

# St. Joseph Church

January 14, 2024

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

440 Joliet St., Dyer, IN 46311

(219) 865-2271

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## 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 by calling or stopping in the parish office.

## Office Hours

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

## Parish Telephones

Parish Office:..... 219-865-2271

Religious Education Office:

(At St. Maria Goretti)..... 219-322-6124

## Staff Directory

**Pastor: Rev. Peter Muha**

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## Mass Schedule

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 6:00PM

### Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Wed., Thurs, Fri: 9:00 AM

### Holy Day Masses

Please see schedule inside bulletin.

## Sacramental Life

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

Saturday 3:00 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 Anointing of the Sick**

Call the office any time.

**Knights of Columbus**

**Grand Knight:** Ed Hebda

**Bulletin Deadline**

Monday 12:00 Noon, *in writing.*

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**Monday, January 15, Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Connie Mazur & Nancy Seida  
 Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

**Tuesday, January 16, Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Joe & Marie Rokosz  
 Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Wednesday, January 17, St. Anthony**  
 9:00 AM Art & Marion Beckmann  
 Celebrant: Fr. Pater

**Thursday, January 18, Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Sandra Phillips  
 Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Friday, January 19 Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Mary Staroscak  
 Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, January 20, Vigil: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 4:30 PM Barbara A. Janda  
 Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Sunday, January 21, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM The People of the Parish  
 Celebrant: Fr. Peter

10:00 AM Thomas McLaughlin  
 Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

6:00 PM Laura & Cesar Garcia  
 Celebrant: Fr. Gaza

**Can Your Marriage Save the World?**

Date: Saturday, February 17, 2024

Location: Gamba Ristorante  
 455 E. 84th Dr.  
 Merrillville, IN 46410

Time: 5:30pm—Cash bar  
 6:30pm—Dinner  
 7:30pm—Theresa & Peter Martin

Cost: \$85 per married couple

**Register: By February 9, 2024 at [www.dcgary.org](http://www.dcgary.org)**

Trusting The Rule of St. John Paul II, we are a family of families, striving for holiness, strengthening marriages, and living the truth of life-giving love with JOY!

After reading the Rule for Married Couple Groups by St. John Paul II, Peter and Theresa Martin know it had to be shared! They founded the Wojtyla Community & Institute (WCI) to bring the Rule to the English speaking world.

**2023 Contribution Statements**

There will be (3) ways to obtain your contribution statement for 2023:


1. Email the parish office: [office@stjosephdyer.org](mailto:office@stjosephdyer.org) requesting an email of your Year End Substantiation Letter.
2. Call the parish office, 219-865-2271 and have your statement ready for pickup in the main Vestibule.
3. Send in a self-addressed stamped envelope for your statement.

**Knights of Columbus Council #8082—Dyer**

**13th Annual Paczki Ball Dinner/ Dance Fundraiser**

**When:** Saturday, February 3rd, 2024—6-11pm  
**Where:** Andorra Banquets—1112 Route 41, Schererville

Cash bar and family style Polish dinner followed by dancing featuring E-Z Tones Polka Band. Ticket cost is \$40 per person. To purchase tickets or request additional information, contact Ed Hebda **219-865-6922** or **via email: [Edhebda8082@yahoo.com](mailto:Edhebda8082@yahoo.com)**



**Parish Life Ministry Meeting**

St. Joseph Parish Life Ministry will have a meeting on Monday, January 15th at 6:00pm. Please come to help plan all or some of the great events for our parish in the new year.

- Family Outdoor Movie Night
- Family Potluck Dinner
- White Elephant Sale in Church Parking Lot
- Daytime Bingo (seniors)
- Monday night/weeknight trivia.
- St. Joseph’s Day Dinner
- Mother Group
- Open Gym Night – Family Men’s or Women’s
- Food Truck Festival – with Ministry Fair
- New Members – Welcome Wagon
- Meals Ministry – baby; illness; temporary
- Ride Share Ministry – to & from events or mass
- St Joseph Kids Night in the Gym
- Family Holiday Movie Night

We need you to become involved. Please come to lend your time and talents to help plan these fun events.

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

January 6th & 7th

- Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00**
- Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount Collected: \$8367.10**
- Charity: \$65.00**
- Religious Education: \$95.00**
- Christmas: \$75.00**
- Solemnity of Mary: \$515.00**
- Memorial Christmas Flowers: \$5.00**
- Food Pantry: \$105.84**
- 50/50 Raffle: \$310.00**

**Scripture Readings  
For the Week of January 14, 2024**

Sunday	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42
Monday	1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday	1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr and Saint Sebastian, Martyr 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

December 30th & 31st

- Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00**
- Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount Collected: \$6927.55**
- Charity: \$45.00**
- Religious Education: \$30.00**
- Christmas: \$835.00**
- Solemnity of Mary: \$1194.00**
- Immaculate Conception: \$80.00**
- Assumption: \$20.00**
- Food Pantry: \$65.00**
- 50/50 Raffle: \$270.00**

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, January 15**  
6:00pm—Parish Life Meeting-  
Gathering Room

**Tuesday, January 16**  
9:45am—Gospel reflections in  
Gathering Room immediately  
after mass.  
9:45am 50/50 Raffle Drawing

**Wednesday, January 17**  
10am-12noon—Food Pantry  
Distribution  
6:00-7:00pm—Food Pantry  
Distribution  
6:00pm—Building & Grounds  
meeting

**Thursday, January 18**  
6:00pm—Evening Prayer &  
Holy Hour

**Saturday, January 20**  
8:00am Mass & Meeting—Men’s  
Ministry

**Advertising**

Our Sunday bulletin is a primary way we use to communicate with you. Through our arrangement with Diocesan Publications, the parish does not pay for the bulletin printing, which saves us thousands of dollars every year. Our bulletin is supported through the generosity of the advertisers—many of whom are our own parish members. Most are members of our local community. During these difficult economic times, I urge you to support our advertisers with your patronage. Tell the business owner that you appreciate their support of our parish through their advertising in the bulletin. This is one small way we can work within our own community to weather these challenging times.



**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

**The Number Drawn on**  
**January 7th was # 529**

**The Winner Would Have Won \$845.00**

(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

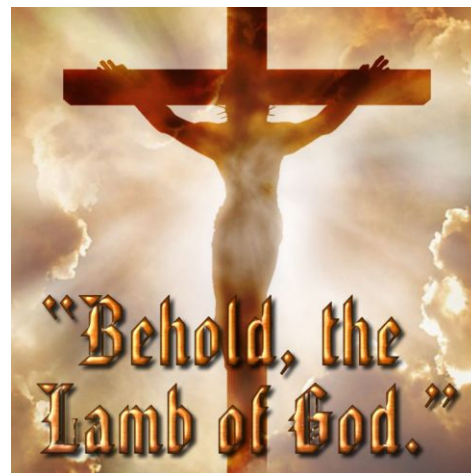
**Ministry Schedule**  
**January 20th & 21st**

**Lectors**

4:30pm— Please see MSP schedule for  
 8:00am— schedule for all masses  
 10:00am—

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm— Mary Ann Deutsche, Paul Gerrity,  
 Bonne Gruver  
 8:00am— Sister Rachel, Marilyn Tumpis  
 10:00am— Kathy Hamill, Jim Paolino, Art Tkacz  
 6:00pm— Ray Voyles



**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Hello, God**

Just before our first reading it says that “the word of the **LORD** was rare; there were not many visions.” (1Sam 3:1) I imagine most people today would think that was true. Haven’t you ever wished you lived in biblical times, to see some of the miracles you read about? Wouldn’t it be cool to hear the **LORD** speaking in a vision? Do you think God has stopped talking? People apparently felt that way in Samuel’s time. Let’s look at the reading to see what Samuel’s experience can teach us.

At first Samuel thinks it is Eli calling him. It is not unusual for people to miss a sign from God. If you have a talent that you are proud of, perhaps it is a sign that God wants you to use that talent to help others. Or if a friend tells you she is concerned about your health, it could be God’s way of telling you to get help. Try to see God speaking in whatever happens to you and you may hear a lot more than you think.

Samuel also gets help from Eli. Eli began to recognize that the **LORD** was speaking to Samuel. Sometimes we need help discerning what the Lord is telling us. A good spiritual director can lead you to understand what God is saying to you. Your pastor may be able to do that, or at least able to refer you to someone.

Warning: A spiritual director will probably ask how often you pray. In our reading Samuel finally speaks directly to God, instead of going back to Eli. Then God tells him what God’s plan was. So if you wonder what God plans for your life, try spending more time in prayer with him. Don’t be like the man who complains he never know what his wife wants from him. When asked what she tells him, he says, “I don’t know; we never talk.” I bet we have all had times where we didn’t know if we are doing God’s will because we didn’t take time to pray. But don’t do all the talking. Give God some quiet time to hear his response. For God hasn’t stopped talking; we just stopped listening.

Tom Schmidt



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