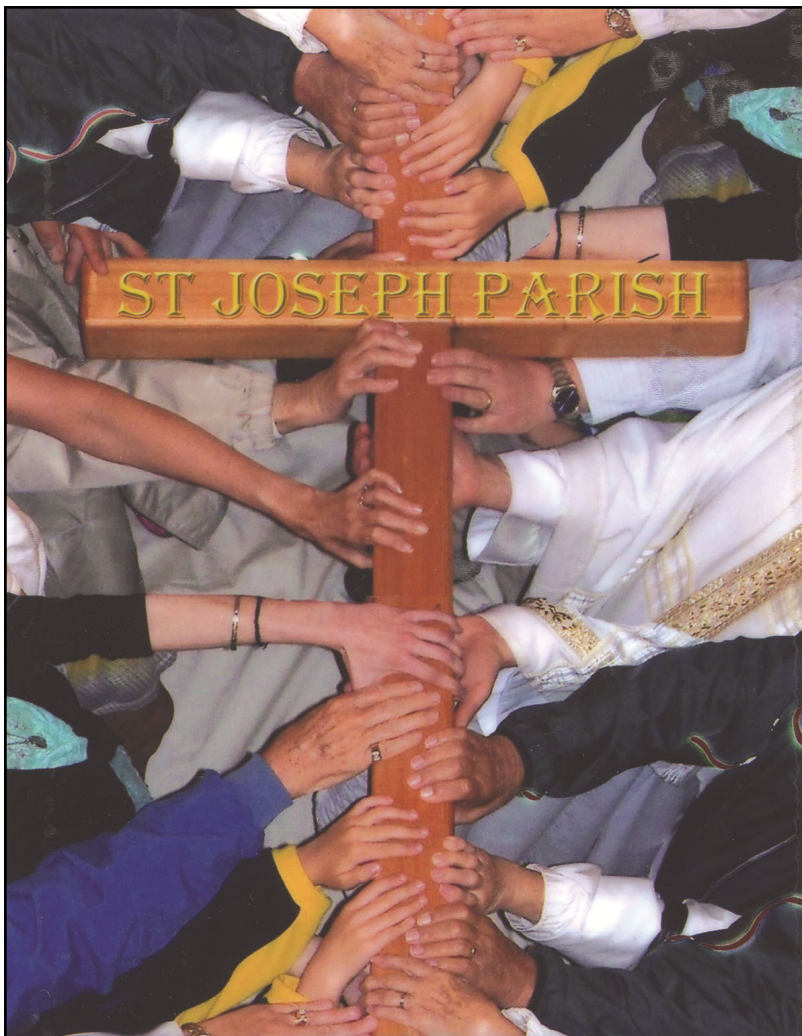


St. Joseph Church

March 23, 2014
Third Sunday of Lent

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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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Religious Education Fax865-3740

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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, March 24, Lenten Weekday
 9:00 AM The Deceased Members of Joan Wanicki Family

Tuesday, March 25, The Annunciation of the Lord
 9:00 AM Donald Smith

Wednesday, March 26, Lenten Weekday
 No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, March 27, Lenten Weekday
 9:00 AM Poor Souls
 6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, March 28, Lenten Weekday
 9:00 AM Helen Hebert
 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 29, Vigil: 4th Sunday of Lent
 4:30 PM For the Paulson & Huber Families

Sunday, March 30, 4th Sunday of Lent
 8:00 AM The People of the Parish
 10:00 AM Richard Heffernan
 6:00 PM Poor Souls

LAWN MOWING

Spring is coming! We need men and women who are willing to help with mowing the lawn and weed-wacking around the church and school. We have the equipment and gas. We need the “manpower” and “womanpower”. There are sign-up sheets in all the vestibules. The more people who volunteer, the less you will have to mow. You may also call the parish office, 865-2271.

Spring Weather

In the spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours.

—Mark Twain

**2014
 Catholic Charities
 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
 MASS AND RECEPTION**

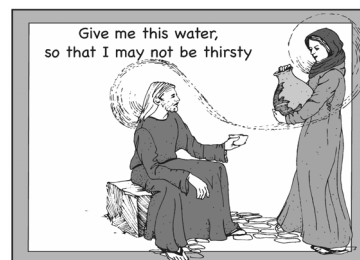
Couples celebrating their 25th 40th, 50th, and over 50 year wedding anniversaries in **2014** and their families are invited to attend the Anniversary Mass and Reception. Bishop Dale J. Melczek will celebrate the Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels in Gary, IN, on Saturday, May 10, 2014, beginning at 4:00pm.

These special couples and their families are invited to a reception following the Mass. There is no charge for this event, which will be in the Cathedral Hall. Each couple will receive a wedding Anniversary certificate signed by the Bishop.

There are Reservation Forms in the main vestibule. Please fill out and mail to: Anniversary Mass, c/o Catholic Charities, 940 Broadway, Gary, IN 46402.

The deadline is Wednesday, April 16, 2014. For questions, call 219-886-3549 x 331.

The Ladies Rosary Confraternity of St. Andrew the Apostle Parish in Calumet City will hold its Annual Bingo in the St. Andrew Gym (156th and Freeland Avenue) on Sunday, March 30, 2014. Everyone 18 years of age and older will be welcome. Doors open at 12:00 noon, with the first game to be called at 1:00pm with cash prizes, food, and raffles. Admission is \$3.00. Proceeds from the Bingo will benefit the St. Andrew the Apostle “Restoring Our Home” campaign. For more information, call Barbara at 708-891-1069.



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Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

It is one thing to have endurance but it is quite another thing to have patient endurance. Endurance is our stick-to-it-ness but our attitude might not be pleasant. We may lament the long day at work or the tedious time of doing clean-up around the home. Patient endurance faces the long day at work with inner quiet and resulting outer calm because the patient part flows out of gratitude to God for guiding us along. We wait on the Lord for showing us how to work a long day wisely and creatively. Also, we wait on the Lord in the clean-up process and are grateful for cleaning agents doing their things.

Day-to-day challenges become easy and light when we approach them with patient endurance in the Christ who patiently endures the Cross and reveals wisdom, re-creation, and cleansing through His resurrection. Our communion with Christ Jesus' patient endurance strengthens us to view life not as an endurance contest but rather as a patient endurance faith journey.

In the journey of faith,

Fr. Terry

Stewardship of Treasure Report

March 8th & 9th

Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$6200.45

Children's Collection: \$16.10

Charity: \$65.00

Religious Education: \$137.00

Churches in Eastern Europe: \$514.70

Food Pantry: \$2109.86

50/50 Raffle: \$310.00

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on March 11th

Was # 764

The Winner Would Have Won \$1372.50

(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 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.

Share with the Handicapped

The Service League of Share Foundation With the Handicapped is planning a **Spring Luncheon** with door prizes, a silent auction & entertainment on **April 9th, in the Halls of St. George, Schererville from 10:30am—2:00pm.** Sharing Meadows is a residence and camp for developmentally disabled adults in Rolling Prairie. **\$35/person.** For more information: call Share Foundation (219-778-2585) or Chairperson Emogene Grant (219-663-5271).
www.sharefoundation.org.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, March 25

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
No Religious Education

Thursday, March 27

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

Friday, March 28

7:00pm—Stations of the Cross

Sunday, March 30

11:15am-12:30pm—Reflection of Holy
Mass in Gathering Room

THIRSTING FOR UNITY

In today’s Gospel, Jesus is thirsty and goes to the well for a drink of water. He meets a Samaritan woman, who expects him to treat her like dirt. But surprise! He talks to her like a fellow human being, treats her with respect and interest. And what happens? Why, pretty soon the whole town turns out to hear him.

Centuries earlier, the Israelites, wandering in the desert, were thirsty. They had no water. All they had was an attitude problem. They growled at Moses, “Why did you ever make us leave Egypt?” But surprise! God gave them water from the rock. No questions asked.

All the peoples of Earth are travelers on this planet together, all thirsting, all harboring our own fearful expectations of each other. But God, as a loving parent, treats us all with generous care and compassion. We are one family. We could surprise each other. We could remember we are one.

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Later

One who waits to do a great deal of good at once, will never do anything.
—Samuel Johnson

**TREASURES FROM
OUR TRADITION**

Especially during the Lent and Easter seasons, we are very conscious of the communal nature of baptism. We stand witness to the baptism of adults at the Easter Vigil in many parishes, and countless parishes celebrate festive baptisms for infants. The rule for celebrating baptism is that it be only once a day in any parish church, a sign of the Church’s desire that baptism be the work of the gathered community. “Private baptism” is therefore a misnomer, since all baptisms, even emergency baptisms for infants in danger of death, are a public act of entrance in to the Body of Christ, the Church.

In an emergency, and providing the parents desire it, anyone can baptize by pouring water and saying, “I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” But then afterward the Church is encouraged to supply what is missing: the gathered assembly to proclaim and hear God’s word, the promises, the naming, the anointings, the clothing with a white garment, the candle, the Lord’s Prayer, and the solemn blessing of the parents at the altar. Wonderfully, this ritual often provides the opportunity for great rejoicing at the recovery of an infant who had been in danger.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Catholic Relief Service

Next week, our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. This Collection supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. The funds from this Collection provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and show Christ’s love and respect to all people. Next week, please give generously to the Catholic Relief Services Collection and **help Jesus in disguise.**

Ministry Schedule
March 29th & 30th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Emma Gallenberger, Kay Hoffman,
Sandy O’Drobinak
8:00am—Rick Dernulc, Frank Ziolkowski,
Karen Ziolkowski
10:00am—John Hearne, Mike Klausman,
Margaret Quinn, Connie Peschel(choir)
6:00pm—Tamara Fredrickson, Renan Garcia,
Yvonne Weaver

Lectors

4:30pm—Brooke Rangel
8:00am—Karen Ziolkowski
10:00am—Tom Heffernan, Bridget Cavanaugh
6:00pm—Renan Garcia

Availability

God does not ask for our ability or our inability, but
our availability. —Anonymous

Ministry Schedule
March 29th & 30th

Altar Servers

4:30pm—Lillian Smith
8:00am—C. Kline, J. Kline, K. Kline
10:00am—Jim Morris, Jesse Navarro
6:00pm—Need Servers



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

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