

St. Joseph Church

February 25, 2018

Second Sunday of Lent

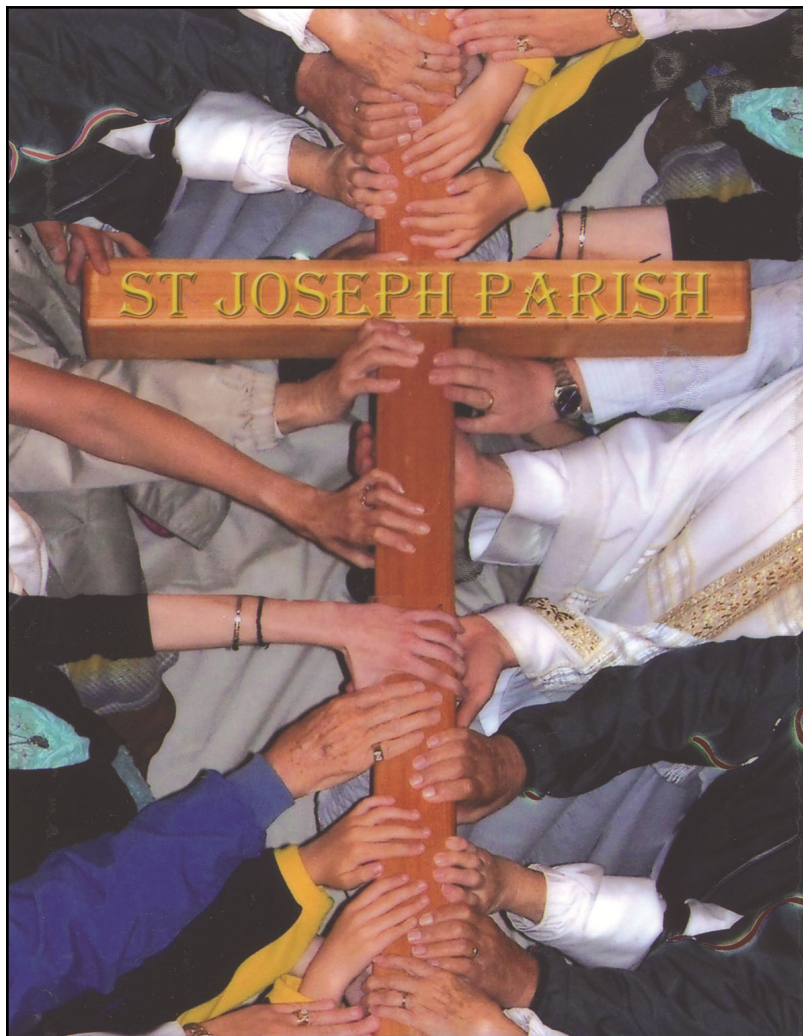
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Rev. Mr. Gary Blue, Deacon



**GATHERING IN FAITH,
DISCOVERING COMMUNITY**

Vision

Enthusiasm and Love of God and Neighbor to inspire and encourage interpersonal relationships in the St. Joseph Faith Community in order that an atmosphere of sharing our faith, time, talent, treasure and hospitality will expand the Kingdom of God.

Prayer

God of all peoples, how blessed we are to gather in faith at Eucharist, for it is in Your Word and Sacrament that we discover that we are the Community called the Body of Christ.

Our St. Joseph Parish Vision is filled with enthusiasm for loving God and neighbor because Your Kingdom expands, Creator Father, in an atmosphere of interpersonal relationships.

May we the members of St. Joseph Parish continue to grow in faith during our Pastoral Planning Process, so that our Parish Vision will be fulfilled as we discover that as parish we are Community in Christ.
Amen.

Welcome, New Parishioners

Please register by calling or stopping in the parish office.

Office Hours

Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Parish Telephones

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Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 6:00PM

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 9:00 AM

Holy Day Masses

Please see schedule inside bulletin.

Sacramental Life

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 3:30 to 4:00 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

12:00 Noon.

Arrangements must be made previously.

Instruction class for parents required.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Call the office any time.

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Steve Costa 219-365-4204

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 Noon, in writing.



Monday, February 26, Lenten Weekday
 9:00 AM For All the Departed Souls
Tuesday, February 27, Lenten Weekday
 9:00 AM The Deceased members of the Hilbert Families
Wednesday, February 28, Lenten Weekday
 No 9:00 AM Mass
Thursday, March 1, Lenten Weekday
 9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the Ken Mantel Family
 6:30 PM Family Rosary
Friday, March 2, Lenten Weekday
 9:00 AM Kenneth Blue

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 3, Vigil: 3rd Sunday of Lent
 4:30 PM Brother Gerald Hall, CPRS
Sunday, March 4, 3rd Sunday of Lent
 8:00 AM The People of the Parish
 10:00 AM Fevzi Ilgin
 6:00 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

Share With The Handicapped

The Service League of Share Foundation With the Handicapped is planning a **Spring Luncheon** with broasted chicken, door prizes, a silent auction & entertainment on **March 21st, in the Halls of St. George, Schererville from 10:30am-2:00pm.** Sharing Meadows is a residence and camp for developmentally disabled adults in Rolling Prairie. **\$40/person.** For more information: call Share Foundation (219-778-2585 or Chairperson Emogene Grant 219-663-5271. www.sharefoundation.org

St. Stephen

The St. Stephen Men & Women’s Clubs are sponsoring an AYCE Soup & Salad Dinner on Saturday, March 3rd from 5-7pm in Jacob Hall. We will feature many home-made soups, bread, salad, and soft drinks for 8 dollars!

Sunday Readings Reflections
3/4/2018

First Reading — God gives the law through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or *Exodus 17:3-7.*

Psalm — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or *Psalm 95.*

Second Reading — We proclaim Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.*

Gospel — Many began to believe in Jesus’ name when they saw the signs he was doing (John 2:13-25) or *John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42].*

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Electronic Giving

St. Joseph Parish has an electronic option for making regular offerings. Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

For information, call the parish office, 865-2271.

Diocesan TAPT Retreat

The diocesan TAPT retreat returns to Camp Lawrence March 16-18. TAPT is a dynamic, life-changing spiritual retreat for high school teens sponsored by the Diocese of Gary Office for Youth. Cost: \$85. Deadline: Feb. 28. For complete details, visit garytapt.com, facebook.com/garytapt, or contact Kevin Driscoll: 219-769-9292 x229

LENT

Lent, the period of prayer and fasting in preparation for Easter is 40 days long, but there are 46 days between, the first day of Lent in the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar, and Easter. So how are the 40 days of Lent calculated?

A Little History

The answer takes us back to the earliest days of the Church. Christ's original disciples, who were Jewish, grew up with the idea that the Sabbath—the Day of Worship and of rest—was Saturday, the seventh day of the week since the account of creation in Genesis says that God rested on the seventh day.

Christ rose from the dead, however, on Sunday, the first day of the week, and the early Christians, starting with the apostles (those original disciples), saw Christ's Resurrection as a new creation, and so they transferred the day of rest and worship from Saturday to Sunday.

Sunday: The Celebration of the Resurrection

Since all Sundays—and not simply Easter Sunday—were days to celebrate Christ's Resurrection, Christians were forbidden to fast and do other forms of penance on those days. Therefore, when the Church expanded the period of fasting and prayer in preparation for Easter from a few days to 40 days (to mirror Christ's fasting in the desert, before He began His public ministry), Sundays could not be included in the count.

40 Days of Fasting

Thus, in order for Lent to include 40 days on which fasting could occur, it had to be expanded to six full weeks (with six days of fasting in each week) plus four extra days—Ash Wednesday and the Thursday, Friday, and Saturday that follow it.

Six times six is thirty-six, plus four equals forty. And that's how we arrive at the 40 days of Lent!

By Scott P. Richert
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Stewardship of Treasure Report

February 17th & 18th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00
Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount Collected: \$6419.00
Northwest Indiana Catholic: \$260.00
Religious Education: \$25
Churches in Eastern Europe: \$1059.00
Food Pantry: \$110.00
50/50 Raffle: \$245.00

Godspell

“Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord!”
 The Genesis Guild Presents “Godspell,”
 based on the Book of Matthew!

**Featuring your fellow parishioner:
 Bridget Barnett Choe!**

Show dates: March 2, 3, 9 & 10—8pm
 March 4 & 11—3pm

Call 219-614-6835 to reserve your tickets!
 Adults: \$15—Seniors over 62 & Students under 18: \$13

First United Methodist Church—6635
 Hohman Ave. in Hammond
 Sat, March 3rd, a portion of ticket sales benefits the Guild's yearly meal preps for the Hammond Shelter
 Sat, March 10th—A portion of ticket sales benefits the church's “The Vine” Food Pantry.

Second Sunday of Lent

Who is this Jesus shining before us in dazzling white clothes? The gospel tells us this: law-giver Moses, prophet like Elijah, beloved Son like no other! He is the one who intercedes for us, who prays for us, who desires beyond hope for us an obediently devoted life now and a final heavenly life to come

- In listening to the Beloved Son, what do I need to hear?
- How will this hearing change or better my behaviors?
- How ill I walk before the Lord these Lenten days doing mercy work?

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, February 27

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
 4:30-5:45pm—Religious Education classes

Thursday, March 1

6:30pm—Family Rosary
 7:00pm—Pastoral Council meeting in
 Gathering Room
 7:00pm—Choir Practice

Friday, March 2

7:00pm—Stations of the Cross at
 St. Joseph Parish

Sunday, March 4

Hospitality Sunday in Gathering Room after
 the 8am & 10am Masses

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The second Sunday of Lent every year recalls the Transfiguration of the Lord. Since the fourth century, Mount Tabor has been the focus of devotion to this event. As mountains go, it is not particularly lofty, rising about fifteen hundred feet, within view of the Sea of Galilee and very close to Nazareth. Scripture doesn't identify the mountain, but in the year 348 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem said he preferred Mount Tabor to Mount Hermon as the site of the Transfiguration, and his opinion won. It has long been a strategic military site, and ancient fortresses are visible on the heights. Over the centuries, churches and fortified monasteries rose on the mountaintop, only to be destroyed by various invaders. Six hundred years ago, local Christians started to decorate the ruins with flags and banners on the Feast of the Transfiguration. In 1631, the Sultan granted permission to the Franciscans to live on Mount Tabor, and they have been there ever since, discovering the ruins of an old Crusader church and constructing the present church on the site in 1924.

The top of the mountain is divided into Greek Orthodox and Latin (that's us) zones. At one time, tourists arrived on the summit by bus, but this is no longer permitted. Some ride bicycles up a challenging and winding path, while others take the four thousand three hundred steps constructed for Christian pilgrims in the fourth century. It's hard to imagine the fishermen following Jesus up this craggy mountain without complaint. Visitors will sympathize with Peter's plan to construct booths and stay put with Jesus, Moses, and Elijah for a while, enjoying the view, and planning the trip back down.

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Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on February 13th
 Was # 306

The Winner Would Have Won \$1472.50
 (This amount will be added to next week)

Drawings will be held every
 Tuesday at 9:45am
 in the Gathering Room

All registered members of St. Joseph Parish are eligible for the 50/50 raffle. **YOU MUST USE 2 SEPARATE ENVELOPES FOR THE CURRENT WEEK EVEN IF YOU ARE A MONTHLY, ELECTRONIC, HOMEBOUND OR WEEKLY CONTRIBUTOR. ALL CONTRIBUTORS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY MUST MAKE THEIR SACRIFICIAL CONTRIBUTION BY THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AND INDICATING ON EACH SUBSEQUENT WEEKLY ENVELOPE THAT IS PLACED IN THE COLLECTION BASKET THAT YOU ARE EITHER A MONTHLY, ELECTRONIC OR HOMEBOUND CONTRIBUTOR.**

You must use your current weekly treasure envelope with your sacrificial amount and the preprinted 50/50 envelope found in the pews with EXACTLY \$5.00. If you are paying by check, you must use **2 checks**, one for the weekly treasure made out to St. Joseph Church and the other check for \$5.00 for the 50/50 raffle made out to St. Joseph Church—50/50 Raffle.

The 50/50 raffle envelope is to be put in the collection along with your sacrificial weekly treasure envelope.

Who Are You Called To Be?

Let us help you find the answer.
 High School Students, join us at
St. Patrick's Parish—6:00-8:00pm
 Pizza will be provided!
March 9, 2018
St. Patrick's Parish
Chesterton, IN

For additional information contact:
 Fr. David Kime 219-062-8626

Ministry Schedule
March 3rd & 4th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Florence Andrzejewski, Emma
Gallenberger, Bonnie Gruver
8:00am—Rick Dernulc, Frank Ziolkowski,
Karen Ziolkowski
10:00am—Edwin Abangan, Jessica Abangan,
Barb Graegin
6:00pm—Denise Molitsky, Brad or Paula Zielke,
Yvonne Weaver

Lectors

4:30pm—Wayne Gallenberger
8:00am—Noel & Kathy Cusick
10:00am—Sandy Riley
6:00pm—Ralph Semyck

Ministry Schedule
March 3rd & 4th

Altar Servers

4:30pm— Joe Nowacki, Lillian Smith
8:00am— Joe Nowacki
10:00am— Jack Fingar, Orla Fingar
6:00pm—Mary Howe, Volunteer Needed



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If God is for us, who can be against us?
— *Romans 8:31b*

IMPRESSION

When we try to make an impression, that's the
impression we make.
—Anonymous

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