pm—4:45pm Confessions 5:00 pm Dec'd Members of the Perkins and Cluskey Families
Sun. Oct 13th	10:30am People of The Parish
Mon. Oct 14th	8:00 am NO Communion Service
Tues. Oct 15th	8:00 am Communion Service
Wed. Oct 16th	8:00 am Communion Service
	5:00—6:45pm NO Adoration /Confession
Thurs Oct 17th	8:00 am Communion Service
Fri. Oct 18th	8:00 am Communion Service
Sat. Oct 19th	3:30pm—4:45pm Confessions 5:00 pm Paul Gilles+
Sun. Oct 20th	10:30am Judy Maher+

Father Deo will be at priest conference this week.
May he come back to us refreshed and renewed with the Holy Spirit.

St. James

Sunday Confessions
8:00 — 8:25 am
Sun, Oct 13th
NO MASS

Sun, Oct 20th 8:30am
Richard Haman+
Offered by S. Wanner



St Joseph

Lector

Sat. Oct 12th
Sun. Oct 13th

Burns
Shuster

Sat. Oct 19th
Sun. Oct 20th

Seaborn
Wilbur

CCD and Confirmation Schedule
St Mary of the Woods, Princeville

Oct 13th — No Class—Columbus Day weekend
 Oct 20th — Class
 Oct. 27th — Class
 Nov 3rd — Class—Fall back—Daylight savings
 Nov 10th— Class
 Nov 17th— Class

VOCATIONS... Go and sell what you have and give it to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven. Come and follow me. The rich young man left sad. How will we respond?
 (Mark 10:17-30)

Area Weekend Mass Times 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.

Thank you for all the letters with nominations for the transitional council.

The transitional teams consist of 3 parishioners and their priest from each of the 4 parishes. We have met once with the teams from St. Dominic, Wyoming, St. John the Baptist, Bradford and St Mary of the woods, Princeville.

This entire transition is a two year process. The nominated transition team for St Joseph, Brimfield is
 Fr. Deo
 Dick Heinz
 Pauline Starling
 Heather Sutton

They have been reading the book From Christendom to Apostolic Mission from the University of Mary.

St James will have a Rosary on October 22nd at 5:30pm in Williamsfield. We will have a light dinner after at the American Legion in Williamsfield



**~All are welcome~
 Come pray with us**



Now is a good time to pick up items for our next Box of Joy.

This a good time to grab those sales to add to the boxes. The time to put our boxes together will be here before we know it. Thank you again for all that you did last year to make our Box of Joy a success.

November 9th-10th
 Included is the new updated list of suggested gift. Please note that there is changes in the "Do Not Pack" section.

Save the Date

Clothing Exchange is scheduled for Nov 15-16th at the Brimfield American Legion.

Drop off November 14th and the morning of the 15th.

ELECTION 2024

Weigh Your Conscience Before Casting Your Ballot

On November 5th, 2024, all Americans eligible to vote will have the opportunity to shape our form of government for the next 2 years and beyond. In the midst of the commotion surrounding elections, especially presidential races, it is worth taking time to reflect on how fortunate we are to live in a country where we are able to choose our leaders. Before casting our ballot, we have the obligation to reflect on the issues affecting our state and our nation. To help guide us on the particular issues of concern to the Catholic Church, we offer the following as a reminder.

Millions of dollars are spent trying to influence how you will cast your ballot, so it is up to each of us to both form and inform our conscience by recalling the heart of the Gospel and the teachings of Jesus Christ.

What do we mean when we refer to "conscience?"

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "Moral conscience, present at the heart of the person, enjoins him at the appropriate moment to do good and to avoid evil. It also judges particular choices, approving those that are good and denouncing those that are evil. It bears witness to the authority of truth in reference to the supreme Good which the human person is drawn, and it welcomes the commandments. When he listens to his conscience, the prudent man can hear God speaking." (1777)

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has re-issued its document, Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, which may be found at:

<https://www.USccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/upload/forming-consciences-for-faithfulcitizenship.pdf>

This note will not tell you who to vote for, but it will help you to reflect on the issues and the person that can best promote the common good for each office. We ask that you keep in mind the following questions that stem from the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching .

- Does the Candidate work to protect sacred human life from conception to natural death? Does the candidate oppose abortion, physician-assisted suicide, human cloning and racism? These are all evils that must be guarded against and avoided.
- Does the candidate care for God's creation? Does the candidate support policies that protect the planet and understand the importance of our stewardship of the Earth?
- Does the candidate recognize traditional marriage and family as the central social institutions that must be supported?
- Does the candidate recognize that every person has a fundamental right to life and to those things required for human decency, including food, water, shelter, employment and healthcare?
- Does the candidate embrace all those in greatest need who deserve our preferential concerns, such as children, the disabled, the elderly, refugees, the unemployed and the poor?
- Does the candidate recognize policies that promote basic rights for workers, such as fair wages, workplace safety, collective bargaining, and the right to private property and economic initiatives?
- Does the candidate recognize that whatever our national, racial, ethnic or ideological differences, we are all our brothers' and sisters' keepers? We must all work to create unity through dialogue and a civil discourse that is respectful to others.