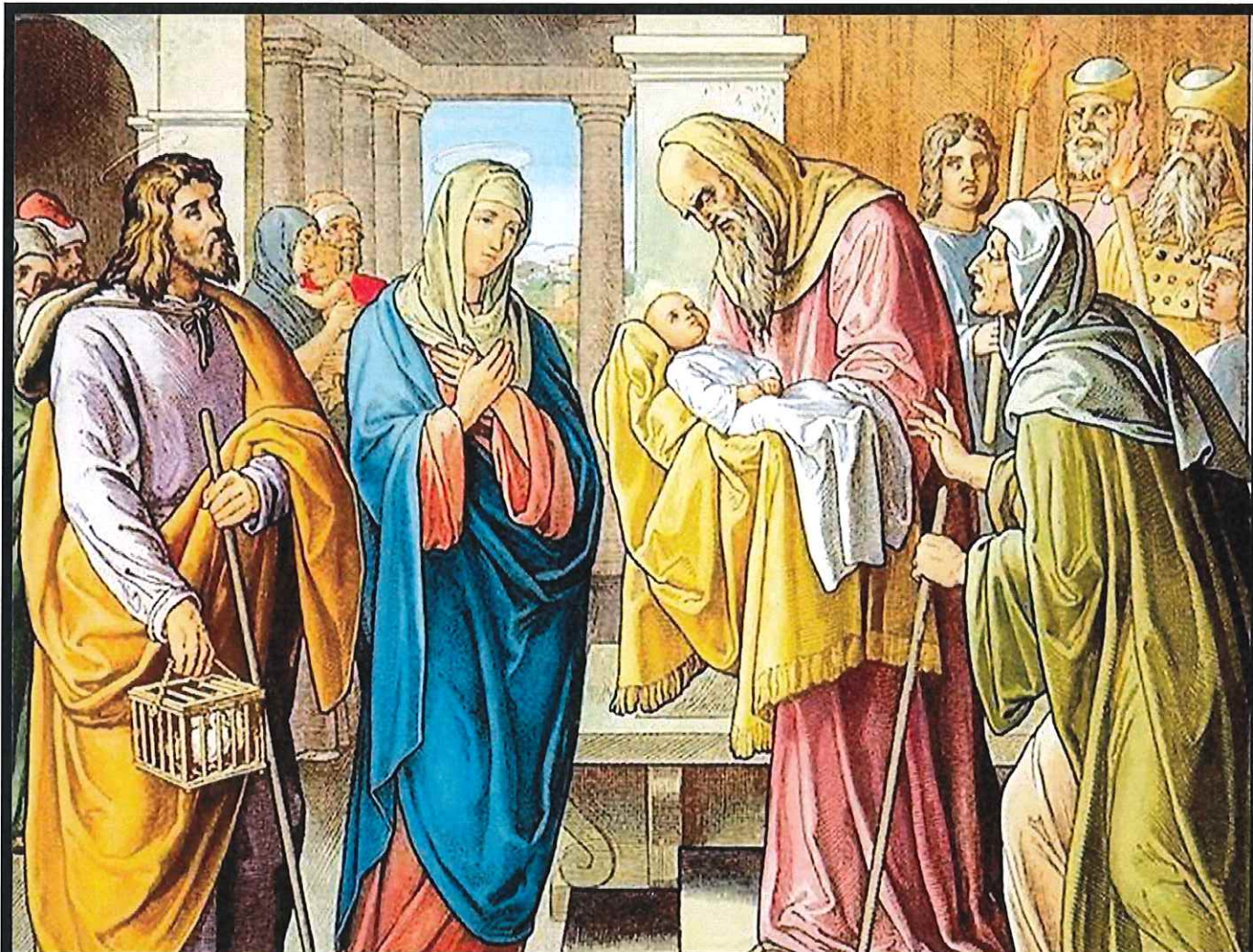


# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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PARISH GAME NIGHT  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22  
6 PM  
PARISH SOCIAL HALL

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Pastor: Fr. David Violi

Fr. David's direct email: frdavidvioli@gmail.com / Sacramental Emergency Number: 260-296-0511

Director of Liturgical Music: Sr. Rose Clare Ehrlich, CSA / Administrative Assistant/DRE: Michelle Paxton

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, 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

### Monday, February 3

8:00 a.m. Jim Cole +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Tuesday, February 4

7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration  
8:00 a.m. John Whitman +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Wednesday, February 5

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration  
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions  
7:00 p.m. Pauline Miller +

### Thursday, February 6

8:00 a.m. Robert Bauman +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Friday, February 7

8:00 a.m. James Lilley +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Saturday, February 8

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, February 9

#### - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. David Paul Butler +  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Nick Wyss +

It's not about how much you do, but how much love  
you put into what you do that counts.

- St. Mother Teresa

## MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., Feb. 3 - Fourth Week in Ordinary Time -**

**St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar,**

**Bishop - 2 Sm 15:13-14,30; 16:5/ Mk 5:1-20**

**Tues., Feb. 4 - 2 Sm 18:9-10,14b,24-25a,30-19:3/**  
**Mk 5:21-43**

**Wed., Feb. 5 - St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr -**

**2 Sm 24:2,9-17/ Mk 6:1-6**

**Thurs., Feb. 6 - St. Paul Miki and Companions,**

**Martyrs - 1 Kgs 2:1-4,10-12/ Mk 6:7-13**

**Fri., Feb. 7 - Sir 47:2-11/ Mk 6:14-29**

**Sat., Feb. 8 - St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine**

**Bakhita, Virgin - 1 Kgs 3:4-13/ Mk 6:30-34**

**Sun., Feb. 9 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -**

**Is 58:7-10/ 1 Cor 2:1-5/ Mt 5:13-16**

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - February 2, 2020

Today, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, marking the 40th day since Christmas Day. We make a brief sojourn from St. Matthew's Gospel to St. Luke's as we hear of the Holy Family's journey to Jerusalem. They are met by Anna and Simeon upon entering the Temple, both of whom give glory to God upon meeting the Christ Child. Just as Jesus is met this day with shouts of joy and gladness, so those shouts will be heard again as He enters Jerusalem on Palm Sunday (Mark 11:1-11, John 12:12-16).

As is seen in the Cantic of Simeon (Luke 2:25-35), these shouts of joy are also matched with words of caution. Simeon, overjoyed to see salvation Himself entered into the world, acknowledges the great trials that He will undergo (even acknowledging how Jesus' trials will affect His mother, Mary). In a similar way, the shouts of "*Hosanna!*" on Palm Sunday quickly turn to cries of "*Crucify Him!*" on Good Friday. Jesus, entering into Jerusalem and into our lives, always brings about such a mix of reactions. We rejoice in meeting the Savior, but also remain steadfast and prepare ourselves to respond to His call of conversion and of carrying our cross (Matthew 16:24).

It is a special joy that this feast falls on a Sunday this year so that we can all celebrate it together and take part in the traditional blessing of candles for this feast day. As Jesus is the light of the world (John 8:12), these candles represent that light entering into and shattering the darkness of sin and death (John 1:5). I hope that everyone brought some candles to be blessed!

## PARISH EVENTS AND UPDATES

**Mark your calendars!** On **Saturday, February 22nd**, we will have a **Parish Game Night at 6 PM** (following the Saturday vigil Mass). Pizza and drinks will be provided, the gym will be open, and a variety of games will be available. This is an evening open to all and I hope to see you there! (*Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex to help provide us with an accurate headcount for ordering pizza.*)

Our **monthly Discussion Forum** will resume this month. As we are looking towards repairs and restoration in the church (*with repairs needed for the damage on the north church wall and updating the flooring in the nave*), it would seem fortuitous to discuss the direction behind **Church Structure and Architecture**. This topic often can offer many surprising insights into why churches are built as they are and how their structures are meant to aid us in worship. As with all things liturgical, even the church building itself is meant to point us toward God. The discussion forum will be offered both on **Sunday, February 9th, from 8:45-9:45 AM (between the Sunday morning Masses)** and **Wednesday, February 12th, from 7:30-8:30 PM (after the Wednesday evening Mass)**.

This coming **Friday, February 7th**, marks the First Friday of the Month. As is our parish custom, **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will be offered throughout Friday, beginning **immediately following the 8 AM Morning Mass** and ending with **Benediction starting at 5:45 PM**. After Benediction, we will offer our monthly First Friday Votive Mass for the Sacred Heart of Jesus (offered according to the Extraordinary Form). May we take advantage of these many opportunities for prayer during the week. 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.

## Sara Bear

School: St. Joseph Hessen  
Cassel Catholic School  
Grade teaching: Prekindergarten  
Education: St. John the Baptist, Bishop Luer and IPPFW  
Years teaching: 10  
City born: Fort Wayne  
Current hometown: Ossian  
Family: Husband Tony and two children, Christopher and Allison  
Book you'd recommend: Anything by Jodi Picoult  
Favorite teacher: Peter Mooney  
Favorite teaching memory: There are so many, I should write a book! I have kids tell me the funniest things!  
Hobbies: Crafting, reading, spending time with my family.

Recommended by: Angie Sorg  
Reason for recommendation: "Sara Bear is an amazing preschool educator. She demonstrates a love for kids, Catholic values, extensive knowledge of curriculum and is a friend to all. Sara greets you with a smile and a kind word. My daughter, who is now in first grade, says daily, 'I just love Mrs. Bear and I want to be just like her when I grow up.' Sara is the type of teacher that every child should have in their elementary years. She is that one teacher that each child will remember forever. She is inspiring and we sure love her!"  
alsoboda@jg.net

*The Journal Gazette/Monday,*  
January 27, 2020, Sara Bear has been nominated for the Teacher Honor Roll.



Indoor/Outdoor Spring 2020 Flea Market  
Saturday March 28, 2020 - 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
St. Aloysius Church, 14623 Bluffton Rd., Yoder

\* Just south of I-469 \*

Concessions, baked good & refreshments, free admission and free parking and door prizes. Vendors Welcome - 812-325-8563.

## 7th Grade & 8th Grade Confirmation Class BAKE SALE

Saturday & Sunday, February 22 & 23  
after all Masses

Proceeds to scholarships for tuition to help send children to school in our Bolivian Mission Program.



Monica Harris will be training Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion on Monday and Tuesday, February 10 & 11 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Please call the parish office at 260-824-1380 if you wish to attend the training.

## PARISH CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Fri., Feb. 7 - First Friday Adoration - 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. / Extraordinary Mass - 6:00 p.m. Signup sheet in the narthex.
- 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.
- Sun., Feb. 16 - Young Adult Gathering - 5-6:00 p.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 20 - Mass at Christian Care - 10:30 a.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 20 - RCIA 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Sat., Feb. 22 - Parish Game Night - 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. Sign up sheets food preparation and Euchre Tournament in the narthex.
- Sat./Sun., Feb. 22/23 - 7th and 8th grade Bake Sale with proceeds to the Bolivian Mission Program for tuition scholarships.

## WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 8/9, 2020

### CANTORS:

5:00 Larry Leitz  
7:30 Donna Geisel  
10:00 Nichole Decker

### LECTORS:

5:00 Michelle Paxton  
7:30 Barb Ault  
10:00 Marita Crawfis

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 Joe Baur, Sherry Makowski, Christine Zadyak  
7:30 Dale/Sarah McCorkle, Margie Huss  
10:00 Tammi Helm, Rick Singer, Larisa Sudhoff, Ann Reifsteck, Kathy Marshall

### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

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

### SERVERS:

5:00 McKenna McNabb, Alex Mechling, Volunteer  
7:30 Mark/Beth Geisel, Jacqueline Mayer  
10:00 Kody Coyne, Catherine Crawfis, Volunteer

## Collection for Weekends of January 25/26, 2020

Adult Envelopes- \$3,664.00  
Child Envelopes- \$4.31  
Loose- \$157.00  
Religious Ed. Fund- \$201.00  
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$576.00  
Gym Rent- \$700.00  
Paper Gator- \$19.97  
Votive Candles- \$165.61  
Parish Bulletin Ad- \$375.00  
Morrissey Memorial Donations- \$30.00  
**Total- \$5,892.89**

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Ask Wednesday



Remember that you are dust,  
and to dust you shall return.  
ECCLESIASTES 3:20

ASH WEDNESDAY \* February 26, 2020  
MASS TIMES: 7:00 A.M. / NOON / 7:00 P.M.

**Lenten Soup Supper - each Friday of Lent  
beginning February 28 - 5:30-6:30pm**

Sign up sheet to make soup is in the narthex.



# Soup's On



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Knights of Columbus monthly meeting Tuesday,  
February 4 - 6:40 p.m. recitation of the  
Holy Rosary in Church/ meeting at 7:00 p.m  
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