



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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September 13, 2020
Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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H: Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00 am-Noon

Thursday 4pm-6pm

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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.



24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 OGD.

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 14, 2020

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
NO MASS

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Our Lady of Sorrows
NO MASS

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop,
Martyrs
8:30 a.m. Betty Creager

Thursday, September 17, 2020

Weekday
6:00 p.m. Cletus Heimann

Friday, September 18, 2020

Weekday
8:30 a.m. John and Dorothy Shafer

Saturday, September 19, 2020

Weekday
4:30 p.m. Alda Hovarter

Sunday, September 20, 2020

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Betty Chamberlain
10:30 a.m. Our Parish Family



Here comes another tough one for all of us disciples to examine. This 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time has themes like anger and wrath, forgiveness and mercy. Our first reading from Sirach, an Old Testament Wisdom piece, begins, "Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the Lord's vengeance...Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven." Then our gospel passage from St Matthew sees St Peter asking Jesus, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Now Jewish law at the time required 3 or 4, so Peter's offer of 7 was quite generous on his part. Actually, I think anything after 2 is difficult. Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times." Jesus follows that with a parable about the kingdom of heaven (read: this is how my disciple should act to get to heaven). The whole parable is about how I should forgive if I expect God to forgive me. Jesus ends the parable with a warning for us disciples. "So will my Heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

Anger, wrath, rage, hatred, vengeance, bitterness and resentment are like a cancer eating away at our body and soul. When we harbor them within ourselves, they consume us, killing both the body and soul. And many of us have or had times in our life when we wrestled with this demon. It is consuming...it eats away at healthy relationship and festers as we strike out at another person. It is divisive, separating us from those we should be loving. It is a space within the heart, which should be filled with love, and instead is dark and hateful and full of spite and bitterness.

Many of us live with rage and anger deep within, so deep some times that we can not even see it. But it is there, directing our day to day interactions with others. What Jesus asks us to do, what His Father demands we do if we expect to be forgiven ourselves, is to get in touch with what is going on inside and then let Him, His mercy and compassion, heal our wounds of anger and inner rage. He wants to set us free from ourselves. He wants to heal the wound of hurt within that has imprisoned us within our own pain. We have to first go within to be healed by Him...then as He has loved and forgiven us seventy-seven plus times, we will be able to do the same to others. So, how many times must I forgive my brother? St Joseph, pray for us.
Fr Jim

Thank you for sharing your time and talent with us!

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of Mass.

Saturday, September 19—4:30 p.m.

EMHC: Chuck Ostman, Carol Peachey
Hospitality Ministers: Tim and Sue Marshall
Lector: John Blomeke
Musicians: Tom Novy, Wally Mattes

Sunday, September 20, 8:00 a.m.

EMHC: Steve Urbine, Barb Moyer
Hospitality Ministers: Chris and Kara Stevens
Lector: Deb Pfeiffer
Musicians: Tom Novy, Care Urbine

Sunday, September 20, 10:30 a.m.

EMHC: Angie Johnson, Butch Johnson
Hospitality Ministers: Carlas and Amanda Hinkle
Lector: Sarah Lay
Musicians: Kathy Parr, Phil Rumschlag



Parish Contacts

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Prayer Line: Mary Rose Kimmel, (260)357-0360 to activate.

**Contributions September 6, 2020
\$6371.00**

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.

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](#).

Remember St. Joseph Church and School in your will. Future generations will thank you.



PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join us in praying for our nation on Saturday, October 10 at 12:00 noon. The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at St. Joseph Catholic Church Grotto, 220 S. Ijam Street, Garrett, north of the old Sacred Heart Hospital.

Please contact Carol Peachey at 260-897-2944 for more information.

Masks and social distancing will be required. Please bring your own lawn chair if you prefer to be seated.

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020

Next weekend, September 19th and 20th, we will have our pledge Sunday for the Annual Bishop's Appeal kick-off. Our parish goal for this year from the Diocese is \$31,053.50. Any money collected over that amount will be returned to our parish.

Pledge cards will be in the pews and at the back of Church. PLEASE, take time to make a pledge. No amount is too small or too large.

For those not yet attending Mass in person, stop by the parish office to pick up a card or call 357-3122 and we will mail a pledge card to you. Or you can donate or make your pledge online at [Diocesefwsb.org/ABA](#)

Thank you for your generosity to this appeal.



CATHOLIC QUESTIONS

CAN CATHOLICS BE CREMATED

As the practice of cremation becomes more and more common, it's important to know what the Church asks of families who have chosen this for a loved one who has died.

As the US Bishops observe on their website, "Ideally, if a family chooses cremation, the cremation would take place some time after the Funeral Mass, so that there can be an opportunity for the Vigil for the Deceased in the presence of the body." However, if cremation takes places before the Funeral Mass, the cremated remains can be present at the Funeral Mass and the appendix to **The Order of Christian Funerals** provides adaptations for the texts and rituals that are part of the Funeral Mass and the Committal.

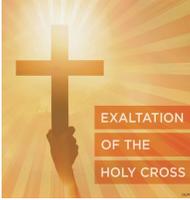
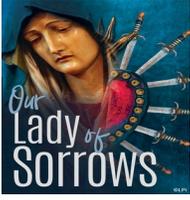
The primary concern is that the cremated remains should be treated with the same respect given to any human remains. **The Order of Christian Funerals** instructs, "This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping cremated remains on the home of a relative or friend of the deceased are not the reverent disposition that the Church requires".

It is becoming more and more common for parishes or diocese-sponsored cemeteries to include columbaria to house cremated remains in a way that respects Church teaching, allowing family and friends the opportunity to honor the remains of the one they have lost with dignity, reverence, and care.

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Upcoming Events: Week of September 14—September 20, 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<p>NO MASS</p>  <p>EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS</p>	<p>NO MASS</p>  <p>Our Lady of Sorrows</p>	8:30 a.m. MASS	6:00 p.m. MASS	8:30 a.m. MASS	<p>4:30 p.m. MASS</p> <p>9:00—9:30 a.m. CONFESSION</p>	<p>8:00 a.m. MASS</p> <p>10:30 a.m. MASS</p>