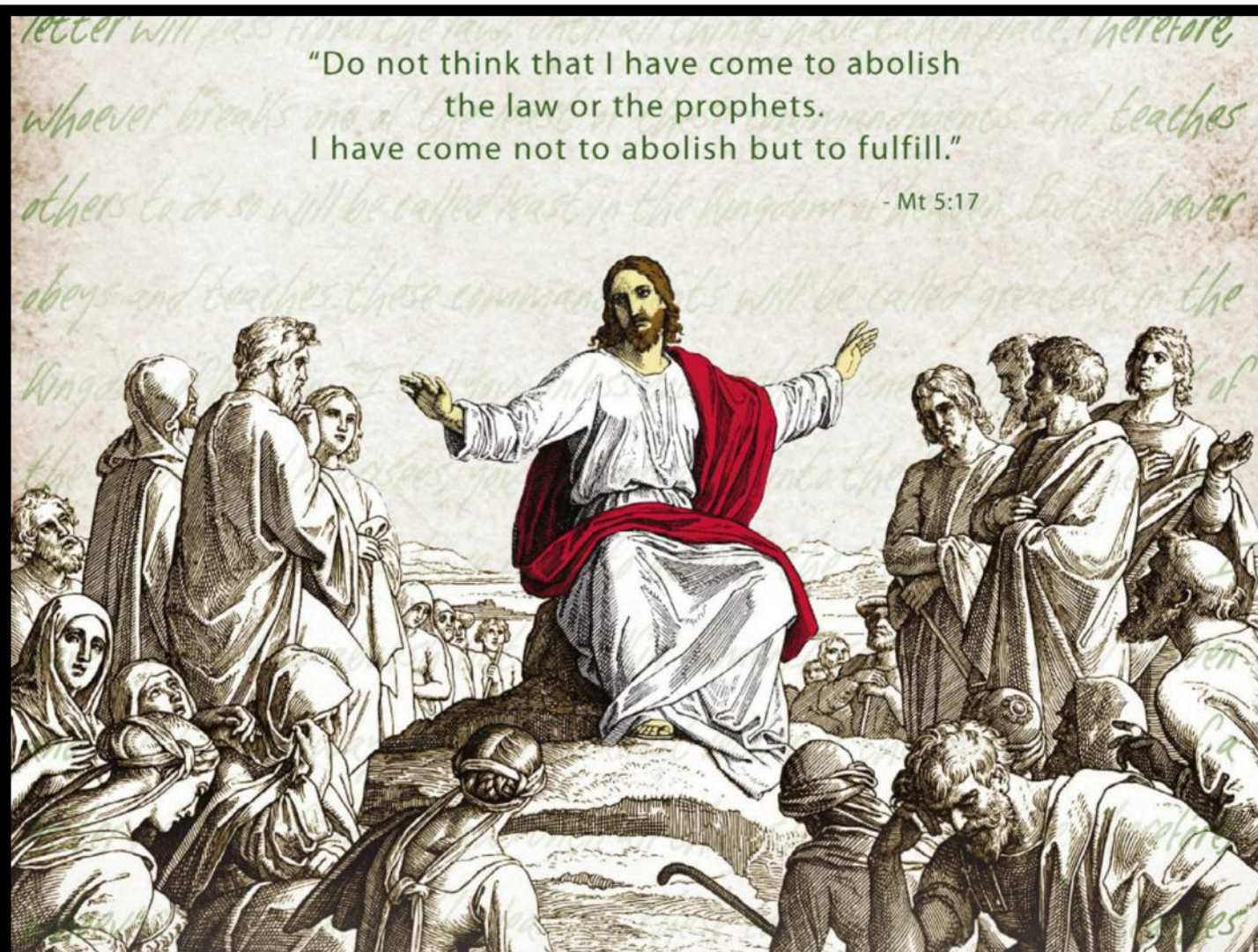


# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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

**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 26**  
**MASS TIMES**  
**7 AM - NOON - 7 PM**

*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 15

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. David Paul Butler +

### Sunday, February 16

#### - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. Parish Family  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Evelyn Morrissey +

### Monday, February 17

8:00 a.m. Logan Riley Lautzenheiser +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Tuesday, February 18

7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration  
8:00 a.m. Leslie 'Bud' Felger +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Wednesday, February 19

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration  
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions  
7:00 p.m. Gerald Beckman +

### Thursday, February 20

8:00 a.m. Hildegard Schaefer +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary  
10:30 a.m. Mass at Christian Care

### Friday, February 21

8:00 a.m. Dorothy Booth +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Saturday, February 22

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. Josephine Jackson +

### Sunday, February 23

#### - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. Parish Family  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Jane Case +

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day." – St. Gianna Molla

## MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., Feb. 17 - Sixth Week in Ordinary Time -  
The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order**

- Jas 1:1-11/ Mk 8:11-13

**Tues., Feb. 18 - Jas 1:12-18/ Mk 8:14-21**

**Wed., Feb. 19 - Jas 1:19-27/ Mk 8:22-26**

**Thurs., Feb. 20 - Jas 2:1-9/ Mk 8:27-33**

**Fri., Feb. 21 - St. Peter Damian, Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church - Jas 2:14-24,26/ Mk  
8:34-9:1**

**Sat., Feb. 22 - The Chair of St. Peter the Apost-  
le - 1 Pt 5:1-4/ Mt 16:13-19**

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - February 16, 2020

*Next weekend, we will have our **Parish Game Night** following the Saturday vigil Mass (**Saturday, Feb. 22nd at 6 PM**). Make sure to sign-up in the Narthex if you haven't already. I hope to see you there for an evening of fun and fellowship!*

This week will be the last full week before we enter into the season of **Lent**, beginning on **Ash Wednesday** (February 26th). (*The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday at 7 AM, Noon, and 7 PM.*) As we continue to approach the Lenten season, have we already begun to pray about what God is calling us to do this year? How will the three Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving enter deeper into our lives and bring us closer to God this season? Our yearly Lenten journey is meant to strengthen us anew in the spiritual combat that we daily face against the three temptations that our Lord Himself faced in the desert (Matthew 4:1-11): the devil, the flesh, and the world.

This journey is not one to be taken alone. For this reason, we will have the opportunity to gather together often as a parish family, both for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the many other liturgies and devotions offered to us by Holy Mother Church. Every Friday during the season of Lent, join us for our **Parish Soup Supper** from **5:30 PM - 6:30 PM** in the Parish Social Hall and **Stations of the Cross** at **7:00 PM** in the Church. On **Friday, March 6th, after Stations of the Cross**, we will host an opening showing of ***The Passion of the Christ*** in the Parish Gym. This 2004 film depicts the last twelve hours of our Blessed Lord's life as He approaches His crucifixion in Jerusalem.

One of the greatest weapons in spiritual combat is the Sacrament of Confession. As it is described by St. Thomas Aquinas: "*In the life of the body a man is sometimes sick, and unless he takes medicine, he will die. Even so in the spiritual life a man is sick on account of sin. For that reason he needs medicine so that he may be restored to health; and this grace is bestowed in the Sacrament of Confession.*" As we continue our preparation toward Lent, I greatly encourage you to plan to make use of the Sacrament of Confession, especially if it has been some time since you've last availed yourself to this Sacrament.

Throughout the season of Lent, we will have many opportunities when the Sacrament of Confession will be available. On **March 10th**, our diocese will participate in **The Light is On for You** campaign, when **the Sacrament of Confession will be offered in every parish from 6:00 - 8:00 PM**. We will also offer our weekly Confession times every Tuesday from 8:30 - 9:00 AM, every Wednesday from 6:00 - 6:45 PM, and every Saturday from 4:00 - 4:45 PM. In addition to these times, we will also be hosting our Lenten Penance Service (*date to be announced*) and additional times throughout the season of Lent, as will be announced in the weekly bulletin. This great Sacrament of God's mercy should become a frequent part of our spiritual life.

In addition to these opportunities and at the suggestion of the Parish Council, we are in the process of planning a 3-Day Parish Mission as well as a Novena to St. Joseph, our Patron. More information to come of these and other opportunities as we near the Lenten season. I look forward to seeing how God will work in our Parish this Lent.

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.



**Wedding Banns II**  
Sadie Herr and Cody Allen  
*We pray for those preparing for Holy Matrimony*



## Lenten Food Drive

February 26 (Ash Wednesday -  
April 5 (Palm Sunday))

**With one can, We can help feed the Hungry**

**Just a reminder... Sign Up!**

- \* Parish Game Night
- \* Trained Ministers-  
Ash Wednesday Masses.
- \* Soup for Soup & Stations

### PARISH CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun., Feb. 16 - Young Adult Gathering - 5-6:00 p.m. Child care available.
- Wed., Feb. 19 - Adoration - 6-7:00 p.m./ Confessions 6-6:45 p.m./ Mass 7:00 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 for 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.
- Wed., Feb. 26 - Ash Wednesday Masses - 7:00 a.m. / Noon / 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 27 - Mass at River Terrace Estates - 10:30 a.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 27 - RCIA 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Fri., Feb. 28 - Lenten Soup Supper - 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Fri., Feb. 28 - Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Feb. 29 - Herr/Allen Wedding - 2:00 p.m.
- Tues., Mar. 3 - 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. in the social hall.
- Wed., Mar. 4 - Adoration - 6-7:00 p.m./ Confessions 6-6:45 p.m./ Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Mar. 4 - Parish Council Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Mar. 5 - RCIA 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Fri., Mar. 6 - Lenten Soup Supper - 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Fri., Mar. 6 - Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.
- Fri., Mar. 6 - Showing of the movie "The Passion of Christ" - after Stations of the Cross (start time-approximately 7:30 p.m.)

### **WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 22 and 23, 2020**

#### **CANTORS:**

5:00 Marita Crawfis  
7:30 Donna Geisel  
10:00 Jay Crisp

#### **LECTORS:**

5:00 Stacey Coulardot  
7:30 Ben Wagner  
10:00 Patti Clark-Johnson

#### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

5:00 Dan or Beth Gordon, Christine Zadyak, Kevin or Jessica Seago  
7:30 Margie Huss, Dale/Sarah McCorkle  
10:00 Jeff Miller, Rick Singer, Dan Geimer, Ann Reifsteck, Volunteer

#### **MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:**

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

#### **SERVERS:**

5:00 Corey/Brooklyn Huss, Volunteer  
7:30 Brendan/Spencer McCorkle, Abby Wagner  
10:00 Eve/Gabe McElhaney, Volunteer

#### **Collection for Weekends of February 8/9, 2020**

Adult Envelopes- \$3,355.00  
Child Envelopes- \$54.67  
Loose- \$276.75  
Religious Ed. Fund- \$0  
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$310.00  
Parish Bulletin Ad- \$450.00  
**Total- \$4,446.42**

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

We are \$4,220.57 ahead of our monthly budget.

**Other Collections within  
our Parish-  
Diocesan Special Collections-**

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

## **APRIL 2020**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>Mark your CALENDAR!!</b>						
5 <b>Palm Sunday</b>	6	7	8	9	10 <b>K of C Fish Fry</b>	11
12 <b>Easter Sunday</b>	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

#### **REKINDLE THE FIRE - MEN'S CONFERENCE**

Men of the diocese. Are you seeing 20/20? Join Fr. Mike Schmitz, Jesse Romero, Marcus Grodi, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, and over 1,000 men at the 2020 Rekindle the Fire Catholic Men's Conference, on February 22, 2020, at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne. For more information and tickets go to [REKINDLETHEFIRE.NET](http://REKINDLETHEFIRE.NET). For questions please email Brian Krider, [akl1111@comcast.net](mailto:akl1111@comcast.net).

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Pope St. Gregory the Great (+604 AD)



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