

Twenty– Second Sunday in Ordinary Time • September 3, 2017

# ST. JOSEPH'S



## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## 22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24-25

### Parish Office

Hours..... Monday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm  
(Summer 9:00 am-2:00 pm)

### Parish Staff

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### Sunday Mass Schedule

#### Lord's Day

Saturday ..... 4:30 pm

Sunday..... 8:00 am & 11:00 am

**Weekday**..... flexible schedule—see bulletin

**Holy Day**..... flexible schedule—see bulletin

### New Parishioners and Guests

We offer a warm welcome to all who are celebrating with us this weekend. If you are new to the parish, please contact the office so we may greet you properly. There are also Welcome Packets available in the Gathering Space.

# Why Do We Bless Ourselves with Holy Water upon Entering the Worship Space?

Upon entering the worship space, we usually dip our hand into the baptismal font and bless ourselves with the Sign of the Cross. "In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen."

At our Baptism, the priest or deacon either poured water or immersed us three times, while stating, "[Name], I baptize you, in the name of the Father [dip], and of the Son [dip], and of the Holy Spirit [dip]." Baptism made us Christians. This holy water cleanses, renews, and refreshes us along our Christian journey. The Sign of the Cross is a mark of the One to whom we belong — to whom we are conformed — the Triune God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Having been washed, renewed, and conformed to the image of God, the newly baptized is now a Christian.

By dipping our hand into the holy water, we renew our baptismal covenant. We participate in the life of the one who calls us to a life of discipleship, whereby we carry forth the mission of Christ by renewing the face of the earth.

It is in these baptismal waters that one journeys to the eucharistic table, where we renew our baptismal covenant each Sunday. We also pass these waters on our way out of the worship space as we take leave of one another in order to live the mission of Christ as faithful disciples. It is for this reason of renewing our baptismal covenant that the placement of the baptismal font is typically close to the entrance of the worship space or in the narthex. Just as one enters the Christian faith through Baptism, so, too, do we enter the church by renewing our entrance into the Church. Some communities have built or renovated their worship spaces to make a place for a large font. Such fonts signify the lavish and flowing love of God for his people. Some older churches have little dishes of holy water — taken from the font — by other doors than the main entrance. While these are convenient, we are invited to enter the worship space through the main doors, walking to the font, dipping our hand in holy water, signing ourselves in the Sign of the Cross, and processing in our entrance journey to reunite ourselves to the Sunday assembly. The font is the place of Baptism and has pride of place in our worship spaces.

The blessing of baptismal water contains rich imagery. It states, "By the power of the Holy Spirit give to this water the grace of your Son, so that in the sacrament of baptism all those whom you have created in your likeness may be cleansed from sin and rise to a new birth of innocence by water and the Holy Spirit" (Rite of Baptism for Children, 91). The three persons of Divine Mystery work through baptismal waters to refresh and renew us in our call to carry out Christ's mission in the world.

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# Stewardship & Administration

## Parish Finance Council

Aline Anderson, George Anichini, Eric Gubera, Dan Lamar, Jon Lehmkuhler, Tom Merritt, Ron Morelock, Jeff Newman, Michele Thomas

## Financial Stewardship

Last Week Envelopes .....	\$4,693.00
Electronic Giving .....	2,054.00
Youth Envelopes .....	0.00
Last Week Loose.....	491.91
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$7,238.91</b>
Weekly Budget.....	\$10,000.00
YTD Weekly Collection Budget .....	\$340,000.00
YTD Weekly Collection Actual.....	\$334,476.32



*Thanks for your good stewardship.*

## Stewardship of Our Youth

### My good deed was....

St. Joseph children, remember we love to hear about all your good deeds during the week. Please share them with us. If you need additional envelopes, more can be found in the Gathering Space or you may contact the Parish Office.

## Stewardship Prayer Corner

In today's second reading, St. Paul exhorts the Romans to *total* stewardship. Brothers and sisters, he urges, "...offer your bodies as a living sacrifice holy and pleasing to God."

## Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day. Beginning on Tuesday, September 5, the Parish Office will be open from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

## Leadership Night

The next Leadership Night is Monday, September 11, following the 6:00 pm Mass. If you are looking for a way to become more involved in the parish, join us!

## Labor Day Prayer

God our creator,  
we are the work of your hands,  
Guide us in our work,  
that we may do it, not for self alone,  
but for the common good.  
Make us alert to injustice,  
ready to stand in solidarity,  
that there may be dignity for all  
in labor and in labor's reward.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.  
R. Amen

V. Joseph, patron of laborers,  
R. Pray for us

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# Formation

## Religious Education

Sundays from 9:30–10:40 am  
Classes begin September 10

## Middle School Youth Group

Sundays from 9:30–10:40 am in the St. Aloysius Room  
Classes begin September 10

## LIFE TEEN High School Youth Ministry

Life Teen meets from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the St. Gregory the Great Room beginning with a meal.

September 3 No Life Teen  
September 10 Response to God

## Come and See” Inquiry into the Catholic Faith

What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? How does the Catholic Church help people to follow Jesus in everyday life? Are you or someone you know thinking about joining our faith community...or would you just like to ask some questions? Then you are invited to “come and see” inquiry into the Catholic faith, which is held in the St. Aloysius Room on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm. For more information, you may call the Parish Office (765-482-5558).

## Religious Education and Life Teen Registration

You may register for Religious Education and Life Teen for the 2017-2018 year through the parish website, ConnectNow, or forms in the Parish Office. Morning religious education classes will begin September 10. For questions or additional information, please contact Caroline Van Atter at religiouused@stjoeleb.org or Norma DeLaRosa at ndelarosa@stjoeleb.org.

## Adult Bible Study

*Saved: A Bible Study Guide for Catholics* by Fr. Mitch Pacwa discusses Catholic Teaching on Salvation as found in Scripture. Discover the infinite mystery of our salvation and deepen your relationship with God who saves us. The eight session study begins Tuesday, September 12, at 6:30 pm in the St. Gregory the Great Room. The book fee is \$11.75. Contact Fr. Tim if assistance is needed. For more information or to register for the study, go to the parish website or call the Parish Office. Register by September 6, 2017 to ensure book delivery.

## Young Adults

If you are a young adult, single or married, who is looking to connect with other young adults and learn more about what the Catholic Church teaches, join us Monday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Sr. Mary Ignatia Room. The evenings include fellowship, fun, and prayer as we study the Bible, watch Catholic documentaries and discuss various topics on our Catholic faith. For questions or more information, please call the Parish Office.

## Italian Dinner benefits NCYC

NCYC is 67 days away! And we are so close to having our pilgrimage covered. The Annual Italian Dinner will be held on Saturday, September 9 in the Parish Hall following the 4:30 pm Mass. Basic meal: \$8, Deluxe: \$10, and Desserts: up to \$3 each. Kids games and 50/50 Raffle included. Help us join 20,000 teens celebrate their faith and experience the Church totally energized!

## FORMED.org

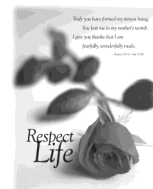
FORMED provides amazing content 24/7 for you to grow in your faith. Prepare for Sunday Mass each week by watching an insightful five-minute video, enjoy a movie with your family, listen to a thought-provoking audio talk, or help your children grow in faith. Our Parish Code is **WH82C3** for registering.

# Outreach

## Pro-Life Corner

Please pray the following prayer every day for an end to abortion and for the unborn babies...*“Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.”*

**-Prayer of the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen**



## Pro-Life Notes

“A truly welcoming society must be a culture of Life...We must appreciate the dignity of Life in all its seasons...and look toward the day when every child, born and unborn, is welcome in Life and protected in law.” Gov. George W. Bush

## Post-Abortion Healing & Reconciliation

Project Rachael, a post-abortion healing ministry, offers confidential and skilled help. Call 1-877-522-3300.

## Did You Know?

There are several people who go each Friday to abortion clinics to pray? If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please call the Parish Office.

## Saint Vincent de Paul Food Distribution

During the month of September, St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting Kleenex that may be placed in the collection box in the Gathering Space. The next food distribution is Saturday, September 16. Volunteers are always welcome. Thank you to those who make the food distributions possible.

## Life Center Donations

The Knights of Columbus have a collection box (a bassinet) in the Gathering Space for donations to the Life Center. Life Center helps to save babies from abortion by supporting the mothers with counseling, ultrasound, medical references and help mothers care for their babies after birth. Bottles and sippy cups are the items for the month of September. These items will be delivered to the central office on West 86th St., Indianapolis. Thank you for your support and generosity.

## Blood Drive

The number one reason blood donors say they give is because they want to help others. Now is your chance to give back. Donate blood and you will not only be helping others, you will be saving lives! The Knights of Columbus have organized the Indiana Blood Center's Bloodmobile to be at St. Joseph's on Sunday, September 10 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm in the church parking lot. Thank you to all who give the gift of life.

## Healing Grief Workshop

A Healing Grief Workshop for adults suffering the death of a loved one will begin Saturday, September 9 at 2:00 pm. The 1 1/2 hour sessions will be held weekly for 10 weeks. The book Understanding Your Grief will be our guide. If interested or have any questions, please call Karen Metzger at 765-894-0829. (Time may be adjusted to the need of participants). We will meet in the St. Aloysius Room.

# Parish Life

## Kirchenfest Special Ticket Offer

Kirchenfest is September 23, 2017. A special ticket offer is available until September 6 - 30 tickets for \$25 (tickets are valued at \$1 each). Tickets are available for purchase following all weekend Masses and in the Parish Office. Tickets are required for the purchase of food, beverages, and games.

# Worship

## Readings for the Week of September 3, 2017

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/  
Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1, 3-5,  
11-13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/  
Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10-11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6/  
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 13:8-10/  
Mt 18:15-20



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## This Week in the Parish

### Monday, September 4

*Parish Office Closed*

10:00 am Mass for the Unemployed

### Tuesday, September 5 • Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Religious

10:00 am Communion Service at Parkwood

1:00 pm Legion of Mary Meeting in Sr. Mary Ignatia Room

### Wednesday, September 6

11:30 am Rosary

12:00 pm Communion Service

7:00 pm Kirchenfest Meeting in Parish Hall

### Thursday, September 7

9:30 am Rosary

10:00 am Communion Service

### Friday, September 8 • The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11:30 am Rosary

12:00 pm Mass for †Helen Shepherd (F Lind)

### Saturday, September 9 • Saint Peter Claver, Priest

9:00 am Mass for John McCall (St. Joseph Parish)

10:00 am Grief Support in St. Aloysius Room

4:00 pm Rosary

4:30 pm Lord's Day Vigil Mass for †Mary Elizabeth Endres Veldman (St. Joseph Parish)  
50th Wedding Anniversary Blessing for Michael & Patricia Bell during Mass

6:00 pm Italian Dinner in Parish Hall

### Sunday, September 10 • Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Lord's Day Mass for St. Joseph Parishioners

8:30 am Knights of Columbus Blood Drive in Parking Lot Until 12:30 pm

9:00 am Children's Choir Rehearsal in St. Cecilia Room

9:30 am Adult & Youth Choir Rehearsal in Choir Loft

9:30 am Religious Education in Classrooms

9:30 am Middle School Youth Ministry in St. Aloysius Room

9:30 am Adult Faith Formation in Sr. Mary Ignatia Room

9:30 am RCIA in St. Gregory the Great Room

11:00 am Lord's Day Mass for †Jack Iacobelli (C Iacobelli)

Dismissal Catechist: Clair Baker

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# Worship

**Pray For...** Antonette Krerowicz, LynnMarie Claypole, Joanna Konechnik, Don Davis, Patty Dudlak, Michael Dudlak, Sarah Cragun, Joe Archer, Isabelle Bacon, June Bashor, Rosemary Mitchell, Dolores Kotnecki



**...parishioners and their loved ones who are serving in the military, law enforcement & emergency personnel**

If you have someone you would like the parish to pray for, please ask for their permission, and then contact the Parish Office or place a note in the collection basket. We will include their name in this box for a period of one month.

If a family member is sick or hospitalized, please call the Parish Office at 482-5558 to arrange for Communion to be brought to them. Thank you.

## Choir Pilgrimage

A joint pilgrimage is planned for St. Joseph's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel—singers and non-singer alike. We will be singing our way through Italy—Tuscany and Umbria and Rome. The information meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 12 following an Italian pot-luck dinner at 6:30 pm in the lower level of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church.

## Attention All Liturgical Ministers

Please contact the Parish Office with any requests for scheduling for October, November and December by September 19. Thank you to all of the Liturgical Ministers who give of their time and talent.

## Area News

### Save the Date/Weekend Retreat

Join the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana's Legion of Mary on a retreat at St. Meinrad Archabbey on October 20-22. Rooms are \$75/single or \$95/double per night, plus \$8/person per meal. For more information please contact Judy Mrozinski at 765-894-6305 or Vicki Walker at 765-891-0550.

### Walk + Run for Life

The Walk + Run for Life is a 5K run and a 1-mile walk to help raise funds and awareness to support Life Centers' eight Central Indiana pregnancy centers in their effort to save babies and transform lives. The events are Saturday September 30 at Eagle Creek Park with registration at 9:00 am or Saturday October 14 at Lebanon Memorial Park with registration at 9:00 am. For more information call 888-57-Mercy.

### Natural Family Planning

Take back control over your fertility! You can achieve 99% effective family planning without the need for doctors, artificial hormones or unpleasant devices—try Natural Family Planning instead. A series of classes is starting in your area soon. To learn more visit [www.live-the-love.org](http://www.live-the-love.org). Contact Susan and Louis Hofer, [shoefer@dol-in.org](mailto:shoefer@dol-in.org) or call/test 765-421-1998, for class information and registration.



Congratulations to  
Natalie Bacon and Anthony Lynch  
as they celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage  
on August 26, 2017.  
May God's blessings be upon them  
in their married life.

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