

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."



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Welcome! We extend our hearts and hands to all who celebrate with us at St. Josephs.

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☐ New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form ☐ We've Moved, here is our new information

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 25

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, January 26

- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Emmanuel Thach +
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Robert & Rose Marie Bates +

Monday, January 27

8:00 a.m. Richard Stevenson +
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Tuesday, January 28

7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration
8:00 a.m. Special Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary

Wednesday, January 29

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Robert Bender +

Thursday, January 30

8:00 a.m. Mildred Huss
8:30 a.m. Rosary
10:30 a.m. Mass at River Terrace Estates

Friday, January 31

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

Saturday, February 1

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
8:30 a.m. Rosary
4:00 p.m. Confessions
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Evelyn Morrissey +

Sunday, February 2

- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. All Priest Living & Deceased
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

Pray Daily and Love Always!

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Jan. 27 - Third Week in Ordinary Time -
St. Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder - 2 Sm 5:1-7,10/ Mk 3:22-30

Tues., Jan. 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church - 2 Sm 6:12b-15,17-19/ Mk 3:31-35

Wed., Jan. 29 - 2 Sm 7:1-17, Mk 4:1-20

Thurs., Jan. 30 - 2 Sm 17:18-19,24-29/ Mk 4:21-25

Fri., Jan. 31 - St. John Bosco, Priest - 2 Sm 11:1-4a,5-10a,13-17/ Mk 4:26-34

Sat., Feb. 1 - 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/ Mk 4:35-41

Sun., Feb. 2 - The Presentation of the Lord -
World Day for Consecrated Life - Mal 3:1-4/
Heb 2:14-18/ Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - January 26, 2020

Next Sunday, the Church will celebrate the solemn **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**. This feast falls the fortieth day after Christmas Day and commemorates St. Luke's account of our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph presenting Jesus at the Temple in Jerusalem forty days after his birth (Luke 2:21-38). As the Holy Family is following the prescripts of Leviticus 12:1-4, this day is also traditionally known as the **Purification of the Blessed Mother**. For this reason, St. Luke records the event as taking place "when the days for Her purification were complete" (Luke 2:22). Finally, it is also traditionally known as **Candlemas**. This emphasizes the prophesy of St. Simeon in the Temple when he was moved by the Holy Spirit and recognized the Christ Child as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel" (Luke 2:30-32).

Liturgically, the **Feast of the Presentation** mirrors **Palm Sunday**. Both of these days recalls our Lord's entrance into Jerusalem, first as a child to be presented by His parents and, then, by His own power as an adult to accomplish His Paschal Mystery. Both liturgies gives us the opportunity to begin our celebrations with a blessing, one of candles and the other of palms, followed by a solemn procession into the Mass. **Next weekend, we will offer a blessing of candles immediately prior to each weekend Mass.** We will bless the candles that we use throughout the year, including those used for the Blessing of Throats. **You are invited to bring any candles that you want to have blessed for use in your home!** Please see this week's bulletin insert to learn more about **Candlemas** and the use of candles in liturgy and prayer. *(A special "Thank You!" to Fr. Jacob Meyer and St. Monica's in Mishawaka for creating this insert.)*

Blessing of Throats

*At all Masses next weekend, we will offer the **Blessing of Throats** in anticipation of the **Feast Day of St. Blaise** on Monday, February 3rd.*

St. Blaise is a 4th Century martyr, having been beheaded for the Faith in 316 AD. He was a physician before becoming a priest and was eventually named the bishop of Sebaste (modern day Armenia). Visiting those imprisoned and encouraging the faithful during a time of persecution, St. Blaise was eventually arrested himself. A subject to much torture while imprisoned, St. Blaise refused to renounce the Faith and many miracles are attributed to his intercession, most notably the healing of a young boy who was choking on a fish bone. For this reason, St. Blaise is the patron saint of those suffering from illnesses of the throat. Near his feast day, a special blessing is offered asking him to intercede before our Lord to protect us from all illnesses of the throat.

Winter Weather Reminder

When considering inclement weather, please remember that our weekend Masses will always be offered as scheduled at St. Joseph's (*Saturday Vigil Mass – 5 PM; Sunday Masses – 7:30 AM and 10 AM*). As disciples of the Lord, we have an obligation to keep holy the Lord's Day and, **when we are physically able to**, to gather together to worship at the Sacrifice of the Mass. That being said, an obligation assumes that that which is asked of us is physically possible. **If the roads seem impassable and/or you do not feel safe traveling due to the weather, please stay safe and stay home.**

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David



Sharon Miller, Genevieve Lohmuller, Becky Biberstein, Betty Meyer, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Cheryl Jackson, Mary Ann Flowers, Sandy Arnold, Lynn Rickord, Jimmy Robbins, Jean Steele and Jim Mueller.



ST. JOSEPH BOLIVIAN MISSION PROGRAM

Parishioners of St. Joseph's have partnered with our sister parish in Bolivia and Maria Mazzarello School providing scholarships to 55 students since 1985. These children were given the opportunity to attend school, some of whom would not have been able to otherwise, if it had not been for those generous families from St. Joseph's who supported them. Some of these children have even followed their professional studies and have been able to help their own poor families because of your support. Unfortunately some of the sponsors have moved away or passed away, and we will be helping 51 students with scholarships for this upcoming school year. It is time again for their school year to start, which is in session from February through October. The cost for sponsoring one student for the year is \$90 (\$10/month for 9 months) plus an optional Christmas donation. You may pay by the month, the whole year or anywhere in between. If you would like to start helping a child attend school, please call Michelle at the parish office at 260-824-1380 or Sue Singer, 260-824-8009. Thank you and God Bless!



ST. BLAISE

Feast day - February 3

Legend says he cured a boy who was choking on a fish bone stuck in his throat.
St. Blaise is the Patron Saint of throat illnesses.

There will be Blessing of Throats at all Masses
Saturday and Sunday, February 1 and 2.



We have a parishioner who is in need of ride to Mass; for 5:00p.m. or 10:00a.m., it is flexible. Please call the parish office at 260-824-1380 if you are able to help.

PARISH CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wed., Jan. 29 - Adoration - 6-7:00 p.m./ Confessions 6-6:45 p.m./ Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., Jan. 30 - Mass at River Terrace Estates - 10:30 a.m.
- Thurs., Jan. 30 - RCIA 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Jan. 30 - Book Study 7-8:00 p.m. - *The Bible is a Catholic Book*.
- Sat./Sun., Feb. 1/2 - Blessing of Throats at all Masses.
- Sun., Feb. 2 - Candlemas Day - bring a candle for a special Candlemas Day blessing.
- Tues., Feb. 4 - Knights of Columbus - 6:40 p.m. recitation of the Holy Rosary in Church/ meeting at 7:00 p.m in the social hall.
- Wed., Feb. 5 - Adoration - 6-7:00 p.m./ Confessions 6-6:45 p.m./ Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Feb. 5 - Parish Council meeting - 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 6 - RCIA 5:60-6:30 p.m.
- Fri., Feb. 7 - First Friday Adoration - 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. / Extraordinary Mass - 6:00 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 9 - Sisters of St. Francis will visit our Youth Group - 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Feb. 11 - St. Joseph Women's Group Meeting- 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Feb. 12 - Adoration - 5-7:00 p.m./ Confessions 6-6:45 p.m./ Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 13 - RCIA 5:30-6:30 p.m.

WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 1/2, 2020

CANTORS:

5:00 Jay Crisp
7:30 Mike Morrissey
10:00 Sophia Emrah

LECTORS:

5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Carol Butler
10:00 Monica Harris

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 Knights of Columbus, (Choir Mass-4)
7:30 Donna Geisel, Barb Ault, Jill Morrissey
10:00 Tammi Helm, Sandy Smythe, Kevin or Jessica Seago, Diana Cole, Volunteer

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Doug/Janet Lehman
10:00 Todd/Anjie Hartman & Chris/Laurie Reifsteck Families

SERVERS:

5:00 Knights of Columbus
7:30 Justin Mayer, Clayton Vachon, Phillip Mayer
10:00 Quinn Dreiband Wyatt Girod, Grant Reifsteck

Collection for Weekends of January 18/19, 2020

Adult Envelopes- \$2,950.00
Child Envelopes- \$63.49
Loose- \$145.00
Religious Ed. Fund- \$311.00
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$175.00
Total- \$3,644.49

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

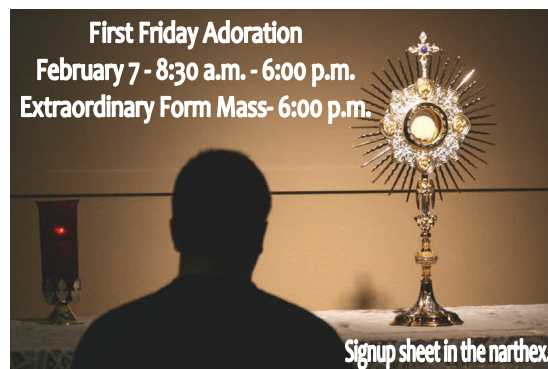
We are \$5,255.23 ahead of our monthly budget.

Other Collections within our Parish-

St. Vincent de Paul Fund - \$706.00
Diocesan Special Collections-
Latin America- \$333.00

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From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Dave McCormick, brother of Penney (Bob) Burns who died Wednesday, January 15, 2020. May God welcome Dave home, fill him with peace and bless those who will miss him.



Eternal Rest Grant unto him O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

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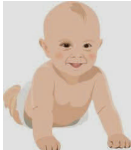
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