

# St. Joseph Church

January 31, 2016

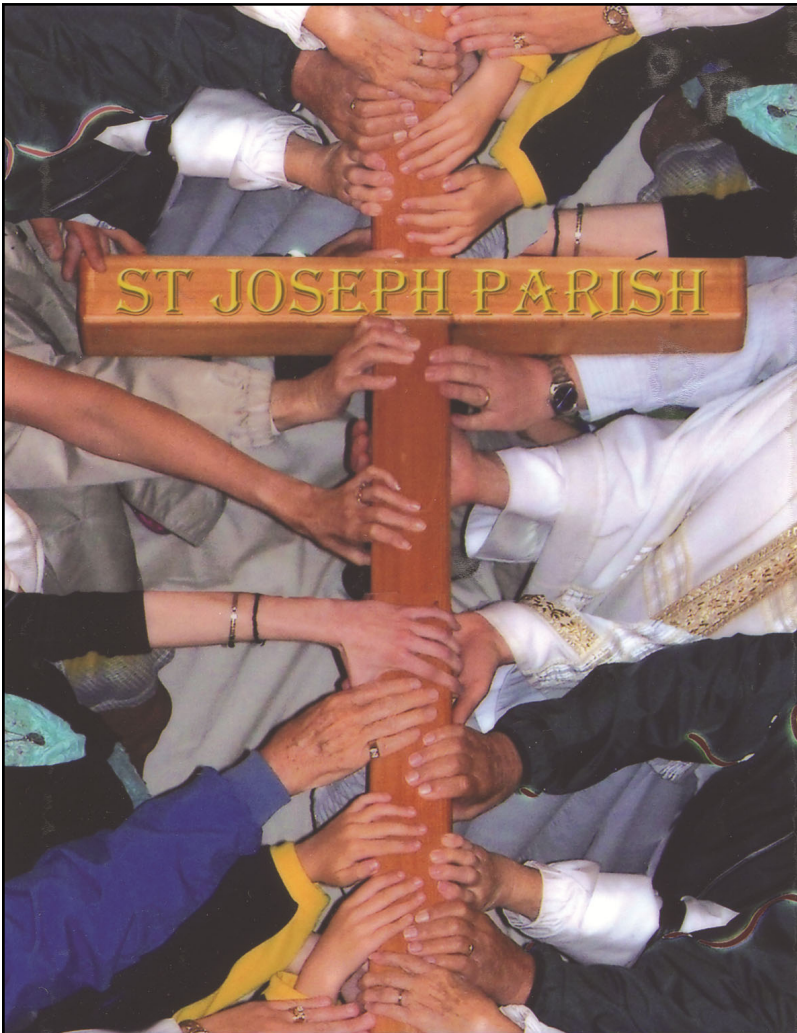
Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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**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 Office** .....865-2271

Parish Fax .....865-2350

Email .....[dyerstjoe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dyerstjoe@sbcglobal.net)

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](mailto:yseweaver@yahoo.com)

**DIRECTOR:** Yvonne Weaver

## 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 Sick

Call the office any time.

## Knights of Columbus

**Grand Knight:** Ed Hebda 219-865-6922

## Bulletin Deadline

**Monday 12:00 Noon, in writing.**



**Monday, February 1, Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Betty Young & Family  
**Tuesday, February 2, The Presentation of the Lord**  
 9:00 AM Joe Kozlowski  
**Wednesday, February 3, Weekday**  
 No 9:00 AM Mass  
**Thursday, February 4, Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Tony & Marianne Lesniewski  
**Friday, February 5, St. Agatha**  
 9:00 AM Father Joe Saba

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, February 6, Vigil: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 4:30 PM Sharon Kramer  
**Sunday, February 7, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM The People of the Parish  
 10:00 AM Eileen Bork  
 6:00 PM The Largent Family

**Faith Reflections**

Did you ever wonder how we got here or where we're going? I mean none of us chose to be born, right? These questions and others will be presented through three individual DVD's created and narrated by: Bishop Donald Hying. You are invited to view and discuss these DVD's beginning Tuesday, Feb. 16, 6:30-8:00pm in the Gathering Room continuing on Tues., Feb. 23; Tues., March 1; and concluding with a Visual Meditation that explores Faith through Christian Art on Tue., March 8. Questions, please call Yvonne Weaver at 219-775-3654.

Sign-up sheets can be found at Main Church Entrance.

- Thank You!

**Sunday Readings Reflections of 2/7/2016**

**Reading 1 Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8**

As Isaiah describes how God called him to be a prophet, he remembers the scene as though it had just happened. In a vision, Isaiah has "seen" the Lord on a magnificent throne in the Temple. Glowing angels called seraphim hover above the throne, and the Temple shakes with their praise. Isaiah is overcome with the reality of his own sinfulness and God's holiness. He protests that he cannot be a prophet because of his "unclean lips." But an angel purifies his lips with a glowing coal from the altar. This is a sign that Isaiah is now completely worthy to speak for God. Cleansed of his sin, Isaiah answers the Lord's call by saying, "Here I am, send me!"

**Reading 2 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11**

Often when we want to convince others of an important truth, we point to the testimony of the experts who believe that same truth. Paul wants to be sure that the Christians of Corinth believe in the resurrection of Jesus. If they fail to grasp that central truth, their faith will be without meaning. So Paul lines up all the important "experts," or witnesses, from Peter (Cephas) on down to himself. Paul is probably the most convincing witness of all, because Christ himself converted Paul from being a persecutor of Christians to a zealous apostle.

**Gospel Luke 5:1-11**

We can be sure that Peter remembered the scene in today's gospel story as clearly as Isaiah recalled his own vision of God. Even though Simon is convinced that there are no fish available, he tells Jesus, "At your command, I will lower the nets." His trust is rewarded not only by a huge catch of fish, but by Jesus' call to become a disciple. Peter, James, and John, overwhelmed by the presence of Jesus, drop everything and follow Him.

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**Pastor's Column**

Dear Parishioners:

We knew that with the birth of Jesus, there were expectations of Jesus being special, the Messiah. We rejoice that Jesus has fulfilled God Our Father's promise of bringing the Savior into the World. Jesus from early on in His earthly life was attuned to His Father's Will for him.

Parents have hopes and expectations for the children born into their lives. But following the guidance of Jesus, parents are wise to pray that God's Will be done for their children. Yes, God has a specific Will for each child and it is centered in guiding children to live in Holy Communion with God Our Father's Will as a collective family and as individual family members.



So when kids are murky about their future endeavors, their families can provide a wise, Jesus-centered atmosphere so the kids are not oblivious to their future. They will catch on in a more peaceable way that their futures are in God's Hands and God is always faithful in guiding children and all of us in wise directions based on the talents God gives us from birth.

Jesus fulfills His Father's expectations as a Savior of the World. In Holy Communion with Christ we too can fulfill Our Father's Will for us that will further expand Christ's Saving Love here on earth.

Rejoicing in God's Will,  
Fr. Terry

**You Are Invited!**

I joyfully invite all the people of our Diocese to celebrate a special Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels on Saturday, February 27th, at 10:30am, to mark the formal proclamation of our 2017 Diocesan Synod and the issuance of my pastoral letter which will lead off our preparations leading up to the Synod. I especially invite our clergy, religious, lay ecclesial ministers, pastoral council leadership and dedicated laity to pray with me that day, invoking the Holy Spirit on this important ecclesial work. The fruit of this pastoral process will be grown through prayer, reflection, conversation and action as we move forward together. Thank you for generous dedication to the saving mission of the Church. - Bishop Donald J. Hying


  
**Stewardship of Treasure Report**
  
 January 23rd & 24th
   
**Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5825.00**
  
**Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount Collected: \$4117.85**
  
**Charity: \$251.00**
  
**Religious Education: \$5.00**
  
**Weekly Treasure Support Deficit: (\$1451.15)**
  
**Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$174,750.00**
  
**Fiscal Year Surplus: \$2184.06**
  
**Aid to Latin America: \$10.00**
  
**Food Pantry: \$180.00**
  
**50/50 Raffle: \$205.00**
  



  
**Share with the Handicapped**
  
**Camp Sharing Meadows** is looking for your help! Share Foundation With the Handicapped is looking for fun-loving individuals to work at our weekend Camps for developmentally challenged adults. People over the age of 16 who want to share their time and talents with our special Campers are encouraged to call and/or apply. Check us out at [www.sharefoundation.org/campsharing](http://www.sharefoundation.org/campsharing) or contact Bill Harmon at 219-778-2585 or email: [camp@sharefoundation.org](mailto:camp@sharefoundation.org) if interested.
   


**Extraordinary Ministers & Altar Servers needed**

Wednesday, February 10th is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. We will have 2 masses, 9:00am & 7:00pm with distribution of ashes. We need your help for these masses. Please call the parish office, 865-2271, with your willingness to serve.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, February 1**  
7:00pm—Stewardship meeting in Gathering Room

**Tuesday, February 2**  
9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing  
5:30-7:30pm GOF in the Gym

**Thursday, February 4**  
7:00pm—Choir practice

**2016-2017 Tuition Assistance Program Now ONLINE!**

The tuition assistance application for the 2-16=2017 school year is now available on the Diocese of Gary website at <http://www.dcgary.org/catholic-schools.htm>. Click the Tuition Assistance Application tab and you will be directed to the application. Parish DO NOT have paper copies this year. If you require a paper copy, you must contact the diocese of Gary Office of Catholic Schools and request a copy be mailed to you.

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 \$30.00 nonrefundable processing fee must accompany the application and will be paid via credit card, debit card, or checking account online. 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 22, 2016.** This is the date that completed applications must be submitted online. 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 May, 2016.

**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**  
The Number Drawn on January 19th  
Was # 108  
The Winner Won \$775.50

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.

Glenda Ritz, Ind. Sup. Of Public Instruction, will be the keynote speaker at Calumet College of St. Joseph’s annual Quentin P. Smith Brunch on Sat., Feb. 6th. The brunch will be held from 10:30-1:30 at the College, 2400 New York Ave. in Whiting. Cost is \$50 per guest and all funds raised will benefit the Quentin Smith Endowed Chair in Science. For more information, call 219-473-4318.

**Ministry Schedule**  
**February 6th & 7th**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Florence Andrzejewski, Emma  
Gallenberger, Kathy Lebryk  
8:00am—Rick Dernulc, Frank Ziolkowski,  
Karen Ziolkowski  
10:00am—Edwin Abangan, Jessica Abangan,  
Laura Hays  
6:00pm—Pat Bergstrom, Brad or Paula Zielke,  
Yvonne Weaver

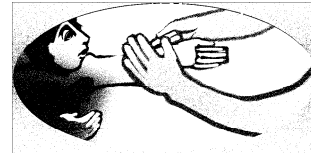
**Lectors**

4:30pm—Wayne Gallenberger  
8:00am—Noel & Kathy Cusick  
10:00am—Diana Giovane  
6:00pm—Emma Weissbeck

**Ministry Schedule**  
**February 6th & 7th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—Joe Nowacki  
8:00am—Need Servers  
10:00am—Gian Abangan, Jim Morris  
6:00pm—Mary Shutoski



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**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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Faith, hope, and love remain, these three;  
but the greatest of these is love.

-- 1 Corinthians 13:13

**WANTING**

Our chief want in life is somebody who shall make  
us do what we can. --Ralph Waldo Emerson

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