

# St. Joseph Church

March 29, 2015

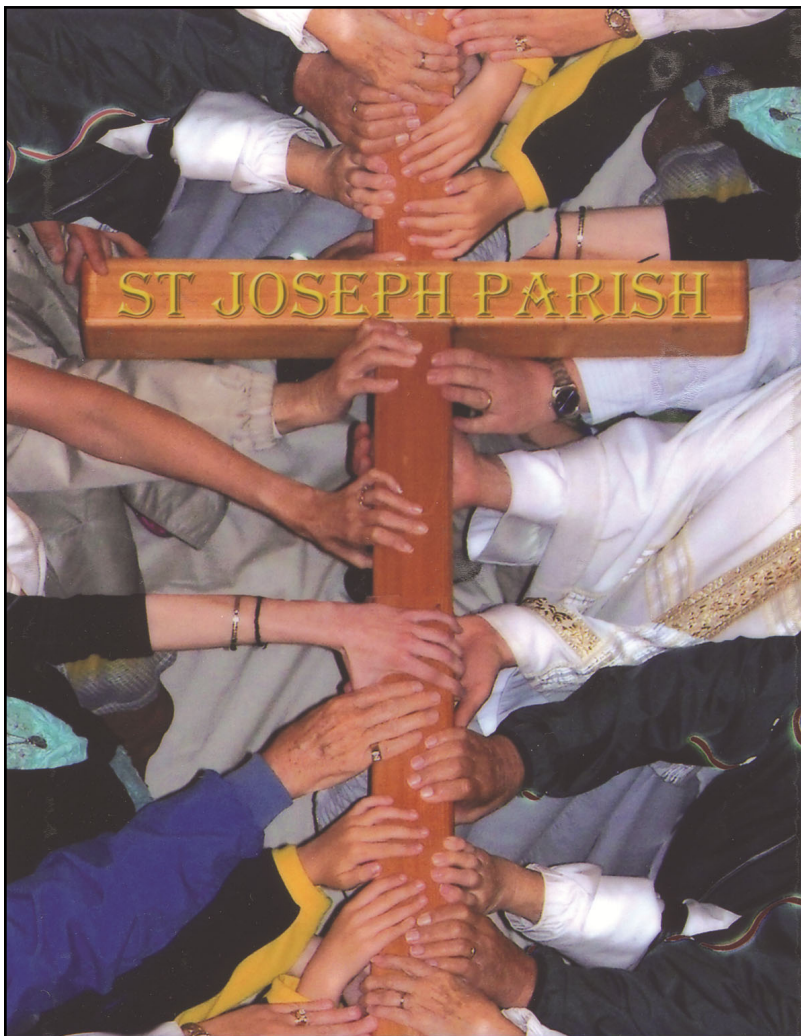
Palm Sunday

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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 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

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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, 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, March 30, Monday of Holy Week**

9:00 AM Donald Smith

**Tuesday, March 31, Tuesday of Holy Week**

9:00 AM Nick & Ester Zarlenga

**Wednesday, April 1, Wednesday of Holy Week**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, April 2, Holy Thursday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

6:30 PM Family Rosary

7:00 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

**Friday, April 3, Good Friday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

1:30 PM Good Friday Services

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, April 4, Vigil: Easter Sunday**

7:30 PM The People of the Parish

**Sunday, April 5, Easter Sunday**

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM The People of the Parish

No 6:00 PM Mass

**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.

Also let us know if they would like their name published in the bulletin to be prayed for by the parishioners.

Thank You.

**Please Note!**

The parish office will be closed Monday, April 6th.

**Easter Liturgy Schedule**

**Individual Reconciliation**

Monday, March 30—7:00pm

Tuesday, March 31—11:00am

Wednesday, April 1—7:00pm

**Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Thursday, April 2—7:00pm

**Good Friday, April 3**

1:30pm Good Friday Services

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

**Holy Saturday, April 4**

12 Noon—Blessing of the Food Baskets

7:30pm—Easter Vigil Mass

**Easter Sunday, April 5**

8:00am & 10:00am Masses

**No 6:00pm mass**

**Helping Hands Food Pantry**

There will be a second collection next weekend, April 11th & 12th for our Food Pantry. You are also invited to bring groceries to help restock our shelves.

**Stewardship: A Way of Life**

Jesus, the humble village carpenter, frequently attracted large crowds with his preaching. A moment of apparent triumph and glory came when these same people in Jerusalem acclaimed him as king, probably hoping he would be a new military leader and overthrow the occupying Romans. His triumph was brief, for the next day the same crowds turned on him. He spoke truthfully and was not cowed in Pilate's presence, yet Pilate had Jesus put to death. Ever since that first Good Friday, those who pass through the darkest nights know they don't go alone. For each of us Jesus obediently and willingly entered into the pain and sorrow of humanity. He counted the milestones along the way of despair, and fell into the abyss of death. There are no dead-end streets any more. For us, at the end of every road, there shines the light of Christ.

**Pastor's Column**

Dear Parishioners:

There are times in the Old Testament that we get the impression that God expects us to choose the good on our own, separate from God. That somehow God is waiting to see if we'll make poor choices. The Good News about God's Love for us is that God is one with us at all times and in Jesus the Son of God made human, God's oneness guides us in our every choice.

The foundation to our choice-making is Christ Jesus who reminds us during his earthly life that true greatness is based on being humble servants of God the Father's Will. This means we are on this earth to live in the name of Jesus, not to try to make a name for ourselves. Our Holy Communion with Jesus at Eucharist deepens our willingness to live as humble servants of God's Will.

Because God loves us first in Christ, we do not go it alone in this life of choice-making. God never pulls back from us in God's Love for us. Thus, we can live confidently in Jesus, faithful to Jesus' guidance in the Holy Spirit for us. Choosing the good separate from God's oneness with us is absurd for God clarifies for us through Jesus, His Son, that God guides us in our every moment. The Old Testament is fulfilled in the New Testament of Christ the savior. Thank God we don't have to go it alone amidst the many choices we face in daily life. Our Beloved Jesus guides us at all times in the Holy Spirit to make our choices as humble servants of God's Will.

In Our God of Oneness,

Fr. Terry

**Our Lady of Grace**

Our Lady of Grace Pre-School, 3027 Condit Street in Highland is currently accepting registration for the 2015/2016 school year. Children must be 3 years old by August 1, 2015 and fully potty trained to enroll. We are having an Open House on Wednesday, May 20th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. All are welcome! For more information about our program, call 972-6377.

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

March 21st & 22nd

**Due to the Printer's Easter Schedule, the Treasure Report figures will be printed next weekend.**

**PLEASE NOTE!**

To help our Money Counters to be able to go home on a Sunday evening in a reasonable time, please do not put tape on your Treasure envelopes. This takes them a lot longer to open the envelopes and eliminates destruction of a check or cash in the envelope. Thank You for your cooperation.

**PROPHETIC ANOINTING**

The solemnity of today's readings invites us into silent contemplation of the mystery of our redemption. There are so many levels on which to understand the events of the Passion. The woman who anoints Jesus acts prophetically in a way that the other disciples do not yet grasp. Anointing is for priests, prophets, and kings, and also for the preparation of the dead. It is for healing and for holiness. Her action acknowledges the imminent events of the passion and death of the Lord, and points toward his resurrection and triumph over evil and death. He is priest and victim, prophet and God, King and Lord. All these things are acknowledged in her prophetic anointing. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**Las Vegas Benefit Night**

Casino Royale held at St. James Hall, 45th and Kennedy, Highland on April 11 from 6:10pm to 12am. Featuring Blackjack, Roulette, Beat-The-Dealer Dice, 3-Card Stud, Caribbean Stud, Let-It-Ride, Chuck-A-Luck, Money Wheel and Live Poker. \$10 donation includes all foods & beverages. Must be 21 and older to attend. More info, call 718-3787. Sponsored by the K of C #8082. Proceeds for various charities.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, March 30**

7:00 pm—Confessions

**Tuesday, March 31**

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing

11:00am—Confessions

4:30-5:45pm—Session A—Religious Education classes in school

6:15-7:30pm—Session B—Religious Education classes in school

**Wednesday, April 1**

7:00pm—Confessions

**Thursday, April 2**

No 9:00am Mass

6:30pm—Family Rosary

7:00pm—Mass of the Lord’s Supper

**Friday, April 3**

No 9:00am Mass

1:30pm—Good Friday Services

7:00pm— Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, April 4**

12:00 noon—Blessing of the Food Baskets

7:30pm—Easter Vigil Mass

**Sunday, April 5**

8:00am—Mass

10:00am—Mass

**No 6:00pm Mass**

**2015 Catholic Charities  
Wedding Anniversary  
Mass & Reception**

Saturday, May 9, 2015—4:00pm—at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels in Gary. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, and over 50 year wedding anniversaries in 2015 and their families are invited to attend the Anniversary Mass and Reception. Bishop Donald J. Hying will celebrate the Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral beginning at 4pm. There is no charge for this event. Each couple will receive a wedding certificate signed by the Bishop. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, April 15th. Call 219-886-3549 x331.

There are brochures at all the entrances.

**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

The Number Drawn on March 17th  
Was # 312

The Winner Would Have Won \$267.50  
(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.

*Character cannot be developed in peace and quiet. Only through experiences of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, vision be cleared, ambition insured and success achieved.*

—Helen Keller

**Ministry Schedule**

**April 4th & 5th**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

7:30pm— Gary Blue, Kathy Lebryk,  
Karen Ziolkowski

8:00am—Rick Dernulc, Frank Ziolkowski,  
Karen Ziolkowski

10:00am—Barb Graegin, Laura Hays,  
Need Volunteer

**NO 6:00PM MASS**

**Lectors**

7:30pm— Wayne Gallenger, Mike Klausman

8:00am—Noel & Kathy Cusick

10:00am— Tom Heffernan, Diana Giovane

**NO 6:00PM MASS**

**Suffering**

Jesus did not come to do away with suffering or  
remove it. He came to fill it with his presence.

-Paul Claudent

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**April 4th & 5th**

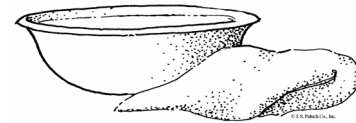
**Altar Servers**

7:30 pm— Jim Morris

8:00am—Joe Stankovich

10:00am—Andrew & Kevin Huffman,  
Jim Morris

**NO 6:00PM MASS**



**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

**March 29, 2015**

[Christ Jesus] humbled himself,  
becoming obedient to the point of death,  
even death on a cross.

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