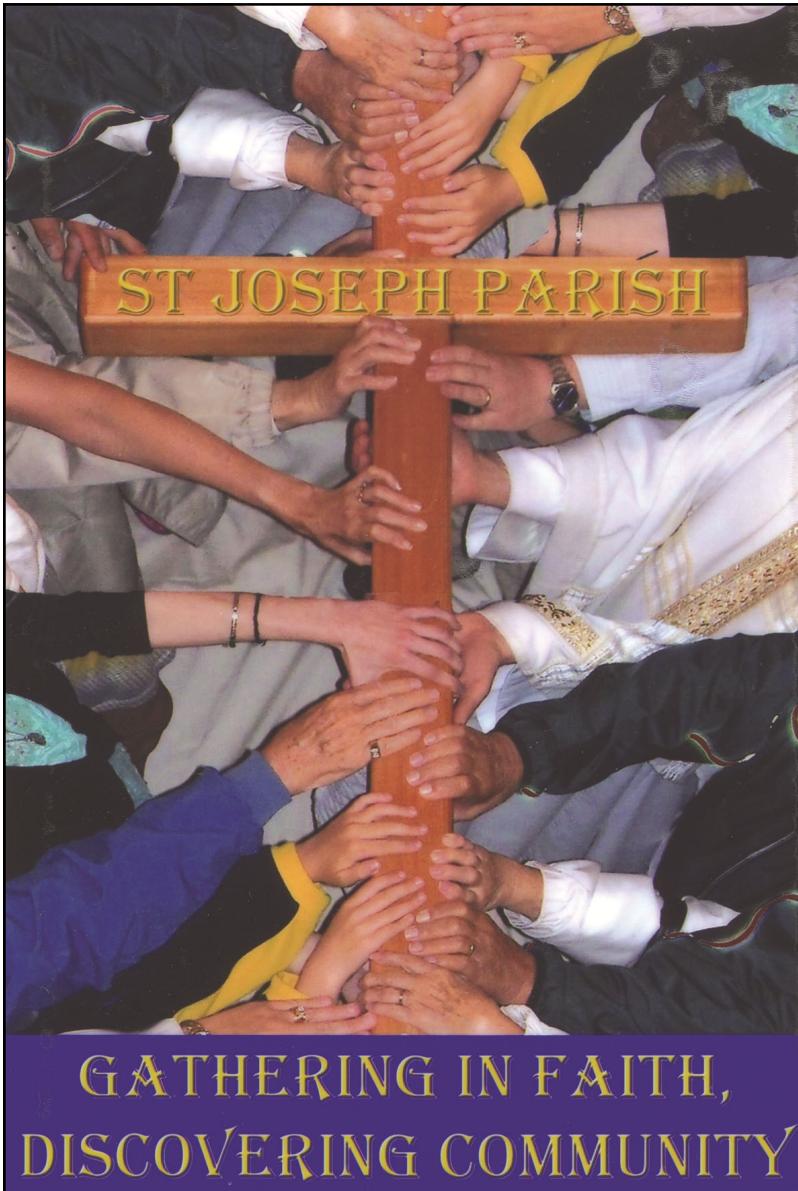


St. Joseph Church

March 19, 2017
Third Sunday of Lent

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Rev. Ted J. Mauch, Administrator



**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

Parish Office 865-2271
Religious Education Office: 865-2271
Fax..... 865-2350

Staff Directory

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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, March 20, St. Joseph**

9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners
7:00 PM St. Joseph Parishioners

Tuesday, March 21, Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners

Wednesday, March 22, Lenten Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, March 23, Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners
6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, March 24, Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners

Weekend Mass Intentions**Saturday, March 25, Vigil: 4th Sunday of Lent**

4:30 PM Brother Gerald Hall

Sunday, March 26, 4th Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of
Brooks/Prystalski Family
10:00 AM Deceased Members of Grosso/Hartnett
Family
6:00 PM The People of the Parish

**St. Joseph**

In honor of our patron saint,
there will be a celebration of two
masses on Monday, March 20th at
9:00am and 7:00pm.

Please join us for this celebration.

LAWN MOWING

It's that time again. We are looking for teams of two parishioners (men and women) to help mow and trim the lawns around the church property. The more teams we have, the less time you will need to help out.

The lawn to be cut will be around the church, rectory, route 30 and the school.

Our maintenance men will take care of the cemetery.

There are sign-up sheets in the main vestibule. This really helps out our parish. Please consider this important ministry. You can also call the parish office, 865-2271.

Sunday Readings Reflections

3/26/2017

First Reading -- As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David and remained with him from that day forward (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

Psalm -- The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading -- You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord. Live as children of light (Ephesians 5:8-14).

Gospel -- The man who was blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash. When I washed, I was able to see! (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38])

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**THIRSTING FOR
LIFE-GIVING WATERS**

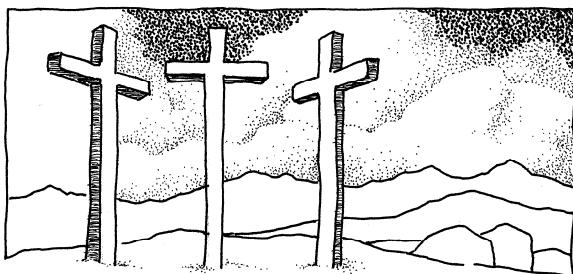
Especially during the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter seasons, the prayer texts of the Eastern Church revel in paradoxical images of Christ: the eternal life who is put to death, the host of the supper who is also its meal, the thirsty crucified one with living water streaming from his side. These images flow from the evangelists' portrayals of Jesus and from his very ministry, during which he often upset or reversed people's expectations about him or the ways of God. This "reversal" is at play in today's Gospel, as Jesus speaks to an enemy foreigner who is also a woman beneath his status. In addition he, the thirsting one, shows the woman to be the one truly thirsting. He--whose parched lips will say "I thirst" before he dies--is the source of life and life-giving water. Lent calls upon us to dwell on how each of us is thirsting for Christ, and it leads us, ultimately, back to the life-giving waters of our baptism into his Body.

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SYNOD 2017

As we move closer to our diocesan synod event on June 3-4, enter more fully into this beautiful and prayerful season of Lent with a reflection on daily Scripture written by our local Church leaders. See today's reflection and find out more about the synod at degary.org.



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Today

We won't be coming back this way,
The path on which we trod,
No chance to appreciate a second time
The gifts that come from God
They're around you every moment
Of each and every day,
Yet still we fail to notice
The gifts He's brought our way.
He knows that we are busy
And that there's a lot to do,
But everything he's done
He's done for me and you.
So while the chance is here
Before it passes away,
Find some time to thank Him
For giving you today.

Christen Breitfeller

Stewardship of Treasure Report

March 11th & 12th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount

Collected: \$7858.00

Charity: \$0

Religious Education: \$169.00

Food Pantry: \$2585.13

50/50 Raffle: \$220.00



Catholic Relief Services Collection

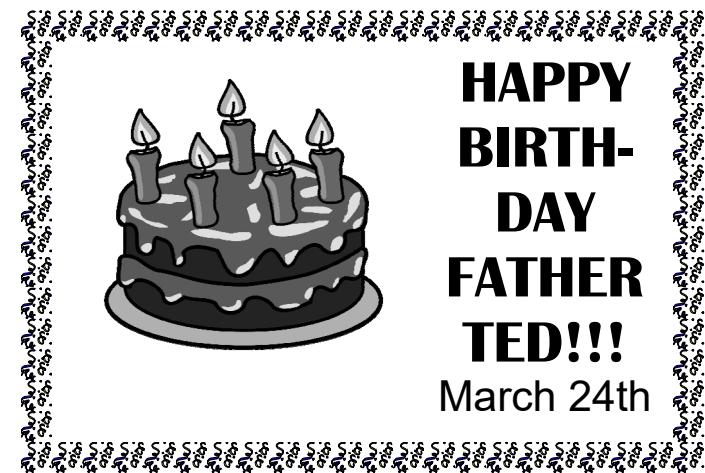
Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC).

Funds from the collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people here at home and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and **help Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



Camp Lawrence

Camp Lawrence in Valparaiso is looking for counselors, lifeguards and a student nurse to work the 2017 camp season. Please contact the Catholic Youth Organization for more information. 219-736-8931 or nwic-yo@comcast.net.



**HAPPY
BIRTH-
DAY
FATHER
TED!!!**

March 24th

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, March 21

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
4:30-5:45pm—RE Classes in school

Thursday, March 23

6:30pm—Family Rosary
7:00pm—Choir Practice

Friday, March 24

7:00pm—Stations of the Cross at
St. Maria Goretti

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Long ago, the custom of sending some pieces of consecrated bread from the Lord's table began to take hold. Originally it was a way of assuring the sick and imprisoned of their bonds of faith and affection with the community from whom they were separated. By the third century, at least in Rome, we have evidence that the bishop would consign some of the sacred elements to presbyters or deacons. There was a crisis in the unity of the church early on, called the quartodeciman controversy, since some people wanted to celebrate the Pasch on the fourteenth day (quartodecima) of the Jewish month Nissan, even if it didn't fall on a Sunday. The debate so fractured the church that the historian of the era, Eusebius, reported a new development to the pope. He wrote that the churches holding to the Lord's Day sent out consecrated bread to the disgruntled people of the quartodeciman pastors with whom they were quarreling. Meanwhile, bishops complained about people taking the Eucharist home. St. Cyprian told a cautionary tale of a sinful woman who tried to open the "casket" containing the consecrated bread in her home. She was deterred from receiving, he said, by flames erupting from the box. Clearly, he wanted people to think twice before bringing Communion home!

The Council of Nicaea defined the "old rule of the church" as allowing for reserving the eucharistic bread for the sake of the dying. The same council could foresee circumstances of persecution when people might have the Eucharist on hand to administer to one another in a time of great danger, literally, at the point of a sword. The first and enduring purpose for reserving the Eucharist is viaticum for the dying.

--Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on March 7th

Was # 291

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.

Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus, St. Pope John Paul II council 16008 from St. James in Highland is going to be hosting a Pancake Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Sunday, April 2nd from 7:30am—1pm in the parish hall. This is a free will donation with the proceeds going to help various projects within the parish. All are invited to come! Please contact Dan Mills at 219-801-5250 for more information.

Ministry Schedule
March 25th & 26th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Bonnie Gruver, Lee Kobza,
Joe Nowacki
8:00am—Judy Kline, Steve Kline,
Pauline Rybicki
10:00am—Gary Blue, Sue Blue,
Barb Graegin
6:00pm—Allan Burgos, Ernie Leicht,
Irene Magana

Lectors

4:30pm—Joe David
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki
10:00am—Sandy Riley
6:00pm—Kurt Vanderah

Ministry Schedule
March 25th & 26th

Altar Servers

4:30pm— Ian Gruver, Joe Nowacki
8:00am—Joe Nowacki, Joe Stankovich
10:00am— Jack Fingar, Dominic Rizzo
6:00pm— Lillian Smith, Lanie Taylor



Third Sunday of Lent

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While we were still sinners
Christ died for us.
-- Romans 5:8

SPRING

The first day of spring is one thing, and the first spring day is another. The difference between them is sometimes as great as a month.--Henry Van Dyke

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