St. Joseph Church

August 6, 2023 The Transfiguration of the Lord

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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

Parish Telephones

Staff Directory

Pastor: Rev. Peter Muha Email: pastor@stjosephdyer.org Pastoral Associate & Building & Grounds **Coordinator: Deacon Gary Blue** Email: buildings@stjosephdyer.org Office Manager: Patty Jarzembowski Email: office@stjosephdyer.org **Director of Religious Education: Kathy Hansen** St. Maria Goretti Email: kathH@smgdyer.com Director of Music & Liturgy: William Coble Email: music@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:** Joseph David **Bulletin Deadline** Monday 12:00 Noon, in writing.



COMMUNICATIONS SURVEY

The world of communications is changing rapidly. The Diocese of Gary would like to understand how best to serve you.

Please answer a few questions about the communications produced by the diocese and your communication preferences by Aug. 11.

You can access the online survey via the QR code below. You can also download a copy from our website (dcgary.org) or email us for a print copy (communications@dcgary.org).

Thank you for helping us improve our communications!





BLOOD DRIVE Saint Maria Goretti Church

At Casa Maria Hall

500 Northgate Drive Dyer, IN 46311

Friday, September 8th 12:00PM-5:00PM

Sign up at redcrossblood.org, call 1800REDCROSS, or scan the QR Code



St. Edward Catholic Church 216 S. Nichols—Lowell, IN BUNCO & BLESSINGS Both Women & Men are Welcome!!! SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023 Doors Open—12:30pm Bunco Begins—1:30pm Tickets: \$25.00 Tickets are non-refundable Cash Prizes for Winners Raffle Baskets & 50/50 Drawing

For more information or tickets, contact Vicki 219-713-8979 or June 219-476-6735 Proceeds benefit St. Edward Altar & Rosary Society Sunday

Lord

Scripture Readings For the Week of August 6, 2023

Feast of the Transfiguration of the

Memorials of Saint Sixtus, II, Pope and Companions, and Saint Cajetan, Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-	
17; Mt 14:13-21	
Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14	
Memorial of Saint Teresa Benedicta Virgin and Martyr Nm 13:1-2, 25 – 14:1, 26a-29a, 34- 35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23; Mt 15:21-28	
Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; Jn 12:24-26	
Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 & 21; Mt 16:24-28	
Memorial of Saint Jane Frances de igious Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 & 51; Mt 17:14-20	
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11- 12, 13-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33	
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	Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14 Memorial of Saint Teresa Benedicta Virgin and Martyr Nm 13:1-2, 25 – 14:1, 26a-29a, 34- 35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23; Mt 15:21-28 Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; Jn 12:24-26 Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 & 21; Mt 16:24-28 Memorial of Saint Jane Frances de igious Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 & 51; Mt 17:14-20 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11-



The Diocese of Gary will host a Eucharistic Revival on August 26 at Bishop Noll in Hammond. You are invited to be a sponsor, vendor, or showcase your apostolate for this important event. Sponsors can be individuals or corporate and there are different sponsorship levels. As a sponsor, you will be promoting the Catholic faith and devotion to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Sponsors will help fund the *Eucharistic Mira*cles of the World display, based on the work of Blessed Carlos Acutis, that will be shown at the conference and will be available for parishes afterwards. In addition, sponsors will receive recognition in the program and on the Diocese of Gary website. Vendors and apostolates are welcome to come display their services, products, and minisries. For more information and to register go to https://www.dcgary.org/eucharistic-revival or call 219-769-9292 ex259.

Ministry Schedule August 14th & 15th

Lectors

5:00pm-9:00am— Manny Hermano 7:00pm—

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion 5:00pm-9:00am—Kathy Lebryk 7:00pm-Please call parish office to volunteer for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, 219-865-2271.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, August 8 9:45am—50/50 Raffle Drawing 9:45am—Gospel reflections in Gathering Room immediately after mass Thursday, August 10 6:00pm—Evening Prayer & Holy Hour 6:30pm—Family Rosary

Rachel's Vineyard

Healing the pain of abortion— One weekend at a time.

Northwest Indiana Retreat September 22-24

Confidential contact 219-552-2944 or nwiv@outlook.com

www.helpafterabortion.net



Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on

July 26th was #200

The Winner Would Have Won \$1270.00

(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 EN-**VELOPES FOR THE CURRENT WEEK EVEN IF YOU ARE A MONTHLY, ELECTRONIC, HOME **BOUND OR WEEKLY CONTRIBU-**TOR. ALL CONTRIBUTORS MEN-TIONED PREVIOUSLY MUST MAKE THEIR SACRIFICIAL CON-**TRIBUTION BY THE FIRST SUN-**DAY OF THE MONTH AND INDI-CATING 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 August 12th & 13th

Lectors

4:30pm— Wayne Gallenberger 8:00am— Kathy Cusick 10:00am—Manny Hermano 6:00pm—Tom Roach

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm— Patty & Paul Jarzembowski, Bonnie Gruver 8:00am— Sisters 10:00am—Kathy Hamill, Art Tkacz, Mike Bartinicki 6:00pm—Joe Nowacki

Please Note!

We are looking for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to help with the Holyday of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Masses are as follows: Vigil Mass: Monday, August 14th at 5:00pm

Tuesday, August 15th at 9:00am and 7:00pm.

Please call the parish office to volunteer, 219-865-2271.

Awe and Wonder

Ever since I was a little kid I have always enjoyed magic shows. I remember going to some shows with my dad and getting hooked on the idea of something happening right before your eyes that you can't really see. My obsession turned into a hobby of learning magic tricks and performing shows for area Catholic schools. I always let people know right off the bat that what they are about to see are tricks. I do not claim to have any sort of supernatural power. I think this makes the shows even more powerful because people know they rely on skills that have been acquired over many years of study and practice. But at the end of the day, they are just tricks and each one has a fairly easy explanation.

I think Peter was quite aware of this phenomenon when speaking in the second reading from today. He makes it quite clear that when the Apostles spoke of Jesus, they did not use cleverly devised myths to speak about his power. In other words, the power of Jesus was not just a cheap trick with a simple explanation, but rather, the supernatural power of God working in a very real and tangible way. One of these miracles, which had eyewitnesses, was that of the transfiguration.

All throughout The Old Testament, the Jewish people are anticipating and searching for the Messiah who was promised in the writings of the prophets. The first reading today from Daniel is one such prophesy where Daniel exclaims that he saw the Son of Man coming like on a cloud from heaven. Fast forward to the Gospel today and we see just that, he is being raised up as if on a cloud with a bright light surrounding him and the voice of the Father saying, "This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased." Now this illusion would be difficult even for David Copperfield to perform. The best part about it is that it was not some grand illusion, but a reality of the heavens opening up and showing us that Jesus is truly God become man.

As amazing as a magic show might be, eventually the curtain falls and the show ends and we leave knowing that we have been tricked in the best possible way. But the Gospel is not a trick. Do we have more awe for the real power God is working in our lives than we have when we see someone perform a sleight of hand? One is real and meant for our salvation, the other is fake and meant to give us a momentary pleasure. So, I guess the question we can all ask today is, where have you seen the power of God working in your lives and has it brought you to your knees in awe and wonder of our Creator?

From all of us here at Diocesan, God bless!

By Tommy Shultz

