



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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February 7, 2021
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Office

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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:

Closed until further notice. No clothing
donations being accepted.

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Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Friday: 8:30 a.m.

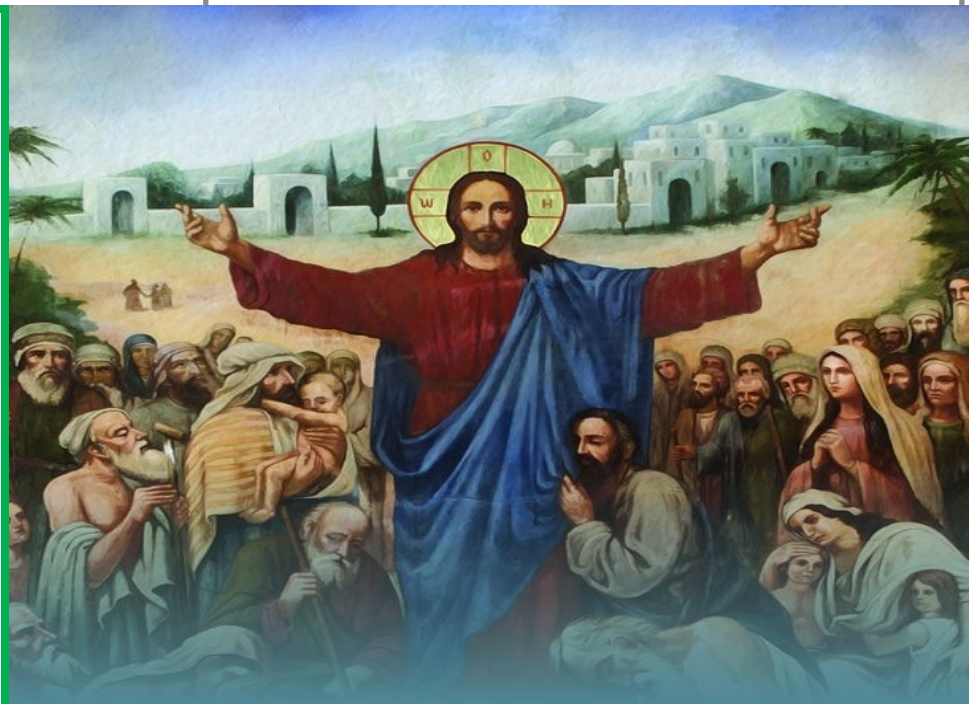
Thursday: 6:00 p.m.

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.



5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may
preach there also. For this purpose have I come." - Mk 1:38

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

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, February 8, 2021

Weekday
NO MASS

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

Weekday
NO MASS

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

Saint Scholastica, Virgin
NO MASS

Thursday, February 11, 2021

Weekday
6:00 p.m. Walt and Mary Kay Steward

Friday, February 12, 2021

Weekday
8:30 a.m. Charles Derrow

Saturday, February 13, 2021

Weekday
4:30 p.m. Judy Vanderbosch

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family
10:30 a.m. Aric Ostman



From the Pastor's Desk

We return once more for this 5th Sunday of Ordinary time to readings concerning the call and formation of disciples. Having called His first followers, we saw Jesus last weekend performing His first sign in St Mark's gospel, the exorcism of an unclean spirit, a sure mark of the new kingdom. This week Jesus enters the house of Simon and Andrew...James and John are along...Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with fever. They told Him about her condition. He grasped her by the hand and helped her up (literally, "raised her up", same word that is used for his own resurrection). In their Jewish culture, as the oldest woman in the home, her first responsibility was to provide hospitality when a guest entered her home...she was in bed with a fever...she could not do it...but Jesus restored her health.

Her immediate reaction is a model of discipleship: "Then the fever left her and she waited on them." The Greek verb "diakoneo" later will become a standard term for Christian ministry, from which we derive the word "deacon". She waited on them. Truly, it is what Jesus Himself said He came to do: "not to be served but to serve". Last week's exorcism of an unclean spirit and this week's miracle of healing illness are both signs of the kingdom He came to proclaim.

And her "waiting on them" after His healing of her illness is the exact right response of a disciple. To spend oneself in service to Him and His followers (the Church or others) is the fundamental call of every disciple of Jesus.

The result of these two events is that the people begin bringing everyone to Him for healing. He leaves to pray...they find Him.. "Every one is looking for you." Yes, how true...how many hearts are broken, longing for, looking for more love, wanting to fill inner emptiness, tired of consuming more and more and unsatisfied. So many. We disciples are called to bring them to Jesus. He went out to all the nearby villages...we go out to our families and neighbors, our co-workers...to bring all to Him and Him to all. St Joseph, pray for us.

Fr Jim

Thank you for sharing your time and talent with us!

Saturday, February 13—4:30 p.m.

EMHC: Steve Urbine, Theresa Charles
Hospitality Ministers: Tom and Sally Shoudel
Lector: Kim Heisler
Musicians: Kathy Parr, Care Urbine

Sunday, February 14— 8:00 a.m.

EMHC: Ann Lewis, Candy Hofferaman
Hospitality Ministers: Chris and Kara Stevens
Lector: Tracy Joseph
Musicians: Tom Novy, Holly Joseph

Sunday, February 14— 10:30 a.m.

EMHC: Chris DePew, Chuck Ostman
Hospitality Ministers: Carlos and Amanda Hinkle
Lector: Brad Johnson
Musicians: Doug Sarrazine, Kathy Johnson

Parish Contacts

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

Contributions January 31, 2021
\$7449.00

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.

IS IT EVER OK TO LEAVE MASS BEFORE IT ENDS?

This is an interesting question because beneath the surface there seems to be an assumption that if it's okay, then why do we have to stay after we receive communion? The short answer is "no," but we definitely want to go a bit deeper as we consider why.

First, when we think about questions like this, we must consider this in adult terms. If there is something gravely important that we need to do, then we must attend to that. However, if it is a matter of convenience or preference, then we really have to stop and think again. First, while we always want to recognize the importance of sacramental communion in the Mass, we also need to understand how important the time of thanksgiving and prayer after communion is. This is summarized in the Prayer After Communion offered by the celebrant and then we are also commissioned to "Go forth" during the Dismissal of the Mass, reminding us that we have been entrusted with a gift—the Word of God and the Presence of Christ in the sacrament—and that we are to share that gift with others.

If we simply leave after we receive communion, we risk two things. First, there is the possibility that we will turn our reception of communion into a purely personal, individual experience that is separated from our common experience of worship—and communion in the fullest sense—and, second, we lose an opportunity for gratitude and serious reflection if we simply leave after communion. This time of thanksgiving, reflection, and, ultimately, missioning, are important and, in the end, an essential part of the celebration of the Mass.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK

February 7-14 is National Marriage Week. This annual observance is a great opportunity for everyone to reflect on the gift that marriage is to our Church and our country, as well as an opportunity for couples to build up their own marriages. This year's theme is "To Have, To Hold, To Honor". For more information and resources, including a seven-day at home marriage retreat, visit www.foryourmarriage.org/celebrate-national-marriage-week.

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.

Quilt Raffle
Women's Care Center
NORTHEAST INDIANA
RAFFLE TICKETS
\$5 each or
3 for \$10
Tickets Sold: February 1st - February 28th, 2021
Winner Drawn on March 1st
Mail in your donation: 918 W. 7th St. Auburn, IN 46706
"Quilt Raffle" in memo and provide phone #
Donate online at www.bit.ly/wccnei
Email Ann at afreeman@wccnei.org for more info

Lent is Fast Approaching!

"IT'S NOT WHAT YOU GIVE UP THIS LENT, IT'S WHO YOU BECOME!"

Sign-up now for the Best Lent Ever! This is a program by Matthew Kelly and Dynamic Catholic. You will receive an inspirational email each day. These will help you stay focused on the season in preparation of suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. To receive these emails go to dynamiccatholic.com. Dynamic Catholic has also sent us 40 copies of the 2021 "Best Lent Ever Journal" which can be used with the daily program. These will be available at church on February 13 and 14.

**UPCOMING EVENT!
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
FEBRUARY 14, 2021
9:00 AM-10:15AM
LIVING LENT IN BENNETT HALL**

Please join us to learn more about how you and your family can live Lent in a deeper, more meaningful way.

Upcoming Events: Week of February 8—February 14, 2021

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	6:00 p.m. MASS	8:30 a.m. MASS	4:30 p.m. MASS Confessions 9:00-9:30 a.m.	8:00 a.m. MASS 10:30 a.m. MASS 