

St. Joseph Church

November 16, 2014

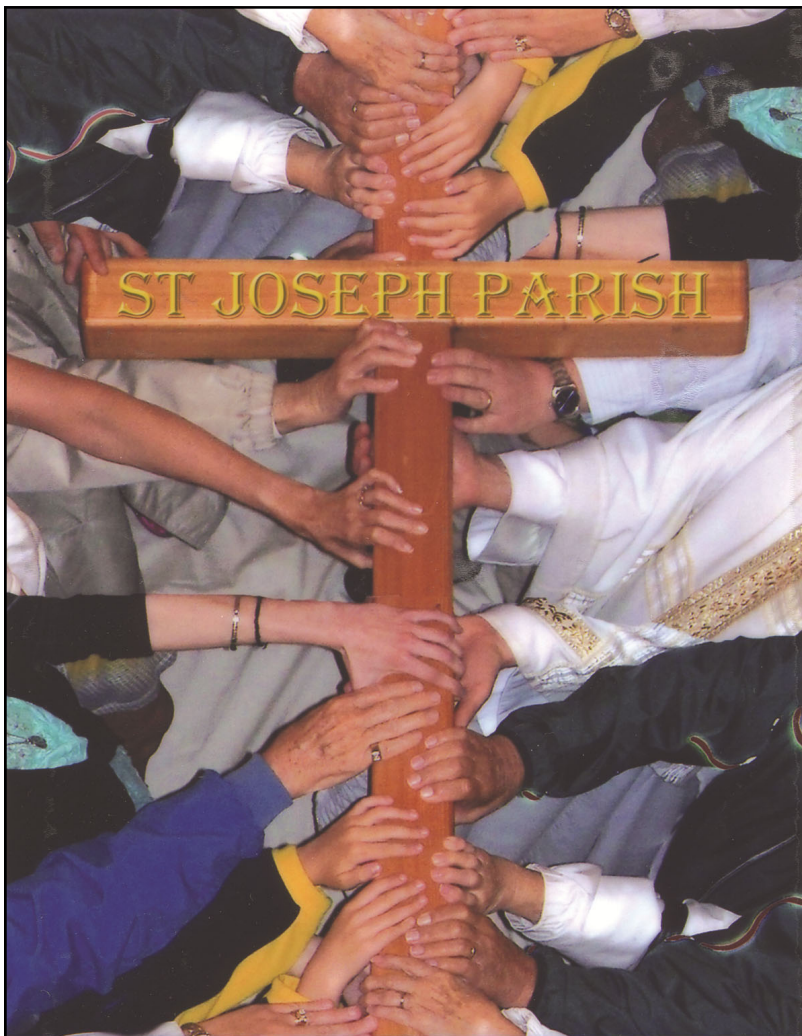
Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

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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-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 17, St. Elizabeth of Hungary

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Tuesday, November 18, Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Wednesday, November 19, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, November 20, Weekday

9:00 AM Stanley & Anna Kaczocha

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, November 21, Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 22, Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

4:30 PM In Celebration of the 60th Wedding Anniversary of John & Mary Werner

Sunday, November 23, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM In Honor of Marie Jagiella's 80th Birthday

6:00 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

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:

There are many a sign shingle posted in front of business establishments that proclaim that an expert CPA, attorney, medical doctor, dentist, travel agent, financial adviser, are available to assist us. The assumption is that when we walk into one of these offices, there is an expert in our midst. We end up paying a lot of money for expert help but we are likely to say that it is worth the expense.

Hopefully, we would proclaim Jesus to be the expert on saving humanity from sin and death. The sign “shingle” that he puts out for us is His Cross and as we take up our cross to follow Christ, we carry the expert Jesus within us; Holy Communion. We don't pay Jesus big money for salvation since it is gift from God. However, the cost of discipleship is the daily sacrifice of ourselves to Christ where we humbly admit our complete dependence on Our Lord for salvation. We ourselves may proclaim that we are experts in a particular field of work, but no matter how sophisticated we may be in the work place, we are utterly inept at bringing salvation to the world without the greatest expert of all—Jesus.

The Psalmist writes about how great people are an illusion. True greatness is found in living humbly in Christ, admitting our great poverty before the Lord. Jesus is the greatest of all because in bringing the divine into the human we carry Christ's expert saving love within us at all times. It does not matter whose expert office we enter because Christ's saving “shingle” is hanging up in every office. Oh, it may not be a for real cross on the office wall, but the loving effects of Christ crucified/risen permeates every office for his salvation is for the world.

In Christ's Expertness,

Fr. Terry

Stewardship of Treasure Report

November 8th & 9th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5965.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount

Collected: \$8811.06

Charity: \$5.00

Religious Education: \$164.00

Weekly Treasure Support Surplus: \$2846.06

Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$113,335.00

Fiscal Year Deficit: (\$6155.15)

Website Maintenance: \$17.00

Food Pantry: \$2193.65

50/50 Raffle: \$260.00

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

All Christians in both East and West embraced the care of the sick as essential to church life. In the West, the importance of the visit of the priest is stressed, while in the East, the sick person is brought to the church for a full Liturgy of the Word. Some, such as the Armenians, even call it the “Ritual of the Lamp,” since the oil is poured out of the lamp by which the Word is read. This may be why Eastern Christians sometimes anoint the sick with this oil, since the trip to church might kill them.

Our tradition in the West also unfolded in monasteries, where it was possible for infirm monks to be attended with a full and beautifully consoling liturgy. In 950 the monks of St. Alban's Abbey in Mainz produced a ceremonial book that was instantly a pastoral hit everywhere. There were two lengthy rituals for the sick, one an extended vigil, and the other a liturgy of anointing that included Communion under both species. While this ritual was a house formula for monks, it is easy to see how monks who had the care of parishes desired to serve their parishioners in a similar way. The first form included the chanting of penitential psalms, and the second form required a confession beforehand. Both forms included a laying on of hands, which everyone understood as being an essential part of penance.

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, November 18
 9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
 5:30-7:30pm Generations of Faith in Gym

Wednesday, November 19
 No 9:00am Mass
 10:00am-Noon—Food Pantry pickup
 6:00-7:30pm—Food Pantry pickup

Thursday, November 20
 6:30pm—Family Rosary
 7:30-9:00pm—Choir Practice


Marian Catholic High School

Congratulations to the following students who earned Honor Roll Status:

Joshua David
 Ashley David
 Meghan Schmidt
 Ryan Schmidt

All You Can Eat Polish Dinner

The Griffith Knights of Columbus will be holding this dinner on Friday, November 21, at K of C Council at 1400 S. Broad St. in Griffith. The dinner includes Pierogi, Cabbage Rolls, Cabbage & Noodles, Polish Sausage & Kraut, and sides. Doors open at 6pm with dinner served at 7pm. Adults—\$12, children ages 6-12, \$4. No to-go meals.



Pray
for
the
Sick

Please pray for the following parishioners who are not able to worship with our parish family:

Eileen Bork, Nancy Hanck, Laura Hays, Dolores Kaczocha, Joe Kozlowski, Fran Lisac, Donna Maicher, Mark Maicher, Edna Stankovich, and Eileen Sukta.

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on November 4th
 Was # 280

The Winner Would Have Won \$280.00
 (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, 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.

**Spaghetti Dinner
 Silent Auction**

St. James the Less Catholic Church, 9640 Kennedy Avenue, Highland. Saturday, November 22—6-10pm—\$8 Adults \$5 children. Dinner served 6-8:30pm and includes spaghetti, salad, bread, cookies, and pop or water. Beer and wine available in the bar. Over 70 silent auction items.

Ministry Schedule
November 22nd & 23rd

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Lorraine Golon, Bonnie Gruver,
Lee Kobza
8:00am—Perla Garcia, Judy Kline,
Steve Kline
10:00am—Gary Blue, Sue Blue,
Barb Graegin, Connie Peschel (choir)
6:00pm—Allan Burgos, Ernie Leicht,
Constance Peschel

Lectors

4:30pm—Mary Flanagan
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki
10:00am—Tom Heffernan, Diana Giovane
6:00pm—Claudia Wing

Living Prayer

Who prays as they ought will endeavor to live as they pray. —Anonymous

Ministry Schedule
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Altar Servers

4:30pm— Ian Gruver
8:00am— Joe Stankovich
10:00am— Jim Morris
6:00pm— Mary Shutoski



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Blessed are you who fear the LORD.

— *Psalms 128:1a*

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