

St. Joseph Church

November 15, 2015

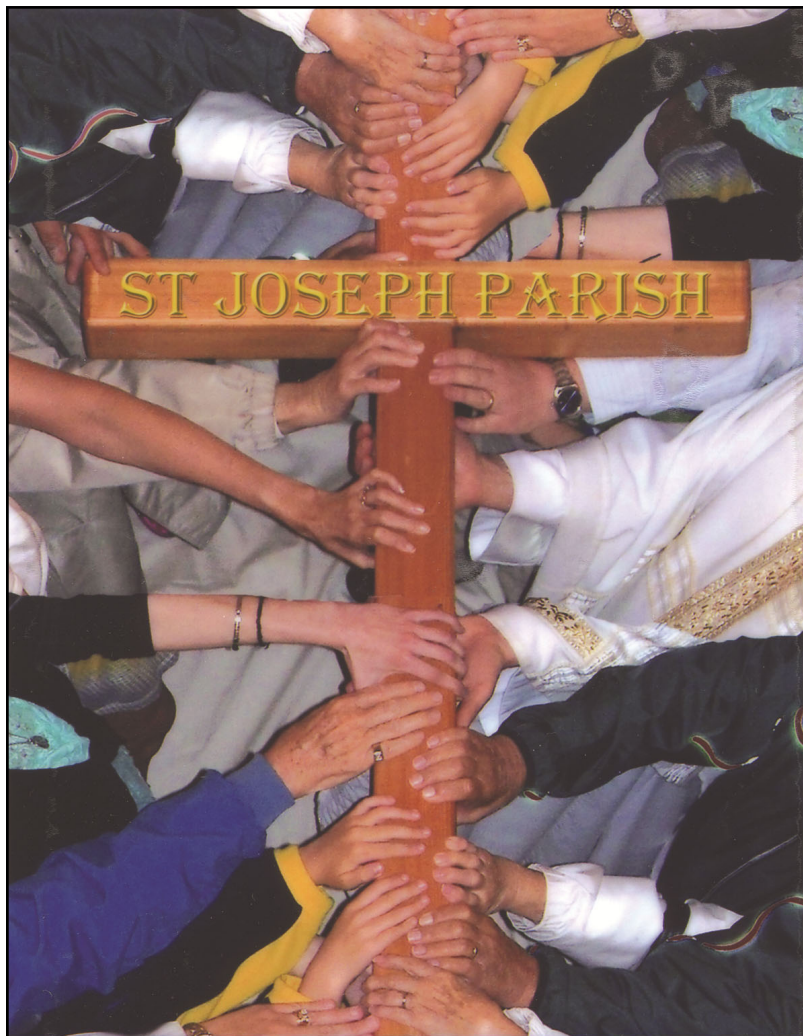
Thirty-Third Sunday In
Ordinary Time

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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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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, November 16, Weekday
 9:00 AM Olive & Jule Bell

Tuesday, November 17, St. Elizabeth of Hungary
 9:00 AM Norma Beiriger

Wednesday, November 18, Weekday
 No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, November 19, Weekday
 9:00 AM The Kelly Family
 6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, November 20, Weekday
 9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the
 Zarlenga & Kaczocho Families

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 21, Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 4:30 PM Joseph Banvich

Sunday, November 22, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 8:00 AM George Steffens
 10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza
 6:00 PM The People of the Parish



Anointing of the Sick

Father Terry will have an Anointing of the Sick on the weekend of November 14th & 15th after all the masses.



Sunday Readings Reflections of 11/22/2015

Reading 1 Daniel 12:1-3

In this reading we hear from a very special and different book of the Old Testament. The Book of Daniel is filled with special images of what the future will be like. This passage gives the first hint in the Bible of the resurrection from the dead. It is not a description of what will happen; it is only a vision, like a work of poetry. The writer speaks about Michael, the archangel of God, who will lead the just and those who work for justice into the everlasting life of heaven. Heaven is our future, where we will be with God forever. There every tear will be gone; we will have fullness of life forever with God and all those whom we love.

Reading 2 Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

In this reading we reflect on the meaning of our future with God. Jesus has given us eternal salvation. Now he sits forever at God's right hand.

Gospel Mark 13: 24-32

In this reading we look forward to the day of Jesus' second coming. We do not know the day or the hour of his coming; only God knows. Meanwhile, as Jesus has repeatedly taught us, we must watch and wait for him in faith, hope, and love. In the hour we least expect him, he warns, he will come.

Let us pray in today's liturgy for ourselves and for the whole Church, that the Lord may find us ready when he returns. May we not be doing foolish things or be living in fear, but be awaiting the kingdom with hope as we strive to do God's will.

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Hope

If you do not hope, you will not find what is beyond your hopes.

—St. Clement

Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

Sometimes when we read Scripture, we may get the impression that our bodies are at war with the Holy Spirit. The Body versus Spirit dichotomy can be misleading because we might think our bodies are the enemy to our spiritual life. However, Jesus is born into our humanity to clarify that our bodies are sacred vessels of the Holy Spirit and are to be treated with reverence and dignity. The specific avenue to God's intimacy is founded in our bodies and Jesus' death and resurrection has affirmed that our Holy Communion with Jesus at Mass is the confirmation of God's constant intimacy in our bodies.

The freedom of the children of God through Baptism reminds us that we can be at peace about our bodies in the constant presence of the Holy Spirit. The war is over thanks to Christ our Savior and Jesus' victory is our joy in how body and spirit can now be in harmony according to God Our Father's Will. What a relief and what an affirmation of our flesh and blood body humanity!

Thank God our bodies are not our enemies in daily life for our humanity is created in God's image and saved from sin and death through Jesus the Son of God made human. The most affirming way God clarifies the sanctity of the human person is by God becoming human in Christ. The Gospel message comes from Jesus with his body filled with the Holy Spirit. In our Holy Communion with Jesus we too are bodies filled with the Holy Spirit which is encompassed in the one Body of Christ. Jesus reveals to us that body and spirit are one in Christ's saving love; the war is over.

In Christ's Harmony,

Fr. Terry

Love Them Both

We must love them both—those whose opinions we share and those whose opinions we reject. For both have labored in the search for truth, and both have helped us in the finding of it.

—Thomas Aquinas

Stewardship of Treasure Report

November 7th & 8th

- Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5825.00**
- Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount Collected: \$6586.66**
- Charity: \$20.00**
- Religious Education: \$117.00**
- Weekly Treasure Support Surplus: \$938.66**
- Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$110,675.00**
- Website Maintenance: \$15.00**
- All Saints: \$25.00**
- Fiscal Year Deficit: (\$6706.23)**
- Food Pantry: \$1726.00**
- 50/50 Raffle: \$215.00**

Rachel's Vineyard

If you or someone you love has suffered the loss of a child because of abortion, I invite you to attend a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for psychological and spiritual healing. At each retreat you will be able to share your unique history and circumstances in a way that will allow you to move forward and find closure from the heartache of the past. You will have an opportunity to bestow dignity on the memory of your baby's life. You deserve a safe and nonjudgmental response to soul shattering pain and a unique journey to find peace, freedom and joy.

The next retreat is December 4-6, 2015 at Camp LRCA—7007 East 117th Ave., Crown Point.

Cost: \$150 per person.

Retreat Registration Deadline: November 27th.

For more information, contact Rosanne Koutris 219-765-1396 or nwinrv@outlook.com

Pamphlet are in all the vestibules.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, November 17
 9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
 4:30-5:45pm—Session A—Religious Education classes in school

Wednesday, November 18
 10am-Noon—Food Pantry pickup
 6-7pm—Food Pantry pickup

Thursday, November 19
 6:30pm—Family Rosary
 7:00pm—Choir Practice

An Advent Visual Arts Meditation

Presented through:
54 magnificent works of art that image the Gift of our Savior Jesus the Christ

Wednesday, December 2, 2015
 6:30—8:30pm
 Gathering Room (lower level of the Church)

Plan to spend a reflective evening of: Scripture touched with a DVD presentation paintings of Christ powerfully portrayed through wide cultural and ethnic diversity. Time will be given to respond, expand, and ponder the Mystery of Jesus of Nazareth as together we discover the Lord’s unique beauty within these works of art.

Bring a Bible; bring a friend, ready to explore Faith through Christian Art.

Sisters of Providence

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, will host the “Images of God,” retreat from 7pm on Friday, Nov. 20 to 4pm on Saturday, Nov. 21 at Providence Spirituality and Conference Center. Call 812-535-2946 or email ProvCtr@spsmw.org for more information or to register.

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on November 3rd
 Was # 391

The Winner Would Have Won \$307.50
 (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.

House Walk at Franciscan Motherhouse

Enjoy a house walk unlike any other, with stories, music, decorations and refreshments, courtesy of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart on Dec. 6, 2015 at 9201 W. St. Francis Road in Frankfort, IL. Mass at 9:00am. Open House 10:00am-11:00am and 1:00-4:00pm. Call 815-469-4895.

Ministry Schedule
November 21st & 22nd

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Bonnie Gruver, Lee Kobza,
Fran Lisac
8:00am—Judy Kline, Steve Kline,
Pauline Rybicki
10:00am—Gary Blue, Sue Blue,
Barb Graegin
6:00pm—Allan Burgos, Ernie Leicht,
Irene Magana

Lectors

4:30pm—Mary Flanagan
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki
10:00am— Diana Giovane
6:00pm—Kurt Vanderah

THE FUTURE

The future starts today, not tomorrow.
--Pope John Paul II

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Altar Servers

4:30pm— Ian Gruver
8:00am— Need Servers
10:00am— Jack & Orla Fingar, Lanie Taylor
6:00pm— Need Servers



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Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.
— *Mark 13:31*

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