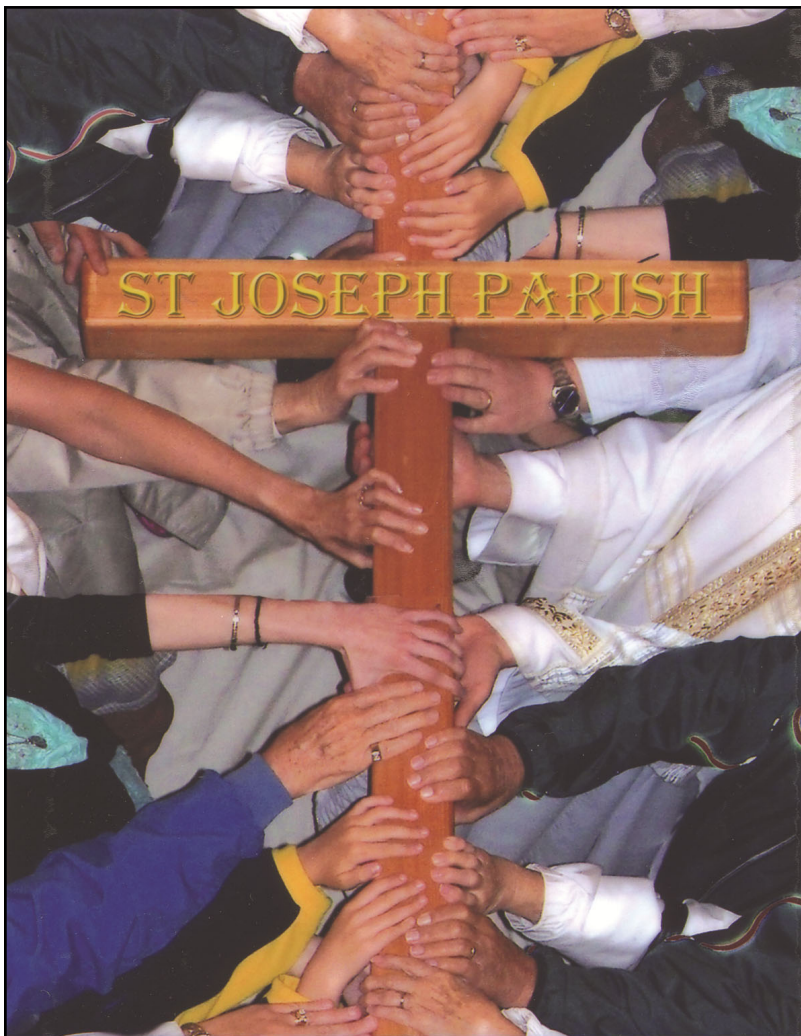


St. Joseph Church

May 15, 2016
Pentecost 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

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Parish Fax865-2350

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

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Religious Education Office:.....865-2355

Religious Education Fax.....865-3740

Email.....yseweaver@yahoo.com

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, Monday, May 16, Weekday

9:00 AM Rose Ford

Tuesday, May 17, Weekday

9:00 AM Rosemary Bohney

Wednesday, May 18, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, May 19, Weekday

9:00 AM Joseph & Myrtle Bober

Friday, May 20, Weekday

9:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 21, Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity

4:30 PM Bernard Paulson

Sunday, May 22, The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 AM Leonard Witkowski & Jerome Binkowski

10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Sunday Readings Reflections of 5/22/2016

Reading 1 Proverbs 8:22-31

In this reading from Proverbs, God's Wisdom is pictured as a separate being who was with God at the creation. Wisdom works with God as a "craftsman" and "plays" with God's people on earth. For the Israelites, Wisdom was first a quality of God. Then they came to see wisdom as God's companion. Centuries later, Christians, looking back at the Old Testament for signs of Jesus, saw him as the Wisdom of God. This is part of the gradual and sometimes mysterious way that God is revealed to us.

Reading 2 Romans 5:1-5

How does our faith in Jesus change us? Our letter today lists several ways. Through Jesus, we grow in harmony with God and receive the grace to live for God's reign. We have the virtue of hope, which is like a candle that is not blown out by the cold wind of hard times. And we have the Spirit living in our hearts, keeping God's love alive in us.

Gospel John 16:12-15

Today's gospel continues with Jesus' advice and instructions to the disciples at the Last Supper. He promises that the Spirit will be there to guide his followers to the truth. The Spirit will speak in Jesus' name, just as Jesus speaks in the Father's name. Each of these three Persons in one God belongs to the other. We call this mystery of God's identity the Blessed Trinity.

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CSA

Many thanks to the following parishioners who pledged/paid to this year's CSA Appeal. We received \$9180.00 this week in pledges and payments. Our total is \$34,395.00. Remember, our quota is \$27,083.00. Anything we receive past this amount will come back 100% to our parish. Please prayerfully consider a pledge/payment this year.

Kathleen Ann & Noel Cusick, Tom & Gladys Heffernan, M/M Lawrence Klonowski, Steve Pietras, Allen & Joan Richmond, Joseph Rozin, Robert & Pauline Rybicki, Barb Sargent, & Eileen Suktta.

To view a CSA video with Bishop Hying & Debbie Tatum, please go to <http://www.dcgary.org/csa.htm>.

Anointing of the Sick



Father Terry will have an **Anointing of the Sick** after all the Masses on the weekend of May 21st and 22nd.

Everyone is welcome, including those who are ill, have chronic ailments, anticipating surgery or feel they need help.

Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

We live in a noisy world. It would be interesting to measure how many decibels of noise we are exposed to in a given day/night. It is literally deafening to consider how loud life can be at times. The debilitating result is permanent hearing loss for some and ringing ears for others. Hearing loss makes for more difficult communication on both the listening and speaking level which can lead to much frustration.

The Good News of Jesus in Holy Communion with us is that even if our ears get damaged, God's communication of Saving Love in Christ continues to come through loud and clear thanks to the Holy Spirit within us. God's faithful love is louder than any temptation we have to be deaf to God's Word. And the times we try to be deaf to God's communication, God's Loving Word persists in calling us back to God's reliable voice in the Holy Spirit. It's called healthy guilt because God is reminding us that it is unhealthy for us to be closed-eared to His faithful love in Christ.

The Will of God gets through to us even in a noisy world, thanks to the Holy Spirit within us. Although our regular ears/hearing may fail us, the communication of God cannot be deafened to our faith-ears within us. When we are tempted to sin with deafness to God, it is helpful to remember that God persists loud and clear to us in Christ that not even our sin silences God's constant Love.

In God's Faithful Love,

Fr. Terry

Virtual Pilgrimage of Lourdes, France

St. Ann Church, 625 W. 25th Ave.
Gary, IN 46406

North American Lourdes Volunteers will present a 90-minute VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE to Lourdes, France at St. Ann Church on Friday, May 20 at 7pm. As part of this spiritual opportunity to draw nearer to God with Our Lady and St. Bernadette, you will receive a Eucharistic blessing and pray the Rosary. A Plenary indulgence is granted to all the faithful, under the usual conditions, who attend a Virtual Pilgrimage with North American Lourdes Volunteers. Invite your family, children and friends! For more information, call Paula at 219-384-2081.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

May 7th & May 8th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5825.00
Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount Collected: \$5354.00
Charity: \$3.00
Religious Education: \$126.00
Ascension: \$285.00
Weekly Treasure Support Surplus: \$414.00
Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$256,365.00
Fiscal Year Surplus: \$1204.04
Food Pantry: \$2032.99
50/50 Raffle: \$200.00



SYNOD 2017

We continue to focus on sacraments, prayer and worship as part of our Synod 2017 process.

“True prayer,” wrote St. Augustine, “is nothing but love.”

If you missed Bishop Hying's column about this synod topic in the May edition of Northwest Indiana Catholic, find it online at <http://www.dcgary.org/synod.htm>, along with videos, columns and information about Synod 2017 and how you can be a part of it.

Diocesan May Crowning

Annual Gary Diocesan May Crowning, Sunday, May 22nd, 7:00pm at St. Thomas More Church in Munster, honoring the Queen of Heaven. Guest Speaker: Rev. Bartholomew Stanowski, 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, call 219-836-8779.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, May 17

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
 4:30pm—Religious Education classes in school

Wednesday, May 18

10:00am—12 noon—Food Pantry pickup
 6:00-7:00pm—Food Pantry pickup

Thursday, May 19

6:30pm—Family Rosary
 7:00pm—Choir Practice

Saturday, May 21

Anointing of the Sick after 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, May 22

Anointing of the Sick after 8:00am,
 10:00am & 6:00pm Masses

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

"Order" and "presbyter" are not everyday words in our vocabulary, since we think of order as a quality of life rather than a collective noun, and "priest" usually does just fine in everyday conversation. Yet each word has deep roots in our tradition. At an ordination we select men for service to the community. Ordo is a Latin word drawn not from pagan religious life but from Imperial Rome. It meant a distinct body standing apart from the people, such as a body of people responsible for civil governance, senators for example. Think of the selectmen or board of governors in your civic home, and you will get the idea. The church borrowed the term to describe the place of certain people within the people of God, thus the "order of deacons," "the order of presbyters," and even "the order of virgins, catechumens, widows, neophytes, penitents," and so on, as distinct groups within the church.

Just as ancient Rome had various uniforms for the ranks and stations in civil life, so too did certain garments give clues to membership in an "order" in the church. So, our tradition favors the idea of an ordination liturgy not as receiving something so much as being received. This is clearly expressed in the liturgy. The "kiss of peace" is given only by the ordaining bishop and priests to the newly "ordained," not by the faithful, the deacons, or the concelebrating bishops who are present.

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Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on May 3rd
 Was # 70

The Winner Would Have Won \$1582.50
 (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.

Bishop Noll Entrance Exam

Missed the exam? No problem—please join us for the next Bishop Noll Entrance Exam on Saturday, May 21st, 8am—Noon
 \$25 fee, enter door A
 1519 Hoffman St., Hammond, IN 46327
 Call with questions and to register:
 219-932-9058.

Ministry Schedule
May 21st & 22nd

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Bonnie Gruver, Lee Kobza,
Joe Nowacki
8:00am—Judy Kline, Steve Kline,
Pauline Rybicki
10:00am—Gary Blue, Sue Blue,
Barb Graegin
6:00pm—Allan Burgos, Ernie Leicht,
Irene Magana

Lectors

4:30pm—Mary Flanagan
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki
10:00am— Tim & Sheila Huffman
6:00pm—Kurt Vanderah

A Foretaste

Faith is the foretaste of that knowledge which here-
after will make us happy.
—St. Thomas Aquinas

Ministry Schedule
May 21st & 22nd

Altar Servers

4:30pm—Ian Gruver
8:00am—Joe Nowacki
10:00am—Gian Abangan, Jim Morris,
Dominic Rizzo
6:00pm—Lanie Taylor, Russell Wells



Pentecost Sunday

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[I]n one Spirit we were all baptized
into one body.

-- 1 Corinthians 12:13a

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