



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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September 20, 2020
Twenty Fifth 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.



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Are you envious because I am generous?” Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” - Mt 20:15-16

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1979 CCC

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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 21, 2020

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

8:30 a.m. Archie and Phyllis Archibold

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Weekday

8:30 a.m. Esther Claxton

Wednesday, September 23, 2020

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

8:30 a.m. Gary Slantz

Thursday, September 24, 2020

Weekday

6:00 p.m. Christine Fuller

Friday, September 25, 2020

Weekday

8:30 a.m. Muriel Rosswurm

Saturday, September 26, 2020

Weekday

4:30 p.m. Gus and Bette Campbell

Sunday, September 27, 2020

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Richard and Margaret Waring

10:30 a.m. Our Parish Family



Last week, the generous forgiveness of His Father for us, infinite forgiveness...this 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus gives us yet another image of His Father...and again, it is His generosity, this time generous gifting of blessing to each of us. Our Isaiah reading sets up the divine pattern. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor your ways my ways, says the Lord. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts." In our gospel reading, Jesus tells us how high those divine thoughts and ways are above ours. We hear the story of God, a generous landowner, who gifts people as He wishes, freely and lovingly. The workers respond with envy and jealousy.

We are the workers...forever wasting our time and energy on what we do not have rather than recognizing our own gifts and using them to give God praise. We look on others' gifts as if we have been cheated, their possessions as if we are more deserving of them. We even search for ways that we can judge how we are more worthy than they are for those possessions and talents. We focus on what we do not have instead of what we do have. Jesus is challenging us to look within. We have the talents and gifts we were supposed to have...we have been blessed with the overflowing generosity of God. We are to recognize, accept and return them to God by praising His generosity and using them in loving service of others. Our envy and jealousy are the work of the Evil One we call Satan.

The annual Bishop's Appeal is upon us once again. Our goal this year is a bit lower than last year, but I know we will all do our best and be generous in reaching it. Any overage is returned to our parish needs. You can make a one time gift or spread it out over time. Please give according to your means. 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 26—4:30 p.m.

EMHC: Nick Miller, Erin Tuttle

Hospitality Ministers: Scott and Cande Bishop

Lector: John Blomeke

Musicians: Kitty Miller, Pat Wiant

Sunday, September 27, 8:00 a.m.

EMHC: Ann Lewis, Denise Sewelin

Hospitality Ministers: Kathy Guthrie, Deb Pfeiffer

Lector: Care Urbine

Musicians: Tom Novy, Geri Boyden

Sunday, September 27, 10:30 a.m.

EMHC: Bob Cole, Chris DePew

Hospitality Ministers: Travis and Chris Gaar

Lector: Brad Johnson

Musicians: Doug Sarrazine, Kathy Johnson



Parish Contacts

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Communion for the Homebound: (260)357-3122

Building & Grounds: Dave DeKoninck, 570-6802

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

**Contributions September 13, 2020
\$5349.00**

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.

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

By giving to the Annual Appeal today, you answer God's call to discipleship by supporting His work throughout our diocese. Your gift has a two-fold effect: it supports the work of diocesan services, ministries and programs, and offsets our parish goal. Any overage will stay in the parish.

Please complete a pledge card this weekend, or go online to make a gift at Diocesefwsb.org/ABA. Thank you for your prayerful and generous response.

**COLLECTION FOR THE BISHOPS
EMERGENCY DISASTER FUND**

A special collection will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of September 26-27 to support the work of the Church, Catholic Charities USA, and Catholic Relief Services in responding to emergency humanitarian needs, rebuilding and recovery efforts, and pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church after the devastation caused by Hurricane Laura. Funds collected will also be used for any other disasters that occur during this traditional storm season.

Envelopes for this collection are in the pews and on the table by the confessional. You can also use your own envelope and mark it for this purpose. Envelopes can then be placed in the collection box in back and at the south door of Church. Checks should be made payable to St. Joseph Church.

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**

IF GOD IS GOOD, WHY IS THERE EVIL IN THE WORLD

The problem of evil is perplexing. If God is all-powerful and all-good, why doesn't He stop bad things from happening? He must either not be all-powerful, or perhaps He's not very good after all. Human beings have faced the possibility of evil since the very beginning of our existence. In granting us free will, God gives us the ability to make free choices. God does not force us into moral perfection. We are not forced to love Him or to love our neighbor. We must make the decision ourselves. This means, of course, that we have the ability to choose against love.

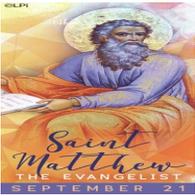
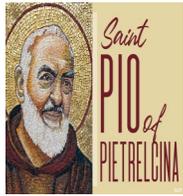
One small decision of selfishness, jealousy, or pride may not seem so bad. But every decision—good or bad—is like a stone dropped into a still pond. The ripples extend much farther than the original stone. When decisions against love begin to compound, they affect families, neighborhoods, and nations. This is all the more reason for Christians to be faithful to our baptismal call to love one another as Christ has loved us!



25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Upcoming Events: Week of September 21—September 27, 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
8:30 a.m. MASS 	8:30 a.m. MASS	8:30 a.m. MASS 	6:00 p.m. MASS	8:30 a.m. MASS	4:30 p.m. MASS 9:00—9:30 a.m. CONFESSION	8:00 a.m. MASS 10:30 a.m. MASS