

St. Joseph Church

November 23, 2014

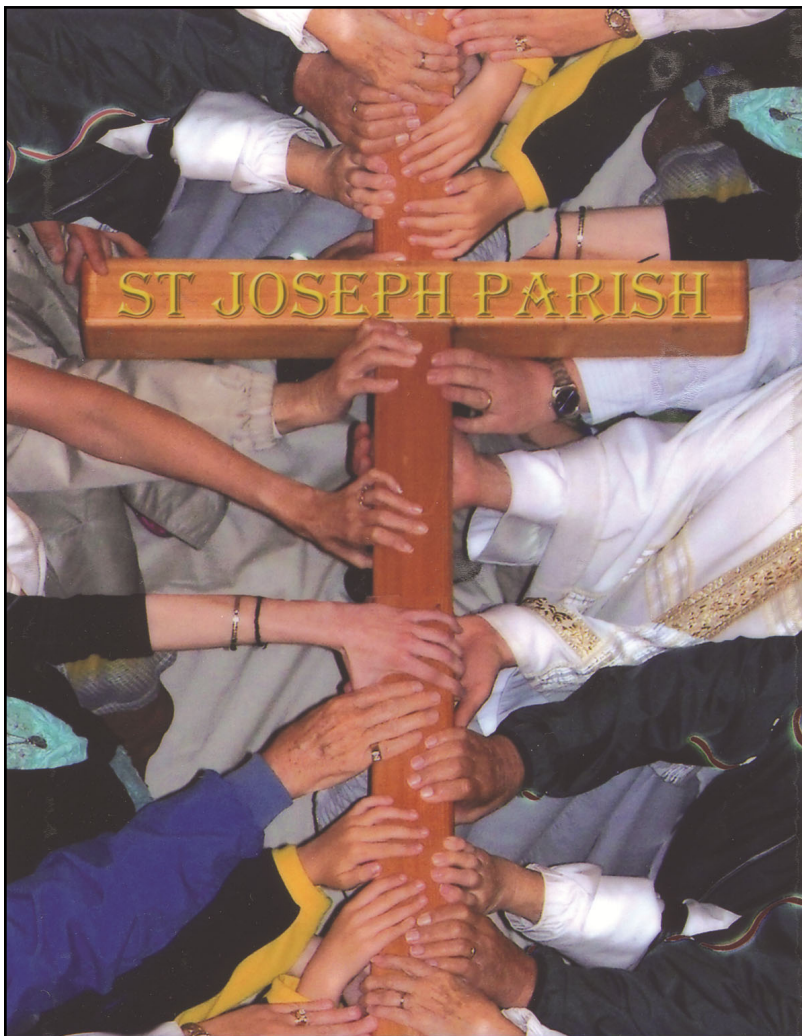
Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

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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 24, St. Andrew, Dung-Lac & Companions

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Tuesday, November 25, Weekday

9:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

Wednesday, November 26, Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, November 27, Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Friday, November 28, Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 29, Vigil: 1st Sunday of Advent

4:30 PM Evelyn Koepl

Sunday, November 30, 1st Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

6:00 PM Poor Souls

**March for Life 2015
In Washington DC**

The Office of Pro-Life Activities for the Diocese of Gary has only 4 openings left for their annual pilgrimage to Washington DC in January 2015 to the *March for Life*, from January 19-January 23, 2015 lead by diocesan pro-life director, Rev. Theodore J. Mens. During the week other activities include: participating in the Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery, touring of all the outdoor monuments and the Smithsonian Institute and museums, attend the Archdiocese of Virginia “Evening of Prayer” at the Patriot Center in Fairfax, VA, attend the Archdiocese of Washington Youth Rally and Mass at the Verizon Center before the March, meet with legislators after the March, tour of the Basilica Shrine for the Immaculate Conception, U.S. Capitol Tour, Pentagon Tour and more! For more information, please contact Barbara Kolisz at 219-924-4163 as soon as possible.

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:

Within our culture there is a lot of attention placed on the external appearances of people. This is fine as long as we don't base a person's worth on their external appearance. Jesus comes into the inner depths of people via the Holy Spirit. The gift of faith resides in our depths so it would make sense to want to be aware of our inner faith journey. In particular genuine freedom flows out of our faith pilgrimage as Christ sets us free from the inner musings about sin and death and replaces them with joy and love welling up out of us in the light of the Holy Spirit.

The more inner lead we are through faith, the more we see that life is eternally blessed in Christ the source of true freedom. As we grow in our daily faith, we more vigilantly notice how we humans are temples of the Holy Spirit deep within us. Our essential "appearance" is portrayed in the mysterious, invisible presence of God's Will and God's Love within us. The more alert we are to our "faith insides", the more our outside appearance is fine with the beautiful gift of Christ's transforming love oozing out of every pore of our flesh and blood humanity.

We are hollow human "shells" without an inner faith life in Christ. Let us claim it with gratitude and live it more vigilantly for to be fully human we must see our inner appearance as critical to our external appearance.

In Christ's Beauty,

Fr. Terry

Young Adult Catholic Outreach Ministries

You're Catholic & between 21-39. Where do you connect with God, the community, and other young Catholics beyond your own parish?

Young Adult Catholic Outreach Ministries is a collection of young adults throughout the Diocese of Gary who lead and serve a variety of projects, while exhibiting core values of prayer, fellowship, and service. Learn more about monthly social, volunteer, and community outreach events by checking out our website:

dgyoungadult.com

Stewardship of Treasure Report

November 15th & 16th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5965.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount Collected: \$4721.67

Religious Education: \$23.00

Weekly Treasure Support Deficit: (\$1220.33)

Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$119,300.00

Christmas: \$150.00

Fiscal Year Deficit: (\$7225.48)

Food Pantry: \$280.00

50/50 Raffle: \$265.00

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Coming to the end of the Church year, we can wonder how we got "extreme unction" out of "anointing of the sick." "Extreme" comes from a Latin phrase, *in extremis*, which in English refers to the last struggle of a dying person. "Last rites" is a phrase in common usage, and refers to the fact that years ago everyone waited until the last crisis of illness to summon the priest. The goal of anointing had always been healing and forgiveness, but in time it began to be seen as a preparation for death. In a hard world, almost anything from a hangnail to a sneeze could be life-threatening, so perhaps the change was inevitable. The emphasis on the penitential aspects was heightened, even to the odd practice of Rome in the twelfth century, when the sick person was sprinkled with ashes mixed with holy water and given a hair shirt as a sign of penance.

The reformers thankfully overlooked some of these oddities of history, and today the sacrament of the sick is much more generously applied to persons in a wide range of situations. Still, it is a sacrament of reconciliation, and for that reason is not celebrated for an infant or toddler, although there is a rite for a visit to a sick child not including anointing or Communion.

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, November 25

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 26

No 9:00am Mass
 Parish office closed

Thursday, November 27

Parish office closed

Friday, November 28

Parish office closed

Counseling Services

Catholic Charities offers Counseling services to individuals, families and children on a sliding fee scale.

For more information, please call: 219-844-4883.

MARKET DAY

Many thanks to all who participated in our Market Day for November. We earned \$127.41. The food is very good and easy to prepare. Our **next Market Day will be on Wednesday, December 10th.**

The pickup area is off the Nondorf entrance to the school. The order sheets are at all the entrances of the church. The holidays are approaching.

There are many easy food items to help you with your dinner menus.

This is one of our fundraisers that helps our budget. The pick up times are 4:30 to 5:15pm.

If you have any questions, please call the parish office, 865-2271.

Please also note that Market Day has merged with GFS (Gordon Food Service). You are able to go to a GFS store and purchase some of Market Day items and mention St. Joseph Church in Dyer Indiana and we will received 5% back. You are also able to purchase any item from GFS, mention St. Joseph, and we will receive 1%.

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on November 11th
 Was # 308

The Winner Won \$410.00

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.

Whatever you did
 for these
 least ones,
 you did
 for me



Ministry Schedule
November 29th & 30th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Emma Gallenberger Kay Hoffman,
Sandy O’Drobinak
8:00am—Rick Dernulc, Frank Ziolkowski,
Karen Ziolkowski
10:00am—John Hearne, Mike Klausman,
Margaret Quinn, Ron Reichelt (choir)
6:00pm—Tamara Fredrickson, Renan Garcia,
Yvonne Weaver

Lectors

4:30pm—Noel Cusick
8:00am—Karen Ziolkowski
10:00am—
6:00pm—Renan Garcia

True Vocation

The vocation of every man and woman is to serve other people. —Leo Tolstoy

Ministry Schedule
November 29th & 30th

Altar Servers

4:30pm— Need Servers
8:00am— Need Servers
10:00am— Jed Burgos
6:00pm— Need Servers



**Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
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“I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink.”
— *Matthew 25:35*

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