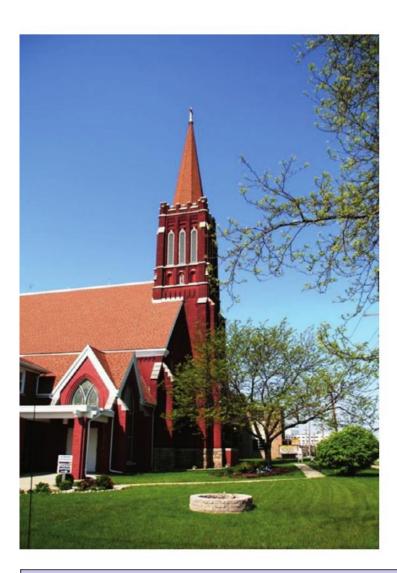
# St. Joseph Church

April 14, 2024 Third Sunday of Easter

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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.

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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 Friday, 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

#### **Parish Telephones**

**Religious Education Office:** 

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

#### **Staff Directory**

Pastor: Rev. Peter Muha

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Pastoral Associate & Building & Grounds

Coordinator: Deacon Gary Blue Email: buildings@stjosephdyer.org Office Manager: Patty Jarzembowski Email: office@stjosephdyer.org

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Assistant to Office: Mary Marszalek

Email: assistant@stjosephdyer.org

#### **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.



#### Monday, April 15, Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Donald Smith Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

#### Tuesday, April 16, Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Richard Huss

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

#### Wednesday, April 17, Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Sophie Banasiak Celebrant: Fr. Peter

#### Thursday, April 18, Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Barbara Bogovich

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

#### Friday, April 19, Easter Weekday

9:00 AM James Flamini III

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

#### **Weekend Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, April 20, Vigil: 4th Sunday of Easter

4:30 PM Kevin Christopher Kienzie

Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

### Sunday, April 21, 4th Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Dolores Adams

Celebrant: Fr. Peter

10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Mantel Family

Celebrant: Fr. McCarthy

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Celebrant: Fr. McCarthy

### **Men's Ministry**

St. Joseph Men's Ministry next gathering will be Saturday, April 20 beginning with 8:00am Mass. Our special guest will be internationally recognized speaker Fr. Thomas Loya, is a "Theology of the Body" expert and retreat Master. Breakfast will be served. All Men of the parish are invited. RSVP at buildings@stjosephdyer.org

## **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

Now open for private prayer from Monday thru Saturday from 10:00am-4:00pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed every Friday (except 1st Fridays) for adoration from 10:00am till 4:00pm. We need adorers to sign up for a specific hour on these Fridays. The sign-up sheet is in the vestibule of the Church. Please contact Deacon Gary for any questions you may have.

### **Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage Options**

Not all St. Joseph parishioners can attend the National Eucharistic Revival being held in Indianapolis July 17-21, but we sure can join in any and all of the following events local to us:

Monday, July 1

6:30-7:30 PM - Solemn Eucharistic Procession throughout Whiting

St. Mary Byzantine Church, 2011 Clark St, Whiting, IN 7:30-7:50 PM - Benediction at the Beach in Whiting Lakefront Park

Whiting Lakefront Park, 1500 Park Rd, Whiting, IN

# $7{:}50{-}10{:}00\ PM$ - Party on the Beach at Whiting Lakefront Park

Whiting Lakefront Park, 1500 Park Rd, Whiting, IN

Tuesday, July 2

8:00-8:45 AM - Mass at St. Michael in Schererville St. Michael the Archangel Church, 1 W. Wilhelm St, Schererville, IN

Join us for Mass before starting our Eucharistic Procession

# 9:00 AM-5:30 PM - Eucharistic Procession from Schererville to Portage

St. Michael the Archangel, 1 W. Wilhelm St, Schererville, to Nativity of Our Savior, Portage, IN

Thursday, July 4

 $6:00\text{--}10:00\ PM\,$  - Mass, Eucharistic Procession &  $4^{th}$  of July Festivities w/ Relevant Radio

St. John the Evangelist Church, 10701 Olcott Ave, St. John ,IN

Eucharist. Register for free at: Overview: Marian
Route - Diocese of Gary: Blackthorn: Events
To order St. Joseph Parish Eucharistic Revival t-shirts to wear while attending these events, please email
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T-shirt is \$12.00. For further information, please see our website: www.stjosephdyer.org.

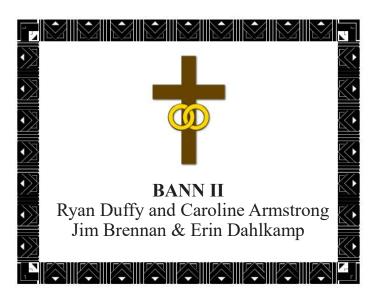
# Save The Date Fellowship Picnic

The St. Joseph Parish Fellowship Picnic will be on Sunday, September 22, 2024, starting at noon until 5:00pm. Please save the date so you do not miss out on all the fun!



The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People calls for all dioceses to maintain "safe environment programs." Through VIRTUS® child sexual abuse prevention programs our Diocese continues to fulfill this commitment. Since 2003, the Diocese of Gary has trained more than 24,000 adults to proactively protect children and young people from child sexual abuse. Thank you for your assistance with our Safe Environment Program.





## Stewardship of Treasure Report

March 30th & 31st

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount

Collected: \$8721.02 Charity: \$21.00

**Religious Education: \$5.00** 

Easter: \$10,106.75

**Memorial for Easter Flowers: \$31.00** 

Food Pantry: \$660.00 50/50 Raffle: \$285.00

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Starting Monday, April 22nd through Wednesday, April 23rd, we will have a Parish Mission presented by Father Tom McCarthy, O.S.A. Father Tom is an experienced teacher, administrator, retreat director and parish mission preacher.

Father Tom will be the celebrant at the 10am & 6pm masses on April 21st.

The Parish Mission will be starting at 6:30pm each day ending with a Mass on Wednesday, April 24th.

#### Monday, April 22

The Restless Journey—How am I entering the Restless Journey?

How am I climbing a tree to see Jesus? How am I willing to say Yes when it is crazy to say Yes? Do I let fear control my life?

#### Tuesday, April 23

The Restless Journey—How am I being called into the Restless Journey?

Am I awake enough to listen to the call? Sure, you want to go bowling? Change or fear? My choice!

Wednesday, April 24

The Restless Journey—How am I living out the Restless Journey?



#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

#### Tuesday, April 16

9:45am—Gospel reflections in Gathering Room immediately after mass.

9:45am 50/50 Raffle Drawing 6:00pm—Parish Life Meeting

#### Wednesday, April 17

10am-12noon—Food Pantry Distribution 6:00-7:00pm—Food Pantry Distribution

#### Thursday, April 18

6:00pm—Evening Prayer & Holy

#### Saturday, April 20

8:00am—Mass & Men's Ministry breakfast and meeting

# Prayer in Times of Seeking God's Will

Psalm 27:7-9, 13-14

Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call;
have pity on me, and answer me.

Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks;
your presence, O Lord, I seek.
Hide not your face from me;
do not in anger repel your servant.
You are my helper: cast me not of;
forsake me not, O God my savior.

I believe that I shall see the bounty of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord with courage;

Be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord.

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## **November Pilgrimage**

Join Fr. Martin Dobrzynski, Fr. Gregory Bim-Merle, and Fr. Peter Muha on a twelve day pilgrimage, November 11-22, visiting Fatima, the shrines of Spain, and Lourdes. The cost is \$3799 per person, double occupancy. For a full brochure and registration form, contact Fr. Peter Muha at the parish office.

# Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on

**April 2nd was # 516** 

The Winner Would Have Won \$1202.50

(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 ENVE-LOPES 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 EN-VELOPE THAT IS PLACED IN THE COLLECTION BASKET THAT YOU ARE EITHER A MONTHLY, ELEC-TRONIC OR HOMEBOUND CON-TRIBUTOR.

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 April 20th & 21st

#### **Lectors**

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

10:00am— 6:00pm—

#### **Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm— Mary Ann Deutsche, Mark Gabrione, Bonnie Gruver

8:00am— Marilyn Tumpis, Karen Ziolkowski 10:00am—Jim Paolino, Art Tkacz, Ray Voyles

6:00pm—Jill Hayhurst

### **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

Blessed Sacrament Chapel is now open for private prayer Monday through Saturday from 10:00am till 4:00pm. The interior doors to the main Church will be locked following the 9am Mass Monday through Friday. On Saturday, the interior doors to the Church will not open until 3pm. To access the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, you must enter through the southwest exterior door of the Church. Go up the stairs and take a left and the Chapel is the second door on your left.

#### The Wounds of Christ

Back in 2007, a group of researchers compared the amount of food consumed between two groups. They were curious to discover if the evidence of food already eaten (in this case, individuals were given chicken wings to eat while watching a football game) would impact the amount they are altogether. They found that the participants ate less at the tables where the bones were left out in plain sight in comparison to the tables where the bones were removed. "The results suggest that people restrict their consumption when evidence of food consumed is available to signal how much food they have eaten." (Brian Wansink, *Cornell Chronicle*, April 9, 2007).

In today's Gospel, Jesus miraculously appears before the apostles. If His resurrected body wasn't shocking enough, He still bore the wounds of His crucifixion. There is nothing that Jesus cannot do. His very presence before the Apostles is a testament to that. So if He can do anything, why did He choose to leave those wounds, the very gruesome and heart wrenching places that we, humanity, created?

The wounds of Christ bear witness to the truth of His sacrifice. His wounds are proof to the Apostles that He is who He says He is. In a way, Jesus is providing them a second chance to look upon Him on the cross. Only John was at the foot of the cross, but he was not the only one to witness the marks of it. We too, are invited to gaze upon the broken body of Christ. We need to see, we need to remember.

Each time we enter a church, we see the cross behind the altar. Without the cross, there would be no resurrection. St. Augustine said, "The death of the Lord our God should not be a cause of shame for us; rather, it should be our greatest hope, our greatest glory. In taking upon himself the death that he found in us, he has most faithfully promised to give us life in him, such as we cannot have of ourselves."

For the same reason that the people eating chicken wings need a visual to remind them of how much they have eaten, we need Jesus' wounds to vividly remind us of the lengths He was willing to go to save us. We humans are slow to learn and quick to forget. We quickly forget the price that was paid for our salvation. We bemoan all the things we are lacking, rather than lifting our empty hands in adoration to the God who gave us everything we have.

Jesus' wounds should shock us, yes. But they are also the most precious things we have ever received, for through them we are reborn to eternal life.

By Kate Taliaferro

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