



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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September 6, 2020
Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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St. Martin's Soup Kitchen

H: Monday and Thursday 4 p.m. -6 p.m.

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St. Martin's Clothes Closet:

H: Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00 am-Noon

Thursday 4pm-6pm

Mary Lou DeWitt-P: (260)357-0382

Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Thursday: 6:00 p.m.

Weekend: Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday 9-9:30 a.m.

Please remember: Face masks MUST be worn by all attendees with the exception of infants, toddlers and adults with breathing assistance equipment.



23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2004, 1998, 1970 CCC.

Mission Statement

St. Joseph Parish, in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, is a community of God's people. We, as a faith-filled community, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, worship the Father by imitating the Son.

We reach out to all people by evangelizing through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy for the dignity of all human life. By our daily proclamation of the Gospel and celebration of the sacraments, addressing our spiritual, social and educational needs, we shine with the love of Christ.

Mass Schedule

Monday, September 7, 2020

Weekday
NO MASS

Tuesday, September 8, 2020

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 a.m. Naomi Mack

Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Saint Peter Claver, Priest
NO MASS

Thursday, September 10, 2020

Weekday
NO MASS

Friday, September 11, 2020

Weekday
NO MASS

Saturday, September 12, 2020

Weekday
4:30 p.m. William Molargik

Sunday, September 13, 2020

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Linda Ripplinger
10:30 a.m. Our Parish Family



This 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time offers us the themes of community and our responsibilities towards one another. Our first reading finds the Lord speaking to the prophet Ezekiel that he has been appointed a watchman for the house of Israel...he has an obligation to speak to the wicked what God has to say...if Ezekiel does this, then he will not be held responsible for the man's choice, even if the man makes a bad choice. Ezekiel's responsibility is to speak to the man. St Paul's letter reminds us about our call to love one another and then recalls several of the 10 Commandments that refer to our relationship to one another. Finally, the gospel passage concerning our call to be responsible to correct one another when necessary...and with some added direction about how to do it....alone, with another, then even with the whole community if necessary, by praying for the sinner.

Love as Jesus taught us does not encourage a live-and-let-live attitude towards one another. Actually, His charge to us is to recognize our responsibility for one another and act on it. That does not mean attacking another with physically or emotionally violent verbiage...it means approaching one another with the truth and doing it in love and respect. Love must be the basic attitude here. Being humble, recognizing our own sinfulness and acknowledging it, is a good attitude to have when entering into one of these face to face encounters. "I'm a sinner too and I have noticed....". The way of sharing may be just as important as what is shared. Humbly...that is the correct attitude to have. Prayer for the right time, place and words to use is very important too. Bottom line, folks, we are responsible for one another, a community is responsible for each and every individual. Caring for one another and sharing it is just an ordinary thing to do for a disciple of Jesus. Silence and avoidance are not Christian at all. Anyone who thinks this discipleship thing is easy is crazy.

And while we are praying for one another, let's be storming heaven with prayer for a vaccine and an end to this pandemic. God bless all scientists who are working on it! St Joseph, pray for us all.
Fr Jim

Thank you for sharing your time and talent with us!

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of Mass.

Saturday, September 12—4:30 p.m.

EMHC: Erin Tuttle, Carol Peachey
Hospitality Ministers: Tom and Tina Drzewiecki
Lector: Jeanne Porter
Musicians: Doug Sarrazine, Danielle Sarrazine

Sunday, September 13, 8:00 a.m.

EMHC: Candy Hofferman, Denise Sewelin
Hospitality Ministers: Paul and Bridget Beber
Lector: Deb Pfeiffer
Musicians: Tom Novy, Care Urbine

Sunday, September 13, 10:30 a.m.

EMHC: Chrissy DePew, Sarah Lay
Hospitality Ministers: Lucas and Melissa Fielden
Lector: Kim Heisler
Musicians: Kathy Parr, Pat Wiant



Parish Contacts

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Thank you for your continued support of St. Joseph Church. If you are unable to attend Mass, please consider mailing your envelopes to the parish office.

CLOTHES CLOSET TO REOPEN

St. Martin's Clothes Closet will reopen on Tuesday, September 8th. All clients and volunteers must wear masks, disposable gloves and maintain social distancing of 6 feet while inside. Only one client without children may enter and remain at a time. Other clients will remain in cars or line up outside maintaining 6 feet distance. All clients and volunteers must sanitize hands on entering and departing the clothes closet. Only 2 volunteers may work in the clothes closet each day/time it is open, one at the desk and one to accompany the client.

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MARRIAGE COURSE ONLINE

Registration opens Sept. 1 for The Marriage Course, a free, seven-week program that invites spouses to take time to consider many of the opportunities and challenges of married life and discuss each weekly topic between each other in the comfort of your home. For more information on this and other virtual faith formation opportunities, visit diocesefwsb.org/virtual.

ALPHA ONLINE FWSB

Registration is now open for Alpha Online FWSB, a ten week small group discussion series featuring the highly-acclaimed Alpha film series, which explores the Christian faith in an engaging, contemporary style with inspiring stories and interviews from around the world. It will take place over Zoom on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9 p.m. from Sept. 22 through Nov. 24. Whether you want to deepen your own relationship with Jesus or introduce someone else to what life in Christ looks like, register for this free series and invite a friend. For more information and to register: diocesefwsb.org/alpha.



Congratulations to Joe and Marisa Novy on celebrating the blessing of their marriage with the Sacrament of Matrimony on Saturday, August 29. May God bless them with continued love and support for one another.

LIVE STREAM MASS

Every week we will live stream the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. For those that cannot yet attend Mass in church, please join us on [Facebook @St. Joseph Catholic Church Garrett](#) to participate in Mass with Father Jim.

Also, you can watch the recorded version of the Sunday Mass anytime after noon on Sunday on our Parish website which is stjosephgarrett.com.



CATHOLIC QUESTIONS

ARE CATHOLICS ALLOWED TO DONATE THEIR ORGANS




Yes, Catholics are allowed to donate their organs. In fact, the Catechism of the Catholic Church praises this practice when it notes that, "organ donation after death is a noble and meritorious act and is to be encouraged as an expression of generous solidarity".

The Church has a series of guidelines for health care providers called the Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Services. This document helps us see organ donation as an act of charity, but it also reminds us that we have to be sure that donations of organs by living donors do not "sacrifice or seriously impair any essential bodily function and the anticipated benefit to the recipient is proportionate to the harm to the donor"; trained medical professionals can help to make this assessment. In the case of organ donation at the end of life, we must be sure of the intentions of the donor or of their proxy are always respected, and that the dignity of the human body is always respected.

In the end, we can look to Pope Saint John Paul II and his encyclical Evangelium Vitae, where he noted that organ donation is a beautiful act of expressing the culture of life, when "performed in an ethically acceptable manner, with a view to offering a chance of health or even of life itself to the sick who sometimes have no other hope".



Upcoming Events: Week of September 7—September 13, 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
NO MASS	8:30 a.m. MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	4:30 p.m. MASS NO CONFESSION	8:00 a.m. MASS 10:30 a.m. MASS
 <p>LABOR DAY</p>	 <p><i>Nativity</i> BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</p>			 <p>NEVER FORGET 9/11</p>		