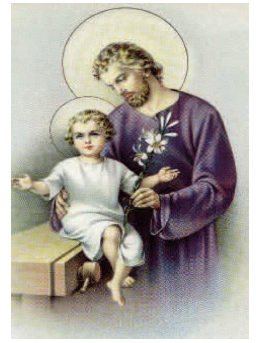


# St. Joseph Catholic Community

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## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 10, 2019



**They left everything and followed him. Lk 5:11**

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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.**

**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, February 9

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. Ty Long +

### Sunday, February 10

#### - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. Leslie Felger +  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Parish Family

### Monday, February 11

8:00 a.m. Edward J. Schaefer +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Tuesday, February 12

7:00 a.m./8:00 a.m. Adoration  
8:00 a.m. Val Talerico +  
8:30 a.m. Confessions  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Wednesday, February 13

5:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/  
Adoration  
6:45 p.m. Litany of the Eucharist /Benediction  
7:00 p.m. Gerald Beckman Family

### Thursday, February 14

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Priests of St. Joseph's Church  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Friday, February 15

8:00 a.m. Ray Ehrlich +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Saturday, February 16

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. Children of Tom and Becky Jackson

### Sunday, February 17

#### - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. Lena Felger +  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Parish Family

## MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., Feb 11 - Fifth Week in Ordinary Time -**  
**Our Lady of Lourdes** - Gn 1:1-19/ Mk 6:53-56

**Tues., Feb. 12** - Gn 1:20-2:4a/ Mk 7:1-13

**Wed., Feb. 13** - Gn 2:4b-9,15-17/ Mk 7:14-23

**Thurs., Feb. 14 - Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius,**  
**Bishop** - Gn 2:18-25/ Mk 7:24-30

**Fri., Feb. 15** - Gn 3:1-8/ Mk 7:31-37

**Sat., Feb. 16** - Gn 3:9-24/ Mk 8:1-10

**Sun., Feb. 17 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -**  
Jer 17:5-8/ 1 Cor 15:12,16-20/ Lk 6:17,20-26



**Our Love & Prayers Go Out To...** Bud & Sharon Miller, Genevieve Lohmuller, Becky Biberstein, Fern Britton, 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 and Pat Pfeifer.

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 10, 2019- C

In our first reading (Isaiah 6:1-8), we hear the call of the prophet Isaiah. The Lord calls to Isaiah during the middle of the 8<sup>th</sup> Century BC, following the death of King Uzziah. Isaiah relates that his call comes during a Temple liturgy as he is surrounded by Sera-phim, angels of the Lord that worship at His throne. Similar to the sign of God's presence at Mount Sinai (Exodus 19:16-19) and in the Temple at its dedication (Exodus 40:34-38), the room is filled with clouds of smoke. The sight before him strikes Isaiah, "a man of unclean lips," silent and fearful as he stands before the great majesty of God. Isaiah's fear of unworthiness is washed away as his lips are purified by the angel of the Lord. As is often said, God does not call the prepared, He prepares the called. Isaiah is now ready to receive his commission and is able to respond to the Lord's call. With this, he is eagerly sent out as a zealous prophet of the Lord who will not waiver in his vocation amidst the many trials ahead of him.

As our first reading relates the calling of the prophet Isaiah, our Gospel (Luke 5:1-11) relates the call of St. Peter. Jesus, who is beginning his preaching alongside the Lake of Gennesaret, enters the boat of St. Peter and his companions as they are finishing their long night of fishing. Though their night has ended with nothing to show for it, St. Peter responds to the Lord's call to put out into the deep. And, in doing so, their trust is greatly rewarded as their nets are overflowing with this miraculous catch. What has just happened would appear, to these fishermen, not only improbable, but nearly impossible. St. Peter is so moved that he falls at the Lord's feet and, like Isaiah, proclaims his unworthiness to even be in the presence of the Lord. In meeting Jesus Christ, however, everything is changed.

At the feet of the Lord, Simon-Peter receives a new identity and a new calling. He is no longer a simple fisherman, but now a fisher of men. This encounter with the Lord is so powerful that it leads Sts. Peter, James, and John to abandon everything and follow after Him. Though they may feel unworthy or that they have nothing to offer the Lord, they still respond to His call. They trust in Jesus' words, echoed to each and every one of us: "Do not be afraid." If they are willing to trust in and follow after Him, He will do the rest. The Lord will never call us to do that which we cannot do. Instead, His grace will give us the strength and the courage to do that which He calls us to. Wherever He might call us in life, whatever vocation He has called us to, He will be with us every step of the way.

When called by the Lord, both the prophet Isaiah and St. Peter believe themselves unworthy to respond. But, both are reassured by the Lord and are able to follow after Him. Speaking of his own call, St. Paul also believed himself unworthy to be an Apostle due to his prior persecution of the Body of Christ. But, St. Paul acknowledges that God called him nonetheless and all that he has been able to do since comes from the grace of God.

Each time God calls, He awaits our response. Though we may feel unworthy like the prophet Isaiah, St. Peter, or St. Paul, we must trust in He who calls us. Through the grace of God, all things become possible. Just as Jesus called the Apostles amidst their own weaknesses, so will He call us. If we are willing to respond to His call, to call out "Here I am, send me," we will find ourselves serving the Lord in extraordinary ways, in ways we never thought possible. But, before we can respond to the call, we must first hear it. Do we spend time in quiet prayer listening for His call in our lives each and every day? Are we ready to respond to this call?

### The Use of Incense in the Liturgy: An Explanation

Describing the Temple liturgy present before him today, the prophet Isaiah states that "the house was filled with smoke" (Isaiah 6:4). This imagery is mirrored by St. John as he describes his vision of the heavenly liturgy in the Book of Revelation: "The smoke of incense along with the prayers of the holy ones went up before God" (Revelation 8:4). The offering of incense in worship served as a ceremonial precept under the Old Law, indicating the unification of worship on earth with worship in heaven as it purified and cleansed the sacred space of the Temple.

The Church continues the use of incense in its liturgy, representing the singular unity, both on earth and in heaven, of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ which we are made present to at the altar. The visual imagery and the smell of the incense is to remind our earthly senses of the true transcendence of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass as we enter into the presence of God. As the smoke rises, we are to call to mind how our prayers and offerings rise before God, as St. John relates. The lingering smell of the incense calls to mind the lingering presence of Jesus Christ and His grace in our lives.

In Christ,  
*Fr. David*



### Ash Wednesday this year is March 6th.

To assist in the proper disposal of the Blessed Palms from last Palm Sunday, we will be collecting your old palms in the back of the Church during the weeks of February 10th - March 3rd. Please place them in the box provided in the narthex.

### DISCUSSION FORUM FEBRUARY

**10th and 13th !**

Fr. David will have a discussion forum Sunday, February 10 at 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Social Hall and again Wednesday, February 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall. The topic for the discussion forum will be **the Church's understanding of the grave evil of abortion.**



### LENTEN PARISH MISSION- St. Mary's, Decatur

**Susan Tassone**, award winning author and regular guest on EWTN, will speak at a Lenten Parish Mission at Saint Mary's Church, Decatur, IN, **March 19-21 at 7pm.** Her talks are titled "**A Guide to Saving Grace: Purgatory, Adoration and Divine Mercy**" based on her book "Day by Day with the Holy Souls in Purgatory" and newest release "St. Faustina Prayer Book for Adoration." Susan will speak Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and be available for book signing afterward. The Sacrament of Confession will be celebrated at a Lenten Penance Service with many priest confessors on Thursday evening. Each mission evening is free, and all are welcome.

### REMINDER!

St. Joseph Women's Meeting  
7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room

Remember to bring your *Beyond Sunday* book/workbook!

### PARISH CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun., Feb. 10 - Fr. David discussion forum, 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Social Hall: **the Church's understanding of the grave evil of abortion.**
- Mon., Feb. 11 - **Alpha** 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the social hall.
- Tues., Feb. 12 - St. Joseph Women's Group meeting- 7:00 p.m. in the conference room.
- Wed., Feb. 13 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament- 5-7:00 p.m., Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Feb. 13 - Fr. David discussion forum, 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall: **the Church's understanding of the grave evil of abortion.**
- Sun., Feb. 17 - Juice & Donuts after 7:30 & 10:00 Masses served by St. Joseph Women's Group
- Tues., Mar. 5 - Knights of Columbus meeting with recitation of the Rosary at 6:40 p.m. in Church and meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m. in the social hall.
- Wed., Mar. 6 - Ash Wednesday Masses - 7:00 a.m. / Noon / and 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., Mar 7 - All day Adoration 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. / Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction- 6:45 p.m.
- Fri., Mar. 8 - Lenten Soup Supper - Serving from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Come any time!! (Lenten Soup Supper each Friday during Lent except April 5 - K of C Fish Fry and April 19 - Good Friday).
- Fri., Mar 8 - Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m. and each Friday of Lent.

### WEEKEND OF February 16/17, 2019

#### CANTORS:

5:00 Leeann Kennerck  
 7:30 Mike Morrissey  
 10:00 Nancy Leitz

#### LECTORS:

5:00 Stacey Coulandot  
 7:30 Sarah McCorkle  
 10:00 George Witwer

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 Dan/Beth Gordon, Joe Baur  
 7:30 Dave/Margie Huss, Jill Morrissey  
 10:00 Luisa Sumabat, Larisa Sudhoff, Jeff Miller, Rick Singer, Sandy Smythe, Dan Geimer

#### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

5:00 **Volunteers**  
 7:30 Doug/Janet Lehman  
 10:00 Todd Hartman Family, Chris Reifsteck Family

#### SERVERS:

5:00 Brooklynn Huss, McKenna McNabb, Emma Roembke  
 7:30 Brendan/Spencer McCorkle, Abby Wagner  
 10:00 Catherine Crawfis, Eve/Gabe McElhaney

### Collection for Weekend of February 2/3, 2019

Adult Envelopes- \$5,749.00  
 Child Envelopes- \$21.50  
 Loose- \$256.00  
 Religious Ed. Fund- \$320.00  
 Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$1,736.00  
 Votive Candles- \$70.00  
 Bulletin Ads- \$250.00  
**Total- \$8,402.50**

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

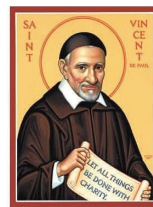
We are \$1,402.07 ahead of our monthly budget.

### Other Collections within our Parish:

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$555.00  
 Mass Intentions- \$110.00

### Diocesan Special Collections: Latin America- \$174.00

*Thank you for your gifts  
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 Rent/Housing - \$938.07

Thank you for your support in helping our brothers and sisters who needed assistance in our community.

God Bless You!

### 7th and 8th Grade



**After all Masses February 23/24 weekend. Proceeds to Bolivian Mission School Program.**  
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### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

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Before you speak...

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