

St. Joseph Church

August 2, 2015

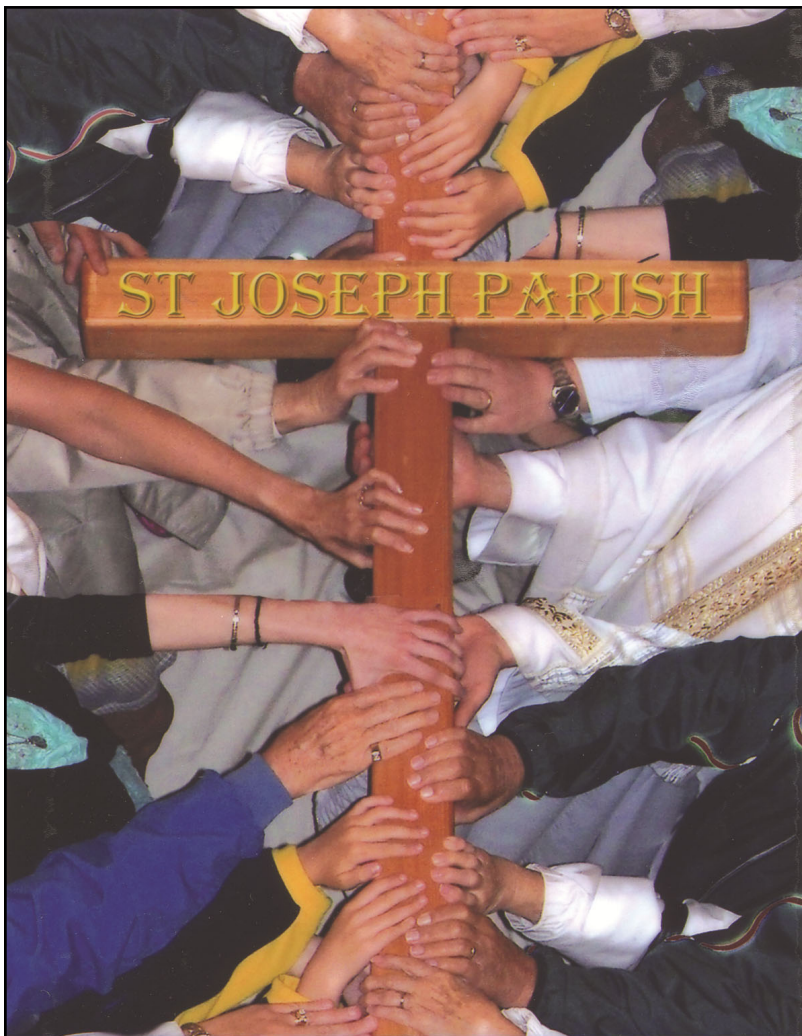
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**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.

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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, 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, August 3, Weekday

9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the
Zarlenga & Kaczocha Families

Tuesday, August 4, St. John Vianney

9:00 AM Norma Beiriger

Wednesday, August 5, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, August 6, The Transfiguration of the Lord.

9:00 AM George Steffens

6:30 PM The People of the Parish

Friday, August 7, Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 8, Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Leonard & Marie Gallenberger

Sunday, August 9, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM The Living & Deceased Members of
the Don Woszczyński Family

6:00 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

**Sunday Readings Reflections
of 8/9/15**

Reading 1 1 Kings 19:4-8

Sometimes our fears and troubles seem to be just too much for us. We may feel that we cannot go on. The prophet Elijah felt that way after being pursued by his enemies who wanted to kill him. He sat down under a tree and prayed for death. But God awakened him twice, providing food and water for his dejected messenger. The refreshments and the knowledge of how much God cared for him gave Elijah the strength to continue his journey to "the mountain of God."

Each Sunday is our day of rest from the activities and the difficulties of the week. We are strengthened by the Eucharist and our knowledge of how much God cares for each one of us.

Reading 2 Ephesians 4:30—5:2

At our Baptism we received the new life of the Holy Spirit. In this reading, Paul encourages those who have been baptized to avoid acting in ways that "sadden the Holy Spirit." Cruelty and harshness of every kind should be avoided. Christians are called instead to be kind, compassionate, and forgiving. In that way they imitate Christ who has been kind, compassionate, and forgiving to them.

It is not always easy to say no to cruelty and bitterness. But, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, we have the power to follow Jesus' example.

Gospel John 6:41-51

When a teacher introduces a completely new idea, students sometimes resist it. They may complain "I don't get it. It doesn't make sense to me." When Jesus began teaching the Jews that he himself was the "bread that came down from heaven," they muttered and murmured in complaint. They thought they knew who Jesus was. But Jesus responds by promising them that if they eat the living bread, they will live forever. He will give his flesh for the life of the world.

In the Eucharist, we experience the truth of Jesus' promise. We receive the living bread and know that we shall live forever.

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Invitation to all Parishioners

Bishop Hying invites you as parishioners of St. Joseph's to join the priests and parishioners from other parishes in South Lake County to participate in a meeting to discuss, learn and reflect upon the recently issued Indiana Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Poverty. This meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 9th at 7pm at St. Thomas More School Cafeteria in Munster.

A sign-up sheet will be at the main entrance of St. Joseph Church. When you sign up, you will be given a copy of the Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Poverty to read in preparation for the September 9th meeting.

Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

When we consider the number of responsibilities that we have each day it can be daunting. Family, work, retirement, social, education, leisure, exercise are some of the responsibilities that can loom in our daily lives. Trying to peaceably approach these many undertakings can be a challenge unless we remember that Jesus is our most important daily responsibility. To live Christ is to admit that Jesus is the beginning, middle and end point of all other responsibilities we may claim. This is a way of clarifying what it means to lose our life for Christ so that we may continually rise up to new life in Christ.

Christ's faithful oneness with us guides to be loving people with our families, work scenarios, retirement situation, social sphere, educational studies, re-creative leisure, and energizing exercise. Any responsibility we have can be done with love when we live Christ. Jesus is no longer an attachment in our lives, but rather, Jesus is our everything and all else flows out of our oneness with Jesus. At first, we may think this is irresponsible living. However, Holy Communion with Jesus, that is, living Jesus enhances us in being more responsible people because we will be more loving people no matter what our responsibilities.

In Christ's All-Consuming Love,

Fr. Terry

Catholic Charities Golf Outing

The 33rd annual Catholic Charities Golf Outing is coming up on August 24th. It will be held at Briar Ridge Country Club with a 9am start. Breakfast, lunch, golf cart included and prizes for everyone! Please join us. Call 886-3549 ext. 331 for more information or visit the website at www.Catholic-Charities.org/golfouting.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

July 25th & 26th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5965.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount

Collected: \$3828.75

Charity: \$266.00

Religious Education: \$0

Weekly Treasure Support Deficit: (\$1870.25)

Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$23,860.00

Fiscal Year Deficit: (\$3573.35)

Food Pantry: \$0

50/50 Raffle: \$190.00

Sisters of Providence

Are you interested in learning more about the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods? Are you looking for ways to serve God through works of love, mercy and justice, while breaking boundaries and creating hope?

All single Catholic women, ages 18-42, are invited to learn more about becoming a Sister of Providence during the Fall Discernment Weekend, scheduled for Oct. 16-18, at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, located 10 minutes northwest of downtown Terre Haute.

The event will coincide with the Saint Mother Theodore Guerin Fest and the Congregation's 175th anniversary celebration! The weekend will include time for prayer and reflection, time to get to know the Sisters of Providence and other women in discernment who have similar questions about life as a woman religious.

The weekend is free and includes housing and meals. If you are interested in attending, you are encouraged to register by calling Sister Editha Ben at 812-535-2895, mailing her at Vocations Office, Owens Hall, 1 Sisters of Providence, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, IN, 47876 or by emailing her at eben@spsmw.org.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, August 3
7:00pm-9:00pm—Stewardship Meeting
in Gathering Room

Tuesday, August 4
9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing

Thursday, August 6
6:30pm—Family Rosary

Sunday, August 9
9:15-9:45am—Ministry of Care Meeting in
Gathering Room

Bishop Don Bartending for a Cause

Young Adult Catholic Outreach Ministries and Diocese of Gary Bishop Don Hying invite you to come out and have a drink-Bishop Hying will be your friendly bartender, pouring drinks for patrons at T.J. Maloney’s Irish Pub & Restaurant at the Radisson in Merrillville. Bar are open to 21+, restaurant open to all ages. In exchange for our Bishop’s hard work, T.J. Maloney’s is donating a portion of all drink sales to Diocese of Gary Catholic Charities! No RSVP needed, come one, come all!

Religious Education Registration

August 1 & 2 after all the Masses in the Gathering Room. Forms & calendars will be available on the table in the main church entrance. Questions: Call: 219-865-2355 or e-mail: yseweaver@yahoo.com.

FOOD PANTRY REQUESTS

On Wednesday, August 19th, we will be distributing school supplies to our families who need them. Donations such as crayons, backpacks, markers, pens, notebooks, pencils, etc. would be much appreciated. Also...if, as a result of traveling, you have accumulated any unopened small toiletries such as shampoo, conditioners, soaps, lotions, toothpaste, mouthwash, etc., we would be happy to accept them. We collect them all year long, and then fill a small gift bag for each family at Christmas. Thanks so much for your help.

Weekly 50/50 Raffle
The Number Drawn on July 21st
Was # 117

The Winner Would Have Won \$107.50
(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.

Helping Hands Food Pantry

There will be a second collection next weekend, August 8th & 9th for our Food Pantry. You are also invited to bring groceries to help restock our shelves.

Ministry Schedule

August 8th & 9th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Paul Jarzembowski, Patty Jarzembowski, Isabelle Skurka
8:00am—Kathy Cusick, Carol Jablonski, Pauline Rybicki
10:00am—Dennis Bork, Tina Bork, Mike Klausman
6:00pm—Pat Bergstrom, Bonnie Gruver, Ernie Leicht

Lectors

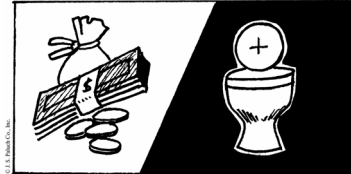
4:30pm—Sandy O’Drobinak
8:00am—Karen Ziolkowski
10:00am— Tom Heffernan
6:00pm—Yvonne Weaver

Ministry Schedule

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Altar Servers

4:30pm—Lanie Taylor
8:00am—Christopher Kline
10:00am—Gian Abangan & Jim Morris
6:00pm—Ian Gruver



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Do not work for food that perishes
but for the food that endures
for eternal life.

— *John 6:27a*

A Secret

The secret of happiness is to count your blessings while others are adding up their troubles. —Anonymous

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