

St. Joseph Church

January 19, 2014

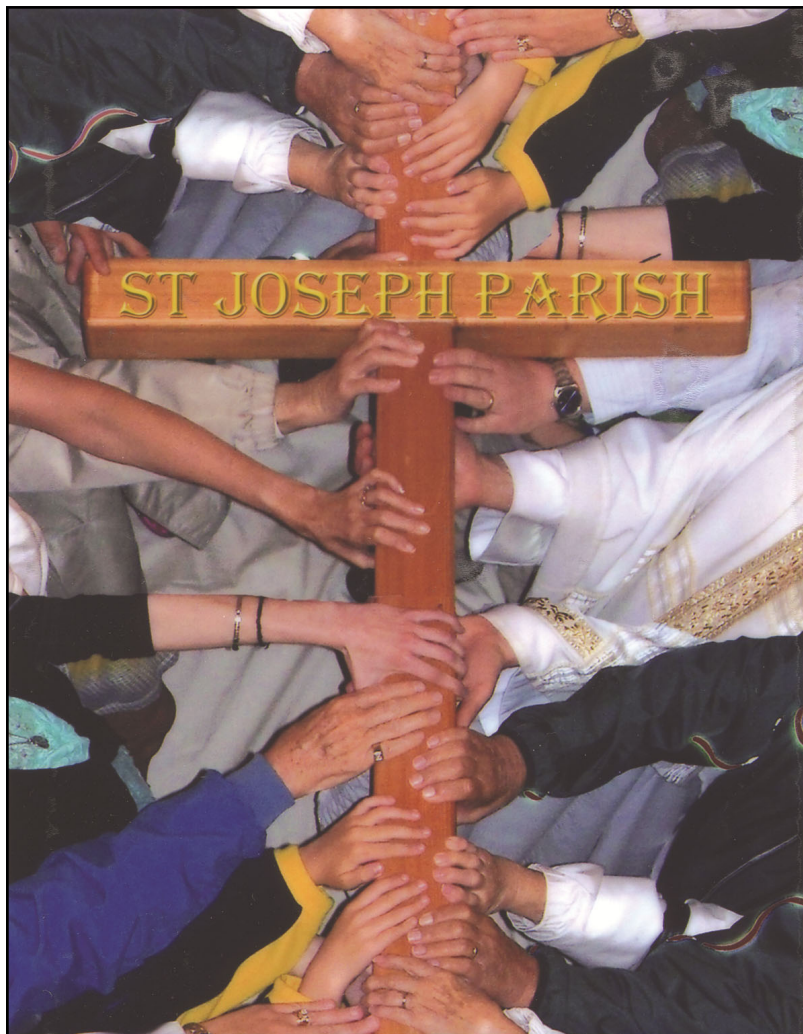
Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

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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

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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 20, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, January 21, St. Agnes

No 9:00 AM Mass

Wednesday, January 22, Day of Prayer for the legal Protection of Unborn Children

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, January 23, Weekday

9:00 AM Nick & Ernesta Zarlenga

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, January 24, St. Francis de Sales

9:00 AM Paul Graegin

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 25, Vigil: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Lucille Thiery

Sunday, January 26, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Joe & Anne Katula Family

10:00 AM Kathy Townsend

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Please Note!

There will be no morning masses from Monday, January 20th through Wednesday, January 22nd.

The parish office will be closed Monday, January 20th.

Hospital & Nursing Home Visits

In this day and age, privacy within the Hospital and Nursing Home industry is a high priority. As a result, notification of churches about parishioners who are in a Hospital or Nursing Home is left up to the family or friend of the patient. Please call 219-865-2271 to let us know here at the Parish Office if you or your loved one is in a Hospital or Nursing Home.

Thank You.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Allan Burgos—864-8974

Noel Cusick—865-6255

Tamara Fredrickson—322-6911

John Hearne—864-8929

Gladys Heffernan—708-672-3456

Steve Kline—864-9326

Lillian Smith—864-8285

Barb Yamich—322-7219

Recording Secretary—Rita D'Arcy—365-9274

The names listed above are the Pastoral Council of St. Joseph Parish. The Pastoral Council is a consultative group. They enter into a dialogue with the pastor visioning and planning together in order to create the overall parish policy that will carry out the Mission of Christ in the Church.

If you have any concerns, please call any member from the Pastoral Council and they will bring your concern to their next meeting

2013 Contribution Statement

There will be (3) ways to obtain your contribution statement for 2013:

- (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

Choir Notes

When the choir roster was published in the December 29th bulletin, Stephanie O'Drobinak was unintentionally omitted from the list. We are VERY happy that we have her as a member, and appreciate the wonderful talent of this sweet young lady from our parish.

Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

Walk-in closets are amazing in their construct. They are like separate living spaces amidst clothes hung on either side of us as we seek the furthest recesses of the storage space. A lot of clothes, shoes and pretty much anything else we want to store are eligible for the walk-in closet.

This does bring up the reflection on why do we need such large closets these days? How much is enough? Do we need to simplify? Inevitable, our Holy Communion with Jesus is going to encourage us to be truthful with ourselves in relationship to our closet (s). When we realize how attached we can become to our closet content, then it becomes possible to begin reevaluating if we are enslaved to our closets and, in particular, whether we sense that we must continue to add to our closet content.

Our Holy Communion with Jesus can soothe us peaceably into gradually letting go of the “musts” of our closet. It is amazing how satisfied we can be with our life’s content when Jesus is our center. We will become more content with “walking” into Christ’s depths of love and discover that including our closets, “less is more”.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry

Stewardship of Treasure Report

January 4th & 5th

Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$4865.50

Children's Collection: \$2.10

Christmas: \$150.00

January 1 Holyday: \$819.00

Food Pantry: \$40.00

50/50 Raffle: \$240.00

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on December 31st

Was # 127

The Winner Won \$342.50

The Number Drawn on January 9th

Was #256

The Winner Would Have Won \$120.00

(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.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

December 28th & 29th

Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$4127.11

Children's Collection: \$5.00

Charity: \$47.00

Religious Education: \$10.00

Christmas: \$9274.38

Immaculate Conception: \$27.00

50/50 Raffle: \$330.00

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, January 20

No morning mass
Parish Office closed

Tuesday, January 21

No morning mass
9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
4:30-5:45pm—Session A—Religious
Education classes in school
6:15-7:30pm—Session B—Religious
Education classes in school

Wednesday, January 22

No morning mass
4:45-5:15pm—Market Day pickup

Thursday, January 23

6:30pm—Family Rosary
7:30 pm—Choir Practice

2014-2015 Tuition Assistance Program Now Underway

Tuition assistance application forms for the 2014-2015 school year are now available in the parish office. Catholic families who belong to a Diocese of Gary parish and have their children enrolled in any diocesan school. Kindergarten—Gr. 12, may apply. Pre-school students are not eligible. A \$27.00 nonrefundable processing fee must accompany the application. Approximately \$500,000 is distributed on the basis of need to assist Catholic parents in providing Catholic faith formation, strong academic programs and safety for their children in our Catholic schools.

The filing deadline is Monday, February 17, 2014. This is the date that completed applications must be returned to the pastor. PSAS will not accept any applications mailed directly to the company. This deadline will be strictly enforced. Parents will be notified of the results in writing by April 30, 2014.

Winged Faith

Faith furnishes prayer with wings, without which it cannot soar into Heaven.

—St. John Climacus

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The symbols and actions of baptism evolved around the experience of adults dying to old patterns of life and rising from the waters of baptism as new creations. As for newborn babies, at first it was desired to wait until the following Easter, when they could be baptized, anointed with chrism, and given a taste of the Eucharist in association with adults. The Church was always willing to baptize adults in emergency situations outside the Easter timetable, and in time, since infancy itself was a

life-threatening situation, the baptism of babies became commonplace. As with the “emergency” adult baptisms, it was required that parents bring the child, as soon as health was recovered, to the bishop for the full menu of sacraments.

The very real fear of death for infants thus created a situation in which the three sacraments drifted apart from each other, and away from their original, adult celebration at Easter. Today, at last, we know a great deal about how our practices evolved. This knowledge is reshaping how we celebrate Easter, how we receive adult faith, and how we structure the faith journey of children.

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Mass & Holy Hour for Vocations

On Sunday, February 2, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, the Vocation Office will be sponsoring a Holy Hour for Vocations at Holy Angels Cathedral. The morning begins with the celebration of the Eucharist at 10:30AM. After the Mass, there will be a Holy Hour led by Bishop Melczek.

Everyone is welcome to come together as Christ’s Body in the Diocese of Gary, that God will grant us even more loving priests and consecrated religious. Please join us as we ask God for His blessings.



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Ministry Schedule

January 25th & 26th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Lorraine Golon, Bonnie Gruver,
Lee Kobza
8:00am—Perla Garcia, Judy Kline,
Steve Kline
10:00am—Gary Blue, Sue Blue,
Barb Graegin, Ron Reichelt (choir)
6:00pm—Allan Burgos, Ernie Leicht,
Constance Peschel

Lectors

4:30pm—Mary Flanagan
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki
10:00am—Tom Heffernan & Bridget Cavanaugh
6:00pm—Brian Blue

Forgiveness

The only true forgiveness is that which is offered and extended even before the offender has apologized and sought it. —Soren Kierkegaard

Ministry Schedule

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Altar Servers

4:30pm—Lanie Taylor
8:00am—Norbert Brown
10:00am—Andrew Huffman, Kevin Huffman
6:00pm—Need Servers



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I will make you a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the ends of
the earth.

— *Isaiah 49:6b*

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