

St. Joseph Church

April 27, 2014

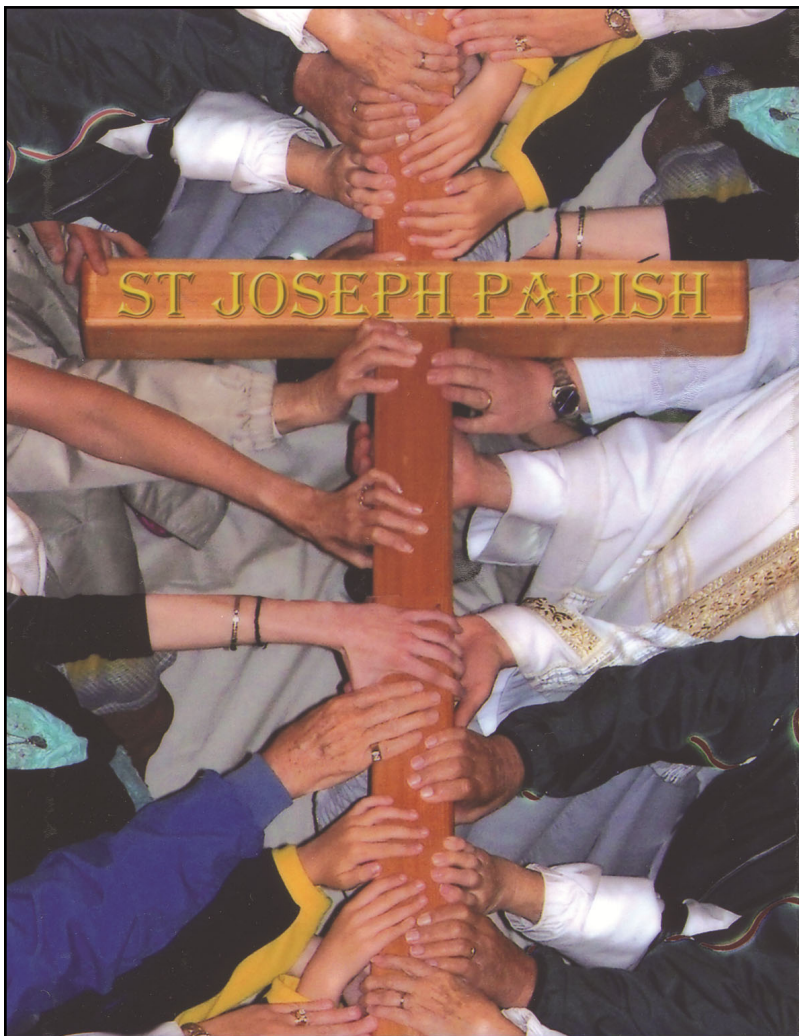
Second Sunday of Easter

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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

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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 28, Easter Weekday
 9:00 AM Frank Kaczocha

Tuesday, April 29, St. Catherine of Siena
 9:00 AM Luke DeBold

Wednesday, April 30, Easter Weekday
 No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, May 1, Easter Weekday
 9:00 AM Poor Souls
 6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, May 2, St. Athanasius
 9:00 AM Father Terry Steffens

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 3, Vigil: 3rd Sunday of Easter
 4:30 PM Ken Hoffman

Sunday, May 4, 3rd Sunday of Easter
 8:00 AM The People of the Parish
 10:00 AM The Deceased Members of the
 McNally & Whitmore Families
 6:00 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

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.

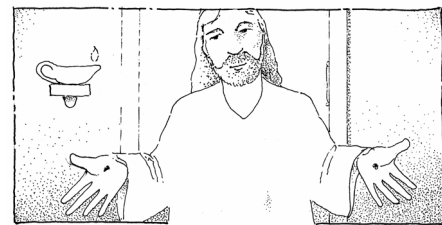
Las Vegas benefit night

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, Pokeno, 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.

Catholic Services Appeal

Commitment weekend for the annual Catholic Services Appeal is next weekend. Please prayerfully consider what you, as an individual or family, can pledge to support the works of the Diocese of Gary and the universal Church. A pledge to the CSA is an act of Stewardship...a sharing of what God has gifted each of us.

Please support the 2014 CSA



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Catholic Cruise to the Caribbean

Come and sail away on a 7-night Catholic Caribbean Cruise November 29th—December 6th, 2014 on Holland America Statendam out of Miami, Florida. Ports of Call: Philipsburg, Saint Maarten, Netherlands Antilles; St. Thomas, USVI; Nassau, Bahamas; Miami, Florida. Prices begin at \$1490 for two passengers. This includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposits of only \$250 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited for this sailing. For further info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785/

Doug@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

Garage & Antique Sale Donations Wanted

It's almost that time again...Time for our Spring Garage Sale here at St. Matthias in Crown Point, 101 W. Burrell Drive (next to Crown Point High School)... We will be accepting donations May 15th—20th from 9-6 daily. Please call the parish office at 219-663-2201 for large item pick up. The actual garage, antique, and bake sale will take place May 22nd from 9-6 and May 23rd from 9-1.

Pastor’s Column

Dear Parishioners:

During the Lenten Season we tend to give up things in a spirit of penance. It may be food-oriented or how we watch our words more carefully, letting go of gossip or foul language. The significance of giving up things/behaviors during Lent is that it helps solidify our commitment to embracing more risen life in Christ during the Easter Season. The “give-ups” of Lent are to lead to new things/behaviors during Easter Season that make room for the “add-on” of risen Joy in Christ. The Lenten penance points us to Easter bliss, perfect happiness, that in the risen Christ we lack nothing. All is well in the risen Christ right now! “This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad”!

For some of us, we may be more comfortable with Lenten penance than we are with Easter bliss. So let’s get “moving” towards our Holy Communion with the risen Christ and more consistently bask in the Joy of risen life already in us! The thought of living each moment with perfect happiness (bliss) in the risen Christ may be overwhelming to us but on the level of faith it is true!

Lent by itself with its penance is incomplete without the fulfillment of Easter in the Risen Christ. As much as we, perhaps, get into Lent, it is imperative that our penance is balanced with the Joy of eternal bliss already in our midst in the risen savior, Christ Jesus.

Loving you with Easter Bliss,

Fr. Terry

50th Anniversary of the Casavant Organ

Sunday, April 27, 2014, 3:00pm, the Cathedral Arts Concert Series of the Cathedral of the Holy Angels, 7th Avenue at Tyler Street in Gary presents its Spring Recital in the 21st season of these concerts. The program for this celebration of the 50th anniversary is a **solo organ recital** played by **Stephen Schnurr**. The Cathedral organ, designed by the world-recognized Lawrence Phelps was built in 1963-1964 by the Casavant Company of Canada, opus 2769. Free, secured parking is available. A free-will offering will be accepted.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

April 12th & 13th

Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$5261.40

Children’s Collection: \$131.10

Religious Education: \$203.00

Food Pantry: \$2060.06

Easter: \$75.00

50/50 Raffle: \$325.00

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on April 15th

Was # 465

The Winner Would Have Won \$2189.00

(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, HOME-BOUND 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 28
6:00pm—1st Eucharist Potluck & Rehearsal—Gathering Room

Tuesday, April 29
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, May 1
6:30pm—Family Rosary
7:30pm—Choir practice

Sunday, May 4
10:00am—1st Eucharist for RE students

**St. Joseph Religious Education
First Eucharist**

This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for Eucharist reflected on what Jesus celebrated at the Last Supper. The Eucharistic prayer is the Church’s great prayer of thanksgiving. At the Eucharist through the power of the Holy Spirit we join with the living Christ to give praise and glory to the Father. How are we as a parish gathering to remember and celebrate Jesus?

This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for Eucharist reflected on Jesus’ presence with us in the Eucharist. Through our sharing the one bread and one cup we are made one with Jesus and one with his Body, the Church. How are we as a parish living as peacemakers to show that Jesus is with us?

Polish Women’s Alliance

Polish Women’s Alliance Group 132 invites all to a Mother’s Day Luncheon on Saturday, May 10th at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1104 Knights of Columbus Drive, East Chicago (across from the South Shore Station). Doors open at noon, with dinner served at 1pm. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$17.50 for children age 5 to 11. Reservations are due by May 5th. Call Delphine at 219-398-9069.

**TREASURES FROM
OUR TRADITION**

One of the great Easter traditions is “mystagogy,” an ancient word meaning “reflection on the mysteries.” It is a style of catechesis, or passing on the faith. People who have shared an experience, in this case those who have been baptized at Easter, are urged to recall their experience, reflect on its meaning, and apply their insights to their new way of life.

There is an aspect of an experience that is simply not available until you’ve had it. For example, you may think you know weddings inside out; you’ve been to dozens, seen hundreds in the movies or on television, but until you’ve said “I do” to another, there is a certain knowledge unavailable to you.

Those who go down into the waters of baptism as adults have similar experiences; they have all taken baths before, but not like this one! Mystagogy helps such persons to uncover the deep meaning of the experience, their sense of a new beginning, of God’s abundant love, of forgiveness, of community.

It takes time for the power of the Easter Vigil to work its wonders for us. Those who are newly baptized are called “neophytes,” meaning “newly planted.” The tender buds of spring need care and nurturing, and our new brothers and sisters need your prayer and your faithful example.

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MAY CROWNING

**Annual Gary Diocesan May Crowning,
Sunday, May 4th, 7:00pm at St. Thomas
More Church, Munster** honoring the Queen of Heaven. Guest Speaker: Rev. Brnoislaw Socha, OCD. Candlelight procession. We wish to invite all First Communicants to participate. Please come in your communion attire at 6:30pm. Sponsored by the Gary Diocese-Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima. For info, please call Rose Marie at 219-836-8779.

Ministry Schedule

May 3rd & 4th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Emma Gallenberger, Kay Hoffman,
Kathy Lebryk
8:00am—Rick Dernulc, Frank Ziolkowski,
Karen Ziolkowski
10:00am—Dawn DeBold, Barb Graegin,
Laura Hays, Ron Reichelt (choir)
6:00pm—Brad Zielke, Paula Zielke,
Yvonne Weaver

Lectors

4:30pm—Wayne & Michael Gallenberger
8:00am—Noel & Kathy Cusick
10:00am—
6:00pm—Renan Garcia

LOOK

Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, faith looks up. —Anonymous

Ministry Schedule

May 3rd & 4th

Altar Servers

4:30pm— Mary Shutoski, Lanie Taylor
8:00am— C. Kline, J. Kline, K. Kline
10:00am— Jed Burgos, Megan Harding
6:00pm—Brian Blue



Second Sunday of Easter

(or of Divine Mercy)

April 27, 2014

“Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

— *John 20:29b*

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