

St. Joseph Church

August 20, 2023

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

Parish Office:..... 219-865-2271

Religious Education Office:

(At St. Maria Goretti)..... 219-322-3077

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, 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.*



Monday, August 21, St. Pius X

9:00 AM Mary Downy
Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

Tuesday, August 22, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM George Laski
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

Wednesday, August 23, Weekday

9:00 AM Charles J. Thiel
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

Thursday, August 24, St. Bartholomew

9:00 AM Frances Rokita
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

Friday, August 25, Weekday

9:00 AM Michael Slawinski
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 26, Vigil: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Helen Scobee
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

Sunday, August 27, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Robert Trembacki
Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

10:00 AM Eugene McLaughlin
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

6:00 PM The People of the Parish
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, August 22
9:45am—50/50 Raffle Drawing
9:45am—Gospel reflections in Gathering Room immediately after mass.

Thursday, August 24
6:00pm—Evening Prayer & Holy Hour
6:30pm—Family Rosary

Religious Education

Religious Education classes for St. Maria Goretti and St. Joseph families will begin in just a few weeks. Students in first through 4th grade will begin classes on Saturday, September 16th and Saturday, September 23rd. The Saturday classes will meet from 9:00am—10:30am on alternating Saturdays. Classes for 5th through 8th grade will begin on Monday, August 21 and August 28th. These classes are held from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. All classes are held in the classrooms of Casa Maria hall. Families that have registered for classes will be sent the year schedule along with room numbers and catechists names. We invite a parent to attend the first class for a brief meeting and introduction to the program. Bring your calendar so that you can sign up to help with events that have been planned for the year. If you have questions about the program, please contact Kathy Hansen at 219-322-6124 ext. 308. If you are interested in joining our team as a Catechist or as an aide please let Kathy know.

ST. JOSEPH PICNIC

Don't forget to sign-up on signup@genius.com for your reservations for the picnic on Sunday, September 24, 2023. You can also reserve by filling out the form that was in last weeks bulletin. If you need another copy, call the office and we can email you a copy or you can pick one up in the main vestibule.

Catholic Services Appeal

We would like to thank the following families who pledged/donated to this year's Catholic Services Appeal. Everything we collect past our quota (\$39,538.00) will come back 100% to our parish. This will help with our future campaign to raise funds to replace our roof and outside repairs. As of 7/19/23, we have collected \$74,214.00.

If you have not pledged or donated yet, please kindly discern if you can help out.

Thank you to: Henry & Jane Polochak, James & Cassandra Weller, Lawrence & Ann Mis, and Mary Marszalek.

St. Joseph Men’s Ministry

St. Joseph Men’s Ministry Annual Cookout will be held on August 31st. The evening will begin with prayer in the Church at 6pm with dinner being served immediately after in the south parking lot. Food is being catered by Hog Haven. All Men of the Parish are invited. It is extremely important to RSVP to make sure enough food will be ordered. Please RSVP at buildings@stjosephdyer.org or call the office at 219-865-2271. Please join us for what will be a great evening of prayer, food and fellowship! Good will offerings will be accepted.



SAVE THE DATE:

The St. Joseph Men’s Ministry will be kicking off their fourth year by providing the Men of St. Joseph Parish with an all-day retreat on Saturday, September 16. More details to follow.

Picnic

Don’t forget to turn in your reservation form for the picnic or sign up on signup@genius.com.

St Joseph Fellowship Picnic
September 24 th , 2023 Noon – 4:00pm
Dyer Pheasant Hill Park South Pavilion

Use signupgenius.com to RSVP and sign up for your dish to share.

NO LATER THAN September 3rd.

_____ I / We will attend the picnic.
Family Name:

Adults: _____ # Children: _____

Children Under 6 : _____

Best Phone Number to Reach you: _____

Best Email to Reach you: _____

Please bring a dish to share with serving utensils. Side/salad, appetizer, dessert, main dish, fruit, etc. – Very limited electrical plug-in will be available so please do not plan on using crock pots.

Please bring a lawn chair.

**Stewardship of
Treasure Report**

August 12th & 13th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$6051.00

Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount

Collected: \$7762.38

Charity: \$11.00

Religious Education: \$175.00

Assumption: \$56.00

Food Pantry: \$3161.50

50/50 Raffle: \$350.00

**Scripture Readings
For the Week of August 20, 2023**

Sunday Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Monday Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope
Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40; 43ab & 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin
Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle
Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17 - 18; Jn 1:45-51

Friday Memorial of Saint Louis of France and Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest
Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Mt 23:1-12

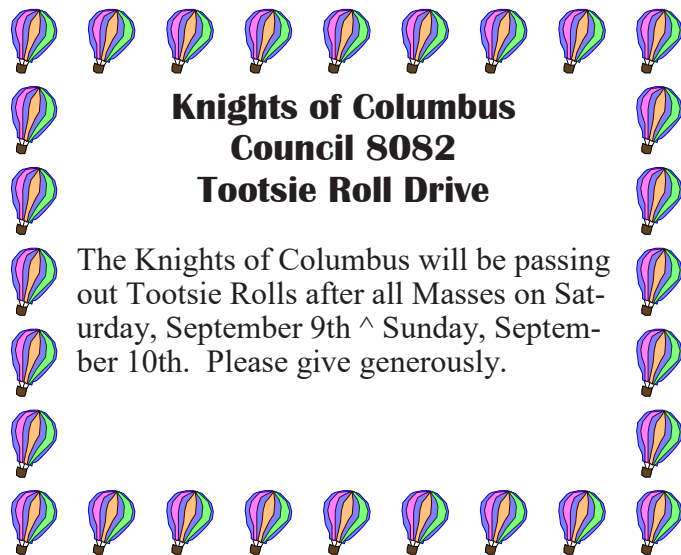
Sunday Time Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary
Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



**SAINT PIUS X (1835-1914)
August 21**

Presidential vetoes we understand. But imagine vetoing a papal election! Yet in the conclave of 1903, the Archbishop of Cracow (ironically, a predecessor in that office of Karol Wojtyla, the future John Paul II) vetoed the leading candidate on the order of the Austro-Hungarian emperor. Instead, the cardinals elected Giuseppe Sarto of Venice as Pius X, the first pope, after a succession of nobles and diplomats, to hail from humble origins. Nor did the papacy alter his endearing simplicity. Tailors eventually made his cassock cuffs detachable because he absentmindedly wiped his fountain pen on them, forgetting that his old black cassock had been replaced by papal white! Taking as his motto “To restore all things in Christ” (Ephesians 1:10), Pius condemned the theological innovations called “modernism,” yet dramatically altered the then-common practice whereby people rarely received Communion for fear of unworthiness, mandating early First Communion and urging everyone to frequent reception. Refusing to bless troops assembled in Saint Peter’s Square—“I bless peace, not war!”—he died brokenhearted as World War I engulfed “Christian” Europe despite his peacemaking efforts.

—Peter Scagnelli



**Knights of Columbus
Council 8082
Tootsie Roll Drive**

The Knights of Columbus will be passing out Tootsie Rolls after all Masses on Saturday, September 9th ^ Sunday, September 10th. Please give generously.

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

The Number Drawn on

August 8th was #465

The Winner Would Have Won
\$1595.00

(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

Ministry Schedule
August 26th & 27th

Lectors

4:30pm—Mary Ann Deutsche
8:00am—Kathy Cusick
10:00am—Sue Blue
6:00pm—Sharon Ruane

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Patty & Paul Jarzembowski,
Kathy Lebryk
8:00am—Sisters
10:00am—Allan Burgos, Kathy Hamill,
Mike Jasinski
6:00pm—Emma Gallenberger

St. John Bosco
Community Picnic

Sunday, August 27th from Noon to 5:00pm.
171st Street off of Columbia Ave., Hammond
Come and enjoy food (American, Polish, Mexican).
Covered picnic tables, air-conditioned bingo (1-4pm), Free Entertainment, Raffles & More!

Polka Band “Take Five” - Noon to 3:00pm
D.J. (variety) - 3:00pm to 5:00pm.

Polish dinners served from noon to 4:00pm
(cafeteria).

You’re welcome to bring a lawn chair if you’d like.
Fee will be charged for food, drinks, BINGO, raffles. Come to St. John Bosco’s Parish Picnic!

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
A Clever Woman of Faith

The first reading reminds us that even though the Jews are God’s chosen people, foreigners who love the Lord will be accepted into God’s house. So why is Jesus being so difficult with the Canaanite woman?

At first he seems to be putting her off. He doesn’t answer her, but tells the disciples that he came only for lost sheep of Israel, adding the remark about food going to the dogs. He does this not to discourage her, but to draw a response of faith. He wants to see how persistent she is in her request.

We can tell ourselves that we are people of faith, but how easily are we discouraged? Do we think God has forgotten us when we experience trouble? Sometimes it is our childish belief that everything has to go our way. We may not be selfish about it; we may be discouraged by the suffering of someone we love. The woman’s clever reply to Jesus reminds us that she trusted in Jesus’ power and willingness to help.

Jesus was also teaching his disciples that faith is more important than nationality. They were all Jews and wanted Jesus to send the Canaanite woman away. Long after Jesus’ resurrection, the church struggled with the question of non-Jewish believers. Today, we may be doing the same thing in reverse. Some people think that only Catholics can be saved and that there is no hope for Protestants, much less for Jews. God’s covenant with the chosen people cannot be rescinded. Paul says that the rejection of Jesus by Jewish leaders led to salvation for the rest of the world. But though some rejected Jesus, God never rejected the Jews.

Finally, Jesus responded to her persistence. Like the woman who wouldn’t go away, we can keep praying till we get an answer to our prayer. While sometimes our request is granted, sometimes God has a good reason to delay or even say no. The more time we spend in prayer, the more likely we are to listen to God’s answer. Prayer can help us come to the peaceful acceptance that God only does what is best for us.

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