

# St. Joseph Church

January 21, 2018

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

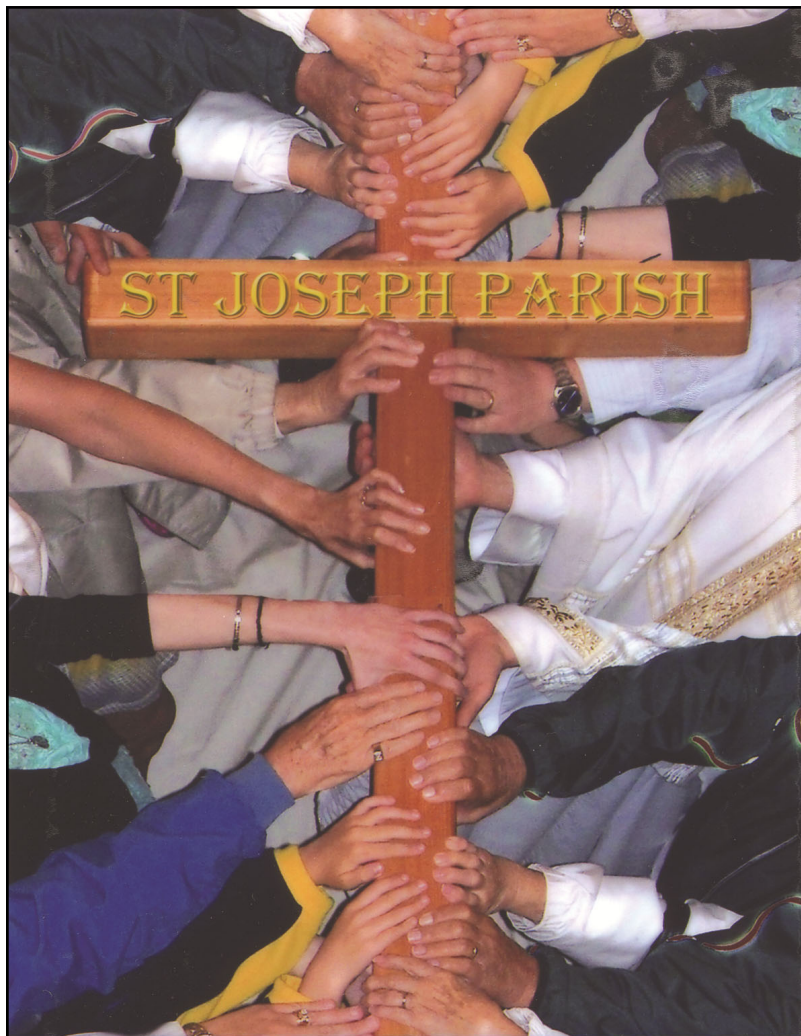
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Rev. Mr. Gary Blue, Deacon



**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 by calling or stopping in the parish office.

## Office Hours

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

## Parish Telephones

Parish Office ..... 865-2271

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## Staff Directory

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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 Anointing of the Sick**

Call the office any time.

## Knights of Columbus

**Grand Knight:** Steve Costa 219-365-4204

## Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 Noon, in writing.



**Monday, January 22, Mass for Peace & Justice**

9:00 AM Claudia Wing

**Tuesday, January 23, Weekday**

9:00 AM The Deceased Members of  
Lillian Smith Family

**Wednesday, January 24, St. Francis de Sales**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, January 25, The Conversion of St. Paul**

9:00 AM Henry Polochak

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, January 26, St. Timothy & St. Titus**

9:00 AM Mike Klausman

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, January 27, Vigil: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Vladimir Grah

**Sunday, January 28, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM The People of the Parish

10:00 AM Mike Klausman

6:00 PM Fevzi Ilgin

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Different first words today.**

The first words of Jesus in the gospel of Saint Mark are: "Time of fulfillment...kingdom of God...at hand...repent...believe in the gospel."

We will hear them again with the giving of ashes at the first start of Lent. We need to be reminded, don't we?

- What is this gospel, this Good News I choose to believe today?
- How can I live both in this world and in the kingdom of God that is already begun?
- How will my belief spill into action, into mercy work?

**Blest Art**

Next weekend, January 27th & 28th, Members of Blest Art Inc. will be here to sell religious olive wood art to support those families in the Holy Land. They will be in the Gathering Room after all the masses. Please come down and support their efforts.

**Sunday Readings Reflections**

**1/28/2018**

**First Reading** — Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you" (Deuteronomy 18:15-20).

**Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties (1 Corinthians 7:32-35).

**Gospel** — The people were astonished at Jesus' teaching (Mark 1:21-28).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectio-nary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

**2017 Contribution Statement**

There will be (3) ways to obtain your contribution statement for 2017:

1. Call the parish office, 865-2271, and have your statement ready for pickup.
2. Call the parish office, 865-2271, and have your statement put in a box in the main vestibule for your pickup.
3. Send in a self-addressed stamped envelope for your statement.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

**Thursday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

**Friday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

**Saturday:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41

**Sunday:** Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

**THE DEMANDS OF DISCIPLESHIP**

Today we encounter readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus cries out "Repent!" before he calls his new followers. "Come after me," Jesus says, but if we are to truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we must first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully. Today's Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested, imprisoned, and martyred. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation.

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**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

January 13th & 14th

**Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00**

**Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount**

**Collected: \$5154.00**

**Religious Education: \$242.00**

**Christmas: \$200.00**

**Solemnity of Mary: \$30.00**

**Food Pantry: \$2193.00**

**50/50 Raffle: \$190.00**

**Blessings & Sacramentals**

Blessings are called "sacramentals" because they prepare us to receive the grace of the sacraments and help us to grow to be more like Christ (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1670). Blessings consist of prayer, Scripture, and sometimes a special ritual sign (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1668).

People are accustomed to seeing bishops, priests, and deacons blessing objects or persons in the name of the Church. Indeed, "the more a blessing concerns ecclesial and sacramental life, the more is its administration reserved to the ordained ministry" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1669), often with the participation of the local parish community gathered in prayer. Whenever an ordained minister is present, he should be called upon to give the blessing.

However, there are other blessings, like the ones contained in [Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers](#), that can be prayed by anyone who has been baptized, "in virtue of the universal priesthood, a dignity they possess because of their baptism and confirmation" (*Book of Blessings*, no. 18). The blessings given by laypersons are exercised because of their special office, such as parents on behalf of their children. Right after telling his disciples to "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you," Jesus instructs them to "bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you" (Lk 6:28). St. Paul echoes the Lord's command when he exhorts the Romans to "bless those who persecute [you], bless and do not curse them" (Rom 12:14). St. Peter urges that each time we are on the receiving end of evil, we should return "a blessing, because to this you were called, that you might inherit a blessing" (1 Pt 3:9).

This is why the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us that "every baptized person is called to be a 'blessing,' and to bless" (no. 1669; see Gn 12:2; Lk 6:28; Rom 12:14; 1 Pt 3:9).

Like the Lord into whom they have been baptized, parents should bless and pray for their children. Each one of us should remember the sick and those who suffer. Each time we gather around the family table, we should bless God and the food he has given us. On special occasions, we will observe the traditions of the season, sanctifying by prayer and blessing all the seasons of grace that God has given to us.

From [Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers](#)  
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**Are You Struggling After the Loss of a Loved One?**

Your Greif Is As Unique As You Are

**St. Michael Church, Schererville  
1 E. Wilhelm St.**

Grief (Bereavement) Sessions will start on **Thursday, February 1st**, and continue every **Thursday through March 15th at 7:00pm in the SW Meeting Room of St. Patrick Hall.** At these sessions you will be actively listened to and nonjudgemental support will be offered. This trained group is here to assist you by giving you tools that we believe will help you to move on with your life. You will receive suggestions about coping techniques, ideas to overcome obstacles, and help to adjust to life after loss. Please call Janice at 322-4505 ext 241 to register for sessions. **Last day to register is January 29th.**

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, January 22**

7:00pm—Finance Meeting in Gathering Room

**Tuesday, January 23**

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing  
4:30-5:45pm—Religious Education classes

**Thursday, January 25**

6:30pm—Family Rosary  
7:00pm—Choir Practice

**Saturday, January 27**

Selling of Holy Land articles by Blest Art in the Gathering Room after Mass

**Sunday, January 28**

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

One of the most unusual Catholic churches in the world is in Amsterdam: Our Lord in the Attic, or as the locals say, “Ons Lieve Heer op Solder.” What looks like a beautiful narrow brick mansion alongside a canal is a clever disguise for a very well-preserved seventeenth-century home and a secret church. During the Reformation, the Netherlands was divided into Protestant Holland and the Spanish Netherlands, now known as Belgium, a Catholic stronghold. Protestant reformers seized all the Catholic parishes in Holland and “de-Catholicized” them. New laws forbade the celebration of the Mass in public. St. Nicholas Church was renamed “Old Church” by the new owners, and the dispossessed Catholics got to work “hiding” St. Nicholas Parish in the upper floors of this mansion. Other Catholics did the same thing, but this is the only hidden church that survives today. Sunday Mass is still celebrated here.

It’s a beautiful hideaway, with nothing spared in regard to marble, gilding, a pipe organ, and classic Dutch painting. A few steps away, the Old Church, begun in 1250, stands emptied of the statues and carvings of its Catholic days, its windows replaced by plain glass. The new tenants gave up when it came to the ceiling, which is still painted with saints, biblical scenes, and merchant ships. The Dutch reformers were tolerant sorts, and as long as the Catholics kept out of sight, they were out of mind. Catholicism was at last tolerated in Holland after 1853, but in 1924 when the International Eucharistic Congress was held in Amsterdam, processions of Catholics were still forbidden in the streets. Today, Roman Catholics are about 19 percent of the population, and there’s no need for any of them to hide in the attic.

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**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

The Number Drawn on January 9th  
Was # 454

The Winner Would Have Won \$922.50  
(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, HOME-BOUND 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.

**CSA 2017**

Tax Receipts for your CSA 2017 contributions can be requested at <http://www.dcgary.org/csa.htm> or by calling Maria in the CSA Office at 219-769-9292 ext. 291.

**Ministry Schedule  
January 27th & 28th**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Bonnie Gruver, Lee Kobza,  
Joe Nowacki  
8:00am—Judy Kline, Steve Kline,  
Pauline Rybicki  
10:00am—Sue Blue, Barb Graegin,  
Volunteer Needed  
6:00pm—Allan Burgos, Ernie Leicht,  
Volunteer Needed

**Lectors**

4:30pm—Joe David  
8:00am—Marianne Trembacki  
10:00am—Sandy Riley  
6:00pm—Michael Gallenberger

**Ministry Schedule  
January 27th & 28th**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm—Ian Gruver, Joe Nowacki  
8:00am—Christopher Kline, Joe Nowacki  
10:00am—Orla Fingar, Mary Howe  
6:00pm—Lillian Smith, Lanie Taylor



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January 22, 2012**

The kingdom of God is at hand.  
Repent, and believe in the gospel.  
— *Mark 1:15*

**GIFT**

What I am is God's gift to me. What I become  
is my gift back to God.  
—Anonymous

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