

St. Joseph Church

March 3, 2013

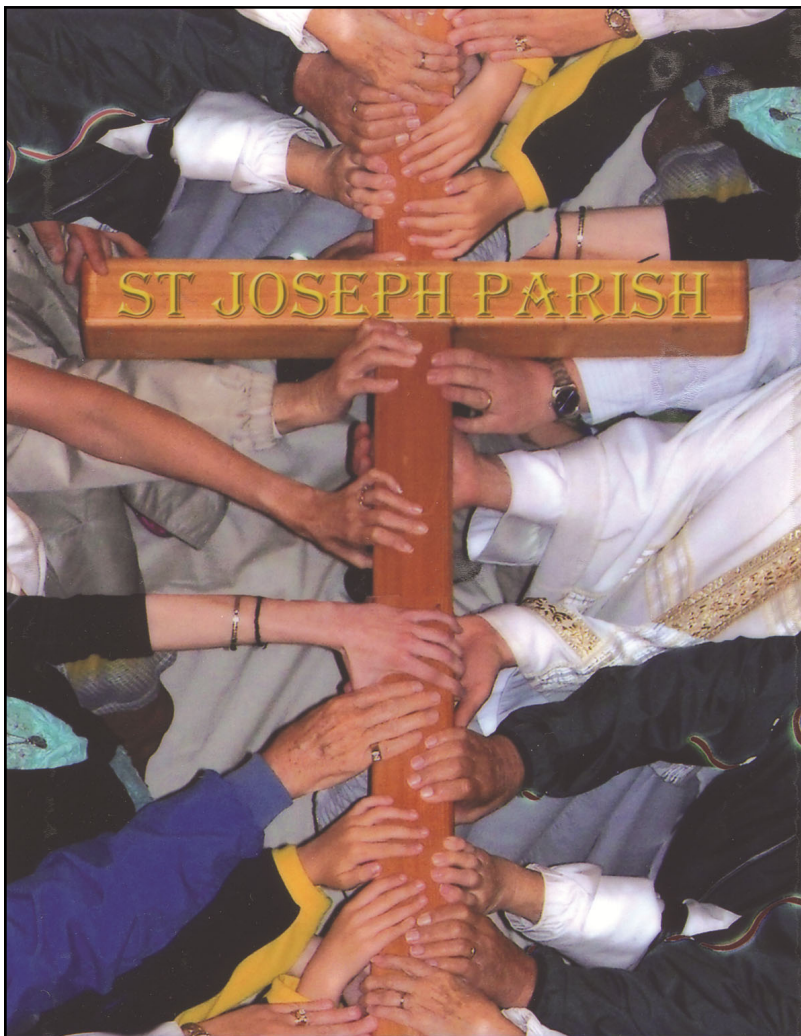
Third Sunday of Lent

440 Joliet St., Dyer, IN 46311

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Rev. Terry J. Steffens, Pastor



**GATHERING IN FAITH,
DISCOVERING COMMUNITY**

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 with Father Terry in person. Please call the parish office, 865-2271 for an appointment.

Parish Telephones

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Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 6:00PM

Weekday Masses

Mon-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 Sick

Call the office any time.

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Mike Kulik 708-906-6652

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 Noon, *in writing.*



Monday, March 4, Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Tuesday, March 5, Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM S.I. Arnopolin & Family

Wednesday, March 6, Lenten Weekday

No 9:00 AM Mass

Thursday, March 7, Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM Frank Kaczocha

6:30 PM Family Rosary

Friday, March 8, Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the Frank Kaczocha Family

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 9, Vigil: 4th Sunday of Lent

4:30 PM Kevin Andrew Garza

Sunday, March 10, 4th Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Leonard Witkowski

10:00 AM Gino Strusi

6:00 PM The People of the Parish

Helping Children in Lesotho

This week we focus our prayers, fasting and alms-giving on Lesotho, where many children lack access to quality education. Only 73% of primary school-age children in Lesotho are enrolled in school. Give to your Rice Bowl this week to support communities working with CRS to provide educational opportunities for children.

St. Joseph Religious Education

We Are Forgiven

This week the young people of the parish preparing for Reconciliation reflected on the story of the prodigal son and the forgiving father. Each time we pray the Our Father we are reminded of God’s forgiving love and our call, as children of God, to share that forgiving love with others. How do we as a parish welcome people unconditionally with a heart filled with joy?

MARKET DAY

Many thanks to all who participated in our Market Day for February. We earned \$154.62. The food is very good and easy to prepare. Our **next Market Day will be on Wednesday, March 20th.** The pickup area is off the Non-dorf entrance to the school. The order sheets are at all the entrances of the church.

This is just in time for Easter. There are meats, vegetables, desserts and more. Why not try it!

This is one of our fundraisers that helps our budget.

The pick up times are 4:30 to 5:15pm. If you have any questions, please call the parish office, 865-2271.

“The Light Is On For You”

Haven’t been to confession in a while? Interested, but worried you don’t remember how to offer a heartfelt confession? No problem—Father Terry will help you find your way? Confessions will be heard at Catholic churches (with resident priests) throughout the diocese, including **St. Joseph from 6:00-8:00pm on Thursday, March 7.** This is in addition to our regularly scheduled confessions and penance service. We pray that you receive an abundance of God’s healing grace, forgiveness and love.

SPARC

SPARC meetings will be March 5th and 19th. Dues of \$6.00 must be paid by March 19th meeting. If you cannot attend, send dues to: Marie Jagiella—539 Willow Lane—Dyer, IN 46311

Pastor’s Column

Dear Parishioners:

During the DVD presentation on God by Fr. Barons, last Sunday, following the 10 a.m. Mass, he spoke of how at the center of God is non-violence. I find this to be a profound reminder of how God is Love and God’s Love is non-violent.

In recent weeks there has been a societal focus on gun violence. The impression I get is that we ought to get a gun to protect ourselves. H’mm..., let’s ponder this for a while. Do we want to shoot another human being? I know it might be out of self-defense but...this is not a video game.

Let’s reflect on Jesus and guns in the light of His Death and Resurrection. After Jesus rises from the dead, he goes to visit His disciples and the first thing Jesus says to the disciples is “Peace be with you”. Jesus’ peace is based on non-violence. I think we are wise to keep Jesus’ peace perspective as we deliberate about gun violence.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry

Stewardship of Treasure Report

February 16th & 17th

Sunday Ordinary Collections: \$4936.70

Children’s Collection: \$10.00

Charity: \$25.00

NW Catholic: \$104.00

Food Pantry: \$325.00

Churches for Eastern Europe: \$691.75

50/50 Raffle: \$385.00

Weekly 50/50 Raffle

**The Number Drawn on February 19th
Was # 772**

The Winner Would Have Won \$3778.00
(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.** 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.

Catechetical Liturgical Day

Dan Schutte, liturgical composer and former member of the St. Louis Jesuits and Dr. Saundra Kennedy, catechetical consultant for W.H. Sadler are the two main presenters at this year’s spring Catechetical—Liturgical Conference to be held at St. Matthias Church, 101 West Burrell Drive, Crown Point, Indiana 46307. This year’s theme: “Heralds of the Good News” will offer a keynote address, catechist recognitions, workshops, exhibits, food, door prizes and evening prayer with Bishop Dale Melczek from 12:00 noon—6:60pm. Cost is \$20.00 Go to www.dcgary.org *Upcoming Events* for more information and on line registration. Or call 219-769-9292 ext 230 for a printed brochure. This event is a collaboration between the Offices of Religious Education, the Office of Worship, PAREFF and Diocesan Music Committee. All are welcome!

Helping Hands Food Pantry

There will be a second collection next week-end, March 9th & 10th for our Food Pantry. You are also invited to bring groceries to help restock our shelves.



Welcome
Our *New*
Members

Please welcome the newest members to
our parish:
Andrew & Jennifer Garibay and Family
Gerald & Laura Jones and Family
Anthony & Marilyn Kulczyk
Craig & Kathryn Lebryk
Timothy & Patricia Pawl

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, March 6

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing
4:30-5:45pm—Session I—Religious Education
classes in school
6:15-7:30pm—Session II—Religious Education
classes in school

Thursday, March 7

6-8pm—”The Light Is On For You” Sacrament
of Reconciliation
6:30pm—Family Rosary
7:30pm—Choir Practice

Friday, March 8

7pm—Stations of the Cross

Sunday, March 10

11:15am—The Mystery of Liturgy and the
Eucharist (DVD presentation) in the
Gathering Room

Hospital & Nursing Home Visits

In this day and age, privacy within the Hospital
and Nursing Home industry is a high priority.
As a result, notification of churches about pa-
rishioners who are in a Hospital or Nursing
Home is left up to the family or friend of the
patient. Please call 219-865-2271 to let us
know here at the Parish Office if you or your
loved one is in a Hospital or Nursing Home.

Thank You.

Hurdling

God’s grace within me and God’s strength behind
me can overcome any hurdle ahead of me.

—Anonymous

Catholic Relief Services

Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic
Relief Services Collection. This Collection sup-
ports six Catholic agencies that touch more than
100 million lives around the world. The funds from
this Collection help provide food to the hungry,
welcome and support to displaced refugees, and
advocacy for the voiceless. **How will you help?**
Next week, please give generously to The Catholic
Relief Services Collection and **Jesus in disguise.**

St. Ann Church—Lansing, IL

St. Ann will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary
this year and as part of that celebration the Book
Committee is putting together a Souvenir Book and
we need help from those of you that may have at-
tended church here in the past. If you have photos
or stories to share we would be most appreciative if
you let us know. You may email any stories or
photos to us at stanch@comcast.net. If you are not
in a position to transmit them electronically, please
call our office at 708-895-6700 and we will make
other arrangements that will be suitable to you.
Thank you for sharing any memories you have.
St. Ann Book Committee

In Awe

Sometimes I stand in silence,
Sometime, in awe, I gasp
At the wonders of creation
Too great for a mind to grasp.

Oh, the mighty and the fragile
God’s creative hands have made.
How carefully we should keep them.
What a trust on us is laid!

Minnie Boyd Popish

Ministry Schedule
March 9th & 10th

Extraordinary Ministers

4:30pm—Paul Jarzembowski, Patty Jarzembowski, Isabella Skurka
8:00am—Kathy Cusick, Carol Jablonski, Pauline Rybicki
10:00am—Gary Blue, Sue Blue, Mike Klausman, Ron Reichelt (choir)
6:00pm—Bonnie Gruver, Ernie Leicht, Constance Peschel

Lectors

4:30pm—Sandy O’Drobinak
8:00am—Karen Ziolkowski
10:00am—Tim & Sheila Huffman
6:00pm—Yvonne Weaver

Good Information

Our judgments are only as good as our information.
—Anonymous

Ministry Schedule
March 9th & 10th

Altar Servers

4:30pm—Need Servers
8:00am—M. Ziolkowski
10:00am—J. Burgos, ZJ Grino
6:00pm—B. Blue



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The LORD secures justice
and the rights of all the oppressed.
— *Psalm 103:6*

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