

St. Joseph Church

August 9, 2015

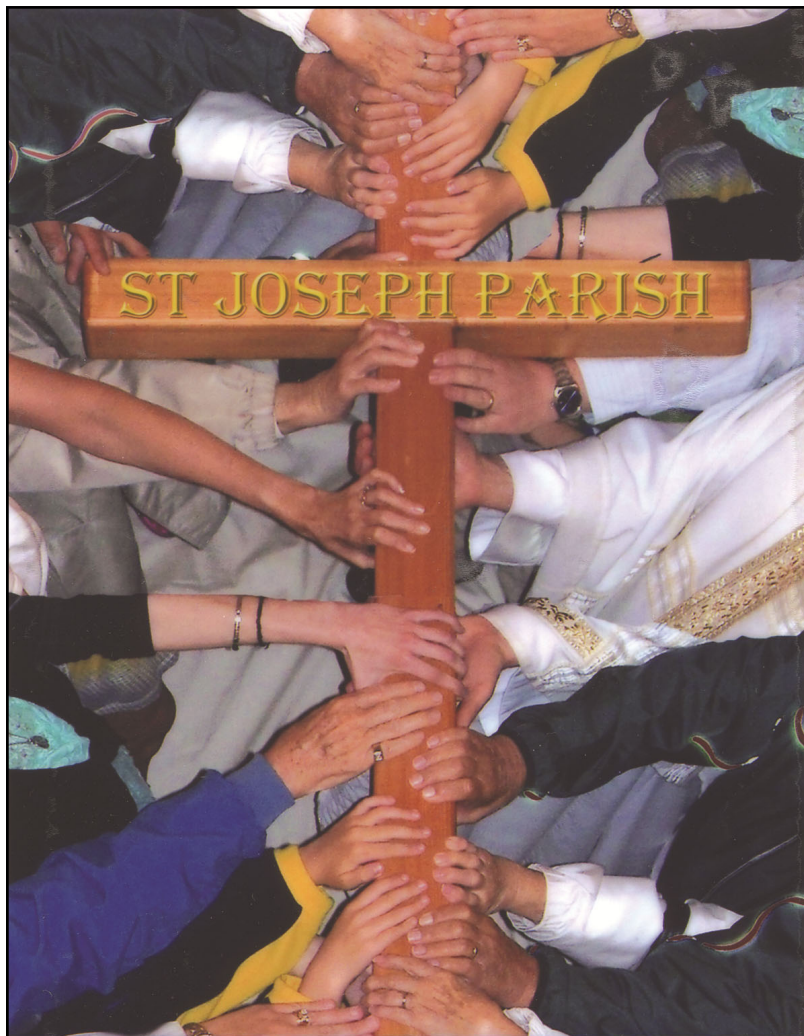
Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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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.

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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 10, St. Lawrence

No 9:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, August 11, St. Clare

9:00 AM Gladys, Marc & Lee Robin

Wednesday, August 12, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, August 13, Weekday

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

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, August 14, St. Maximilian Kolbe

9:00 AM Ron Pierzchalski

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 15, Vigil: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Br. Gerald Hall, CPPS

Sunday, August 16, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time


8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

6:00 PM George Steffens

Please Note!

There will be no 9am Mass on Monday, August 10th.


 Pray
for
the
Sick

Please pray for the following parishioners who are ill or not able to worship with our parish family: Nancy Hanck, Laura Hays, Dolores Kaczocha, Joe Kozlowski, Fran Lisac, Donna Maicher, Mark Maicher, Edna Stankovich, and Eileen Sukta.

Sunday Readings Reflections of 8/16/15

Reading 1 Proverbs 9:1-6

How does God attract people to seek divine wisdom? In this reading, the wisdom of God is pictured as a welcoming woman who invites people to "Come, eat of my food." Those who accept her invitation will grow in their understanding of God's ways. Once they have shared her feast, they will no longer be misled by foolishness.

The wise of any age are those who live by the word of God and attract others to do likewise.

Reading 2 Ephesians 5:15-20

In this reading, Paul shows that he has eaten of Wisdom's food. He strongly advises his fellow Christians not to waste their opportunities to live well. They are to act thoughtfully and avoid ignorant behavior, including drunkenness and wickedness of every kind.

To strengthen their decision to live wisely, Paul encourages them to sing inspired songs and thank God for everything they have received from him. We share this same call to grow in wisdom and in gratitude.

Gospel John 6:51-58

Once again Jesus the Teacher is having a hard time getting through to his listeners. They resist his teaching that he is the living bread from heaven. When they continue to object, Jesus assures them that his flesh is real food and his blood is real drink. If they do not "feed on" him, they will have no life in them.

We are blessed because we can share the Living Bread at every Eucharist. As we satisfy our spiritual hunger, we remember those who hunger for food, shelter, friendship, or faith. We consider how we can respond to the hungers of the world.

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Pastor’s Column

Dear Parishioners:

What is rather amazing about God’s Love for us is that the greatest sign of God’s Love is that God reveals His Love through His Son, Jesus, becoming human. The sign of salvation becomes human. This is the highest compliment God can give us, to specifically choose to come into the world via the human avenue.

In our temptation to look for something more spectacular from God, the Good News is that the greatest sign of God’s constant presence is Jesus. Our Holy Communion with Jesus at Mass confirms in the Holy Spirit that God is profoundly present in our humanity thanks to Jesus born of Mary.

We cannot improve on the sign of all signs, Jesus, and, thus, we are freed up from thinking we have to find a better sign of God’s Love in the world. We simply need to look at ourselves (humans) and there he is, Jesus, the sign of God’s Love for the world! Look no further than people, because this is God’s favorite residency, in us.

We may want to complicate how God is present in the world but there is no need to because God loves us to death and into new life thanks to Jesus becoming human. We are not to down-play Jesus as Son of God but celebrating Jesus’ presence in our humanity can do wonders to heighten our awareness that the most special sign of how deeply God Loves us is found in our one humanity.

In Christ’s Affirming Love,
Fr. Terry

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.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

August 1st & 2nd

- Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5965.00**
- Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount Collected: \$5062.66**
- Charity: \$8.00**
- Assumption: \$11.00**
- Weekly Treasure Support Deficit: (\$883.34)**
- Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$29,825.00**
- Fiscal Year Deficit: (\$4456.69)**
- Food Pantry: \$40.00**
- Mission Appeal (Carmelite Sisters): \$1602.82**
- 50/50 Raffle: \$215.00**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
- Tuesday:** Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
- Wednesday:** Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
- Thursday:** Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
- Friday:** Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday:** Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
- Sunday:** Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

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.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, August 10

No 9:00am Mass

Tuesday, August 11

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing

Thursday, August 13

6:30pm—Family Rosary

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.

Religious Education (RE)

We have an in house RE Mailbox.

Where: main entrance of the church on the table leading to the Gathering Room

Why: hard copy communication purposes

Note: 2015-2016 RE Calendars/2015/2016 RE Registration Forms available on the website & near RE Mailbox

Thank you, Yvonne Weaver, DRE

Nature's Lessons

Believe one who has tried, you shall find a fuller satisfaction in the woods than in books. The trees and the rocks will teach you that which you cannot hear from the masters.

—St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on July 28th

Was # 157

The Winner Would Have Won \$202.50
(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, HOME-BOUND 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.

Catholic Services Appeal

Many thanks to Sandy & Chris Garza for their pledge/payment to this year's appeal.

Our current figure of money that has been pledged/paid is \$51,979.00.

Ministry Schedule
August 15th & 16th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Susan Kimmet, Joe Nowacki,
Judy Nowacki

8:00am—Carol Jablonski, Patti Pawl,
Tim Pawl

10:00am—John Hearne, Tom Heffernan,
Tamara Fredrickson

6:00pm—Irene Magana, Isabella Skurka,
Frances Vasquez

Lectors

4:30pm—Joe David

8:00am—Rita D’Arcy

10:00am—Diana Giovane

6:00pm—Gary Blue

Helper Needed

God is a good worker; but loves to be helped.
—Basque proverb

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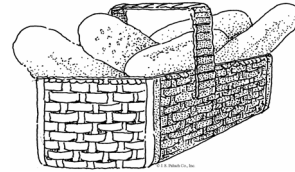
Altar Servers

4:30pm—Lillian Smith

8:00am—Joe Stankovich

10:00am—Jim Morris, Andrew Yuraitis

6:00pm—Mary Shutoski



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I am the living bread
that came down from heaven.

— *John 6:51*

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