

# St. Joseph Church

October 25, 2015

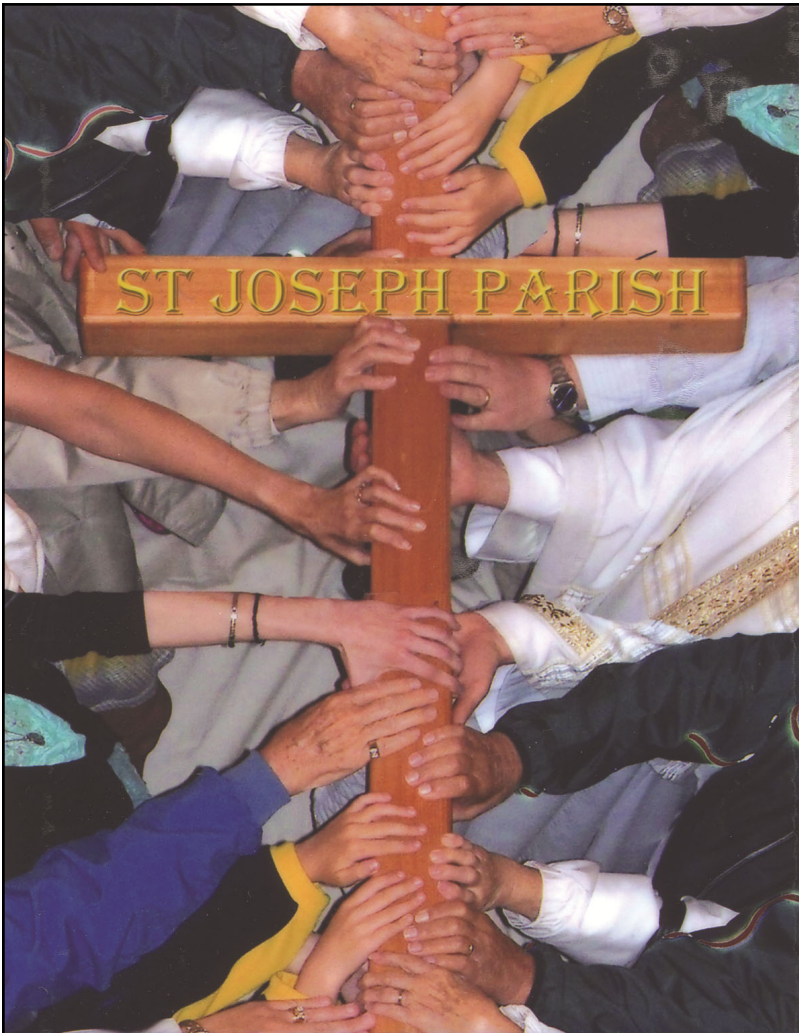
Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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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

**Parish Office** .....865-2271

Parish Fax .....865-2350

Email .....[dyerstjoe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dyerstjoe@sbcglobal.net)

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

PASTOR: Rev. Terry J. Steffens

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**DIRECTOR:** Yvonne Weaver

## Mass Schedule

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 PM

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

### Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Thurs, 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:** Ed Hebda 219-865-6922

## Bulletin Deadline

**Monday 12:00 Noon, in writing.**



**Monday, October 26, Weekday**

9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the  
Zarlenga & Kaczocha Families

**Tuesday, October 27, Weekday**

9:00 AM George Steffens

**Wednesday, October 28, Sts. Simon & Jude**

No 9:00 AM Mass

**Thursday, October 29, Weekday**

9:00 AM Poor Souls

6:30 PM Family Rosary

**Friday, October 30, Weekday**

9:00 AM Melina Pietras

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, October 31, Vigil: All Saints**

4:30 PM Bernard Paulson

**Sunday, November 1, All Saints**

8:00 AM Carmen Domingo

10:00 AM Kevin Andrew Garza

6:00 PM The People of the Parish



Please pray for the following parishioners who are ill or not able to worship with our parish family: Nancy Hanck, Laura Hays, Dolores Kaczocha, Joe Kozlowski, Fran Lisac, Mark Maicher, Edna Stankovich, and Eileen Sukta.

**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 parishioners 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. Also let us know if they would like their name published in the bulletin to be prayed for.

**Sunday Readings Reflections  
of 11/1/2015**

**Reading 1 Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14**

In this reading from the Book of Revelation, the author, who calls himself John, writes after the year A.D. 70. It was a time of terrible persecution of Christians. In his writing, he urged them to persevere in their faith. In a vision the author sees "a huge crowd which no one could count" from every nation on earth. They stand in triumph before the throne of God and the Lamb (Christ), dressed in white and holding palm branches, the sign of victory. John is told who they are: those who survived the great trial and washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb. This is symbolic language. It means that these people, in their own lives, have participated in the suffering and death of Christ.

This washing makes their robes white, like the robes of those who have been baptized into Christ. We, too, are washed clean when we share in the death of Christ through the waters of Baptism. We may not be asked to die for our faith like so many of the early Christians. But we are called to be strong in our faith even when we are ridiculed by others.

**Reading 2 John 3:1-3**

In this reading we are reminded of the consoling hope we have as children of God. The world may not agree, John says, yet that is in fact who we are. One day we will see God face to face.

As children of God, we should live sinless lives. All children try to bring credit to their parents and their brothers and sisters. How much more should this be our aim as God's children.

**Gospel Matthew 5:1-12a**

This reading from the Gospel of Matthew contains the Beatitudes. These statements are a summary of the way to sainthood for all the thousands and thousands of people who have followed Jesus faithfully. They show how the followers of Jesus today are to live for God's kingdom. All the rewards promised here will have their fulfillment in God's kingdom in heaven.

Jesus calls us all to holiness. By following the teachings of Jesus and the Church, celebrating the sacraments, and trusting in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the way to heaven lies open for us. Our journey of faith may not be an easy one. There will be many hardships and challenges along the way. But if we walk humbly with our God, we will one day reach the place of justice and peace where God reigns forever.

**Pastor's Column**

Dear Parishioners:

Although children's schedules are more rigorous and organized these days, experts do point out that kids also need to have "down time" so they can simply be imaginative and creative in a non-organized way. In other words, children are encouraged to be restful and quiet during some of their waking hours. It makes for more balanced children who learn better and are less likely to burn out.

Having "down time" is important for all of us so we can be restful and quiet in God's presence. The Holy Spirit is in the center of our imaginations and creativities no matter what our age and we are wise to pay attention to it. People can burn out at any age but lives that are not overly rigorous or nauseatingly organized make for a more balanced, healthy time on this earth.

Children definitely need "down time" in their educational journey. But so do teens and adults; we all need rest and quiet during some of our waking hours. Chances are that we will all sleep better at night when we are attuned to the importance of rest and quiet in the Holy Spirit during the day.

In God's Balance,

Fr. Terry



**Stewardship of Treasure Report**  
 October 17th & 18th

- Weekly Budget Amount Needed: \$5825.00**
- Weekly Sunday Treasure Envelope Amount Collected: \$4254.10**
- Charity: \$0**
- Religious Education: \$5.00**
- Weekly Treasure Support Deficit: (\$1565.90)**
- Fiscal Year Operating Budget Amount Needed: \$93,200.00**
- Fiscal Year Deficit: (\$7769.63)**
- Propagation of the Faith: \$655.60**
- Food Pantry: \$70.00**
- 50/50 Raffle: \$205.00**

**Andrean High School**

Andrean High School is hosting an Open House for prospective students and their families on Sunday, November 8, 2015 from 12-3pm. Come meet the Andrean family!

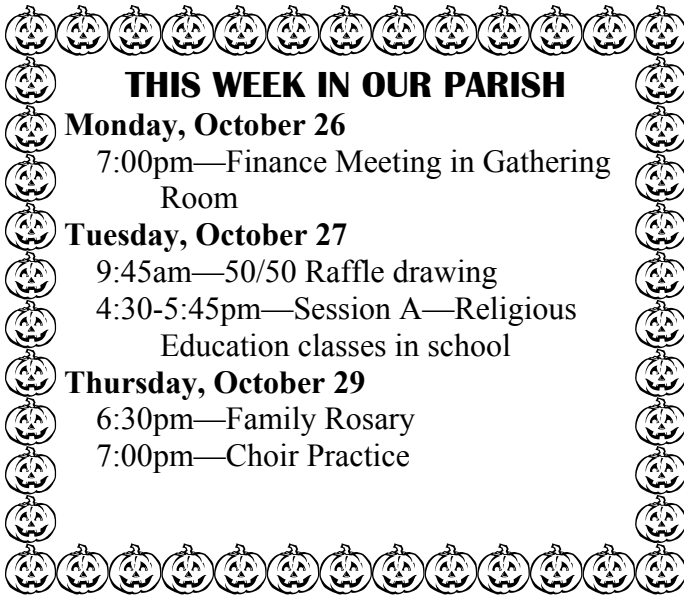
Administration, faculty and staff will be available for questions, and tours of the building will be given by our students. Please enter through door L in the back of the school. Any questions, please contact Director of Admissions and Financial Aid, Dawn Wojkovich @ 887-5959 ext. 228 or [admissions@andreanhs.com](mailto:admissions@andreanhs.com).

**St. John Bosco Altar & Rosary Society's Holiday Bazaar**

Saturday, November 7, 2015  
 St. John Bosco Cafeteria—Door "G"  
 171st Street, east of Columbia Ave., Hammond  
 9:00am to 2:00pm  
 Variety of booths for the Holidays, Home, Yard, Kids, and more plus hot food from the Kitchen and our Bakery.  
 Grandma's Attic, Kiddie Korner, Cookie Trays, Bakery Items, KC Jewelry, Blankets, Crochet Items, Misty Dove Chocolatier, Hand-crafted Wooden Decorations and more.

**Share With The Handicapped**

You are invited to the "Share Our Dreams" Gala on November 6th at the Center for Visual & Performing Arts, Munster. All proceeds from this evening benefit Share Foundation With the Handicapped. Call (219-778-2585) or email ([share@sharefoundation.org](mailto:share@sharefoundation.org)) for more details.



**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, October 26**

7:00pm—Finance Meeting in Gathering Room

**Tuesday, October 27**

9:45am—50/50 Raffle drawing  
4:30-5:45pm—Session A—Religious Education classes in school

**Thursday, October 29**

6:30pm—Family Rosary  
7:00pm—Choir Practice

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

In the tangled but fascinating history of penance in the Church, the Irish "tariff" system helped us survive the collapse of the old system of public canonical penance and prepared the way for a new system that emerged in the twelfth century. The old form was unrepeatable, public, dealt with serious community matters, and regulated by the bishops as chief reconcilers. The new form had a more intimate setting of penitent and confessor, was extremely repeatable, and applied to everyone. The old canonical form was closed to children, who were hardly capable of the very grown-up sins listed, or their demanding remedies. The old form was likewise closed to clerics, who were protected in a sense by the very nature of the discipline. In the new Irish form the penitent directly named sins, or answered direct questions by the priest. Sometimes, the penitent would recite a long formula accusing him- or herself in a general way of all sorts of sins, even from the distant past. Next, priest and penitent together would lie prostrate before the altar and recite several of the psalms with penitential themes. Finally, the priest would pronounce a judgment, deciding what form and duration the penance should take, normally insisting that the person return for reconciliation once the penances were completed.

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**Weekly 50/50 Raffle**

The Number Drawn on October 13th Was # 371

The Winner Won \$1385.00

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.

**St. Stephen's Women's Club Annual Holiday Craft Fair**

At Our Lady of Consolation, 8303 Taft St., Merrillville on Saturday, November 14—10am-4:30pm & Sunday, November 15—9am-3pm. Homemade & Specialty crafts, bake sale, door prizes, raffles, resale booth.

**Ministry Schedule**

**October 31st & November 1st**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

4:30pm—Florence Andrzejewski,  
Emma Gallenberger, Kathy Lebryk  
8:00am—Rick Dernulc, Frank Ziolkowski,  
Karen Ziolkowski  
10:00am—Gary or Sue Blue, Barb Graegin,  
Laura Hays  
6:00pm—Pat Bergstrom, Brad or Paula Zielke,  
Yvonne Weaver

**Lectors**

4:30pm—Wayne & Michael Gallenberger  
8:00am—Noel & Kathy Cusick  
10:00am—  
6:00pm—Emma Weissbeck

**Good Hearing**

Faith is the ear of the soul.  
—St. Clement of Alexandria

**Ministry Schedule**

**October 31st & November 1st**

**Altar Servers**

4:30pm— Joe Nowacki  
8:00am— Need Servers  
10:00am— Dominic Rizzo, Jim Morris  
6:00pm— Jack Fingar, Orla Fingar, Lillian Smith



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The LORD has done great things for us;

we are glad indeed. -- Psalm 126:3

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