

# St. Joseph Church

April 26, 2015

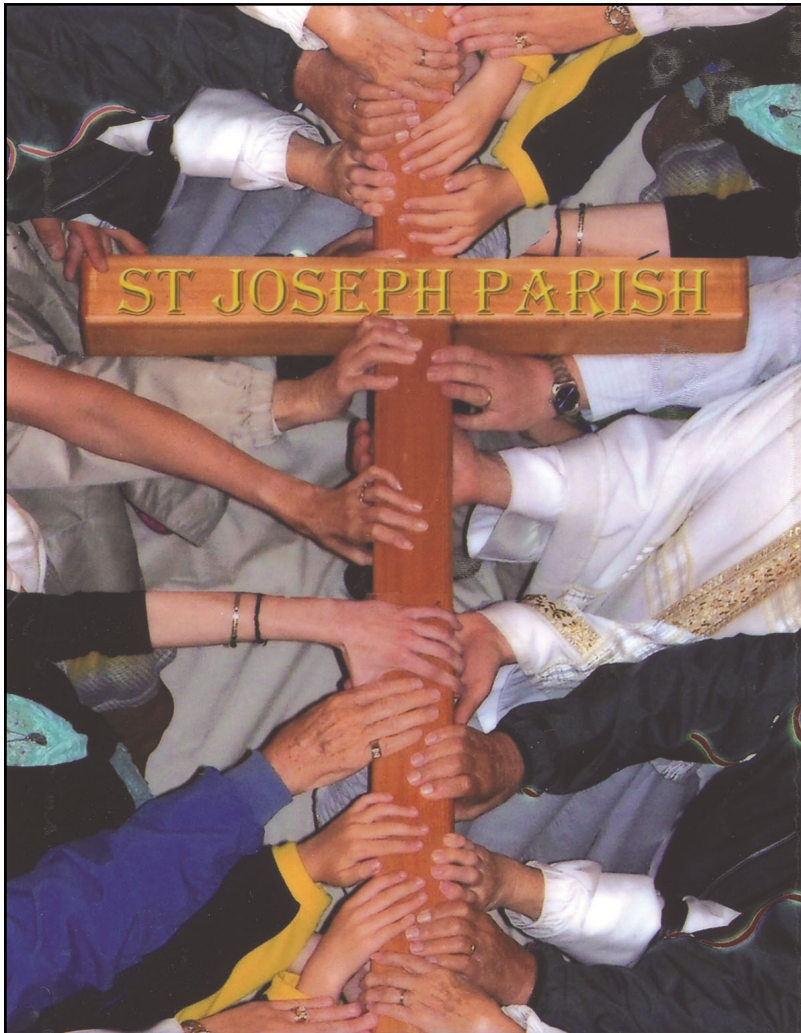
Fourth Sunday of Easter

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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, April 27, Easter Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Joe & Anne Katula Family

**Tuesday, April 28, Easter Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Constance Heintz

**Wednesday, April 29, St. Catherine of Siena**  
 No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, April 30, Easter Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Stanley & Anna Kaczocha  
 6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, May 1, Easter Weekday**  
 9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the  
 Martin Gomez Family

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, May 2, Vigil: 5th Sunday of Easter**  
 4:30 PM Cataldo & Santa DeAngelis

**Sunday, May 3, 5th Sunday of Easter**  
 8:00 AM Norma Beiriger  
 10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza  
 6:00 PM The People of the Parish

**Sisters of Providence**

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, would like to invite you to consider becoming a Providence Associate. Applications for the coming year are being accepted until June 30.

Providence Associates are women and men of faith who enter into a deeper relationship with the Sisters of Providence and help carry the mission of love, mercy and justice to the world through their everyday lives. Currently, more than 200 Providence Associates live and serve across the United States and in Taiwan.

You can learn more at [www.ProvidenceAssociates.org](http://www.ProvidenceAssociates.org) or contact Providence Associate Debbie Dillow at 317-250-3294 or [ddillow@spsmw.org](mailto:ddillow@spsmw.org) to request an application.

**Catholic Services Appeal**

We have collected \$3,900.00 in payments and pledges toward our goal of \$26,093.00.

Many thanks to the following parishioners who donated to this year's CSA Appeal: Fr. Terry Steffens, Henry Buczek, Mary Margaret Flanagan, Lorraine Golon, Barbara Graegin, John & Janet Hearne, M/M W. Michael Klausman, and Carol Opyt.

Please consider helping St. Joseph Parish this year with a pledge and/or payment.

**Mass with Bishop Donald Hying**

On Friday, May 15th at the 9am Mass, Bishop Donald Hying will be concelebrating Mass with Father Terry Steffens. After mass, the Bishop will be here for approximately 1-1/2 hours and will meet with the staff and with parishioners who will be attending this mass.

We welcome your presence at this mass.

**Stewardship Prayer**

*Gracious God, we thank you for the wonder of all that you have given to us.*

*You give us eyes to see your presence, ears to listen to your voice, mouths to speak your name, hands to help those in need.*

*Help us to use the gifts you give us in service to others.*

*Help us to be good stewards of the earth and its resources.*

*We ask this through Jesus, who shows us the way to live and love.*

*Amen.*

**Pastor’s Column**

Dear Parishioners:

The human body is amazing in how healing occurs within it. Medical doctors humbly admit that they can set up conditions for healing but mysteriously, the human body heals itself. Our flesh and blood humanity is mysterious because the Holy Spirit of the risen Christ lives within us. It brings about the many healings in the human body. Doctors point toward healing but the mystery of God does the healing.

The greatest mystery of all is Jesus’ Resurrection from the dead. No doctor can explain it nor can any human bring it about. It is of the divine, of God, and, thus, it is mystery. Baptism unleashes the gift of faith for us so that we become more humble about life and death, relying in total on God’s saving Love in Christ.


Part of our humble faith journey in Christ is to be willing to sit silently at the entrance of the empty tomb of the risen Christ. Our silence indicates our humble admission that Jesus’ resurrection is the ultimate mystery. It takes patient endurance of faith to be silent before the healing of the resurrection. But our silence before our Risen Savior is the faith-deepening atmosphere of eternal life.

In Christ’s Risen Love,

Fr. Terry

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**  
April 18th & 19th  
**Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5965.00**  
**Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount Collected: \$4367.04**  
**Charity: \$0**  
**Religious Education: \$12.00**  
**Easter: \$150.00**  
**Weekly Treasure Support Deficit: (\$1447.96)**  
**Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$250,530.00**  
**Fiscal Year Surplus: \$528.12**  
**Food Pantry: \$10.00**  
**50/50 Raffle: \$240.00**

**Pray for the Sick**



Please pray for the following parishioners who are not able to worship with our parish family: Nancy Hanck, Laura Hays, Dolores Kaczocha, Joe Kozlowski, Fran Lisac, Donna Maicher, Mark Maicher, Connie Peschel, Edna Stankovich, and Eileen Sukta.

**Tour of Helping Hands Food Pantry**

Are you interested in how our Helping Hands Food Pantry operates? On May 3rd, after the 8am & 10am Masses, come down to the “Gathering Room” and we will give you a tour.

**Religious Education**

This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for First Eucharist reflected on their gifts, which are blessings from God. At Eucharist (a word meaning to give thanks) we thank God for all His gifts and blessings. At the Eucharist through the power of the Holy Spirit we join with the living Christ to give praise and glory to the Father.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, April 27**

6:00-7:30pm—1st Eucharistic Banquet in Gathering Room

**Tuesday, April 28**

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

**Thursday, April 30**

6:30pm—Family Rosary

7:00pm—Choir Practice

**Sunday, May 3**

10:00am—1st Eucharist of RE Students

7:00pm—Adult Confirmation class at school

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Many of our customs surrounding critical illness come from antiquity, and yet attitudes have certainly changed. Death was an all too-familiar presence then, and people tended to see it as a natural and unavoidable part of life, not a personal catastrophe. People tried to review their lives, settle their affairs, say farewell to their dear ones, and welcome the deathbed vigils and prayers that assured them of God’s love and forgiveness. What people most feared was sudden death. It was dreaded and never discussed.

The faithful filled the catacombs with consoling images of the good shepherd carrying the sheep to safe pasture, or the faithful in glory seated at banquet tables. The prayer texts from the time are consoling and positive, and many inspired our modern prayers. The care of the dying flowed directly from Roman pagan practice; it was home-based and family-centered. Pagans didn’t especially fear death, but they were terrified by the dead. Christians, on the other hand, consoled their sick with psalms of joy and faith in the Resurrection. The goal was to assure the sick person of God’s love, and that the ties that bind the dead and the living would endure.

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**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

The Number Drawn on April 14th Was # 377

The Winner Would Have Won \$765.00 (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.

**St. Joseph the Worker Croatian**

330 East 45th Ave in Glen Park will be holding a **Mexican Fiesta** on Sunday, May 3rd at 11am in the church hall. Our Mexican chefs will test your taste buds with variety of across the border dishes. The cost for the event is \$7 a plate. Carry outs will be available. For more info, call 219-688-6558.

**Ministry Schedule**

**May 2nd & 3rd**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Emma Gallenberger, Lee Kobza,  
Kathy Lebryk

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

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

6:00pm—Pat Bergstrom, Brad/Paula Zielke,  
Yvonne Weaver

**Lectors**

4:30pm—Wayne & Micheal Gallenberger

8:00am—Noel & Kathy Cusick

10:00am— Tim & Sheila Huffman

6:00pm—Emma Weissbeck

**The Glory of God**

The glory of God is humanity fully alive.

—St. Irenaeus

**Ministry Schedule**

**May 2nd & 3rd**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm— Joe Nowacki

8:00am— Joe Stankovich

10:00am— Andrew & Kevin Huffman

6:00pm— Brian Blue



**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**April 26, 2015**

See what love

the Father has bestowed on us

that we may be called the children of God.

— 1 John 3:1

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