

St. Joseph Church

February 11, 2018

Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

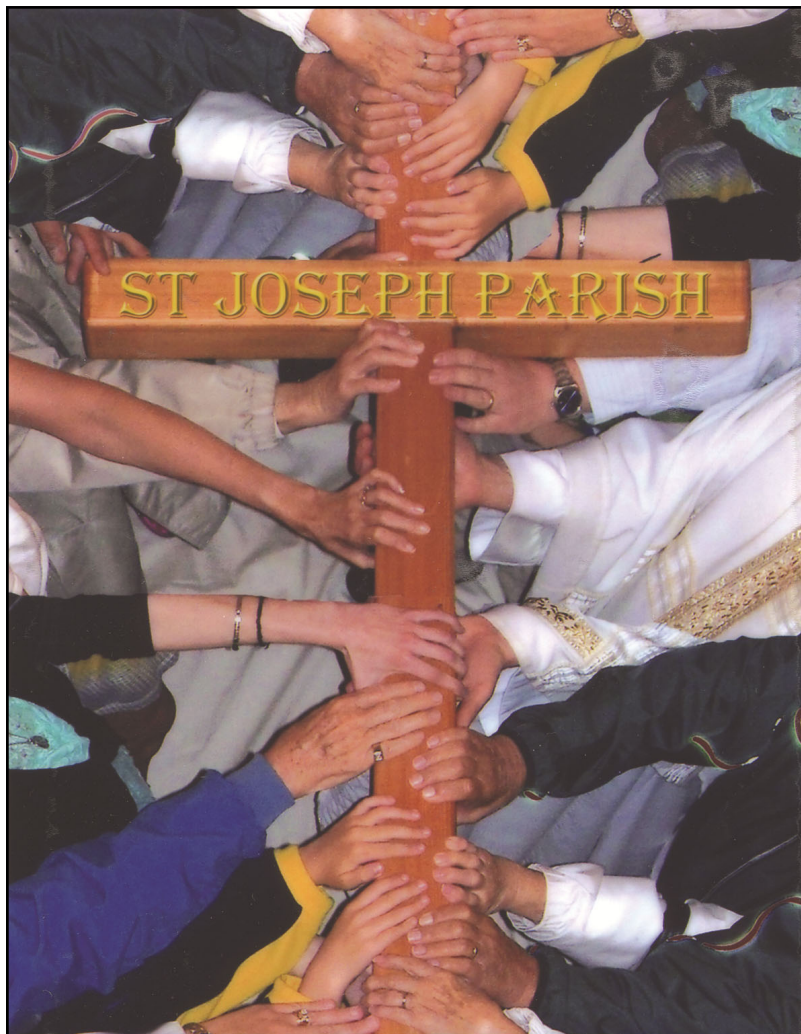
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**GATHERING IN FAITH,
DISCOVERING COMMUNITY**

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 by calling or stopping in the parish office.

Office Hours

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

Parish Telephones

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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, February 12, Weekday
 9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the Timothy Pawl Family

Tuesday, February 13, Weekday
 9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the Ronald Kwasny Family

Wednesday, February 14, Ash Wednesday
 9:00 AM Frank Bailey
 7:00 PM The Deceased Members of the Lee Klausman Family

Thursday, February 15, Thursday after Ash Wednesday
 9:00 AM Sister Gina Lesniewski
 6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, February 16, Friday after Ash Wednesday
 9:00 AM Paul Graegin

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 17, Vigil: 1st Sunday of Lent
 4:30 PM Vladimir Grah

Sunday, February 18, 1st Sunday of Lent
 8:00 AM Ted Lebryck
 10:00 AM Earl & Marie Reitz
 6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Ash Wednesday

There will be 2 masses at 9am & 7pm on Wednesday, February 18th with distribution of ashes.

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.

The Lenten Fast

Ash Wednesday

This day is commemorated by fasting and by abstinence from meat.

Lenten Fridays

These days are marked by the discipline of abstinence from meat.

How Do We Fast?

The Customary Fast

This fast allows for only one full meal to be taken during the day. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain strength according to ones needs. Eating Solid food foods between meals is not permitted.

Age Guidelines for Fasting

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday and who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday.

Age Guidelines for Abstinence

Abstinence is to be practiced by all who are 14 years of age and older.

Why Do We Fast and Abstain?

The practice of the Lenten Fast is a practice of the whole parish community. Though the fast is carried personally, we are united in our action through Jesus Christ. Our united fast and abstinence is our prayer to the Father through Jesus. Those who have already celebrated 59th birthday are welcome to share with the community in these practices. However, they should take appropriate care regarding their personal health.

Sunday Readings Reflections

2/18/2018

First Reading — God’s covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood (Genesis 9:8-15).

Psalm — Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).

Gospel — This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand (Mark 1:12-15).

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For the glory of God

Saint Paul lays out a profoundly simple rule of thumb. Eat for the glory of God. Do everything for the glory of God. Some suggestions:

- Grocery shopping—with an extra mercy bag for the food pantry.
- Shovel the walk—and perhaps my elderly neighbor’s too.
- Kiss my spouse and caress my children—and comfort someone in need.

Everything for the glory of God.

Stewardship of Treasure Report

February 3rd & 4th

- Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00**
- Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount Collected: \$7879.55**
- Charity: \$15.00**
- Religious Education: \$5.00**
- Solemnity of Mary: \$20.00**
- Food Pantry: \$220.00**
- 50/50 Raffle: \$240.00**

Northwest Indiana Catholic

How much is staying current with your faith worth to you? Consider the value of bringing a Catholic publication into your home each week by renewing or starting a subscription to the award-winning Northwest Indiana Catholic, the newspaper of the Diocese of Gary.

A one-year subscription including our annual diocesan directory (a \$15 value) is a bargain at the low price of \$26. Read Bishop Donald J. Hying’s weekly column; follow the words of Pope Francis; learn about spiritual opportunities, ministries and events in our own local parishes; and follow the progress of our diocesan synod implementation. Our Catholic faith is a strong voice in the world. Here’s a chance to read and be proud of all that is accomplished each week. The wealth of articles, photos and commentaries will educate, inspire and encourage reflection and conversation for all ages.

All this for less than \$.60 a week! Isn’t it worth staying current with our Church?

Subscribe by March 23 by using the envelope provided in your collection packet or make your check out to St. Joseph Parish in the amount of \$26 (please note that it’s for the Northwest Indiana Catholic on the memo line) and drop it into the Sunday collection basket. To pay using your credit or debit card, go to our secure website at nwcatholic.com.

Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph Parish will again coordinate Station of the Cross with St. Maria Goretti Parish on Fridays during Lent. They will be at 7pm but will alternate Fridays beginning here at St. Joseph Parish. Station of the Cross dates are as follows:

Friday, February 16—7pm

St. Joseph Parish

Friday, February 23—7pm

St. Maria Goretti

Friday, March 2—7pm

St. Joseph Parish

Friday, March 9—7pm

St. Maria Goretti

Friday, March 16—7pm

St. Joseph Parish

Friday, March 23—7pm

St. Maria Goretti

Friday, March 30—7pm

St. Joseph Parish

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the Stations of the Cross at both parishes.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday

It begins on Valentine’s Day this year. Fitting. Forty Days to fall in love again, to stay in love with the One whose Baptism we share. Let us return with great hope to these special days for fasting, praying, and giving.

- Sing Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 as a special prayer this Lent.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, February 13

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

Wednesday, February 14 (Ash Wednesday)

9:00am—Mass w/distribution of ashes
 7:00pm—Mass w/distribution of ashes

Thursday, February 15

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

Friday, February 16

7:00pm—Stations of the Cross at
 St. Joseph Parish

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today’s Gospel centers on the plight of a leper and Jesus’ response of healing. In Hawaii, the bacterium that causes leprosy probably entered from China in the mid-1800s, and the native islanders were susceptible to the dreaded disease. In 1866, the government literally dumped the sufferers on a remote and virtually inaccessible island peninsula with towering cliffs. Thrown off ships into the sea, the sick people were told to swim for the beach and head for caves, and for seven years the only supplies were similarly cast into the sea to drift ashore. It was then, 1873, that a thirty-three-year-old Belgian priest, Damien de Veuster, went voluntarily to Kalaupapa. Before long, he cajoled the government into funding his mission and its hospital, built a village with proper homes and sanitation, and recruited Mother Marianne Cope to bring sisters from Syracuse, New York, to nurse the sick. Damien, who eventually died of leprosy, has been canonized, and Mother Marianne as well.

Although leprosy has been curable since the 1940s, today a few patients remain in their life-long home, now a national historic site. The peninsula is still utterly isolated from the outside world, and the speed limit for the few cars there is 5 mph since there’s nowhere to go! The hospital is still well-staffed and equipped, but access is regulated and visitors must take an official tour, often involving a descent down the cliffs by “Molakai mule.” There are few places on earth that evoke the healing power of Jesus, or our call to follow the Healer, more than Damien’s beloved island mission.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on January 30th
 Was # 486

The Winner Would Have Won
 \$1240.00

(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.

Church in Eastern Europe

There will be a second collection next weekend, February 17th & 18th for the Churches in Eastern Europe.

**Ministry Schedule
February 17th & 18th**

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Florence Andrzejewski, Joe Nowacki,
Judy Nowacki
8:00am—Carol Jablonski, Patti Pawl,
Tim Pawl
10:00am—Dennis Bork, John Hearne,
Tamara Fredrickson
6:00pm—Denise Molitsky, Isabelle Skurka,
Volunteer Needed

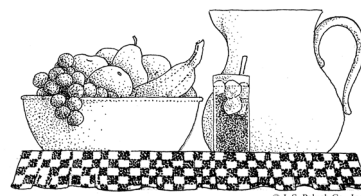
Lectors

4:30pm—Sue Blue
8:00am—Rita D’Arcy, Judy Kline
10:00am—Yvonne Weaver
6:00pm—Sharon Ruane

**Ministry Schedule
February 17th & 18th**

Altar Servers

4:30pm—Mary Shutoski, Lillian Smith
8:00am—Joe Nowacki
10:00am—Dominic Rizzo, Russell Wells
6:00pm—Mary Howe, Lanie Taylor



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Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God.
— 1 Corinthians 10:31

A BOOK TO READ

There is a great difference between the eager person who wants to read a book and the tired person who wants a book to read.
—G. K. Chesterton

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