

St. Joseph Church

October 11, 2015

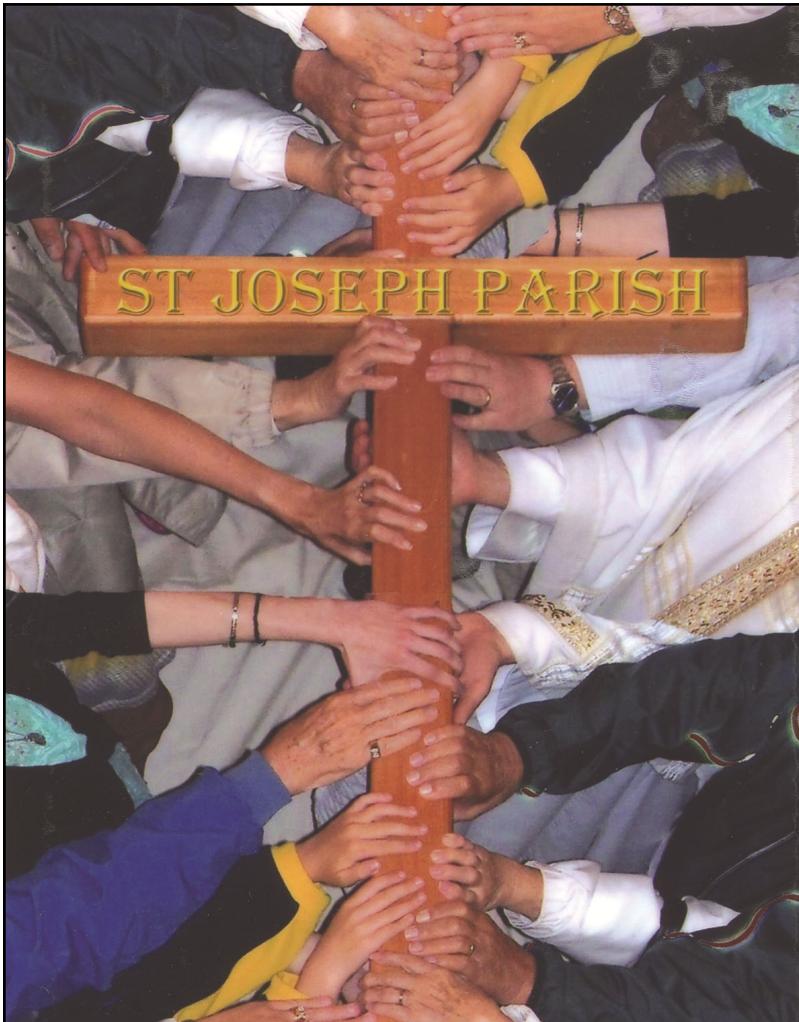
**Twenty-Eighth Sunday In
Ordinary Time**

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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

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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, 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, October 12, Weekday**

No 9:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, October 13, Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Wednesday, October 14, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, October 15, St. Teresa of Jesus

9:00 AM Poor Souls

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, October 16, Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Weekend Mass Intentions**Saturday, October 17, Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Josephine Banvich

Sunday, October 18, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM Norma Beiriger

6:00 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

**Mass with Bishop Donald Hying**

Please reserve October 18th, 10am Mass at St. Joseph Parish here in Dyer. Bishop Hying will concelebrate Mass with Father Terry and there will be time after mass to visit with the Bishop and also have some refreshments. There are sign-up sheets in all the vestibules to let us know that you are coming to mass and the reception and how many will be attending.

PLEASE NOTE!!

There will be no morning mass on Monday, October 12th.

Sunday Readings Reflections of 10/18/15**Reading 1 Isaiah 53:10-11**

One of the worst things a person can experience is to feel that they have suffered for nothing. When a soldier dies in battle for a good cause, others say that he or she did not die in vain. In today's first reading, Isaiah describes the Suffering Servant of God. This servant gives up his life "as an offering for sin." By doing so, he bears the guilt of others. God says of him, "My servant shall justify many." To justify others is to free them from blame or take away their guilt.

We can easily understand why Christians see a portrait of Jesus Christ in this reading. He is the obedient servant who gave his life for our salvation. By his suffering, death, and rising, he leads us into fullness of days.

Reading 2 Hebrews 4:14-16

Temptation is a familiar visitor for most of us. Sometimes we lock our doors and say "Keep out!" Other times we let temptation in and wind up acting against God's will. Jesus never said yes to temptation. He knows what it is like to be tempted. Therefore, he understands how hard it is for us to resist temptations to sins like dishonesty, greed, and violence.

Jesus is a priest who intercedes for us always. Whenever temptation knocks on our doors, we have only to turn to Jesus. He will strengthen us to do what is right.

Gospel Mark 10:42-45

We can often recognize those who are considered great in the world by the number of people they have serving and protecting them. Jesus teaches his disciples that it cannot be like that with them. He has come not to be served but to serve others, especially the poor and those who need healing. His greatness is seen most clearly in his laying down his life for others.

Through Baptism we share in the Church's ministry to serve all who are in need. We share Christ's mission of working for peace and justice in our homes, our parish, and our world.

Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

To be in Oneness with Jesus on a consistent basis is to let go of trying to figure Jesus out as to what He is up to in our faith depths. The mystery of faith keeps us humble and alert to Jesus' promptings in our every moment. We can be confident that Jesus' Love in the Holy Spirit reveals God Our Father's Will to us. And Our Father's Will brings us to new mysterious awareness of how utterly dependent we are on God's Wisdom and Truth given to us in Holy Communion with Jesus the Christ.

Our Holy Communion confirms in the Holy Spirit that God consistently loves us in Christ the Savior of the World. God's consistent Oneness with us never fails us so our faith in Christ encourages us to be consistently alert to how faithfully God fills us with His Wisdom and Truth.

There is no trick about faithfulness to Christ because God's faithfulness is freely given to us at all times. No magic here, for this is God Our Father's proclamation in the Holy Spirit to us, namely, that all is well in Christ His Savior Son and to be consistent in our alertness to Jesus' Wisdom and Truth is our salvation.

Rejoicing in God's faithfulness,

Fr. Terry

Catholic Foundation for Northwest Indiana presents

THE RED MASS

Bishop Don Hying, celebrant
Followed by FREE Breakfast/Educational Seminar for legal and financial professionals.
Wednesday, October 21st at 8:00am at Our Lady of Consolation Church & Hall.
Earn 1.5 CLE/CPE credit: "Tips, Tricks & Trials of Trust Administration". ALL FAITHS WELCOME! Register online:
www.catholicfuture.org.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

October 3rd & October 4th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5825.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope

Amount Collected: \$8440.25

Charity: \$75.00

Religious Education: \$0

Deficit collection for Weekly Sunday

Treasure: \$1004.15

Weekly Treasure Support Surplus:

\$3694.40

Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount

Needed: \$81,550.00

Fiscal Year Deficit: (\$5606.45)

Food Pantry: \$250.00

50/50 Raffle:\$245.00

Propagation of the Faith

There will be a second collection next weekend for the Propagation of the Faith.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Gary Blue—322-6351

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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

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**Monday, October 12**

No 9am Mass

Tuesday, October 13

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing

4:30-5:45pm—Session A—Religious Education classes in school

Thursday, October 15

6:30pm—Family Rosary

7:00pm—Choir Practice

Sunday, October 18

10:00am Mass with Bishop Hying—

Reception to follow in the Gathering Room

Confirmation Meeting

Parents/Confirmandi

Tuesday, October 13, 4:30-5:45pm

Upstairs School Meeting Room

Thank you: Mrs. Weaver

Questions: Call 865-2355

yseweaver@yahoo.com.

DISCIPLESHIP AND WEALTH

Sometimes we get the idea that having material wealth is a bad thing. We may convince ourselves that it is the poor who are favored. In today's readings, we discover that material wealth alone does not keep us from discipleship. We will see that there are other gifts more important than material wealth, but even so, it is how we use our gifts that matters most.

Today's scriptures point to the value of the gifts of wisdom, trusting in God, and letting our actions reflect the love of God from within. It is not gold that causes us to fall, but rather the desire for gold above all other things. From the readings in Wisdom and Hebrews, we find the source of God's gifts in our lives. Wisdom is more valuable than worldly possessions. In Hebrews, we are challenged to look at our own values and admit honestly what controls our lives.

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Weekly 50/50 Raffle

**The Number Drawn on September 29th
Was # 169**

The Winner Would Have Won \$1152.50
(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.

Hope Ministry Grief Support

St. Matthias Church of Crown Point is sponsoring a grief support group through its Hope Ministry program. Meetings are scheduled for the Sundays of October 11th, 18th, 25th and November 1st. These four consecutive sessions are facilitated by trained professionals. Any questions, call 663-2201.

Ministry Schedule
October 17th & 18th**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Florence Andrzejewski, Joe Nowacki,
Judy Nowacki
8:00am—Carol Jablonski, Patti Pawl,
Tim Pawl
10:00am—John Hearne, Tom Heffernan,
Tamara Fredrickson
6:00pm—Irene Magana, Isabelle Skurka,
Frances Vasquez

Lectors

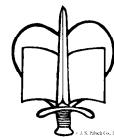
4:30pm—Volunteer Needed
8:00am—Rita D'Arcy
10:00am—Tim & Sheila Huffman
6:00pm—Gary Blue

Speaking of God

Almost everything said of God is unworthy, for the very reason that it is capable of being said. St. Gregory the Great

Ministry Schedule
October 17th & 18th**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—Lanie Taylor
8:00am—Need Servers
10:00am—Andrew & Kevin Huffman,
Jim Morris
6:00pm—Mary Shutoski

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The word of God is living and effective,
sharper than any two-edged sword.

-- Hebrews 4:12a

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