

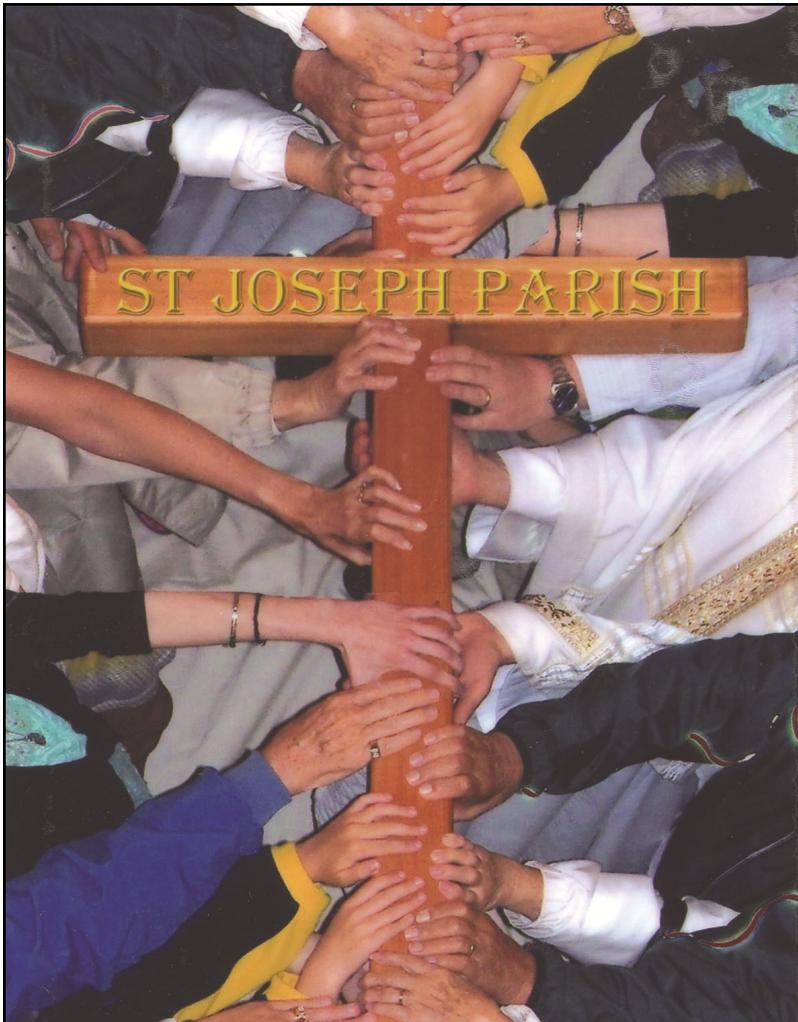
St. Joseph Church

July 22, 2012

Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

**440 Joliet St., Dyer, IN 46311
(219) 865-2271**

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 Office865-2271

Parish Fax865-2350

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: Joseph David 219-789-9075

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 Noon, in writing.

**Monday, July 23, Weekday**

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Tuesday, July 24, Weekday

9:00 AM Albert & Gracie Eulo

Wednesday, July 25, St. James

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, July 26, Sts. Joachim & Anne

9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, July 27, Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Weekend Mass Intentions**Saturday, July 28, Vigil: 17th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered

Sunday, July 29, 17th Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Alfreda Poskie

10:00 AM Joseph Skvarek

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Catholic Services Appeal

Many thanks to John & Maria Kuhar for their donation to this year's appeal. Our total is \$51,429.00. Many thanks to all of you. If you still would like to make a pledge or donation, there still is time. God bless you for your stewardship.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I shall gather the remnant of my flock and bring them back to their meadow (Jeremiah 23:1-6).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — In Christ Jesus you who were once far off have become near by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13-18).

Gospel — When Jesus saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he began to teach them many things (Mark 6:30-34).

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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.

St. Joseph Religious Education

**2012/2013 Registration Information
Continuing Summer Registration...**

Forms in church vestibule

**Final Registration August 11 & 12
after all Masses**

Classes begin September 11, 2012

Share Foundation

Share Foundation will hold its 18th annual Leprechaun Hunt and Family Fund Day on Sunday, August 5, 2012 from noon to 6pm at Sharing Meadows in Rolling Prairie. Thirty three leprechauns are waiting to be found, worth from \$50 to \$1500. Admission is \$40 in advance, \$50 at the gate per adult, \$35 in Advance, \$45 at the gate for senior citizens (65+) and *children 13 and under are free with parent or grandparent*. This includes plenty of delicious food, drinks, games and continuous Irish entertainment. For tickets, call 219-778-2585.

Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

We have begun the Stewardship Letter sharing process at each weekend Mass. Hopefully, you are moved by these letters and inspired to become more active stewards (servants of the Lord) at St. Joseph's. A general sign-up sheet for stewardship involvement in our parish will continue to be on a table at all 3 entrances of our church.

You will hear a different stewardship letter presented at each Mass over the next several weeks to give you a variety of stewardship perspectives. I will personally invite some of you with a copy of the letter read at a particular Mass and my own invitation to some of you to consider a new ministry. I pray for your openness to new possibilities of being a servant of the Lord at St. Joseph's.

In Christ's Love,

Fr. Terry

MARKET DAY

Many thanks to all who participated in our Market Day for June. We earned approximately \$105.00. That was really great! If you have not tried Market Day food, please do so this month. The food is very good and easy to prepare. Our **next Market Day will be on Wednesday, August 8th**. The pickup area is off the Nondorf entrance to the school. The order sheets are at all the entrances of the church.

Remember, school will be starting soon. There are some snacks and also easy meals to prepare for a healthy meal. **This is one of our fundraisers that helps our budget.**

The new pick up times are 4:30 to 5:15pm. If you have any questions, please call the parish office, 865-2271.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

July 7th & 8th

Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$4786.03

Children's Collection: \$12.50

Charity: \$27.00

Religious Education: \$93.00

Food Pantry: \$1552.91

A Gift of Love

I bring to you a gift of love
This day so wondrous fair,
A gift of hope and trust and faith,
So little else I have to bring
And yet your heart must see,
How very much this gift of love
Is truly part of me.
I bring to you a treasured smile
That you might ever know,
'Tis only sunshine blossoms forth
And helps a heart to grow.
How can we measure kindness?
We have no way to tell.
We cannot set a value on
A heart where love doth dwell.
I bring to you a gift of joy
A friendship rich and true,
To have and keep forevermore
So much a part of you;
A gift of dreams, a courage sure,
A faith in God above,
And from my heart this priceless gift,
The cherished gift of love.

Garnett Ann Schultz

Catholic Charities

In four days friends will gather at the Hammond Yacht Club at the Hammond Marina for a buffet dinner and a Sunset Cruise on Lake Michigan. Hurry to make reservations for this fun evening. Reservations are \$60 per person. Call 219-886-3549 or visit our web site www.Catholic-Charities.org.



Nothing Is Too Difficult

When I am in despair
And cares weigh heavy on my mind,
And my problems overwhelm me,
Their solutions I can't find;
When it all seems so impossible
The way I just can't see,
A song springs from my spirit—
"Nothing's too difficult for Thee."
It is then I am reminded
Of God's awesomeness and power,
How He formed the hills and mountains
And made each and every flower;
How He makes the sun both rise and set
And causes birds to fly,
And puts the sparkles in the stars
All this for you and I.
It's when I stop and think of these
And sing my spirit's song,
I know that there is hope
And I will surely get along.
For my troubles and despair are small
Compared to feasts as these
And they are not too difficult
For One as such as He.
No, there's nothing that's too difficult
That God can't surely do;
In your times of care and great despair
It's God who'll see you through.

Gina Mazzullo Laurin

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration at the new Blessed Sacrament Chapel of the Salvatorian Shrine, 5755 Pennsylvania Street, Merrillville is every Monday through Saturday from 7:30am to 6:30pm. To commit to an hour a week, please call 219-884-0714 or email: info@myczestochowa.us. Jesus will thank you for your love!

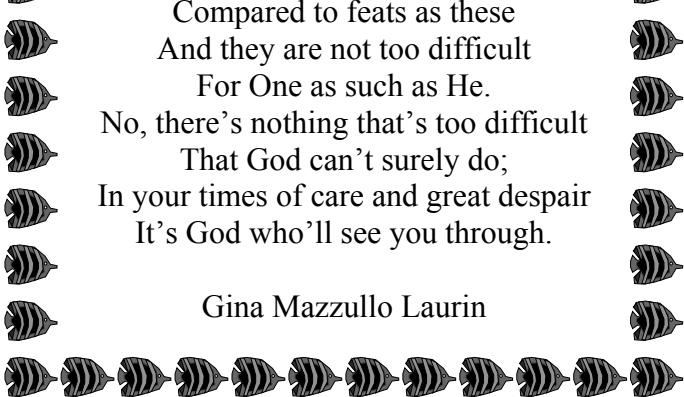
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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while" must have been chosen for this summer season by a committee eager for a vacation. For the apostles, the promise of rest was foiled by the needs of the people who discovered their hideaway and pressed them into ministry. Some people do indeed use their vacation for ministry and mission, giving an intensity of service otherwise not possible. For most of us, vacation is a time when we can grow more aware of God's plan, and can renew the bonds of love with family and friends in times of play and leisure.

The disciples learn today that there is no place so out of the way that the life of worship and ministry is disengaged. Giving yourself to summer worship will enrich you, delight you, and give you a sense of the word of God's progress in your heart. In today's world, summer is the time when we are most acutely aware of the beauty of the world. Gratitude and wonder are fertile soils for God's word to take root and prosper. Welcome the visitor today, and resolve that when you travel, you will be faithful to Sunday worship.

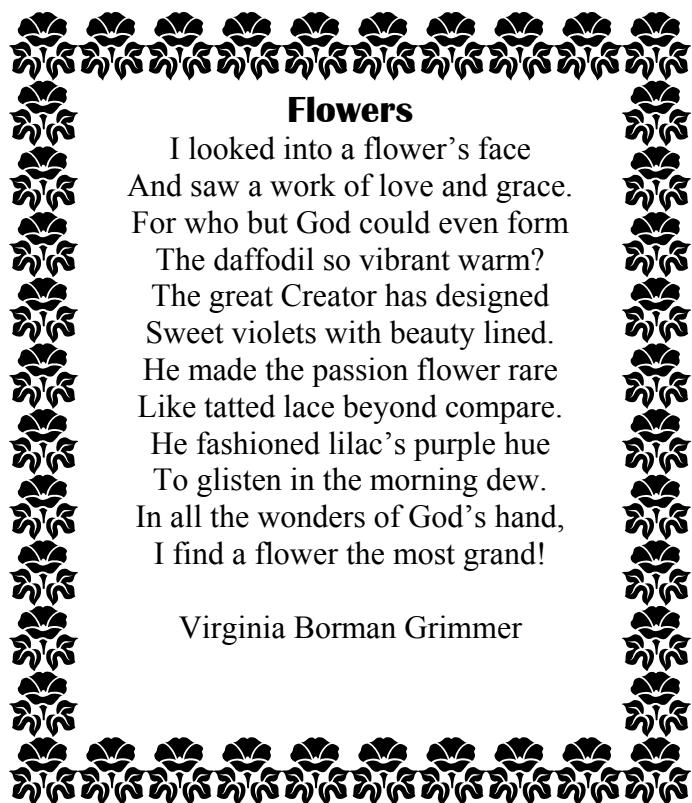
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Flowers

I looked into a flower's face
And saw a work of love and grace.
For who but God could even form
The daffodil so vibrant warm?
The great Creator has designed
Sweet violets with beauty lined.
He made the passion flower rare
Like tatted lace beyond compare.
He fashioned lilac's purple hue
To glisten in the morning dew.
In all the wonders of God's hand,
I find a flower the most grand!

Virginia Borman Grimmer



Ministry Schedule

July 28th & 29th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Lorraine Golon, Paul Jarzemowski,
Patty Jarzemowski
8:00am—Judy Kline, Steve Kline,
Kathy Miller
10:00am—John Hearne, James Janusz,
Mike Klausman, Ron Reichelt (choir)
6:00pm—Allen Burgos

Lectors

4:30pm—Wayne & Michael Gallenberger
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki
10:00am—Diane Giovane
6:00pm—Brian Blue

SOLITUDE

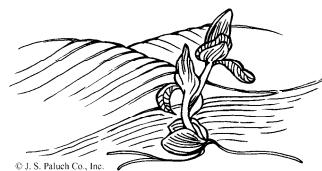
Settle yourself in solitude, and you will come upon God in yourself. —St. Teresa

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Altar Servers

4:30pm—I. Gruver, J. Gruver
8:00am—M. Ziolkowski
10:00am—J. Hearne
6:00pm—Need Servers



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Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD,
when I will raise up a righteous shoot to
David.

— *Jeremiah 23:5a*

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