

# St. Joseph Church

July 21, 2013

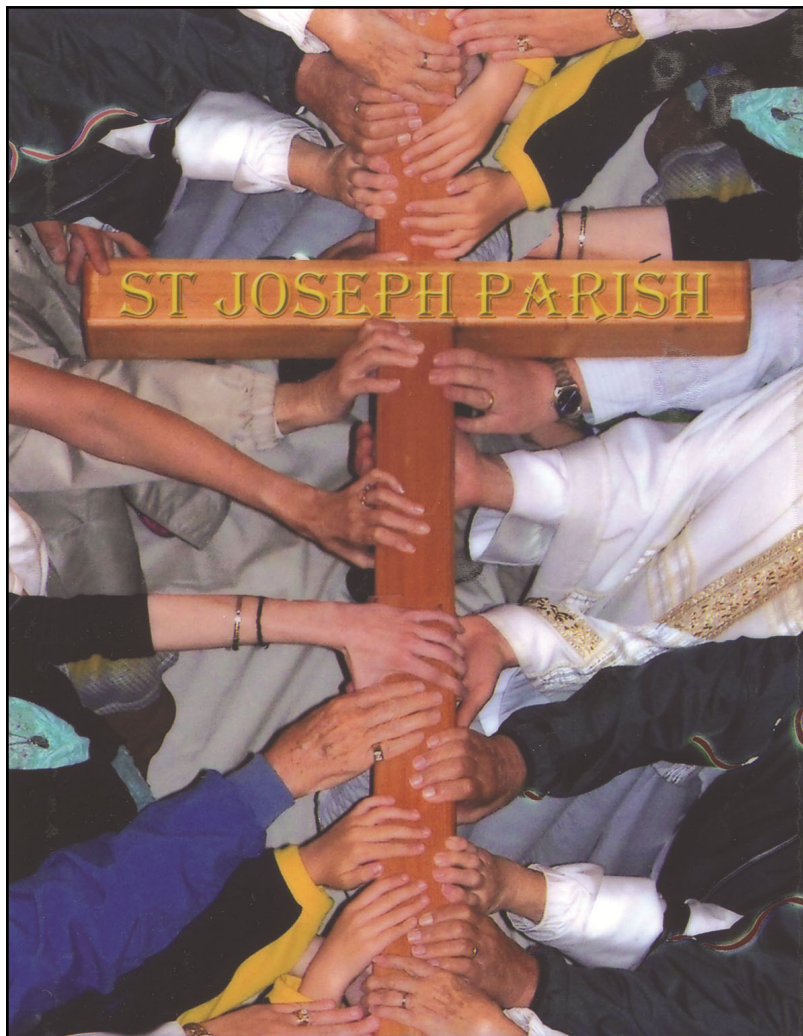
Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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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

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

PASTOR: Rev. Terry J. Steffens

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

Religious Education Fax .....865-3740

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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-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, July 22, St. Mary Magdalene**

9:00 AM Poor Souls

**Tuesday, July 23, Weekday**

9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners

**Wednesday, July 24, Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, July 25, St. James**

9:00 AM Frank Kaczocha

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, July 26, Sts. Joachim & Anne**

9:00 AM Rosemary Ford

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, July 27, Vigil: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Patty Jarzembowski

**Sunday, July 28, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM Paul Graegin

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.

Thank You.



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**Saint Joseph Religious Education (RE)**

Registration Forms & 2013/2014 Calendars can be found at the church entrance.

Forms may be placed into the church collection basket or mailed.

Regular Registration will be: August 10, 11 after all the Masses.

- RE begins on: September 10 with Generations of Faith (GOF) at 5:30
- GOF is a faith-learning experience that involves the whole family (children, parents, grandparents,...) that prepares all ages for participation in Faith Formation and helps reflect and apply meaning into our lives as Catholics. All are welcome!

Any Questions—Call 219-865-2355.

God Bless You,

Yvonne Weaver, DRE

**Living Stewardship**

Today's readings speak of hospitality. Abraham, who cheerfully did for his guest all that desert hospitality required, was rewarded with his heart's desire—a son. Martha also busied herself with all the details of hospitality, but grudgingly and with complaint. Am I a cheerful or grudging giver?

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**Food Pantry Request**

On Wednesday, August 21st, we will be distributing school supplies to our families who need them. Donations such as crayons, markers, pens, pencils, notebooks, etc. would be much appreciated. Also...if, as a result of traveling, you have accumulated any unopened small toiletries such as shampoo, conditioner, soaps, lotions, mouthwash, etc., we would be happy to accept them. We collect them all year long, and then fill a little gift bag for each family at Christmas. Thanks so much for your help.

### Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

How many hours a day do we spend distracting ourselves? Some of the usual culprits include the various screens in our lives: TV's, computers, tablets, and smartphones. Is it not amazing how much time we can log with our various screens? And let's be honest that much of our screen time is distraction time, where we escape from the present moment. We have the tendency to think that distraction is more important than present reality. And yet our experience of Jesus in Holy Communion is to help us be more centered in present reality with less need to escape. Jesus wants our full attention at all times for that is what it means to keep vigil for the Lord.

Escapism is a symptom of not trusting Jesus' realness in our every moment. A lack of trust in Jesus' realness leads us to erroneously believe that reality is a "drag" and screen distraction is exciting. As we deepen in our Holy Communion with Jesus at weekly Eucharist, the hope is that we will more consistently savor reality in Christ and discover that screen escapists are not as necessary.

Loving you in Christ,  
Fr. Terry

### Stewardship of Treasure Report

July 6th & 7th

**Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$6060.34**  
**Children's Collection: \$6.00**  
**Charity: \$7.00**  
**Religious Education: \$21.00**  
**50/50 Raffle: \$415.00**

### Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on July 9th

Was # 470

The Winner Won \$7905.00

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.**

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.

### St. Michael's Fun Fest

- ◆ St. Michael's Fun Fest, 1 W. Wilhelm St., Schererville, offers something for everyone!
- ◆ Come join us August 2 & 3 from 5-11pm for live entertainment featuring the UNSTOPPABLES on Friday, TOGETHER on Saturday, food booths, beer tent and casino games. Enjoy the Fish Fry on Friday night and Chicken Dinner on Saturday night. Kids will have fun in the bounce houses, dunk tank, photo booth and more. Plus this year the all new Teen Scene debuts!
- ◆ \$100,000 Mega Raffle, 1 in 20 will win a prize. The odds are in your favor! (License number 131814). Visit [stmichaels-parish.org](http://stmichaels-parish.org) or call 322-4505 x249 for more information.

### Leprechaun Hunt

Come and join the fun! Share Foundation holds its 19th Leprechaun Hunt on Sunday, August 4th, noon to 6pm at Sharing Meadows, Rolling Prairie. All day enjoy as much delicious food, drinks, games and Irish music as you care upon entering. Thirty three leprechauns wait to be found for pots of gold worth up to \$1,500. Advance adult ticket: \$40; 13-year or younger children with parents or grandparents: free. Details & tickets available at 219-778-2585 or [www.leprechaunhunt.com](http://www.leprechaunhunt.com).

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Tuesday, July 23**  
9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing

**Thursday, July 25**  
6:30pm—Family Rosary

**LISTEN**

The first reading tells of the “annunciation” of the birth of Isaac. It is profoundly mysterious, beginning with the appearance of the “three men.” This reading illustrates God’s active role in our history.

The second reading treats a universal experience—suffering. Paul sees suffering as the mark of discipleship. He finds joy in the suffering he endures because it is for the sake of the church. Through his preaching he hopes all people will come to accept Christ.

The Gospel paints a lovely picture of Jesus at rest among his friends. Luke has placed the incident right after the parable of the Good Samaritan. But lest “activism” be seen as the only path, we now hear Jesus’ call to sit quietly and listen to the word of God. We have to be like both of the sisters. Even in our harried and noisy world, there is an insistent call to sit back quietly and listen to Jesus.

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**Holy Land Pilgrimage**

November 11 to November 20, 2013—Join Fr. Martin Dobrzynski while visiting the sites where Jesus, Mary and the Apostles walked and lived. The total cost of the trip is \$3789.00. This includes gratuities and travel insurance, airfare from Chicago, all government taxes and fuel surcharge. Breakfast and dinner daily and first class accommodations are also included. If you are interested, we can send you a brochure with all the details. Please contact Debbie at St. Michael Parish in Schererville at 219-322-4505 ext. 225.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

There’s a different pace to a summer Sunday, especially on those days when we dream of air conditioning and wave any available paper to stir the air. Yet we persist in gathering, even with so many breaks from the usual routines. We distance ourselves not only from routines, but from schedules and familiar well-worn paths. These are playful days and contemplative days. We see long-lost friends and visit almost-forgotten places. We have more leisure than any people before in the history of the world, and we need it because our lives are so care-worn and tiring. More of us walk barefoot and look up at the stars or dip our toes in the lake or sea, sing around campfires, read novels on the beach, and eat comfort food with our fingers. We see how beautiful life can be, and are more aware than usual of how God is always breaking in with signs of love.

In Genesis today, Abraham and Sarah practice hospitality to their visitors, who turn out to be God dropping in. During the summer months, God practices hospitality in return, inviting us into a season of celebration. Keeping Sunday holy is a good habit to cultivate in these days when our spirits are especially receptive to God’s deep desire for us to know divine love.

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**On Faith**

Faith is the mirror of the soul,  
The measure of grace divine;  
Too oft this faith we own as our  
Is lost in the test of time.

Faith, like a tender, fragile flower  
Must be sown with care  
To keep it growing strong and true,  
The storms of life to bear.

Faith is rare and treasured gift,  
A boon from God above;  
If on you it be bestowed,  
Nurture it with love.

Pearl E. Auer

**Ministry Schedule**

**July 27th & 28th**

**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, Ron Reichelt(choir)  
6:00pm—Allan Burgos, Ernie Leicht,  
Constance Peschel

**Lectors**

4:30pm—Mary Flanagan  
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki  
10:00am—Tom Heffernan & Bridget Cavanaugh  
6:00pm—Brian Blue

**Hospitality**

Christians should offer their brethren simple and unpretentious hospitality. —St. Basil

**Ministry Schedule**

**July 27th & 28th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—J. Navarro  
8:00am—M. Ziolkowski  
10:00am—J. Burgos, ZJ Grino  
6:00pm—P. Kwasigroch



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It is [Christ] whom we proclaim,  
admonishing everyone and teaching every-  
one with all wisdom,  
that we may present everyone perfect in  
Christ.

— *Colossians 1:28b*

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