

# St. Joseph Church

December 30, 2012

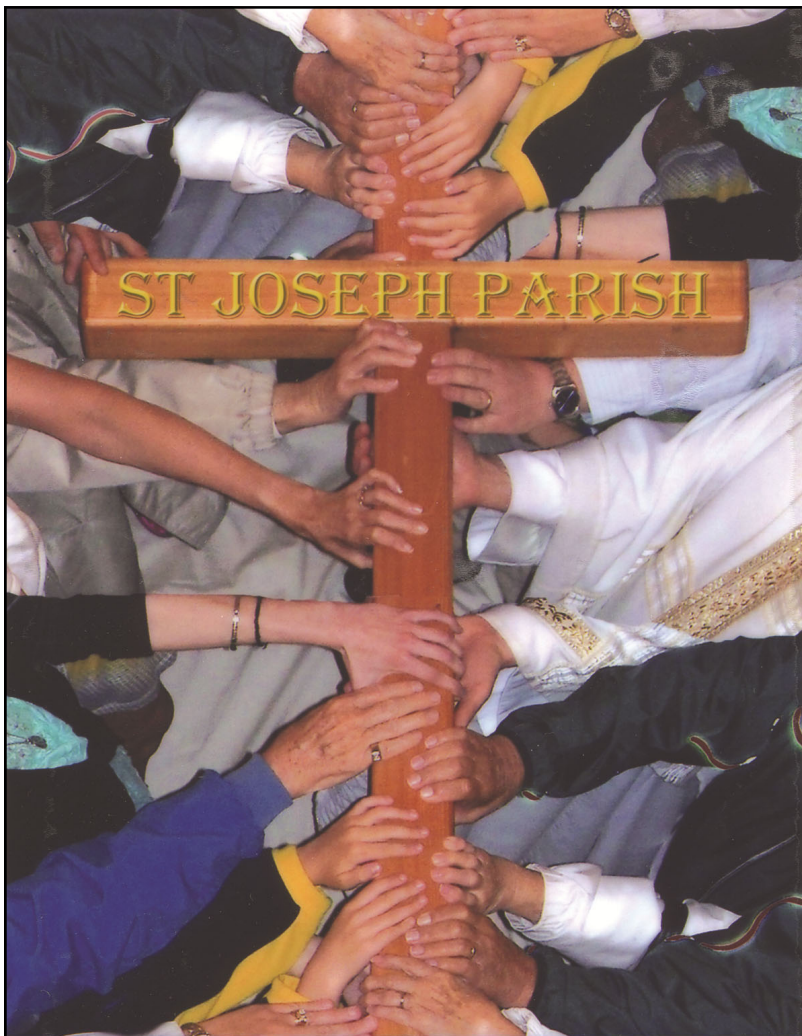
The Holy Family of  
Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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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

**Parish Office** .....865-2271

Parish Fax .....865-2350

Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

PASTOR: Rev. Terry J. Steffens

**Religious Education Office:** .....865-2355

Religious Education Fax .....865-3740

Email .....yseweaver@yahoo.com

**DIRECTOR:** Yvonne Weaver

## 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, December 31, 7th Day within Octave**

9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners

**Monday, December 31 VIGIL: Nativity of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**

4:30 PM Poor Souls

**Tuesday, January 1, NATIVITY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH**

8:00 AM Poor Souls

10:00 AM The People of the Parish

**NO 6:00PM MASS**

**Wednesday, January 2, Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, January 3, The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

9:00 AM Frank Kaczocha

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, January 4, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

9:00 AM Rosemary Ford

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, January 5, Vigil: Epiphany of the Lord**

4:30 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

**Sunday, January 6, The Epiphany of the Lord**

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM Gayle Tajer

6:00 PM Kaczocha & Zarlenga Families

**New Year Liturgies  
Holyday, Nativity of  
Jesus, Mary & Joseph**

**Mass Schedule**

Monday, December 31—4:30pm

Tuesday, January 1—8:00am & 10:00am

No 6:00pm Mass

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Allan Burgos—864-8974

Noel Cusick—865-6255

Tamara Fredrickson—322-6911

John Hearne—864-8929

Gladys Heffernan—708-672-3456

Steve Kline—864-9326

Lillian Smith—864-8285

Barb Yamich—322-7219

Recording Secretary—Rita D’Arcy—365-9274

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.

**THANK YOU!**

Many thanks to our dedicated Choir Director and the Parish Choir Members for their time and talent enhancing our liturgies during this Christmas season:

**Choir Director**

Mary Jadernak

**Parish Choir**

Frank Batinick

Celeste Dusek

Phyllis Howard

Rose Ilgin

Aimee Jadernak

Lee Klausman

Pauline Kozlowski

George Kucka

Lisa Kwasigroch

Paige Kwasigroch

Tom Lewandowski

Tony Maicher

Ken Mantel

Irene Narcisi

Stephanie O’Drobinak

Constance Peschel

Emily Reichelt

Ron Reichelt

Arlene Stuchlak

Dan Sullivan

Lad Tajer

Marianne Trembacki

**Please Note!**

The parish office will be closed Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1st.

## Pastor's Column

Dear Parishioners:

Christmas is a special time for families as they share gifts with each other. Gift exchanges can bring families closer together with the joy of thoughtful gifts shared. These are quality moments for families and this is the time of year to savor family time together.

The hope is that as precious as gift-giving is for families that giving Jesus' presence to one another in the family is the most profound Christmas gift exchange that a family can experience. Jesus is the gift-wrapping around all other gifts we give. To live the gift of Jesus' constant presence in our families helps us live with gratitude for our families all 12 months of the year. Although the wrapped gifts are special, Jesus is eternally special and is to be the Holy Communion center of daily family life.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

### MARKET DAY

Many thanks to all who participated in our Market Day for December. We earned \$213.88. If you have not tried Market Day food, please do so this month. The food is very good and easy to prepare. **Our next Market Day will be on Wednesday, January 23rd.** Think Superbowl! The pickup area is off the Nondorf entrance to the school. The order sheets are at all the entrances of the church.

**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.

## Stewardship of Treasure Report

December 15th & 16th

**Sunday Ordinary Collection: \$5639.70**

**Children's Collection: \$14.00**

**Charity: \$45.00**

**Religious Education: \$10.00**

**Christmas: \$170.00**

**Christmas Flowers: \$40.00**

**Food Pantry: \$300.00**

**50/50 Raffle:**

### Weekly 50/50 Raffle

**The Number Drawn on December 18th  
Was # 668**

**The Winner Would Have Won \$2040.50**  
(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.** 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.

### Offertory Envelope

Your parish envelopes are ready for pickup in the main vestibule. Your names are on the boxes and in alphabetical order. Please pick yours up.

Thank you for your cooperation

**The Marian Catholic Entrance Exam**

For prospective students will be given on **Saturday, January 12, 2013 at 8:00am**. Students taking the exam should bring two #2 pencils and the \$25.00 Archdiocesan test fee. No pre-registration is necessary. Calculators are not allowed. For further information, please visit our website: [www.marianchs.com](http://www.marianchs.com) or call 708-756-9762.

**HOME IS WHERE THE FAMILY IS**

The idea, dream, and reality of family is so strong and durable that we use it to describe all that is best about human gatherings. We speak of the family of nations, of our church and parish families. The greatest compliment we can pay a friend or gracious host is to say that we feel at home with them, we feel part of the family.

Families are the first crucibles in which love is tested and tempered. Jesus himself was one of three people who lived in the shadow of each other. This family, like our own, did not always “get it right,” but they always tried to. These three “amateurs” were on holiday, and one of them got lost. Two were worried sick and took great measures to find the third, a boy after all, who was seeking the meaning of his calling. He found his vocation—to do his Father’s work—but he also returned home with his parents.

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**Holy Ghost Parish  
South Holland, IL**

Golden Jubilee Reunion Mass

For those who received sacraments at Holy Ghost  
Or who graduated from Holy Ghost School

January 6, 2013  
10:30am Mass

There will be refreshments in the gym after the Mass.

We hope that former parishioners will attend This celebration and our Jubilee Dinner on May 19, 2013.

Please call 708-333-7011 for more info.

**TREASURES FROM  
OUR TRADITION**

Today’s feast is new as feasts go, and it sets us this year in a very modern crisis. Amid conflicting schedules and commitments, a young man, testing the limits, has strayed from his parents and gone off to the big city. Mary and Joseph search frantically, only to find the child Jesus in the temple, conversing with the elders and scholars of the law, who are amazed at his wisdom.

In the time of Jesus, the temple was the religious center of Jewish ritual. Outside of Jerusalem, people gathered in the synagogues, centers of learning, for daily prayer and study. Still, everyone longed to journey to the temple to participate in the offerings, and to fulfill certain obligations of the law that could only be done there. On this feast, we catch a glimpse of the family of Jesus: parents dealing with the normal stresses of raising a child, and yet completely grounded in the ways of faith and tradition.

There has always been an appreciation in Christianity for the value of pilgrimage—the journey to holy places that is a symbol of our life’s journey to God, and a sense of connection to important events in our family history. During the Christmas season, many of us undertake pilgrimages to the family homestead for festival meals, to the parishes where we were formed in the faith, or perhaps even to a beautiful manger scene or festival of lights. There are few better days than this in our calendar for spending time with the family, especially on a short pilgrimage to a favorite place. Just make sure that no one gets left behind!  
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There will be a weekend to heal troubled marriages sponsored by **Retrouvaille.**

Retrouvaille helps couples with hurting marriages, separated or divorced couples that want their marriages to work and couples of all faiths.

The next weekend is January 25-27, 2013 located in Chesterton. For more info, go to [helpourmarriage.org](http://helpourmarriage.org).

**Ministry Schedule**  
**January 5th & 6th**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Emma Gallenberger, Kay Hoffman,  
Sandy O’Drobinak  
8:00am—Rick Dernulc, Frank Ziolkowski,  
Karen Ziolkowski  
10:00am—George Fogarty, Barb Jurczuk,  
Stan Jurczuk, Connie Peschel (choir)  
6:00pm—Brad Zielke, Paula Zielke,  
Yvonne Weaver

**Lectors**

4:30pm—Wayne & Michael Gallenberger  
8:00am—Noel & Kathy Cusick  
10:00am—Rita D’Arcy & Tom Heffernan  
6:00pm—Renan Garcia

**Happy New Year!**

**Ministry Schedule**  
**January 5th & 6th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—S. O’Drobinak  
8:00am—Need Servers  
10:00am—I. Giovane  
6:00pm—B. Blue



**The Holy Family of**  
**Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**  
**December 30, 2012**

Beloved, we are God’s children now;  
what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

— 1 John 3:2a

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