

# St. Joseph Church

September 3, 2023

Twenty-Second Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

440 Joliet St., Dyer, IN 46311

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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.

## 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)..... 219-322-6124

## Staff Directory

**Pastor: Rev. Peter Muha**

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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.*

PLEASE LIKE ST. JOSEPH PARISH ON FACEBOOK



**Monday, September 4, Weekday**

9:00 AM Michael Slawinski  
Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk

**Tuesday, September 5, Weekday**

9:00 AM John & Mary Fry  
35th Wedding Anniversary  
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Wednesday, September 6, Weekday**

9:00 AM George Siminski  
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Thursday, September 7, Weekday**

9:00 AM Ray Jasinski  
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Friday, September 8, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 AM In Honor of Charles & Pamela Thiel's Anniversary  
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, September 9, Vigil: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Repose of the Soul of Sandra Phillips  
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**Sunday, September 10, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Frances Rokita  
Celebrant: Fr. Krolczyk  
10:00 AM Digevenzenzo Family  
Celebrant: Fr. Peter  
6:00 PM The People of the Parish  
Celebrant: Fr. Peter

**St. Joseph Women's Ministry  
"Halo Ladies"**

Join us in fellowship, as we present informative topics to further our knowledge of our Catholic Faith.

We gather in faith on the second Tuesday of each month. Our first gathering of our new season will be September 12th at 6:30 to 8:00pm.

Place: Gathering Room (located in basement of Church)

As we continue our Catholic faith journey. ALL are welcome, invite a family member, friend, or stranger.



**Picnic**

Don't forget to turn in your reservation form for the picnic or sign up on [signup@genius.com](http://signup@genius.com). **Today is the LAST DAY TO SIGN UP!!**

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

Use **signupgenius.com** to RSVP or the QR Code below and reserve your spot and also sign up for your dish to share. Or complete the attached form to turn in the Sunday Collection basket or the box in the main vestibule

**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 list the dish you will share : \_\_\_\_\_



**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](http://redcrossblood.org), call 1800REDCROSS, or scan the QR CODE



**Stewardship of  
Treasure Report**  
August 26th & 27th

Weekly Budget Amount Needed:  
**\$6051.00**  
 Weekly Sunday Treasure Amount  
 Collected: **\$6874.89**  
 Charity: **\$377.00**  
 Religious Education: **\$5.00**  
 Easter: **\$20.00**  
 Ascension: **\$20.00**  
 Assumption: **\$77.00**  
 Food Pantry: **\$0**  
 50/50 Raffle: **\$300.00**



*St. Michael  
Parish's  
150th Anniversary  
Gala*

Fundraising for the 150th Anniversary  
Celebrations of 2024

Celebrating 150 years of St. Michael Parish in  
Scherverville, Indiana!

**DINNER, ENTERTAINMENT,  
DRINKS & AUCTION**



**September 29, 2023**  
**Gamba Ristorante**  
**6:30pm Cocktails**  
**7:30pm Dinner**  
**\*Cash Bar\***

**Please Note!**  
 The Parish Office will be closed Monday, September 4th.

**Helping Hands Food Pantry**  
 There will be a second collection next weekend, September 9th & 10th for our Food Pantry

**BY THE WAY!**

If you are shopping at Gordon Foods, please give them St. Joseph Dyer's name at checkout in order for our parish to obtain credit for your purchase. This builds up and when we need to purchase items for the parish, that credit is in our reserve. Many thanks for helping.

Scan the QR code for tickets!



**\$150/  
person  
OR...  
Table of 8  
for \$1,200**

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, September 4**  
Parish Office closed

**Tuesday, September 5**  
9:45am—50/50 Raffle  
Drawing  
9:45am—Gospel reflections in  
Gathering Room immediately after  
mass.

**Wednesday, September 6**  
6:00pm—Picnic meeting in  
Gathering Room

**Thursday, September 7**  
6:00pm—Evening Prayer &  
Holy Hour  
6:30pm—Family Rosary

**Saturday, September 9**  
Tootsie Roll drive after mass

**Sunday, September 10**  
Tootsie Roll drive after masses

**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 your are interested in joining our team as a Catechist or as an aide please let Kathy know.



**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

**The Number Drawn on**  
**August 22nd was #555**

**The Winner Won \$165.00**

(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, HOME-BOUND 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 September 9th & 10th**

### **Lectors**

4:30pm—Sandra Riley  
8:00am—Mary Marszalek  
10:00am—George Kucka  
6:00pm—Sharon Ruane

### **Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Mark Gabrione, Paul Gerrity, Bonnie Gruver  
8:00am—Sisters, Sisters  
10:00am—Mike Bartnicki, Art Tkacz, Kathy Hamill  
6:00pm—Jill Hayhurst



## **Pleasing Sacrifice**

Today is my 31st birthday and though I still believe I am young in my mind, my body is certainly feeling every year I add to my life. Gray hairs start sprouting from my beard, weird aches and pains come out of nowhere, and general forgetfulness or fatigue are all signs of growing another year older. Birthdays are always a good reminder of the life we have been given, the importance of it, and how we should take care of ourselves so we can live for many more years.

In the second reading today Paul exhorts us all to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice that is holy and pleasing to the Lord. Let's talk a little about what a human being is and then we will be able to see clearly what is meant by this verse. The human person is a composite of body and soul. We do not believe in the heresy that says our body is irrelevant or that it's just a cage our soul is in while we are here on earth. We believe our body and soul are united. So much so that we believe our body is us. If someone were to smack you in the face you wouldn't tell them not to hit your body. You would tell them not to hit you.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church in paragraph 364 states, "The human body shares in the dignity of 'the image of God': it is a human body precisely because it is animated by a spiritual soul, and it is the whole human person that is intended to become, in the body of Christ, a temple of the Spirit: Man, though made of body and soul, is a unity."

So in order to make a pleasing sacrifice of ourselves to God we need to ensure that we are taking care of our body and soul together. One easy way I have found to do this is to mark both your birthday and your baptismal day on the calendar. On your birthday you can make some physical goals for the year on how to make the next year even better than the previous. Goals could include working out more, finding a new hobby, volunteering your time for a new organization, etc. Then, on your baptismal day, make some spiritual goals for the year. These could include adding a holy hour during the week, finding a new prayer, taking time throughout the day to consciously speak with God, etc.

Birthdays often remind us of our age and inevitable death, but this year I am going to try to focus on both spiritual and physical goals so that by next year I can say that I have offered myself as a pleasing sacrifice to the Lord.

From all of us here at Diocesan, God bless!

By Tommy Shultz



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