

# St. Joseph Church

May 17, 2015

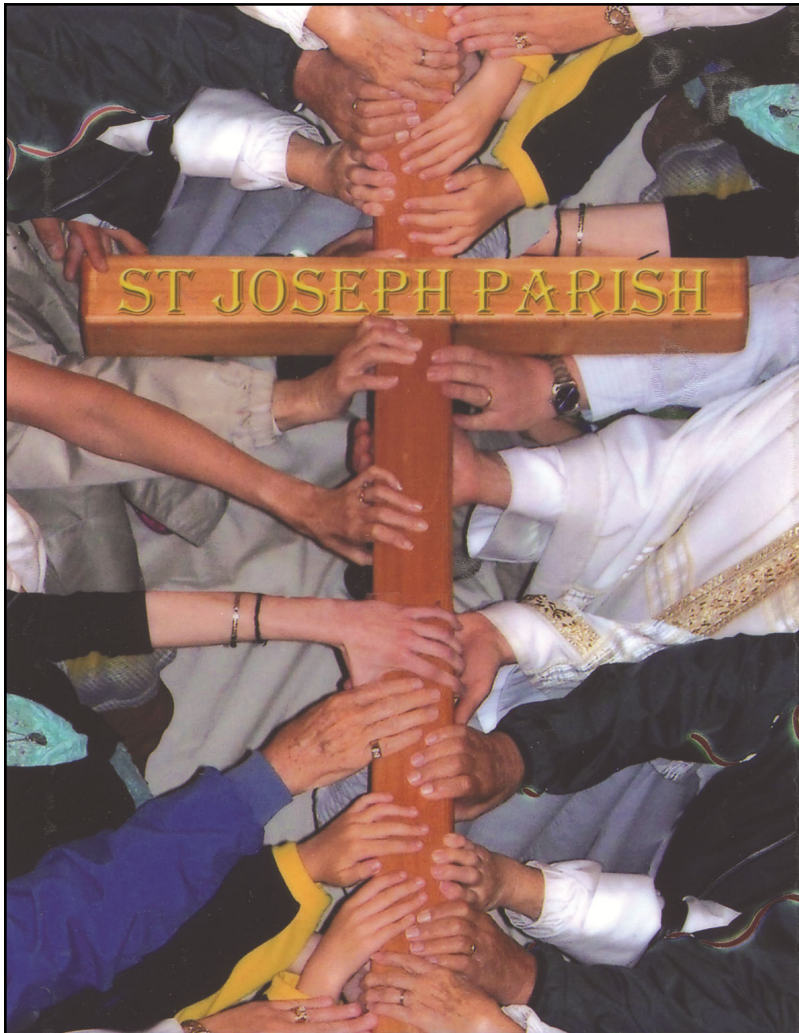
**The Ascension of the Lord**

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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

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

Religious Education Fax .....865-3740

Email .....[yseweaver@yahoo.com](mailto: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, May 18, Easter Weekday**

9:00 AM Poor Souls

**Tuesday, May 19, Easter Weekday**

9:00 AM Ann & Stanley Kaczocha

**Wednesday, May 20, Easter Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, May 21, Easter Weekday**

9:00 AM Poor Souls

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, May 22, Easter Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, May 23, Vigil: Pentecost Sunday**

4:30 PM Jim & Gen Novak

**Sunday, May 24, Pentecost Sunday**

8:00 AM The Deceased Members of the Martin Gomez Family

10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

**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.

**Stewardship: A Way of Life**

Jesus is the perfect steward—watching carefully over all who had been entrusted to Him by the Father and then sending them all out into the world in service. May I similarly protect and wisely use the gifts entrusted to me.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Allan Burgos—864-8974

Noel Cusick—865-6255

Tamara Fredrickson—322-6911

John Hearne—864-8929

Gladys Heffernan—708-672-3456

Steve Kline—219-730-1663

Lillian Smith—864-8285

Barb Yamich—322-7219

Recording Secretary—Rita D’Arcy—365-9274

The names listed above are the Pastoral Council of St. Joseph Parish. The Pastoral Council is a consultative group. They enter into a dialogue with the pastor visioning and planning together in order to create the overall parish policy that will carry out the Mission of Christ in the Church.

If you have any concerns, please call any member from the Pastoral Council and they will bring your concern to their next meeting.



**Catholic Services Appeal**

As of May 10th, we have collected \$29,054.00 in payments and pledges. We are now over our goal. Everything past \$26,093.00 comes back 100% to our parish. There is still time to make a payment or pledge for this year. Many thanks to the following parishioners: David Anastasi, Gary & Susan Blue, Allan & Lorna Burgos, Kathleen & Noel Cusick, Michael Gallenberger, Joe & Chris Gillette, Laura Hays, Paul & Patty Jarzembowski, Steve & Judy Kline, Craig & Kathy Lebryk, Antonio Maggi, M/M Richard Narcisi, Mary Kathleen Nero, Bernard & Betty Rose Paulson, Stephen Pietras, Lillian Smith, John & Eva Smolinski, Edna, Joseph, & Anna Stankovich, M/M John Werner, & Janet Whitfield.



**PLEASE NOTE!!**

There will be no 9:00am Mass on Friday, May 22nd.



**Pastor’s Column**

Dear Parishioners:

There has been a good amount of news about the discrimination in our society. This is the issue of favoring some people over others. Jesus, the savior of the world, is constantly with us guiding us to let go of discrimination and to let all people be treated with respect and equality. Jesus is the one Lord and Savior of the world, proclaiming that all people are loved equally by the God who created them in the first place.

Jesus is the way, the truth and the life for the whole human community but the mystery of this saving love is how it is revealed uniquely in each person. We know there are many religions on this earth along with many different beliefs about God. The mystery of Jesus as savior of the world is revealed in the invisible Holy Spirit that blows like the wind all around the world. In Christ we can be confident that the Holy Spirit does not discriminate with people.

In our mystery of faith journey as Jesus’ disciples, we need to back off from discrimination towards any person or persons. Our Holy Communion with Jesus at Mass reminds us that Jesus is the savior of the world. As members of the one Body of Christ, we need to ponder more frequently the mystery of God’s indiscriminate love for all people.

In Christ’s Saving Love,  
Fr. Terry

**Share With the Handicapped**

Share Foundation With the Handicapped is in URGENT need of Cooks & Nurses to work at our summer camp for developmentally disabled adults, which starts June 7, 2015. A Camp Cook could work as little as 1 day a week for 6 straight weeks. Our resident Villagers assist with the clean-up. A Camp Nurse would work on a weekly overnight basis, is given a private room that fits two people, and all meals are provided. Free time is available daily. A stipend or service hours can be given. Orientation given. Please consider this opportunity as a meaningful way to use your skills and engage with the other-abled adults of our region! Call Nick Roland at 219-778-2585 or email: [camp@sharefoundation.org](mailto:camp@sharefoundation.org) if interested

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

May 9th & 10th

**Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5965.00**  
**Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount Collected: \$5359.30**  
**Easter: \$25.00**  
**Ascension: \$5.00**  
**Religious Education: \$165.00**  
**Weekly Treasure Support Deficit: (\$410.70)**  
**Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$268,425.00**  
**Fiscal Year surplus: \$400.53**  
**Food Pantry: \$2097.00**  
**50/50 Raffle: \$220.00**

**Camp Lawrence**

Camp Lawrence, on beautiful Moss Lake in Valparaiso, IN, is now accepting applications for residential summer camp. Camp runs from June 14th through July 25th. For more information or an application: [www.nwicyo.org](http://www.nwicyo.org), or call the Camp Lawrence business office at 219-736-8931.

**OPERATION**

**Seminarians to World Youth Day**

Our Vocations Director, Father David Kime, has asked the K of C to assist in raising funds to send our seminarians to World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland, in July 2016. To do this the K of C is sponsoring a dinner, June 19th, at St. James the Less Parish in Highland. Tickets are \$50.00. For more information, or to order tickets, please contact Jeff at 219-614-6511 or Robert at 219-923-8779.

**STMCareer Networking Group**

Thursday, May 21, 2015, 7:00-9:00pm at the STM Weis Center, 8635 Calumet Ave. in Munster. Cheryl Champoux, Administrative Director, Human Resources, Franciscan Physician Network.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Tuesday, May 19**

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing

**Wednesday, May 20**

10am-Noon—Food Pantry pickup

6-7pm—Food Pantry pickup

**Thursday, May 21**

6:30pm—Family Rosary

7:00pm—Choir Practice

**Friday, May 22**

No 9:00am Mass

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Surprisingly, the church moved very slowly in claiming marriage as a focus of attention and care. Nearly everywhere in the Roman world, citizens agreed on how to celebrate marriage. Consent of the man and woman is what made a marriage valid in the eyes of the law, and although there was a traditional ceremony, it was home-based and optional. The ceremony was for showing the social status of the families involved (the procession ideally detoured through crowds), and for reminding the woman of her legal transfer from her father’s control to her husband’s. The “big moment” of the ceremony had nothing to do with vows, but with the bride’s donning the yellow veil with red highlights that was the daily wear of married women. A wedding feast included soothsayers and animal sacrifice to the new household’s gods. Christians found that distasteful, of course, but since marriage was a family matter, they could edit things out. The church was comfortable with this, and sometimes recommended that the couple seek the advice of the bishop. His permission was only required for the marriage of a cleric, or for a marriage Rome didn’t recognize, such as between a free woman and a slave. There was no blessing, no liturgy, no priest. Christians followed the customs of the day, but they knew that custom and relationships were transformed from within themselves by the fact of their baptism. Outwardly Christians married exactly as their pagan neighbors, but they certainly invested the usual gestures with a dynamic sense of Christ’s presence.

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**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

The Number Drawn on May 5th

Was # 46

The Winner Would Have Won \$120.00

(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.

**Our Lady of Grace Pre-School**

Located at 3027 Condit Street in Highland, will be having an OPEN HOUSE on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Children must be 3 years old by August 1st and fully potty trained to enroll. For more information about our program, call 972-6377.

**Ministry Schedule**

**May 23rd & 24th**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Bonnie Gruver, Lee Kobza,  
Fran Lisac  
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— Bridget Cavanaugh, Mike Klausman  
6:00pm—Kurt Vanderah

**Holiest Flower**

Mary is the lily in God’s garden.  
—St. Bridget of Sweden

**Ministry Schedule**

**May 23rd & 24th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm— Ian Gruver  
8:00am— Joe Stankovich  
10:00am— Jim Morris, Andrew Yuraitis  
6:00pm— Need Servers



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Whoever believes and is baptized  
will be saved.  
— *Mark 16:16*

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