

# St. Joseph Church

August 17, 2014

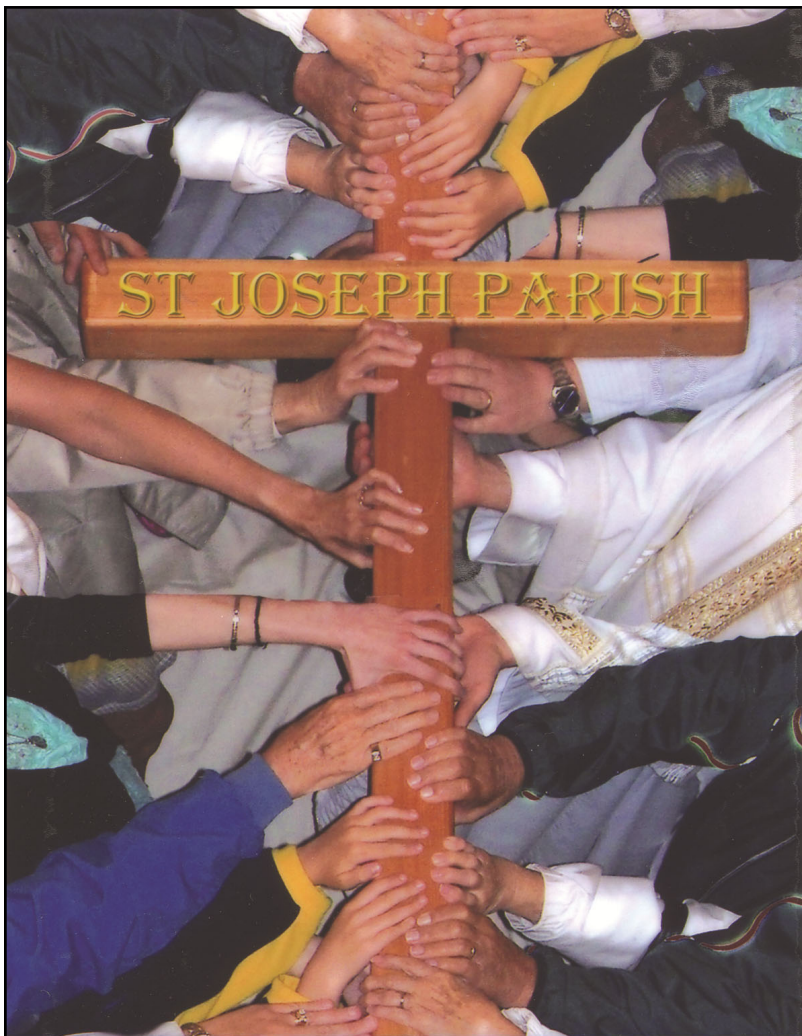
Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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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

Email .....yseweaver@yahoo.com

**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, August 18, Weekday**

9:00 AM Poor Souls

**Tuesday, August 19, Weekday**

9:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

**Wednesday, August 20, St. Bernard**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, August 21, St. Pius X**

9:00 AM Poor Souls

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, August 22, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 AM Frank Kaczocha

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, August 23, Vigil: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Ernest & Lydia Kenez

**Sunday, August 24, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

6:00 PM Rosemary Ford



Please pray for the following parishioners who are not able to worship with our parish family:

Eileen Bork, John Cloghessy, Nancy Hanck, Dolores Kaczocha, Donna Maicher, Mark Maicher, Edna Stankovich, and Eileen Sukta.

**FOOD PANTRY REQUEST**

On Wednesday, August 20th, 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, conditioners, 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.

**Religious Education**

Religious Education begins on: *Tuesday, September 16, 5:30-7:30pm with Generations of Faith (GOF) in the GYM.*

We start with a simple meal from 5:30-5:55pm. Students, their families, extended families and guests are invited.

Come share the Gift of Faith through celebrating, learning, prayer and serving...

Come meet our catechists, aides, and helpers.....

We resume our regular RE Schedule on: Tuesday, September 23

4:30-5:45pm A Session

6:15-7:30pm B Session

Questions: Call 865-2355

God's peace,

Yvonne Weaver, DRE



**St. John Academy Reunion**

St. John Academy has planned its annual reunion for Sunday, September 21, 2014 at St. John Evangelist Catholic Church in Indianapolis.

Mass will take place at 11am and a brunch will follow.

Cost to attend is \$20. Those interested in attending are asked to make checks payable to the St. John Alumnae and mail them to: Mary Jane Biro, 715 E. Southern Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46203-5155. For more info, call 1-317-780-7087.

**Pastor’s Column**

Dear Parishioners:

There is frantic busyness and then there is reflective busyness. Frantic busyness is filled with worry and anxiety about whether we will get done with what we need to do. Reflective busyness points to our being present to Jesus as we do the busyness. When we listen to Jesus within us, we will do what needs to be done without worry and anxiety. This is a major resurrection for us because we are letting go of the illusion of control that worry and anxiety conjure up inside our minds.

Jesus calls us to die to worry and anxiety, period. Stop it! It is a falsity in our lives and tends to trivialize God’s relevance in our lives. When we are attentive to Jesus within us, then there is no room for worry and anxiety for all is well in Jesus. We can be busy, busy, but when reflectively busy in Christ, all of life becomes wiser and more peaceable.

To live in Holy Communion with Jesus requires us to die to frantic busyness and rise in reflective busyness in Jesus. We will be amazed at the abundant creative energy we will be blessed with in Christ as a new life result. Worry and anxiety block out creativity in Christ. Taking up our cross in Christ points to dying to the illusion of frantic busyness and rising in reflective busyness in Christ.

In Jesus’ wisdom and peace,

Fr. Terry

**Pilgrimage**

Pilgrimage to England & Scotland with Father Mike Yadron, St. Thomas More Catholic Church, April 13-24, 2015. Visit the sites associated with St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, Westminster Cathedral, the headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church in Britain, the Marian Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, and many other religious sites. Also visit Stonehenge, Loch Lomond, and many other historical sites. Price is \$4598 for this 12 day pilgrimage and includes airfare to/from Chicago. If interested, contact Fr. Mike Yadron at 219-836-8610 or <http://stm-church.com/2015Pilgrimage.pdf>

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

August 2nd & 3rd

**Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$6216.76**

**Children’s Collection: \$12.10**

**Charity: \$51.00**

**Food Pantry: \$75.00**

**Maryknoll Missions: \$1411.28**

**50/50 Raffle: \$250.00**

**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

**The Number Drawn on August 5th**

**Was # 749**

**The Winner Would Have Won \$125.00**

**(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, 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 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.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, August 18**

7:00pm—Finance/Pastoral meeting in Gathering Room

**Tuesday, August 19**

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing  
6:15-7:45pm—Catechist meeting in Gathering Room

**Wednesday, August 20**

10:00am-Noon—Food Pantry pickup  
6:00-7:30pm—Food Pantry pickup

**Thursday, August 21**

6:30pm—Family Rosary

**CALLED TO ACT IN GOD’S NAME**

“Let all the nations praise you!” (Psalm 67:4) today’s psalm response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a “put up or shut up” challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with “Behold!” (Matthew 15:22) “Behold!” is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus’ followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to belief, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

In many church buildings constructed in the early twentieth century, there is a window or statue of Pope St. Pius X. Often, these windows were purchased with coins collected by grateful children, since in 1910 a decree admitted much younger children to First Communion. Before then, only teenagers were customarily confirmed and then admitted to the Eucharist. What we often think is ancient practice in fact sometimes has fairly shallow roots, in this case only ten decades. For centuries, Communion had marked the end of formal religious education, but a hundred years ago, Pius X located it at the point at which a child could express a desire for the sacrament and receive it with understanding. In 1917 a new code of canon law determined that age to be about seven, and this practice was observed almost everywhere until the beginning of the Second Vatican Council forty years ago.

In a growing number of dioceses, recent practice has restored the sacramental order that Pius X’s generous decree upset, and increasingly confirmation is celebrated before First Communion. But the gift Pius gave to the children of the Roman Church remains firm: everywhere we admit children to the Lord’s table. Where the traditional order has been restored, seven-year-old children are confirmed before First Communion.

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**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

“O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” We only need to call on Jesus to help us have the best Sacrament of Marriage or Holy Orders. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are October 10-12, 2014 or December 5-7, 2014, both at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registrations is highly recommended.

For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through <http://www.wwmejoliet.org>.

**Ministry Schedule**  
**August 23rd & 24th**

**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—John Hearne & Mike Klausman  
6:00pm— Claudia Wing

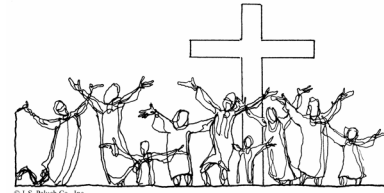
**Gratitude**

O thou who has given us so much, mercifully grant  
us one thing more—a grateful heart. —George Herbert

**Ministry Schedule**  
**August 23rd & 24th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—Ian Gruver  
8:00am—Need Servers  
10:00am—Andrew & Kevin Huffman  
6:00pm—Lanie Taylor



**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
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Observe what is right, do what is just;  
for my salvation is about to come,  
my justice, about to be revealed.  
— *Isaiah 56:1*

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