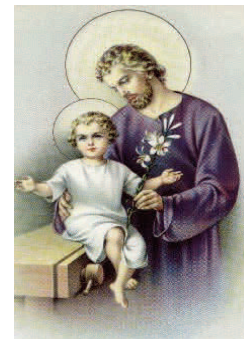


St. Joseph Catholic Community

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 17, 2018



*It is good to give thanks
to the Lord.*

TO SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME,

O MOST HIGH:

TO DECLARE YOUR

Steadfast Love

IN THE MORNING,

AND YOUR

Faithfulness

BY NIGHT.

PSALM 92:1-2



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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.

Thank you for worshipping with us! Again Welcome, Bienvenidos, Benvenuto, Willkommen, Nno-nu, Byenveni!

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[] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 16

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. No Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, June 17

- Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Lloyd & Viola Smith + by Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Rose Ann Lautzenheiser + by Mike & Debbie Lautzenheiser

Monday, June 18 - Last Morning Mass with

Msgr. Pius N. Ilichukwu

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. Special Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Tuesday, June 19

No Morning Mass

Wednesday, June 20

6:25 p.m. Rosary
6:45 p.m. Evening Prayer
7:00 p.m. Ruth Ashton Bickley + by Mike & Mary Ann Bickley

Thursday, June 21

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. Dorothy Witwer + by George & Dianne Witwer Family
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Friday, June 22

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. Mothers of Jerry & Karen Loshe by Jerry & Karen Loshe
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Saturday, June 23

7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m. No Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Mark Makowski + by Mary Ann Bickley

Sunday, June 24

- The Nativity of St. John the Baptist -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Fr. John Gillig and All Priests
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Parish Family



*A DAD is not defined
as the man who makes
the child, but rather the
man who extends his
hands and time to help*

*with the child's raising and his heart to
love the child through anything!
BLOOD does not always make you a DAD.
Being a DAD comes from the heart.
Happy Father's Day!*



Our Love & Prayers Go Out To... Bud & Sharon Miller, Genevieve Lohmuller, Becky Biberstein, Fern Britton, James A. Yonker, Sr., Evelyn Morrissey, Betty Meyer, Ron Payne, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Kelsey Peters, Tom Richhart, Carol Lochtefeld, Priscilla Rhodes and Tom Williams.

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OF THE YEAR, JUNE 17TH, 2018, YR. B.

"FATHER'S DAY"

"WE ARE INVITED TO HAVE HOPE IN "THE KINGDOM OF GOD"

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, in the name of the Lord Jesus, I say, peace with you all. **May I once more thank each of you for your wonderful support for the work of God in the parish. I am very grateful. Continue to do your best in your struggle to do the will of God. Be watchful while on your journey to our heavenly home. God bless each and every one of you.**

Each one of us has some expectations in life, and they are related to hope for fulfillment, though there are some elements of uncertainty in hope. As an example: a student works hard and hopes for a beautiful future. A man marries a wife with the hope to create a peaceful family and a loving relationship. Parents train their children and hope to be proud of them. The uncertainty in hope does not prevent people making effort to achieve their dreams. It is important for our hope to be realistic. We must not hope too much, for such can lead to disappointment and even despair. We need to hope for the kingdom of God and thus work hard to realize it, in obeying God's commandments, loving God and our neighbor.

In the light of this hope, prophet Ezekiel **in the 1st Reading; Ez 17:22-24**: Reported what God said: "I will ... tear off a tender shoot, and plant it on a high and lofty mountain; ... It shall put forth branches and bear fruit and become a majestic cedar. ... As I, the Lord has spoken, so will I do." Do we believe in what God has said? If we do, then we need to have hope that God will do it for us. He will give us the Kingdom if we do our best in obeying and doing His will.

St Paul in the 2nd Reading; 2Cor 5:6-10: Admonished us that if we believe and do well, our hope is that God will reward us with good, and if we do badly we receive punishment. He said, "Therefore, aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he or she did in the body, whether good or evil." That is our hope.

In the gospel; Mk 4:26-34: The Lord Jesus used parables to compare what the kingdom of heaven is like. He expressed the hope of the farmer to reap fruits from his farm or garden. The mustard seed is sown, it sprouts and became a big tree providing shades and branches for birds to perch, build their nests and produce fruits for the farmer. Every farmer hopes to reap from his or her farm. So, we hope for the kingdom of God if we work for it by doing well.

Today is Father's Day, and as such, I want to use this opportunity to congratulate the fathers on this "FATHERS' DAY". Congratulations dear fathers, I wish you God's special blessings. May you love your wife, children and neighbors and Continue to be the PILLAR of your Family. As you know, the Family is very important in the life of the Church. The family is a miniature Church, (A small church). That is why we speak to parents in a day like today, we celebrate Father's Day. It is special, we respect, honor, cherish, care in a special and love our fathers. I want to say that every male is a father, married or not married. Fatherhood is both in the flesh and in the heart. So, when I say father I mean every male.

So: Father's Duty in the Family: It is the duty of every father, a husband to love his wife, support the family, even at the risk of his life. He should stand by his wife and children in all circumstances, loving, teaching, directing, instructing, guiding, advising, leading, caring, forgiving the wife, the children and all around him. That is what it means to be a father and a husband. A good father trains his children. Sir. 30:1-3 says, "He who loves his son (and daughter too) chastises him/her often, that he/she may be his joy when he/she grows up, vs. 7 says: "He who spoils his son/daughter will have wounds to bandage. Do not be afraid to train and instruct your children. It is an inalienable and undeniable parental right to instruct your children. **Father/husband read Ephesians, 5: 21-33.**

God bless you Msgr. Pius N. Ilichukwu

NB: "Heaven is for us all. I hope you are doing something about it".

SCRIPTURE/MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., June 18 - Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time - 1 Kgs 21:1-16/ Mt 5:38-42

Tues., June 19 - St. Romuald, Abbot - 1 Kgs 21:17-29/ Mt 5:43-48

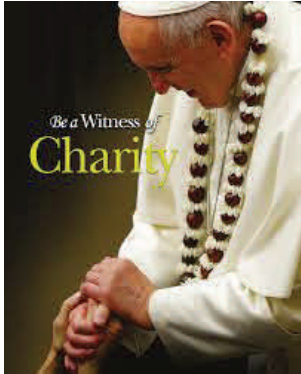
Wed., June 20 - 2 Kgs 2:1,6-14/ Mt 6:1-6,16-18

Thurs., June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious - Sir 48:1-14/ Mt 6:7-15

Fri., June 22 - St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; St. John Fisher, Bishop and St. Thomas More, Martyrs - 2 Kgs 11:1-4,9-18,20/ Mt 6:19-23

Sat., June 23 - 2 Chr 24:17-25/ Mt 6:24-34

Sun., June 24 - The Nativity of St. John the Baptist - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Is 49:1-6/ Acts 13:22-26/ Lk 1:57-66,80



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

We will have a second collection next weekend, June 23 and 24 for The Annual Peter's Pence Collection. Your generosity will help Pope Francis ease the suffering of some of our most marginalized brothers and sisters throughout the world and show them the tender love of God. Please see the letter in the bulletin from Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades.

RCIA Is God Calling YOU?

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

"I have called you by name, and you are Mine." - Isaiah 43:1b

It begins with an awareness... or stirring in one's heart for something more. It could be a curiosity or a sense of longing for fulfillment. Maybe it's God calling you to explore the life of faith, love, and justice within the community of the Catholic Church....

Classes begin this fall; watch for details!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Hear Fr. David on Redeemer Radio!

Join Fr. David on Redeemer Radio 106.3 FM, NE Indiana and 95.7 FM Michiana, Monday Aug. 6 through Friday Aug. 10 for Redeemer Reflections! Hear meditations on the daily Mass readings, airing throughout the day. Listen to Redeemer Reflections weekdays at midday, during drive time or anytime online at Redeemerradio.com. Blessings, Carolyn Sorg, Redeemer Radio

PARISH CALENDAR FOR JUNE 2018

- Wed., June 20— Evening Mass at 7:00 p.m. We welcome Fr. David Violi to his first Mass here at St. Joseph Parish.
- Fri., June 22- St. Joseph night at the TinCaps Game - It's also SUPER HERO night, come dressed as your favorite Super Hero!! - game begins at 7:05 p.m. followed by Fireworks after the game. Sign up sheet in the narthex if you plan to attend so tickets may be ordered together.
- Thurs., June 28— Mass at River Terrace Estates— 10:30 a.m. and Visitation of the Sick and Homebound.

WEEKEND OF June 23/24, 2018

CANTORS:

5:00 Debbie Lautzenheiser
7:30 Donna Geisel
10:00 Marita Crawfis

LECTORS:

5:00 Mike Lautzenheiser
7:30 Donna Geisel
10:00 Dan Geimer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 Twilla Herr, Linda Huseman, Kevin or Jessica Seago
7:30 Barb Ault, Dave Gruss, Sherry Makowski
10:00 Monica Harris, Larisa Sudhoff, Ann Reifsteck, Jeff Miller, Steve Higgins

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

5:00 Volunteers
7:30 Dale/Sarah McCorkle Family
10:00 Todd Hartman Family/Chris Reifsteck Family

SERVERS:

5:00 Wyatt Girod, Alex Melching, McKenna McNabb
7:30 Mitchel/Justin Mayer, Abby Wagner
10:00 Sophie Emrah, Kody Coyne, Grant Reifsteck

Collection for Weekend of June 9/10., 2018

Adult Envelopes- \$4,365.00
 Child Envelopes- \$9.10
 Loose- \$207.13
 Religious Ed. Fund- \$50.00
 Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$215.00
 CDs- \$20.00
Total- \$4,866.23

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

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

We are \$250.17 behind budget from last week.

Other Collections within our Parish:

St. Vincent de Paul- \$1,085.50
 Haitian House Project: \$8.00
 TinCaps Tickets- \$110.00

Diocesan Special Collections:

Catholic Home Missions- \$250.00



7TH GRADE HAITIAN HOUSE FUNDRAISER UPDATE- \$296.31 TO GOAL OF \$3,600.00!

Thank you so much for your generosity and support of the Cookies in a Jar Fundraiser! Watch the bulletin for information about the next fundraiser that will

hopefully put them over the top to make a family's dream come true!

ALL DAY ADORATION/ EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT ST. JOSEPH, BLUFFTON



Thursday, July 5, 2018 - 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. /
 Evening Prayer- 6:30 p.m. /Litany of the Eucharist/
 Benediction- 6:45 p.m. /Mass- 7:00 p.m.
 Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

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-Mother Teresa

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