

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."

Jeremiah 29:11



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Welcome! We extend our hearts and hands to all who celebrate with us at St. Josephs. We would like to invite any guest to fill out the form below, if interested in becoming a registered member of this Parish.

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Address: _____

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e-mail address: _____

[] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

[] We've Moved, here is our new information

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 24

8:00 a.m. No Mass Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Dan Runyon +

Sunday, August 25

- Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Edward Bushee +
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Parish Family

Monday, August 26

8:00 a.m. Diane Humphrey Family
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Tuesday, August 27

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Adoration
8:00 a.m. Larry Sanders +
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Wednesday, August 28 - Mass time change...

8:00 a.m. Beatrice Hickert +
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Thursday, August 29

There will be NO morning Mass today; due to Priest's Meeting

Friday, August 30

8:00 a.m. Ron Smith Family
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Saturday, August 31

8:00 a.m. No Mass Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Herbert & Genevieve Lohmuller Family

Sunday, September 1

- Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Alice Pearson
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Parish Family

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Aug. 26 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - 1 Thes 1:1-5,8b-10/ Mt 23:13-22

Tues., Aug. 27 - St. Monica - 1 Thes 2:1-8/ Mt 23:23-26

Wed., Aug. 28 - St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - 1 Thes 2:9-13/ Mt 23:27-32

Thurs., Aug. 29 - The Passion of Saint John the Baptist - 1 Thes 3:7-13/ Mk 6:17-29

Fri., Aug. 30 - 1 Thes 4:1-8/ Mt 25:1-13

Sat., Aug. 31 - 1 Thes 4:9-11/ Mt 25:14-30

Sun., Sept. 1 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sir 3:17-18,20,28-29/ Heb 12:18-19,22-24a/ Lk 14:1,7-14

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 25, 2019 - Year C

In September, we will begin our introductory sessions for the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA**. The RCIA process walks us through a general introduction of the Catholic Faith and is open to everyone. For those who are not Catholic and wish to learn more about Jesus Christ and the Church, it is a welcoming environment for great discussions. For those who feel called to enter the Church, either through the waters of baptism or, if already baptized in another Church, by coming into full communion, it will prepare them to receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. And, for those who are already Catholic, it offers a great opportunity to grow even deeper in the knowledge of our Faith.

Our introductory session for RCIA will be Thursday, September 12th, from 7-8 PM. At that time, we will have a more thorough introduction to what RCIA is and a glimpse at the structure that our weekly sessions and discussions will take over the next several months. If you know of anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic, please invite them to this session. A personal invitation from a family member or friend might just be the one thing that one is waiting on to begin this journey. If possible, offer to walk this journey with them, joining them for our weekly RCIA sessions.

If you or someone you know is interested in participating in RCIA, especially those who are considering entering the Church, but cannot meet on Thursday evenings, please let me know: Call the Parish Office (824-1380), email me (frdavidvioli@gmail.com), or let me know after Mass. **If the only thing preventing one from considering to enter the Church this Easter Vigil is the time of our RCIA sessions, we will find a solution to this problem.** Likewise, if someone is interested, but hesitant about the RCIA process, I would be happy to meet with them one-on-one to address any questions they might have.

Faith in Jesus Christ is the greatest gift that one can receive. As we have received this gift, we are called to share it with others. As described in the oracle from our first reading (Isaiah 66:18-21) at the very end of Isaiah, all peoples and nations are called to enter into a relationship with the Lord. This path to a true relationship with the Lord is not an easy path, as related in our Gospel (Luke 13:22-30). Instead, it is a path that will be very challenging and require great effort.

This path is, however, the only path worth walking. And, we are not called to walk it alone, walking it instead with one another. We are also strengthened along this path by the grace of Jesus Christ. This grace is given to us by our Lord through the Sacraments that He has established and passed down by means of His Church. May we never be afraid to share these great gifts that have been shared with us. May we never be afraid to preach the name of Jesus Christ in thought, word, and deed. And, may we never be afraid to invite others into this same relationship with the Lord that we have found in His Church.

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David

SCHEDULE MASS INTENTIONS The most beautiful gift one can give to another person is a Spiritual Bouquet of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. No material gift can ever compare to or equal the Infinite Value of the Holy Mass. Masses may be scheduled for the living as well as the deceased. Call the Parish office to schedule a Mass for your loved one 824-1380.



Sharon Miller, Genevieve Lohmuller, Becky Biberstein, Evelyn Morrissey, Betty Meyer, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Lochtefeld, Priscilla Rhodes, Tom Williams, Betty Anderson, John R. Smith, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Cheryl Jackson, Chase Allen, Jerry Zigl, Mary Ann Flowers, Sandy Arnold and Whitney Hockensmith.



AROUND THE DIOCESE

- Couples celebrating their 25th, 50th or 60th wedding anniversary in 2019, along with their families, are invited to attend a jubilee Mass celebrated by Bishop Rhoades on Sunday, September 22nd at 11:30am at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne. A ticketed reception will follow at St. Mary, Mother of God Parish. Anniversary couples will receive two free tickets to the reception, and additional reception tickets may be purchased for \$10 each. Children age 10 and under may attend the reception at no charge. To register to attend Mass and the reception, please visit www.diocesefwsb.org/Anniversary-Masses. Registration must be made by Monday, September 16th.
- If you have lost a child before or after birth—whether recently or long ago— please join us for a special Memorial Mass on Tuesday, October 29 at 7:00pm at St. John the Baptist Church. You will have the opportunity to record your child's name in a Book of Remembrance, take home a silk rose in honor of him or her, and to pray together with others who have suffered the loss of their child.
- Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters invite you to retool your discipleship to address the very real issues, challenges, and problems that face our country and world today. Pope Francis has called missionary congregations like the OLVMs to celebrate an Extraordinary Missionary Month in October 2019. We invite you to learn the common call we all share to be missionary disciples in a world in need of healing. Fr. Kevin Sandberg, C.S.C., will lead us in an interactive workshop based on Pope Francis' vision of the Church as a field hospital. Cost: \$10 per person Registration limited to 100 participants Lunch will be served For more information: (260) 356-0628, ext. 113 victorynoll@olvm.org.



Religious Education Classes
begin Sunday, September 8
8:30-9:45 a.m.

If you are unable to make it to the
Religious Education Registration
Pizza/Sundae Bar, Saturday, August

24 following the 5:00 Mass, I will send you the registration
information either by email or US mail.
Together we will make it a GREAT year!

PARISH CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wed., Aug. 28 - Mass at 8:00 a.m.
- Thurs., Aug. 29 - No morning Mass today
- Mon., Sept. 2 - Labor Day Mass 9:00 a.m. / Office closed
- Fri., Sept. 6 - All Day Adoration/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - (following 8:00 a.m. Mass) 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m./ Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction- 5:45/ Low Mass at 6:00 p.m.
- Sun., Sept. 8 - Religious Education classes begin - 8:30 - 9:45 a.m. - Grades Kindergarten through High School Youth Group
- Tues., Sept. 10 - St. Joseph Women's Group meeting- 7:00 p.m. in the conference room.
- Wed., Sept. 11 - Adoration - 5-7:00 p.m./ Confession 6-6:45 p.m./Benediction 6:50 p.m./ Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Sept. 18 - Adoration - 6-7:00 p.m./ Confession 6-6:45 p.m./Benediction 6:50 p.m./ Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Oct. 5 - Parish Picnic following 5:00 p.m. Mass. Watch for details and a sign up sheet!

WEEKEND OF AUGUST 31/SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

CANTORS:

5:00 Nichole Decker
7:30 Mike Morrissey
10:00 Marita Crawfis

LECTORS:

5:00 Patti Clark-Johnson
7:30 Carol Butler
10:00 Monica Harris

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 Kathy Marshall, Linda Huseman, Volunteer
7:30 Dave Gruss, Sherry Makowski, Jill Morrissey
10:00 Sandy Smythe, Dan Geimer, Larisa Sudhoff, Diana Cole, Luisa Sumabat

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

5:00 Volunteers
7:30 Dale/Sarah McCorkle
10:00 Mike Painter, Kerry/Tracy Coyne Family

SERVERS:

5:00 McKenna McNabb, Alex Mechling, Volunteer
7:30 Justin Mayer, Clayton Vachon, Volunteer
10:00 Catherine Crawfis, Kody Coyne, Grant Reifsteck

Collection for Weekend of August 17/18, 2019

Adult Envelopes- \$3,011.00
Child Envelopes- \$21.65
Loose- \$326.00
Assumption- \$1,048.00
Religious Ed. Fund- \$405.00
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$10.00
Votive Candles- \$111.35
Total- \$4,933.00

Thank you for your gifts
to St. Joseph's!

The amount needed each week to make budget is \$5,116.40.

We are \$911.69 ahead of our
monthly budget.

Other Collections within our Parish-

St. Vincent de Paul- \$434.00
Special Collection/Mission-
Holy Cross- \$535.00



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REMINDER AND CLARIFICATION

Whenever you are writing a check for the Rainy Day/Repair Fund, St. Vincent de Paul Fund, a Diocesan Special Collection or a second collection for a visiting missionary, please always **make your checks payable to St. Joseph Church**. Our bank will not accept them with any other name on the check. I will then send one check from St. Joseph's Church to the Diocesan Business Office in the total amount that was collected and they will disperse the funds accordingly. If you have any questions regarding this reminder, please do not hesitate to contact me at the parish office at 260-824-1380. Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter. Michelle

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 6

All Day Adoration/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - (following 8:00 a.m. Mass) 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m./ Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction- 5:45/ Low Mass at 6:00 p.m. Sign up sheet in the narthex.



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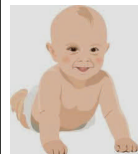
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T - is it true?
h - is it helpful?
i - is it inspiring?
n - is it necessary?
k - is it kind?