

# St. Joseph Church

March 22, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Lent

440 Joliet St., Dyer, IN 46311

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[www.stjosephdyer.org](http://www.stjosephdyer.org)



## 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.

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## 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

Religious Education Office:

(At St. Michael the Archangel) ..... 322-3077

## 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, March 23, Lenten Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Sister Rachel Ann (Gina) Lesniewski  
**Tuesday, March 24, Lenten Weekday**  
 9:00 AM Norbert & Vera Smith & Family  
**Wednesday, March 25, The Annunciation of the Lord**  
 No 9:00 AM Mass  
**Thursday, March 26, Lenten Weekday**  
 9:00 AM St. Joseph Parishioners  
**Friday, March 27, Lenten Weekday**  
 9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the William Schmidt Family

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

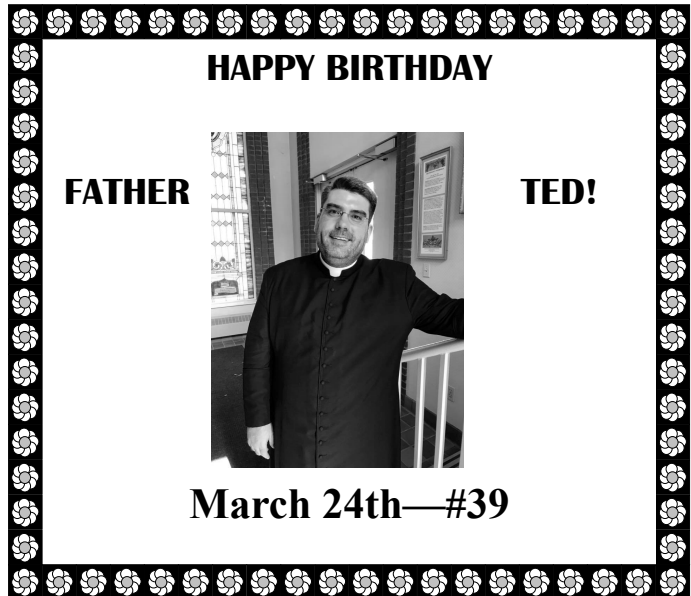
**Saturday, March 28, Vigil: 5th Sunday of Lent**  
 4:30 PM Joseph David  
**Sunday, March 29, 5th Sunday of Lent**  
 8:00 AM Kathleen Erny  
 10:00 AM Henry Polochak  
 6:00 PM The People of the Parish

**Easter Decorating**

The Environment & Art Committee needs your help installing the Easter decorations in our church. We are very thankful of the stewardship response in the past and hope to see more participants this year. Please say you will invest God's gifts of your time and talents by coming to the church on Saturday, April 11th starting at 9:00am. There are jobs for everyone, for the young and for our seniors too—and no experience is necessary! We will be working at least until noon, so come whenever you can.

**Lawn Cutting**

It's that time of year again, especially this year. Weather seems to be getting warmer and next our grass will be growing. There are sign-up sheets in the main vestibule to sign up to help mow and trim the lawn. We have the equipment, we just need your help. We will contact you to set up a meeting date and give you the schedule of dates and team data.



**Share Foundation**

The Share Foundation is looking for new campers to join our camp program at Camp Sharing Meadows! This unique Catholic camp held in LaPorte, IN is for adults with disabilities (ages 18 years and older). There are openings available to new campers for monthly weekend overnight mini-camps and weekly residential summer camps at subsidized prices. Come join us for the camp adventure of a lifetime! Call the Share Foundation office at 219-778-2585 and visit our website at [www.campsharingmeadows.org](http://www.campsharingmeadows.org).

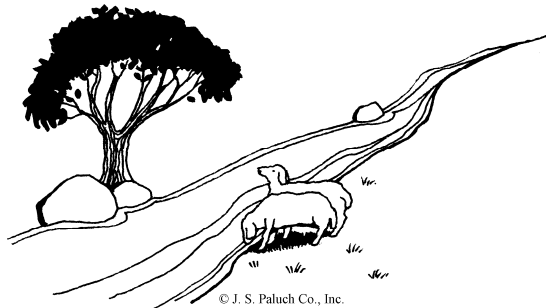
**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54  
**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16  
**Wednesday:** Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38  
**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47  
**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53  
**Sunday:** Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

**LIGHT**

“Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light” (Ephesians 5:14). We are at the midpoint of our Lenten journey of conversion. As always, God never gives up on us, especially those who have “fallen asleep” along the road to conversion. The most powerful stories of conversion are proclaimed during these final weeks of Lent. They have the power to shake us out of our sleep. Today’s Gospel story of the healing of the man born blind exposes the real blindness in the time of Christ—the blindness of the self-righteous religious leaders. In a few weeks, at the Easter Vigil, the Church will proclaim “Christ our Light” as the paschal candle is carried into darkened churches throughout the world. May the darkness of sin that still pervades our lives, communities, and world, be dispelled by the Christ who comes to bring sight to the blind and light to the world.

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**Helping Hands Outreach**

Volunteer tax preparers provided by AARP are available to help seniors and those who are disabled with their taxes on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Schererville town hall located at 10 E. Joliet Street in Schererville, IN. The phone number for more information and to schedule an appointment is 219-322-2211 ext. 1390. Other resources include IRS office: 219-736-4378 ([www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)); Indiana Tax information: 219-769-4267 ([www.in.gov/dor](http://www.in.gov/dor)); Illinois State Tax information: 800-732-8866 ([www.revenue.state.il.us](http://www.revenue.state.il.us)). You can also call us, Helping Hands Outreach at 219-440-7126 for additional information.

**Stewardship of Treasure Report**

March 14th & 15th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount

Collected: \$4740.00

Charity: \$30.00

Religious Education: \$30.00

Food Pantry: \$150.00

Easter Flowers: \$610.00

50/50 Raffle: \$125.00

**Sunday Readings Reflections**

3/29/2020

**First Reading** — Thus says the Lord GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. Then you shall know I am the LORD, O my people! (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

**Psalm** — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

**Second Reading** — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

**Gospel** — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

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**Seeing Christ.** Even the blind man in today’s gospel sees Christ—and does what he is told by him. Listening and then doing—even in the face of opposition—brings sight and insight.

- How will I look for Christ in every person and in every action this Lenten week?
- What is God asking me to do? How will I do it?
- How will I be a sign of Christ’s light and life for the elect preparing for Easter Baptism?

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, March 23**

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

**Tuesday, March 24**

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

9:45am—50/50 Raffle Drawing

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

**Wednesday, March 25**

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

6:00pm—Morning Prayer in church

**Thursday, March 26**

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

6:30pm—Family Rosary

**Friday, March 27**

6:00am—Morning Prayer in church

6:00pm—Evening Prayer in church

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

**Saturday, March 28**

9:15am—Morning Prayer in church

4:30pm—Mass

5:30pm—Evening Prayer in church

**Sunday, March 29**

8:00am—Mass

9:15am—Morning Prayer in church

10:00am—Mass

5:30pm—Evening Prayer in church

6:00pm—Mass

**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

**The Number Drawn on  
March 10th**

**Was # 246**

**The Winner Would Have Won \$110.00**  
(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

During Lent, we are asked to devote ourselves to seeking the Lord in prayer and reading Scripture, to service by giving alms, and to practice self-control through fasting. Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs."

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

**CHARITY**

If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire.

—St. Vincent Ferrer

**Ministry Schedule**  
**March 28th & 29th**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—  
8:00am—  
10:00am—  
6:00pm—

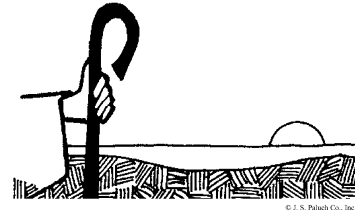
**Lectors**

4:30pm—  
8:00am—  
10:00am—  
6:00pm—

**Ministry Schedule**  
**March 28th & 29th**

**Cantors**

4:30pm—  
8:00am—  
10:00am—  
6:00pm—



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The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
— *Psalm 23:1*

**FILL US**

Open wide the windows of our spirits and fill us full of light; open wide the door of our hearts, that we may receive and entertain Thee with all our powers of adoration.

—Christina Rossetti

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