

St. Joseph Church

April 20, 2014

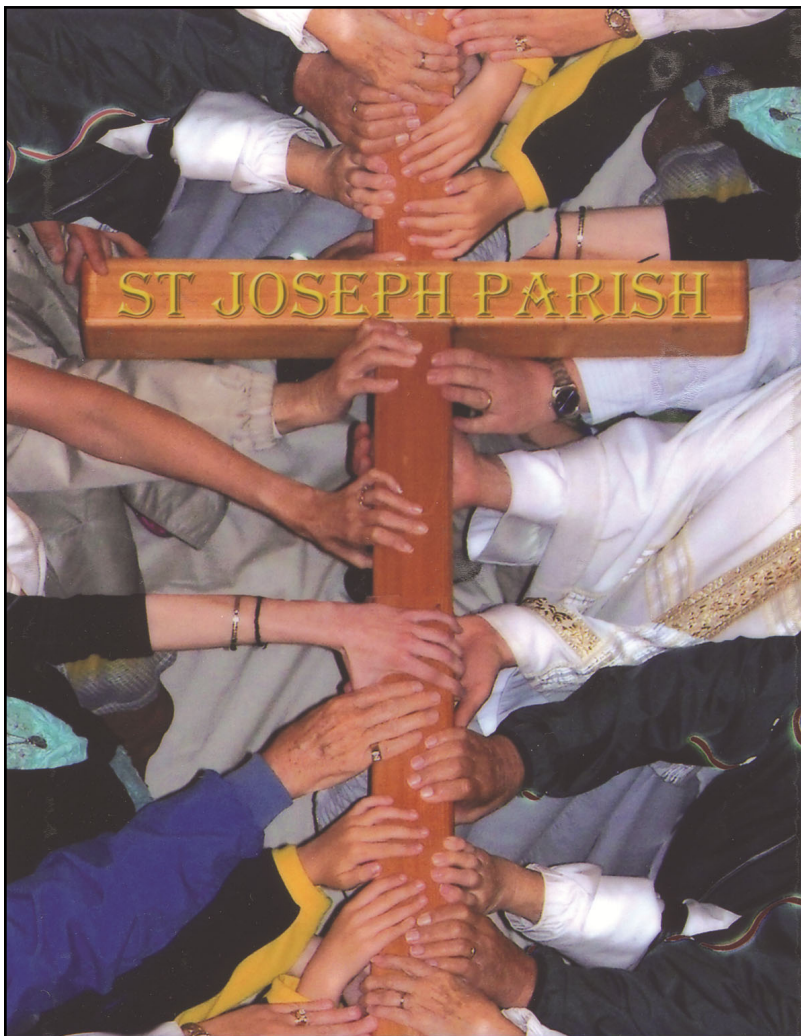
Easter Sunday

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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 Office865-2271

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Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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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, April 21, Monday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Tuesday, April 22, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Stanley & Anna Kaczocha

Wednesday, April 23, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, April 24, Thursday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Poor Souls

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, April 25, Friday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 26, Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Easter

4:30 PM Angelo & Caterina Micheli

Sunday, April 27, 2nd Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Poor Souls

10:00 AM Family of Kevin Andrew Garza

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Please Note!

The parish office will be closed Monday, April 21st.



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**St. Joseph Religious Education
First Eucharist**

This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for Eucharist reflected on listening to the word of God. God’s presence with us is manifested in the gift of the Scriptures, God’s own word to us. How do we as a parish listen attentively to the word of God and allow the Spirit of love to transform our hearts and our minds—our very lives?

This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for Eucharist reflected on their gifts, which are blessings from God. At the Eucharist (a word meaning “to give thanks”) we thank God for all his gifts and blessings. How do we as a parish help others develop such a grateful heart?

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.

Thank You.

St. Matthias

St. Matthias Women’s Club in Crown Point is hosting a CRAZY BUNCO on Sunday, May 4th at St. Matthias Parish Hall. Our Doors open at 11 (for lunch) and the games begin at NOON (12). Cost: \$15 includes lunch and games. You must be 18 years of age to play. Crazy Bunco is so easy you can learn as you play!! Fun will be had by everyone! Love to see you!

Pastor’s Column

Dear Parishioners:

One of the more commonly used drugs is caffeine. It is often disguised as coffee and when we desire a cup of coffee, many times it is because we desire caffeine. Yes, caffeine is perceived as a wake-up drug that helps us get started in the morning. Some people say: “I can’t wake up until I have had a cup of coffee!” This sounds like an enslavement to caffeine and hurts our freedom as God’s children.

It is possible to “wake-up” each day without caffeine thanks to Jesus. When we realize through faith in Jesus that we breathe Jesus’ presence in our every breath, then the coffee grounds take “back seat” to the Holy Spirit “grounds” that are “percolating” within us. To smell the “aroma” every morning of Jesus within us through the Holy Spirit is far more awakening than caffeine. Jesus helps us stay awake to God Our Father’s will throughout the day. And when it comes time to sleep, we can do so peaceably without any caffeine residual.

It is God’s Will that we experience freedom as God’s children. The more awareness we have of our enslavements which can include caffeine, the more likely we are to “wake-up” to the illusion that we cannot start our day without coffee. The truth is we can start our day just fine with Jesus in our every breath. We will have plenty of alertness throughout our day(s) as we wean ourselves off of drugs and live soberly in Christ’s constant presence through the Holy Spirit.

With Easter Love in Christ,
Fr. Terry

World Youth Day 2016 Pilgrimage

Youth and young adults (16-30’s) are invited on a pilgrimage to World Youth Day, July 2016. Included: WYD festivities, including liturgy with the Holy Father. Additionally, the group will journey on a memorable pilgrimage that will include visits to Rome, Assisi, Aushchwitz, Wadowice, as well as religious formation & liturgy. Estimated p.p. cost is \$4150, includes transportation, hotel, tours, and most meals. First deposit of \$150 is due to the diocese by May 1 to secure participation. Under 18 must be under the guidance of a chaperone. For a full itinerary, contact Kevin Driscoll (219-769-9292 x229) or visit garyoyya.org.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

April 5th & 6th

- Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$7548.50**
- Children’s Collection: \$35.10**
- Charity: \$10.00**
- Religious Education: \$16.00**
- Catholic Relief Service: \$70.00**
- Easter: \$80.00**
- 50/50 Raffle: \$363.00**

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on April 8th
Was # 386

The Winner Would Have Won \$2026.50
(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 pre-printed 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.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, April 21

Parish Office closed

Tuesday, April 22

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing

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

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

Wednesday, April 23

4:45-5:15pm—Market Day pickup

Thursday, April 24

6:30pm—Family Rosary

7:30pm—Choir practice

Catholic Services Appeal

The annual Catholic Services Appeal will begin in all parishes in the Diocese of Gary the weekend of May 3-4. The CSA is an opportunity for the people of the diocese to give witness to their faith and to affirm their unity as the People of God by responding to one another's needs. The participation of all our parishioners is essential in order for our diocese to continue Jesus' mission of peace, love, and justice here on earth.

Divine Mercy Sunday & Canonization of Pope John Paul II

Pope John Paul II will be canonized on Sunday, April 27, 2014 on Divine Mercy Sunday, a devotion that he believed in and made universal throughout the whole Church. At St. Mary Church, 525 N. Broad St., Griffith, we will be celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday and the canonization of Pope John Paul II. Starting at 4:00pm we will have the blessing of Divine Mercy Image and Procession into church, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Veneration of the Divine Mercy, and examination of conscience and confession.

Las Vegas benefit night

Casino Royale held at St. James Hall, 45th and Kennedy, Highland on May 3 from 6:10pm to 12am. Featuring Blackjack, Roulette, E-Z Dice, 3-Card Stud, Caribbean Stud, Let-It-Ride, Pokereno, Money Wheel and Live Poker. \$10 donation includes all foods & Beverages. Must be 21 and older to attend. More info, call 718-3787. This is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Father McGivney Council #8082.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to our Choir Director and Parish Choir for their spiritual Easter liturgies in song. When you see them, please thank them

Choir Director

Mary Jadernak

Parish Choir

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| Frank Batinick | Irene Narcisi |
| Celeste Dusek | Stephanie O'Drobinak |
| Tara Homans | Constance Peschel |
| Phyllis Howard | Tommy Prendergast |
| Rose Ilgin | Emily Reichelt |
| Lee Klausman | Ron Reichelt |
| Pauline Kozlowski | Arlene Stuchlak |
| George Kucka | Dan sullivan |
| Tom Lewandowski | Lad Tajer |
| Tony Maicher | Marianne Trembacki |
| Ken Mantel | |



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Andrean High School Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following Andrean High School students:

A Honor Roll—Gabrielle Alcott, Jaclyn Schneider, Jason Schichner

B Honor Roll—Daniel Gomez

Ministry Schedule
April 26th & 27th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Lorraine Golon, Bonnie Gruver,
Lee Kobza
8:00am—Perla Garcia, Judy Kline,
Steve Kline
10:00am—Gary Blue, Sue Blue,
Barb Graegin, Connie Peschel (choir)
6:00pm—Allan Burgos, Ernie Leicht,
Constance Peschel

Lectors

4:30pm—Mary Flanagan
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki
10:00am— Sandra Riley & Diana Giovane
6:00pm—

Easter

It is the hour to rend thy chains, the blossom time
of souls. —Katherine Lee Bates

Ministry Schedule
April 26th & 27th

Altar Servers

4:30pm—Lillian Smith
8:00am—Need Servers
10:00am—Andrew Huffman, Kevin Huffman
6:00pm—Lanie Taylor



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When Christ your life appears,
then you too will appear with him in glory.
— *Colossians 3:4*

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