

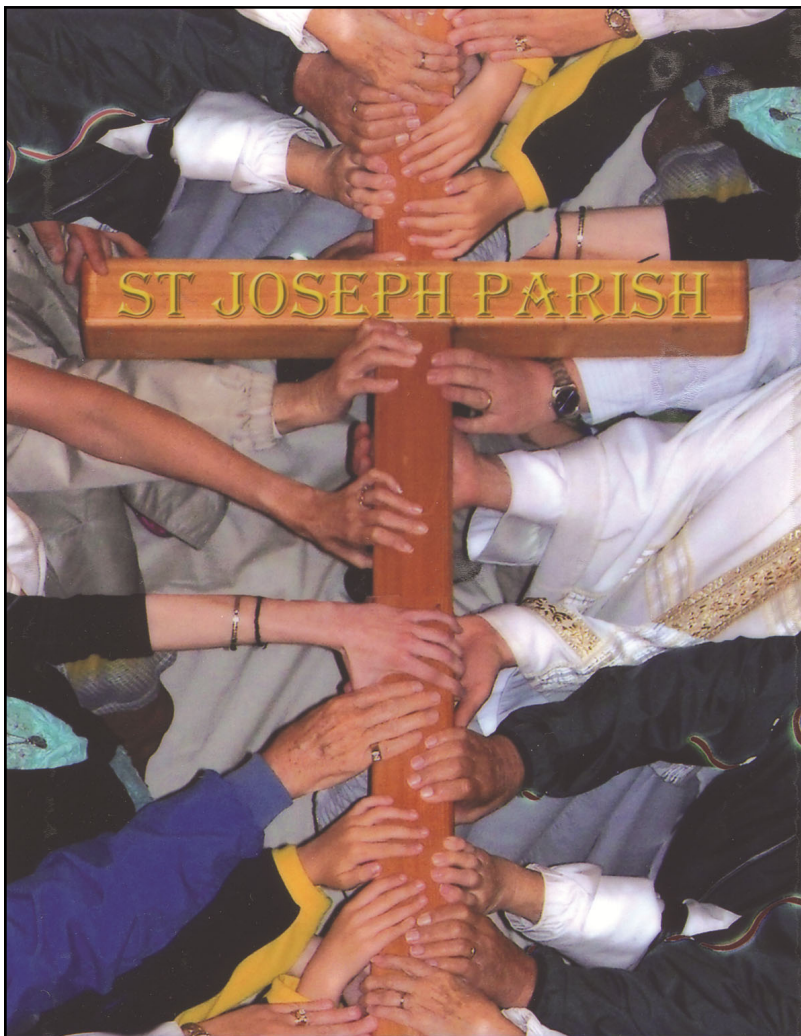
# St. Joseph Church

September 9, 2012

Twenty-Third 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 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, September 10, Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Tuesday, September 11, Weekday**

9:00 AM Kaczocha & Zarlenga Families

**Wednesday, September 12, Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, September 13, St. John Chrysostom**

9:00 AM Dr. Don Dagostino

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, September 14, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

9:00 AM Frank Kaczocha

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, September 15, Vigil: 24th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Deacon Dana & Clara Gallenberger

**Sunday, September 16, 24th Sunday In Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM Mario Bratovich

6:00 PM Lydia Casiola

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Allan Burgos—864-8974

Noel Cusick—865-6255

Tamara Fredrickson—322-6911

John Hearne—864-8929

Gladys Heffernan—708-672-3456

Steve Kline—864-9326

Lillian Smith—864-8285

Barb Yamich—322-7219

Recording Secretary—Rita D’Arcy—365-9274

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.

**Please Note!!**

There will not be a morning mass on Monday, September 10th.

**Stewardship Prayer**

*Gracious God, we thank you for the wonder of all that you have given to us.*

*You give us eyes to see your presence, ears to listen to your voice, mouths to speak your name, hands to help those in need.*

*Help us to use the gifts you give us in service to others.*

*Help us to be good stewards of the earth and its resources.*

*We ask this through Jesus, who shows us the way to live and love.*

*Amen.*



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**Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration at the new Blessed Sacrament Chapel of the Salvatorian Shrine, 5755 Pennsylvania Street in Merrillville. Every Monday through Saturday from 7:30am to 6:30pm. To commit to an hour a week, please call 219-884-0714 or email: [infoAmyczestochowa.us](mailto:infoAmyczestochowa.us). Jesus will thank you for your love!

**Pastor's Column**

Dear Parishioners:

Hurricane Isaac has impacted many hundreds of miles of the United States in recent days. It is amazing how a storm can affect so many people in a relatively short amount of time. What is good to see is how people rally together to help their neighbors.

God's Love is a "Hurricane" of mercy and compassion for the world with Jesus as the "eye" of God Our Father's Love. This "wind" of the Holy Spirit is strong enough to blow away our old ways of viewing the world. The new-life "gusts" of Jesus' saving love for the world impact the human heart with more consistent love of neighbor.

There is a seamlessness between Hurricane love of neighbor and loving our neighbor on non-storm days. Jesus "sews" the seamless "stitch" of mercy and compassion all over the world through the constant "breeze" of the Holy Spirit. May we as members of Christ Jesus' Body be more willing to enter the "eye" of Jesus' Love in Our Father (Holy Communion) so that loving our neighbor becomes more our daily mission in the Lord Jesus.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry



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**Catholic Services Appeal**

Many thanks to Vicki Rebesco for her donation to this year's Catholic Services Appeal.

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

August 25th & 26th

**Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$5327.75**

**Children's Collection: \$11.00**

**Charity: \$216.00**

**Assumption: \$55.00**

**Food Pantry: \$30.00**

**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.

Have a more enjoyable school year! Meet with a **Catholic Charities counselor** to set family goals and address parent-child conflicts or problems at school. Experienced and licensed therapists are available to help you. Day and evening hours are available. Call our Hammond office, 844-4883, to schedule an appointment for any of our locations.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11  
**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19  
**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26  
**Thursday:** 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38  
**Friday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
**Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35  
**Sunday:** Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

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**Friends of the Poor**

Fifth Annual Friends of the Poor Walk to benefit the needy and suffering in the Northwest Indiana on Saturday, September 29, 2012. Registration begins at 9am and the Walk starts at 10am at Lemon Lake County Park in Crown Point. A Potluck Fellowship Picnic is planned for after the Walk. The Picnic is for our Walkers and Benefactors to say thank you for their support. The Walk is fun, there are no administrative fees, and all proceeds will directly benefit the people in Northwest Indiana through participating conferences. SVDP programs include food pantries, housing assistance, disaster relief, job training and placement, clothing, transportation and utility costs, thrift stores, home visits, care for the elderly, medicine and youth outreach. For more information or to register, log on to [www.svdpfriendsofthepoorwalk.org](http://www.svdpfriendsofthepoorwalk.org), or call 219-845-7531.

**Attn: Bishop Noll Alumni & Friends**

Mark your calendars for the annual Bishop Noll Homecoming Tailgate on Friday, September 28. This annual event brings alumni and friends from all over the country back to Noll for an evening of food and fun. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$20 which includes beverages and food for the night. The event begins after our Homecoming football game and attendees must be over 21 years of age. There are also many classes kicking off their reunion weekend at the Homecoming Tailgate. For more info, please contact, Mehgan Jagielski or Matt Chico at BNI's office of Institutional Advancement at 219-932-9058 ext. 1005 or [mjagielski@bishopnoll.org](mailto:mjagielski@bishopnoll.org).

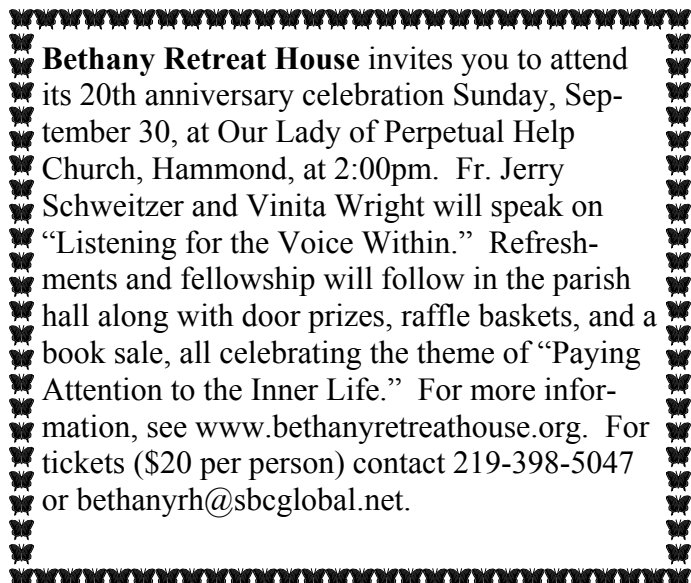
**2012 RED MASS**  
**Bishop Dale J. Melczek, Celebrant**  
**&**  
**Legal & Finance Community/  
 Educational Seminar**  
 Wednesday, October 24, 2012  
 Our Lady of Consolation Church, Merrillville  
 8:00am—Mass  
 9:00-11:00am—Breakfast & Seminar

INHERITANCE TAX ISSUES  
 Donald R. Hopper  
 Indiana Inheritance Tax Administrator  
 FREE 1.5 hrs. CLE/CPE/CE

To Register, contact...  
 Deborah Tatum, Executive Director  
*Catholic Foundation for Northwest Indiana*  
**219-769-9292, ext. 290**  
**dtatum@catholicfuture.org**

The Red Mass tradition began about 1310 A.D. when red robes were worn by the priest and judges who attended Mass together at the annual opening term of Court. Our 2012 Red Mass brings together members of the legal and finance community, government officials, and judiciary to seek inspiration from God to guide them in the coming year's efforts.

**People of all faiths are welcome!**  
**Attend Mass only, CLE/CPE/CE only, or all events!**


**Bethany Retreat House** invites you to attend its 20th anniversary celebration Sunday, September 30, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Hammond, at 2:00pm. Fr. Jerry Schweitzer and Vinita Wright will speak on "Listening for the Voice Within." Refreshments and fellowship will follow in the parish hall along with door prizes, raffle baskets, and a book sale, all celebrating the theme of "Paying Attention to the Inner Life." For more information, see [www.bethanyretreathouse.org](http://www.bethanyretreathouse.org). For tickets (\$20 per person) contact 219-398-5047 or [bethanyrh@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bethanyrh@sbcglobal.net).

**Ministry Schedule**  
**September 15th & 16th**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Florence Anrzejewski, Kay Hoffman,  
Fran Lisac  
8:00am—Barb Jurczuk, Stan Jurczuk,  
William Wikar  
10:00am—John Hearne, Tom Heffernan,  
Connie Peschel (choir)  
6:00pm—Stephanie Dines, Constance Peschel

**Lectors**

4:30pm—Joe David  
8:00am—Karen Ziolkowski  
10:00am—Mike Klausman  
6:00pm—Brian Blue

**Thoughts**

The happiness of your life depends upon the quality  
of your thoughts. —Marcus Aurelius

**Ministry Schedule**  
**September 15th & 16th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—A. David, J. David  
8:00am—D. McGrath  
10:00am—J. Hearne  
6:00pm—P. Kwasigroch



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Did not God choose those who are poor in the  
world  
to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?  
— James 2:5

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