

# St. Joseph Church

September 2, 2012

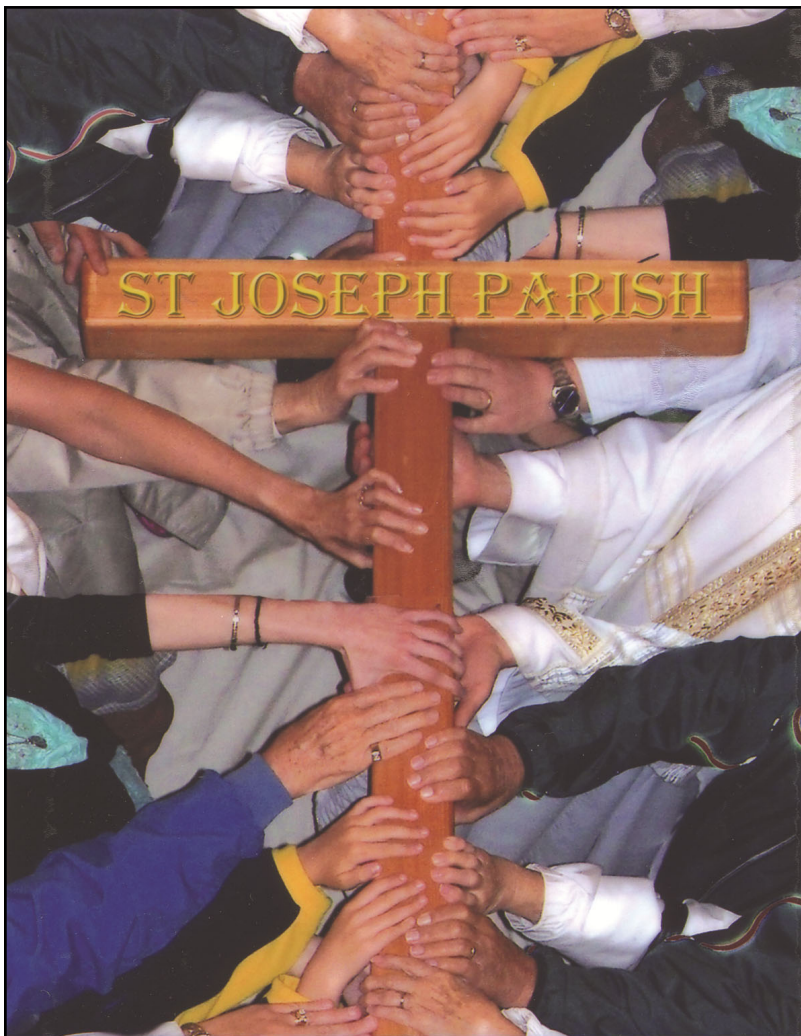
Twenty Second Sunday

In Ordinary Time

440 Joliet St., Dyer, IN 46311

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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

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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, September 3, St. Gregory the Great**

9:00 AM Elmer Held

**Tuesday, September 4, Weekday**

9:00 AM Frank Kaczocha

**Wednesday, September 5, Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, , September 6, Weekday**

9:00 AM Denis Kinsella

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, September 7, Weekday**

9:00 AM Rosemary Ford

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, September 8, Vigil: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Ernest Staroscak

**Sunday, September 9, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Delphine Ziolkowski

10:00 AM Narcisi Family

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

**Please Note!**

The parish office will be closed Monday, September 3rd.

**Rachel's Corner**

Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and experience the profound and beautiful mercy of Our Lord.

**September 14-16, 2012**

**All calls confidential (219-558-0625)**

**[kdruz@att.net](mailto:kdruz@att.net)**

**[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)**

Abortion touches many lives. Rachel's Vineyard, an offering of Catholic Charities, is a weekend retreat for healing after abortion. This retreat, held on September 14-16th, will help those who struggle with grief, guilt and pain. Come and experience the mercy, forgiveness and healing love of God in the company of others who understand these feelings.

**RE BEGINS**

**Tuesday, September 11**

**WELCOME BACK!**

Generations of Faith (GOF)

5:30—5:50 Pizza

6:00—7:30 Program

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** St. Gregory the Great; Labor Day

**Friday:** First Friday

**Saturday:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Helping Hands Food Pantry**

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

**MARKET DAY**

Many thanks to all who participated in our Market Day for August. We earned approximately \$85.00. 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, September 12th**. The pickup area is off the Nondorf entrance to the school. The order sheets are at all the entrances of the church.

**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.

**Pastor's Column**

Dear Parishioners:

I recently was talking to someone who has been on this earth for many years and I asked them “What wisdom they have reaped over the years?” They told me that they have learned that “stuff” happens in life and you go with it. I responded that my favorite description of inner peace is taking life as it comes.

Things do happen to us from day-to-day some of which is highly unpredictable. Rather than get into a control frenzy, in Christ Jesus we can join him in the back of the boat during the storm and remain peaceful no matter what life “throws” at us.

Living a long and healthy life is connected to the level of inner peace we carry in our minds and hearts. Jesus the Christ is our “cornerstone” of inner peace based on our depth of trust in him that although life on earth is challenging, in the Lord Jesus we will not be overcome and inner peace will be our daily mainstay.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us? (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).

**Psalm** — The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

**Second Reading** — Religion that is pure is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

**Gospel** — This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the *Lectio-nary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

August 18th & 19th

**Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$4971.60**

**Children’s Collection: \$12.00**

**Charity: \$25.00**

**Assumption: \$661.00**

**Food Pantry: \$75.00**

**Mission in India: \$1789.20**

**Stewardship Prayer**

Father,  
 out of your goodness and mercy you have blessed each of us with many gifts.  
 May your spirit give us the grace to recognize our gifts and the faith to use them in service to you and your Church.  
 May our practice of stewardship be a sign of our trust in you—trusting that you will continue to provide for all our needs.  
 We ask that our time, talent and treasure be used to further our mission here on earth. And when our time on earth is through, may we be welcomed into your heavenly kingdom and hear you say,  
 “well done my good and faithful servant, come, share your master’s joy!” Amen.  
 Our Father...Hail Mary...  
 Glory be...  
 Mary, Model of Stewardship, pray for us.

**Polish Heritage Festival**

Will be held from 11am to 5pm on Sunday, September 16th, at the International Friendship Gardens, 2055 E. US Hwy. 12 in Michigan City, Indiana. Featured will be a Polish-English Mass at 11am; polka music by the EZ Tones from 1 to 4pm; and a performance by the “Wesoly Lud” Polish troupe.  
 Admission is \$4 per person or \$10 per car; children under 12 years old are admitted free of charge.

**Diocesan Year of Faith Conference**

The ‘door of faith’ is always open for us... ” ushering us into the life of communion with God, and offering entry into his Church. It is possible to cross that threshold when the word of God is proclaimed and the heart allows itself to be shaped by transforming grace. To enter through that door is to set out on a journey that lasts a lifetime. In order to celebrate this Year in a worthy and fruitful manner, Bishop Melczek, and member of his Priest Council, have planned a special Conference on two different weekends in September at two different locations:

**September 21 & 22 at St. Thomas More Parish**

**September 28 & 29 at St. Paul Parish**

**All parishioners** are invited to attend **one of these two weekends**. The Conference will provide tools for us to better understand and live our faith with renewed conviction. Keynote speakers will share their insights on the Second Vatican Council, and the breakout sessions will focus on the Catholic Catechism and the Creed—all are tools to help us live our faith.

For additional information, go to [www.dcgary.org](http://www.dcgary.org) for full information and registration. Please note there is no fee for the Conference, only a \$10.00 fee for lunch.

Contact 769-9292, ext. 280 for additional information.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Labor Day originated in 1882 in New York City under the aegis of the Knights of Labor. Congress made it a legal holiday in 1894. Observing it this week gives us a good opportunity to reflect on the Catholic Church’s social teachings for the last century or so. On May 15, 1891, Pope Leo XIII issued the encyclical *Rerum Novarum* on the condition of the working classes and labor. In doing so, he initiated a century in which Catholic teaching became more and more involved in the social issues of the day.

Unfortunately relegated to the shadows while the bright lights of controversy shine on other issues, Catholic social teaching remains largely unknown to many Catholics. It is the Catholic Church that championed such notions as a fair day’s pay for a fair day’s work, and continues to uphold the dignity of the human person against attacks from governments and corporations. Nearly every pope since Leo XIII has issued teachings on the subject. Take some time this Labor Day to familiarize yourself with some aspect of the Church’s social teachings. In doing so, you will be taking responsibility as a member of the Body of Christ to commit yourself to the care of your neighbor.

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday:** 1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30
- Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday:** 1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
- Thursday:** 1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
- Friday:** 1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
- Saturday:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
- Sunday:** Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

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**S.P.A.R.C.**

The senior club has two meetings this month, Tuesday, September 4th at 10am & Tuesday, September 18th at 10am. Meetings are held at St. Maria Goretti Parish—Casa Maria Hall. Guests are welcome at both meetings.

**Special Notice:** The S.P.A.R.C. club will meet at St. Maria Goretti Church at 4pm mass on Saturday, September 15, 2012 for our annual corporate communion mass.

**St. Joseph Parish Choir**

We are looking for new members to join our parish choir. Practices are on Thursday evenings from 7:30—9:00pm starting September 6th. We pray that you will join us.

**Ministry Schedule**  
**September 8th & 9th**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Paul Jarzembowski, Patty Jarzembowski, Fran Lisac  
8:00am—Kathy Cusick, Carol Jablonski, Pauline Rybicki  
10:00am—Gary Blue, Perla Garcia, Mike Klausman, Ron Reichelt (choir)  
6:00pm—Renan Garcia, Judy Janusz, Yvonne Weaver

**Lectors**

4:30pm—Sandy O’Drobinak  
8:00am—Barb Jurczuk  
10:00am—Tim & Sheila Huffman  
6:00pm—Renan Garcia

**Forgivers**

A happy marriage is a union of two good forgivers.  
—Anonymous

**Ministry Schedule**  
**September 8th & 9th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—Need Servers  
8:00am—J. Kline, K. Kline  
10:00am—I. Giovane,  
6:00pm—B. Blue



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Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in  
you  
and is able to save your souls.  
— James 1:21b

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