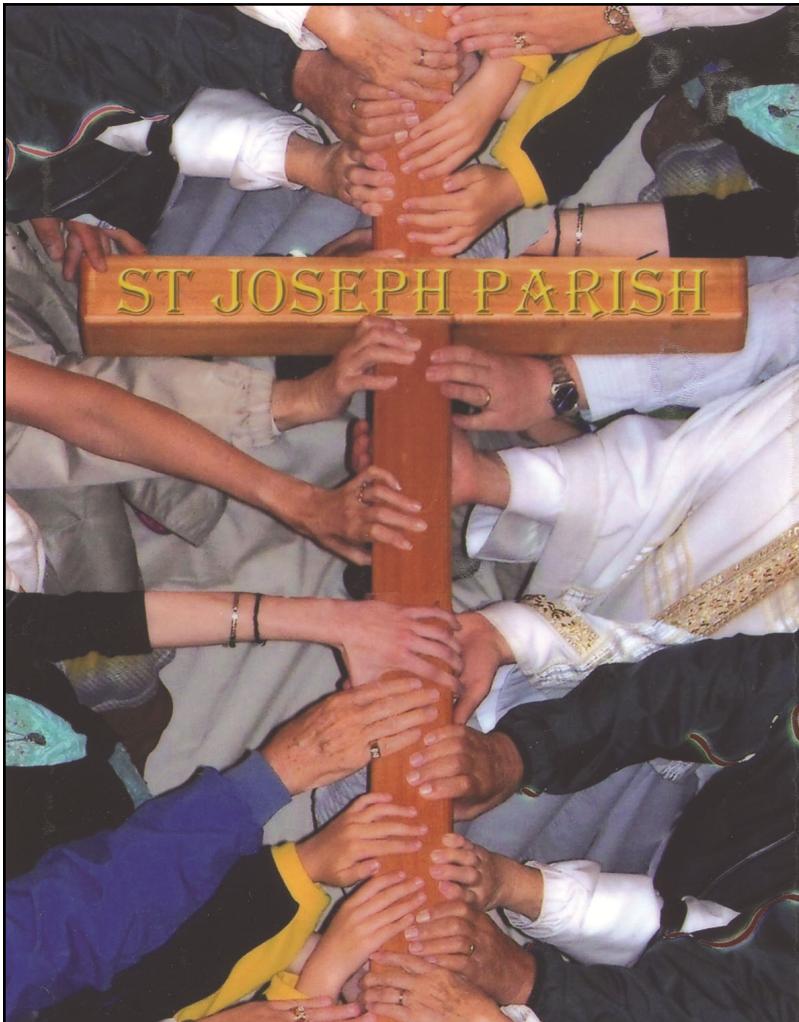


St. Joseph Church

January 13, 2013
The Baptism of the Lord

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Rev. Terry J. Steffens, Pastor



**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 with Father Terry in person. Please call the parish office, 865-2271 for an appointment.

Parish Telephones

Parish Office865-2271

Parish Fax865-2350

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

PASTOR: Rev. Terry J. Steffens

Religious Education Office:.....865-2355

Religious Education Fax.....865-3740

Email.....yseweaver@yahoo.com

DIRECTOR: Yvonne Weaver

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 PM

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

Weekday Masses

Mon-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 Sick

Call the office any time.

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Mike Kulik 708-906-6652

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 Noon, in writing.

**Monday, January 14, Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, January 15, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Wednesday, January 16, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, January 17, St. Anthony

No 9:00 AM Mass

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, January 18, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Weekend Mass Intentions**Saturday, January 19, Vigil: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

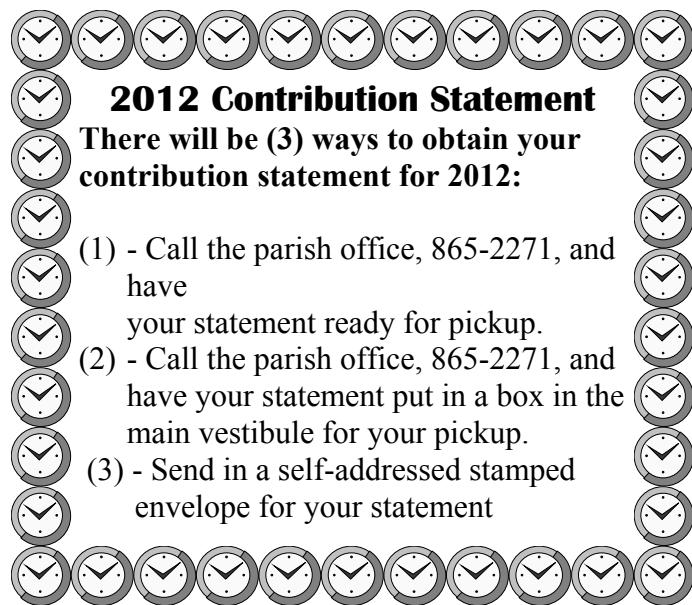
4:30 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

Sunday, January 20, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Leonard Witkowski

10:00 AM Frank Kaczocha

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

**2012 Contribution Statement**

There will be (3) ways to obtain your contribution statement for 2012:

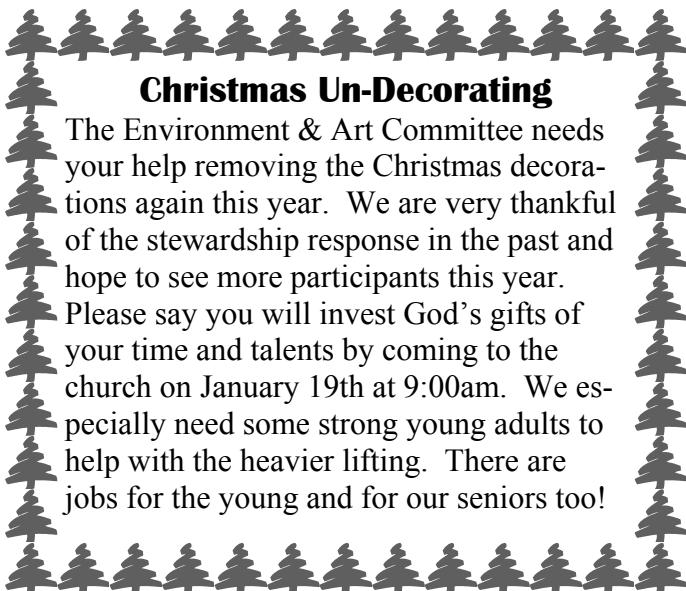
- (1) - Call the parish office, 865-2271, and have your statement ready for pickup.
- (2) - Call the parish office, 865-2271, and have your statement put in a box in the main vestibule for your pickup.
- (3) - Send in a self-addressed stamped envelope for your statement

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Council 8082 thanks all those parishioners that made our first St. Joseph's Parish Vegas Nite (held November 17, 2012) a success. Whether by providing baked goods, helping in the kitchen, dealing one of the games or just coming out to enjoy the evening, your support is greatly appreciated!"

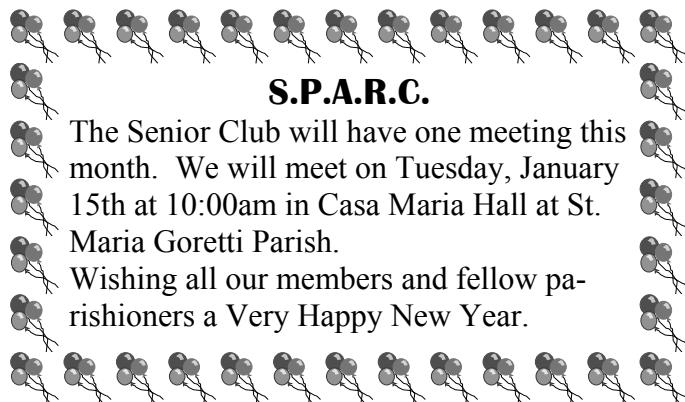
Please Note!

There will be no morning masses from Monday, January 14th through Friday, January 18th. Father Terry will be on retreat.

**Christmas Un-Decorating**

The Environment & Art Committee needs your help removing the Christmas decorations again this year. We are very thankful of the stewardship response in the past and hope to see more participants this year.

Please say you will invest God's gifts of your time and talents by coming to the church on January 19th at 9:00am. We especially need some strong young adults to help with the heavier lifting. There are jobs for the young and for our seniors too!

**S.P.A.R.C.**

The Senior Club will have one meeting this month. We will meet on Tuesday, January 15th at 10:00am in Casa Maria Hall at St. Maria Goretti Parish.

Wishing all our members and fellow parishioners a Very Happy New Year.



Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

I find it intriguing that the day after Christmas some people were taking down their Christmas decorations. Wow! They are sure in a hurry to get Christmas over with! It kind of points to treating Christmas as simply another holiday on the calendar. When December 25th is over, Christmas is over? Not hardly. Christmas Season lasts until the middle of January but the essence of Christ born into our humanity has year-round impact on the world.

I realize that Christmas decorations come and go but the knee-jerk desire to box away Christmas ASAP might indicate a hesitance to claim Jesus as “out in the open” of our lives and not stored away until next December. It is good to savor Christ the Savior of the world in our every breath.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry

Offertory Envelope

Your parish envelopes are ready for pickup in the main vestibule. Your names are on the boxes and in alphabetical order. Please pick yours up.

Thank you for your cooperation

Palms for Ashes

The Environment & Art Committee will be burning palms to make the ashes for distribution on Ash Wednesday. Please bring your palms to church and place them in the baskets at all of the entrances.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

December 29th & 30th

Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$4973.73

Children's Collection: \$14.00

Christmas: \$9231.58

Immaculate Conception: \$5.00

50/50 Raffle: \$370.00

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

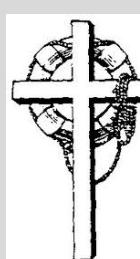
**The Number Drawn on January 3rd
Was #92**

The Winner Would Have Won \$2430.50

(This amount will be added to next week)

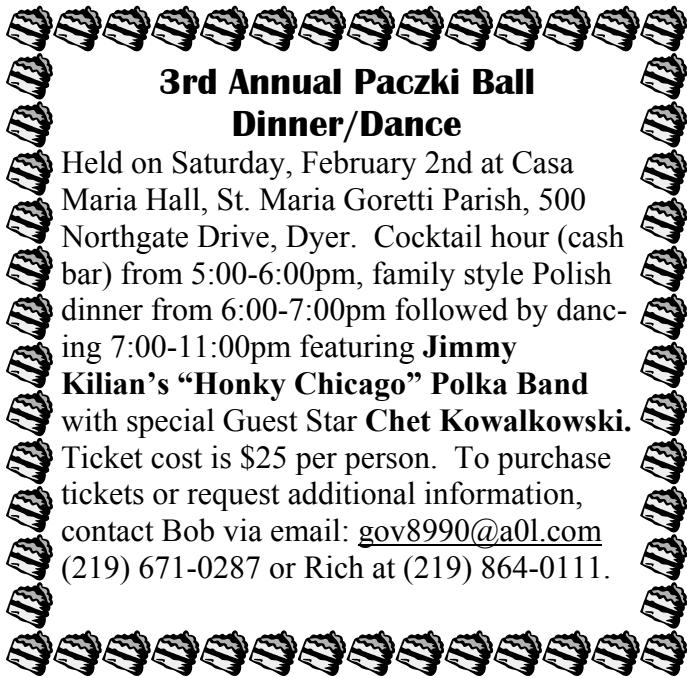
Drawings will be held every
Tuesday at 9:45am
in the Gathering Room

All registered members of St. Joseph Parish are eligible for the 50/50 raffle. **You must use 2 separate envelopes for the current week.** You must use your current weekly treasure envelope with your sacrificial amount and the pre-printed 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.



There will be a weekend to heal troubled marriages sponsored by **Retrouvaille**. Retrouvaille helps couples with hurting marriages, separated or divorced couples that want their marriages to work and couples of all faiths.

The next weekend is January 25-27, 2013 located in Chesterton. For more info, go to helpourmarriage.org.



3rd Annual Paczki Ball Dinner/Dance

Held on Saturday, February 2nd at Casa Maria Hall, St. Maria Goretti Parish, 500 Northgate Drive, Dyer. Cocktail hour (cash bar) from 5:00-6:00pm, family style Polish dinner from 6:00-7:00pm followed by dancing 7:00-11:00pm featuring **Jimmy Kilian's "Honky Chicago" Polka Band** with special Guest Star **Chet Kowalkowski**. Ticket cost is \$25 per person. To purchase tickets or request additional information, contact Bob via email: gov8990@aol.com (219) 671-0287 or Rich at (219) 864-0111.

CALLED TO SERVE

For many weeks now, we have been celebrating the appearance of the divine presence in human form. As a child, he came to Mary and Joseph, was seen by the shepherds, and then by some wandering magi from the East. Today we celebrate another showing, later in time, to a group gathered at the Jordan River.

John hesitated to baptize Jesus, whom he recognized as “one mightier than I.” But he did as Jesus asked, and the “Holy Spirit descended” and heaven’s voice spoke to Jesus, “You are my beloved Son.” Jesus was beginning his public life of teaching and service. Soon he would start calling others to join him.

Peter was one of the first to be called by Jesus. In today’s second reading, he announces the heart of the message, “peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.” Peter was called, and you and I are called to spread that message and to serve God’s word.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Merry Christmas! Share that cheerful greeting with some folks today. They may wonder if you have had any Elvis sightings lately, attended Star Trekkie conventions, or were Cleopatra in a previous lifetime. Despite the skeptics, today is solidly within the Christmas season. In fact, in some strands of the Christian tradition it represents the clearest manifestation of the mystery of the Incarnation. On Christmas Day, for example, the Gospel reading is the Prologue of John’s Gospel, which reveals the glory of Christ shining through our humanity precisely in his baptism.

At any rate, this is an ancient feast, celebrated first in Egypt sixteen centuries ago. More than most other ancient people, the Egyptians understood the life-giving properties of water. On this day, they drew water from the Nile, so central in the history of their people, and reserved it in honor. Many other places copied the custom, so that St. John Chrysostom wrote of people in Antioch gathering at midnight to collect flowing water into vessels they brought from home since “today there is a blessing on the water.” At home for dinner tonight, decorate the table with beautiful bowls of water and white candles, toast one another with goblets of sparkling water, and light a Christmas candle in the window one last time.

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MARKET DAY

Many thanks to all who participated in our Market Day for December. We earned \$213.88. If you have not tried Market Day food, please do so this month. The food is very good and easy to prepare. Our **next Market Day will be on Wednesday, January 23rd**. Think Superbowl! The pickup area is off the Nondorf entrance to the school. The order sheets are at all the entrances of the church.

This is one of our fundraisers that helps our budget. The pick up times are 4:30 to 5:15pm. If you have any questions, please call the parish office, 865-2271.

Ministry Schedule
January 19th & 20th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Florence Andrzejewski, Fran Lisac,
Judy Nowacki
8:00am—Patti Pawl, Tim Pawl,
William Wikar
10:00am—John Hearne, Tom Heffernan,
Tamara Fredrickson,
Connie Peschel, (choir)
6:00pm—Isabella Skurka, Brad Zielke,
Paula Zielke

Lectors

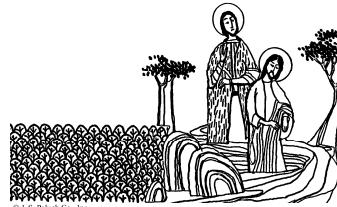
4:30pm—Joe David
8:00am—Barb Jurczuk
10:00am—Young People's Mass
6:00pm—Brian Blue

**Wisdom Is
Peaceable**

Ministry Schedule
January 19th & 20th

Altar Servers

4:30pm—A. David, J. David
8:00am—M. Ziolkowski
10:00am—Young People's Mass
6:00pm—P. Kwasigroch



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*He saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit.*

— *Titus 3:5*

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