

St. Joseph Church

November 9, 2014

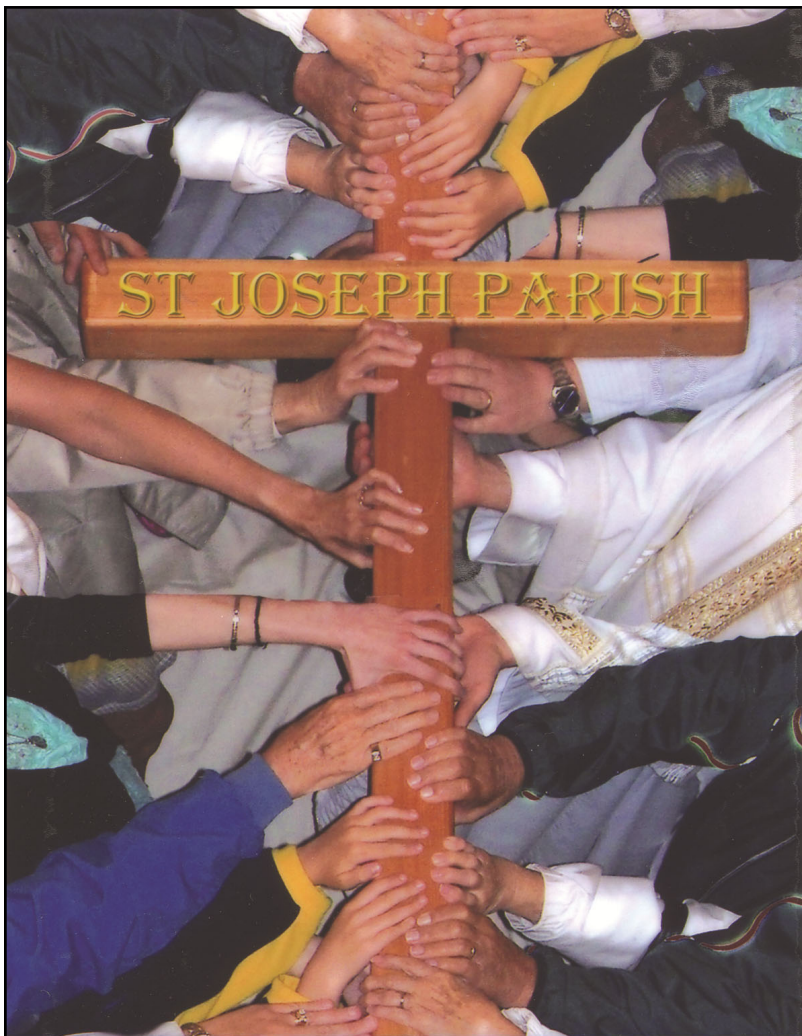
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

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**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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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, November 10, St. Leo the Great

No 9:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, November 11, St. Martin of Tours

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Wednesday, November 12, St. Josaphat

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, November 13, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

9:00 AM Nick & Ernesta Zarlenga

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, November 14, Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 15, Vigil: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Bob Capparelli

Sunday, November 16, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Evelyn Koepf

10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garzqa

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Please Note!

There will be no morning masses on Monday, November 10th & Wednesday, November 12th.

Hospital & Nursing Home Visits

In this day and age, privacy within the Hospital and Nursing Home industry is a high priority. As a result, notification of churches about parishioners who are in a Hospital or Nursing Home is left up to the family or friend of the patient. Please call 219-865-2271 to let us know here at the Parish Office if you or your loved one is in a Hospital or Nursing Home. Also let us know if they would like their name published in the bulletin to be prayed for by the parishioners.
Thank You.

The Scriptures

The scriptures explore the central themes and messages of the Bible. It explains what the Bible is and why it is considered the holy book of the Christian Community. We will engage in a process of faith reflections using a DVD and study guide divided into four segments: 1. What is the Bible?; 2. Why is the Bible holy?; 3. What's in the Bible?; and 4. Jesus: The Alpha and the Omega. We will cover, discuss and reflect upon two segments during each session; Sessions One and Two are repeated if needed or chosen.

Session One (Segments 1 & 2): Wednesday, December 3, 6:30-8:30pm, Gathering Room.

Session One (Segments 1 & 2) **Repeated:** Thursday, December 4, 10:00-12:00pm, Gathering Room.

Session Two (Segments 3 & 4): Wednesday, December 10, 6:30-8:30pm, Gathering Room.

Session Two (Segments 3 & 4) **Repeated:** Thursday, December 11, 10:00-12:00pm, Gathering Room.

The Community preserves and treasures the memory of God's word. Inspired by the Holy Spirit the text is proclaimed, preached, taught and explained in the Church. Believers welcome the word into their hearts where it brings about transformation.

The Word of God traverses this holy path from the heart of God to the heart of believers. Every generation must claim this movement and recognize it with deep reverence and gratitude.

Come deepen your appreciation for the Word of God as we listen, discover, and explore the Bible.

Register by sign the sheet located at the church entrance.

Questions call: 219-865-2355 or leave a message on our website at: stjosephdyer.org.

Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

The root of unfaithfulness to God is thinking of ourselves as more important than God. Injustice towards our neighbors is fostered by a self-will outlook on life. Simplicity of life is the remedy for our unfaithfulness to God for God's Will encourages us to travel light in our pilgrimage of faith. Specifically, we are to go through life carrying the Word of God with us. Yup, a bible in the car or on the kitchen table or in the laundry room. Having scripture available to us more consistently will help us to let go of our self-will and discern more faithfully God's Will.

God's Word needs lots of room to fill us with saving truth which includes justice towards the least of our neighbors. God's Will revealed in God's Word, Jesus, is the great unifier of the human community. When Jesus speaks in the Gospel about who are members of His family, he indicates that those who hear the Word of God and put God's Word into loving, justice-seeking action are members of Jesus' family. Our common spiritual bond with one another is God's Word which reveals God's unifying Will.

To be faithful to God is a goodness-seeking journey with Jesus whose self-emptying example encourages us to be emptied of our self-will and be more consistently open to God's Will. Our lives will simplify in our single-heartedness in Christ and love will simplify our view of our neighbors. The one family of God's Kingdom is brought together in God's saving will revealed in God's Word.

United with you in God's Word,

Fr. Terry

Reservations Now Being Taken!

Christmas Wigilia Meal hosted by the Polish Women's Alliance District 3 on December 6th at the Carmelite Banquet Hall, 1628 Ridge Road in Munster. Doors open at noon, with dinner served at 1pm. Cost is \$35 for adults and \$17.50 for children age 5 to 11 years old. Reservations are due by Dec. 1st by call Delphine Huneycut at 219-218-4420.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

November 1st & 2nd

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5965.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount

Collected: \$5650.74

Charity: \$30.00

Weekly Treasure Support Deficit: (\$284.26)

Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$107,370.00

Fiscal Year Deficit: (\$9001.21)

Website Maintenance: \$157.00

Food Pantry: \$75.00

50/50 Raffle: \$270.00

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

For several weeks, we have considered penance as a sacrament of forgiveness, and yet there are two other sacraments in this category. The first, of course, is the Eucharist itself. The other is the sacrament of the sick, long associated with penance.

The Letter of James sets out the deep tradition for caring for the sick: sending for the priests, who will pray and lay their hands on the sick ones, anointing them with oil, and giving them forgiveness. Long before other rites of penance developed, the sacrament of the sick was therefore a profound experience of forgiveness. Jesus often healed the sick, nearly always as a visible sign of forgiveness of sin. The tradition didn't unfold smoothly, however, and within a few centuries the oil of the sick was taken home to be applied by caregivers as a salve, or even to be drunk as a medicine. As early as the second century, bishops were therefore urging that priests should be the ones to visit those separated by illness from the Sunday assembly. Thus the practice of consigning the Eucharist and the oil of the sick to the non-ordained faithful to bring home was relatively shortlived.

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, November 10

No 9:00am Mass
7:00pm—Stewardship meeting in Gathering Room

Tuesday, November 11

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
4:30-5:45pm—Session A—Religious Education classes in school
6:15-7:30pm—Session B—Religious Education classes in school

Wednesday, November 12

No 9:00am Mass
4:45-5:15pm—Market Day pickup

Thursday, November 13

6:30pm—Family Rosary
7:30-9:00pm—Choir Practice



Please welcome the following families to our parish:

- Brian & Gina Bryzgalski and family
- Luis & Jennifer Cuevas and family
- William & Shirley Ivers
- Albert Khoury & Lorraine Diaz and family
- Robert & Kimberly Moredich and family
- Robert Sierzeya
- Kurt & Tracey Vanderah and family

Conscience

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire, called conscience.

—George Washington

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on October 28th
Was # 46

The Winner Would Have Won \$145.00
(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.

St. Stephen Martyr Craft Fair

Will be held at Our Lady of Consolation, 8300 Taft St., Merrillville. Women’s Club Holiday Caraft Fair will be held Saturday, November 15th and Sunday, November 16. It will be from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

Over 30 crafter booths, including Bakery Sale, Wreath/grave blankets sale, Pierogi Sale, Resale booth and Vaticano Pictures. Please do not forget to stop at our Winter Wonderland Café.

Ministry Schedule
November 15th & 16th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Florence Andrzejewski, Fran Lisac,
Judy Nowacki
8:00am—Carol Jablonski, Patti Pawl,
Tim Pawl
10:00am—John Hearne, Tom Heffernan, Tamara
Fredrickson, Ron Reichelt (choir)
6:00pm—Pat Bergstrom, Isabella Skurka,

Lectors

4:30pm—Joe David
8:00am—Rita D'Arcy
10:00am—Religious Education Students
6:00pm—Kurt Vanderah

God's Will

Lord, if your people need me, I will not refuse the work. Your will be done. —St. Martin of Tours

Ministry Schedule
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Altar Servers

4:30pm—Lanie Taylor
8:00am—Christopher, Jake, Kelly Kline
10:00am—RE students
6:00pm—Need Servers



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The LORD of hosts is with us;
our stronghold is the God of Jacob.
— *Psalm 46:8*

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