

# St. Joseph Church

February 10, 2013

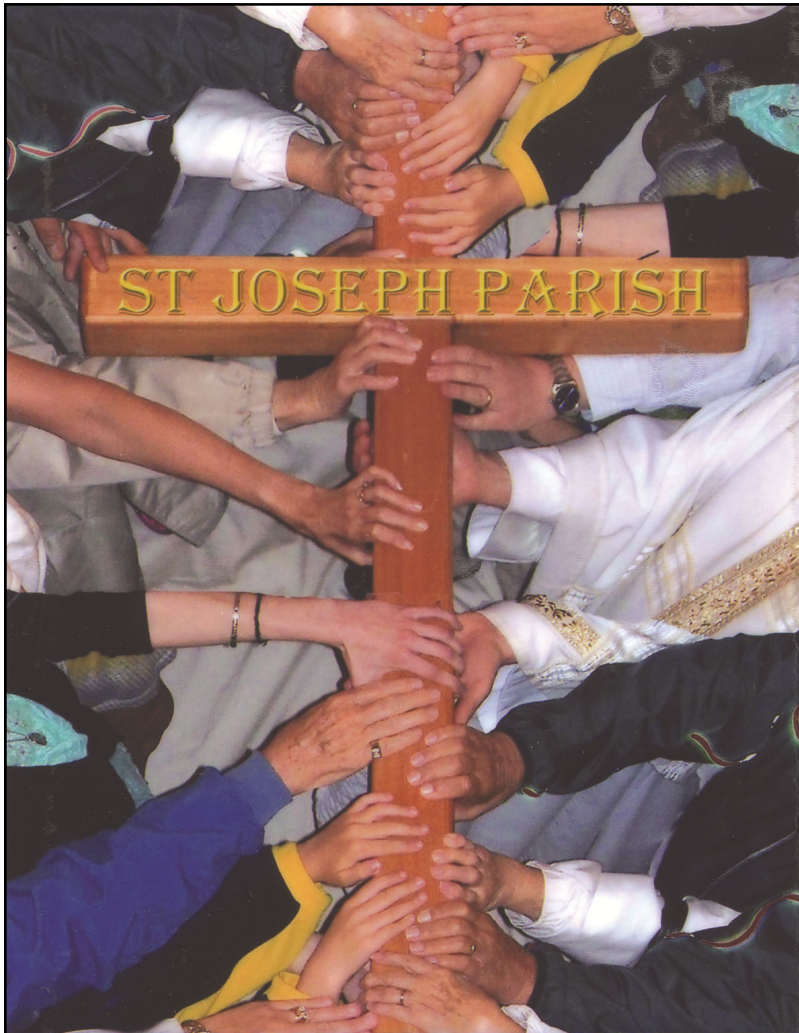
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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, February 11, Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Tuesday, February 12, Weekday**

9:00 AM Rosemary Ford

**Wednesday, February 13, Ash Wednesday**

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Frank Kaczocha Family

7:00 PM Poor Souls

**Thursday, February 14, Thursday after Ash**

**Wednesday**

9:00 AM Gladys & Tom Heffernan

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, February 15, Friday after Ash Wednesday**

9:00 AM For the comfort & peace of the children and families of Sandy Hook School

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, February 16, Vigil: 1st Sunday of Lent**

4:30 PM Josephine Banvich

**Sunday, February 17, 1st Sunday of Lent**

8:00 AM Wanicki Family

10:00 AM M/M Richard Heffernan

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

**Please Note!**

There will be no morning mass on Monday, February 11th.



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Masses for Ash Wednesday will be on Wednesday, February 13 at 9:00am and 7:00pm with ash distribution.

In 1994, The Diocese of Gary began a four year theology based program to prepare men and women as Ecclesial Ministers. Since then over 200 men and women have graduated from the program and received certificates of completion. Ecclesial Ministers are defined as lay men and women who have been prepared professionally for specific roles of service and leadership in our parishes and our diocese. The four year program includes 24 hours of theology, spiritual formation and pastoral development. This program is a prerequisite for the Deacon program.

In September of this year, 2013, a new class will begin on Tuesday evenings for men and women interested in becoming an Ecclesial Minister or a deacon. To learn more about the program two information sessions have been scheduled. One will be on Wednesday, February 27th and the second on Tuesday evening, March 5th. Both meetings will begin at 7:00pm and will be held at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 9292 Broadway, Merrillville. The information will be the same at both meetings. If you have any questions or are in need of more information please contact Anne Verbeke at 219-769-9292, ext. 280 or be e-mail at [averbeke@dcgary.org](mailto:averbeke@dcgary.org).

**MARKET DAY**

Many thanks to all who participated in our Market Day for January. We earned approximately \$100.00. The food is very good and easy to prepare. Our **next Market Day will be on Wednesday, February 20th**. 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.

**Pastor's Column**

Dear Parishioners:

Listening on the outside begins by listening on the inside. Deep inside us is a profound silence that we need to listen to every day. The gift of our inner silence is the mystery of God within us. To listen to the inner silence helps the whole of our lives to flow with more goodness. As to how this happens, we are not to try to figure it out; it simply happens. Let's call it faith in God.

Staying aware of the inner silence is the life-blood of faith in Christ. As we become more alert to the inner silence, we will change for the better. Our decision-making process will improve as well. We will have more restful sleep and less anxiety and worry during our waking hours.

Something so low key as listening to inner silence can change our lives including how we listen on the outside.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

January 26th & 27th

**Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$4708.25**

**Children's Collection: \$15.00**

**Charity: \$237.00**

**Religious Education: \$10.00**

**Aid to Latin America: \$115.00**

**Northwest Indiana Catholic: \$364.00**

**50/50 Raffle: \$395.00**

**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

**The Number Drawn on January 29th**

**Was # 449**

**The Winner Would Have Won \$3213.00**

(This amount will be added to next week)

Drawings will be held every

Tuesday at 9:45am

in the Gathering Room

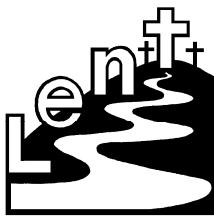
All registered members of St. Joseph Parish are eligible for the 50/50 raffle. **You must use 2 separate envelopes for the current week.**

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.

**You're Invited to Participate In CRS Rice Bowl!**

Our parish will be participating in CRS Rice Bowl, Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program, as a way to encounter Jesus through others, especially through the most vulnerable in our world. Rice Bowls will be available at all the entrances. Your prayers, fasting and almsgiving this Lenten season will help Catholic Relief Services continue to provide life-saving assistance in nearly 100 countries. CRS works on our behalf to care for the poorest in our world and to end global poverty.



**Help Is Needed!**

**Stations of the Cross** will start Friday, February 15th at 7:00pm. Stations of the Cross are every Friday during Lent. We need Servers to help every Friday including Good Friday. If you are willing to serve, please call the parish office, 865-2271.

**The Lenten Fast**

**Ash Wednesday**

This day is commemorated by fasting and by abstinence from meat.

**Lenten Fridays**

These days are marked by the discipline of abstinence from meat.

**How Do We Fast?**

**The Customary Fast**

This fast allows for only one full meal to be taken during the day. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain strength according to one's needs. Eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

**Age Guidelines for Fasting**

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday and who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday.

**Age Guidelines for Abstinence**

Abstinence is to be practiced by all who are 14 years of age and older.

**Why Do We Fast and Abstain?**

The practice of the Lenten Fast is a practice of the whole parish community. Though the fast is carried out personally, we are united in our action through Jesus Christ. Our united fast and abstinence is our prayer to the Father through Jesus. Those who have already celebrated their 59th birthday are welcome to share with the community in these practices. However, they should take appropriate care regarding their personal health.

**St. Joseph Religious Education**

**We Follow Jesus**

This week the young people of the parish preparing for Reconciliation reflected on the Great Commandment. Keeping God's commandments and living the law of love are the source and foundation of holiness. How do we as a parish live the command of Jesus to love one another as he has loved us?

**Andrean High School**

Congratulations to the following Andrean High School students who earned Honor Roll status for this past quarter:

**Andrean Honor Society**

Ryan Ricciardi

**A Honor Roll**

Gabrielle Alcott

Christa Tarala

**B Honor Roll**

Aileen Garcia

Daniel Gomez

Nicholas Harris

Jason Schichner

Jaclyn Schneider

James Tarala

Matthew Ziolkowski

**Diocese of Gary Pro Life Committee**

Invites you to join them for a **Presentation by Bill Pelke**. Journey of Hope...from violence to Healing on Tuesday, February 26, 2013. 6:30pm Hord'oeuvres & 7:00pm Speaker at Our Lady of Consolation Parish Hall, 8303 Taft Street in Merrillville.

RSVP by February 21st. Call: Catholic Charities 886-3549 x331 or email: [jstewart@catholic-charities.org](mailto:jstewart@catholic-charities.org).

Free-will donations accepted. Mail to: Catholic Charities, 940 Broadway, Gary, IN 46402.

**Churches in Eastern Europe**

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports Catholic organizations that provide affordable shelter and train seminarians in a region still struggling in the aftermath of atheistic Soviet rule. By providing pastoral care, catechesis, and aid, your donations help restore the strength of the Church in the region. Please give generously to the Collection next week. Visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) (search "Church in Central and Eastern Europe") to learn more.

**Ministry Schedule**  
**February 16th & 17th**

**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

**Ministry Schedule**  
**February 16th & 17th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—A. David, J. David  
8:00am—Need Servers  
10:00am—Young People’s Mass  
6:00pm—P. Kwasigroch



**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
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Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,  
“Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?”  
“Here I am, “I said, “send me!”  
— *Isaiah 6:8*

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