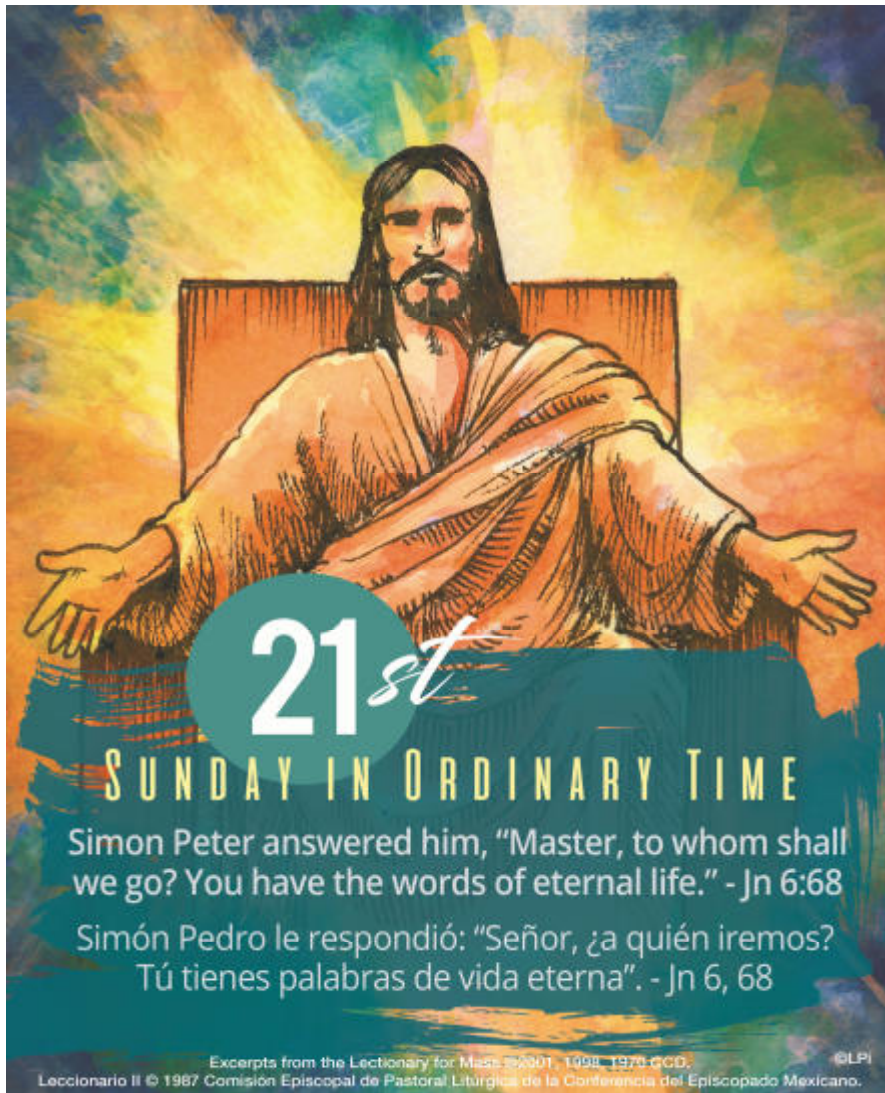




August 26, 2018

Mission Statement

We are the Body of Christ, the people of Saint Joseph Church and School. Led by our pastor, we strive to joyfully model the person Jesus Christ through warm invitation, inspiring liturgy, engaging ministries and inclusive parish activities. We strive to know, love and serve God, and to welcome all who come to our doors.



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~Liturgy Schedule~

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm - English

Sunday Masses:

9am & 7:30pm - English

11:30am - Español

Weekday Masses:

(T, TH, F, S) ~ 8:00am - English

(T, TH, F) ~ 6:30pm - Español

Wed. Evening Mass ~ 6:30pm - English

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SAINT JOSEPH PARISH AND DIOCESAN EVENTS



Our classes for this year will take place on Saturdays from 9:30am to 11:00am, and **will start on September 8th**. Please

make sure to stop by the St. Joe Parish Office Wednesday-Friday during our business hours to register your children. **Please Note: All students need to be registered before September 8th, including those that attended last year, so that we can know how many students we will have and how to prepare accordingly.**

If you have any questions regarding the program, please contact our DRE, Ana Ponce at 432-5113, ext. 319.

(Our St. Joseph Parish Staff is excited to welcome our new Director of Religious Education, Ana Ponce. We know she will be a good fit for the staff, and parish!)

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August 26, 2018 ~ 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"This saying is hard; who can accept it?" The words of Jesus' disciples in today's Gospel must sound familiar. At some point in our lives, you and I have said it about some article of our faith.

Christianity makes firm demands on our ethical behavior and gives no easy answers for suffering. Many disciples were confused and dismayed by Jesus' words in the Bread of Life Discourse. Not all of them, however, had the same reaction.

When the disciples question Jesus' teaching, he confirms its truth.

"The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life."

For some, Jesus' reassurance was not enough. These disciples do not question Jesus further or wrestle with their lack of understanding. The mighty deeds Jesus has done fade to the background. "Many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him." For them, their doubt proves too much. Jesus turns to the Twelve, knowing that confusion lives in their hearts as well. Peter answers. "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

Notice this is not a confession of perfect understanding. It is a confession of faith in Jesus. The precise words may still confuse them, but they believe the One who said them.

In our own lives, we face doubt, confusion, and disillusionment in our Christian faith. The same choice available to the disciples is available to us. Do you have faith in Jesus, even when you lack perfect understanding? Will you stay or will you go?

**What do you do with your doubt?**

## ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Beginning Wednesday, September 5th, Fr. Evaristo and Deacon José Arroyo will be holding classes for adults in both English and Spanish on the subject of Sacraments. Father will teach the Spanish classes in the Parish Hall and Deacon José will teach the English classes in the Gathering Room.

The classes will begin immediately following the (new time!) 6:30pm English Mass. Adults only, please.



Welcomel  
New  
Parishioners

Chet and Ann (Caruso) Clark;

Crystal Raber and son, Max.

**We are delighted that you have chosen to make Saint Joseph Parish your spiritual home!**

## St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

We are most grateful for the generosity of those who have donated food in the past to our SVdP Pantry. But as usually happens in the Summer, the donations are currently down. The pantry is in need of pastas, with sauces, tuna, fruit and vegetables, Mac & cheese, peanut butter and jelly, and other items listed on the paper bags located by the food wagon in front of church.

If able, please take a bag home with the list of foods needed and bring back for the pantry. Encourage your kids to get involved, even if they pick just one item a week. It is a great example of one of the Corporal Works of Mercy, "feeding the hungry!"

## FUNDRAISER SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

WALK/RUN at 2:00pm with Registration at 1:00pm ~ Calling all people of faiths! Please sign up yourself, family and friends to participate in the SVdP Friends of the Poor Walk to raise awareness of our Vincentian cause and generate donations for the Conferences. This is our SVdP major fund raiser for this year, so please consider supporting **Friends of the Poor**.

Questions? Contact [svdpthriftstore@hotmail.com](mailto:svdpthriftstore@hotmail.com) or 260-456-3561





## MASS INTENTIONS

**Mondays- Adoration, Liturgy of the Word, Communion and Benediction - 8am in Eng., 6:30pm in Span.  
Rosary at Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 7:35am, Chapel**

|                    |                        |                          |
|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Mon. 8/27</b>   | <b>NO MASSES TODAY</b> |                          |
| <b>Tues. 8/28</b>  | 8:00 am-Eng            | Jack Janssens, Sr. †     |
|                    | 6:30 pm-Sp             | Mass with no intention   |
| <b>Wed. 8/29</b>   | 6:30 pm-Eng            | Jim and Linda Robinson † |
| <b>Thurs. 8/30</b> | 8:00 am-Eng            | Annie Purlee             |
|                    | 6:30 pm-Sp             | Mass with no intention   |
| <b>Fri. 8/31</b>   | 8:00 am-Eng            | Andrew Alder †           |
|                    | 6:30 pm-Sp             | Mass with no intention   |
| <b>Sat. 9/1</b>    | 8:00 am-Eng            | Mass with no intention   |
|                    | 5:00 pm-Eng            | Martha Ryan †            |
| <b>Sun. 9/2</b>    | 9:00 am-Eng            | Chris Brough †           |
|                    | 11:30 am-Sp            | Mass with no intention   |
|                    | 7:30 pm-Eng            | For Our Parish Community |

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS September 1-2, 2018

### Proclaimers:

|          |                                  |
|----------|----------------------------------|
| 5:00 pm  | Lynn Clough, Rob Forte           |
| 9:00 am  | Rosy Stein, Nicky Williams       |
| 11:30 am | Jaime Arambula, Yesenia Arambula |
| 7:30 pm  | Denise Smith, Dave Winn          |

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

|          |                                                                                    |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 5:00 pm  | Judy Butler, Theresa Driscoll, Ben Forte, Elaine Johnston, Katie Ware              |
| 9:00 am  | Mandi Flores, Janelle Schlup, Mary Schreiber, Jerry Sermersheim, Patty Sermersheim |
| 11:30 am | Guadalupe Garza, Genaro Rodriguez, Jr., Leonor Rodriguez, Laura Vega Adorno        |
| 7:30 pm  | Theresa Bobay, Janine Brown, Patti Hobbs                                           |

### Servers:

|          |                                 |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| 5:00 pm  | Dennise Galacia, Cristy Jordán  |
| 9:00 am  | Keenan Baldus, Ferndano Rosiles |
| 11:30 am | Volunteers needed!              |
| 7:30 pm  | Volunteers needed!              |

### Ushers:

|          |                            |
|----------|----------------------------|
| 5:00 pm  | Greg Butler, George Clough |
| 9:00 am  | Chip Schlup, Doug Staight  |
| 11:30 am | Volunteers needed!         |
| 7:30 pm  | Volunteers needed!         |

## SAINT JOSEPH PARISH CALENDAR

|                   |         |                                         |      |
|-------------------|---------|-----------------------------------------|------|
| <b>Mon. 8/28</b>  | 8am     | Adoration. Lit. of Word, Eucharist      | Chpl |
|                   | 6:30pm  | Adoración, Lit. de la Palabra, Comunión | "    |
| <b>Tues. 8/29</b> | 6:00pm  | FIN Voter Project                       | PH   |
| <b>Thur. 8/30</b> | 7:00pm  | RCIA Inquiry/Catechumenate/Adults       | PAC  |
| <b>Fri. 8/31</b>  | 6:00pm  | AA Meeting                              | PH   |
| <b>Sat. 9/1</b>   | 9:00am  | Emaus Team Mtg                          | GR   |
| <b>Sun. 9/2</b>   | 10:15am | Rosary                                  | Chpl |
|                   | 1:30pm  | Baptism Classes                         | GR   |

**Calendar Abbreviations:** C=Church, GR=Gathering Room, Chpl= Chapel, PH=Parish Hall, PAC=Parish Activity Center

## ST. JOSEPH PRAYER LINE:

Our parish has a Prayer Line that you can call to request prayer for a special intention. Call Debbie Greene at 260-747-9595 with your prayer request for the Prayer Line. Anyone who would like to help pray for these intentions can let her know as well. We can always use more prayer warriors!



**PLEASE PRAY FOR...** Barbara, Robert Binder, Cliff, Rise Cogswell,

Larry Craighead, Patric Driscoll, Megan Enwell, Chris Fischer, William Freiburger, Mickey Hill, Hillde Hofacker, Dave Hughes, Elisa & Cristobal Jordan, Patricia Lindsay, Barbara Martin, Dave Martin, Rowan McClain, Aaron McKeeman, Margaret Miller, Joe Millington, Erisila Mowery, Phyllis Murphy, Nico, Morris Nobles, Barry Price, Faustina Rader, John & Jan Reid, Riley, Sam Rizzo, Maria G. Robles, Betty Rodriguez, Danny Rodriguez, Leticia Rodriguez, Leonor Rodriguez, Veronica Rodriguez, Elaine Schafer, Susan Schenkel, Denise Smith, Deb Sorg, Miles Tippman, Armandina Trevino, Maria Judith Vega, Ernie Walter, John Zollinger...

*... and for those who have no one to pray for them, Amen.*

### SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION....

There are **many spots available** to parishioners for WEEKDAY mass intentions at the 8am (Eng) and 6:30pm (Span) masses on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 8am Saturdays (Eng) and 6:30pm Wednesdays (Eng). The weekend masses do book up in advance much quicker than the weekday masses. You can schedule anniversaries of deaths of loved ones, birthdays, wedding anniversaries or special intentions. Feel free to come to the Parish Office to schedule your mass(es) on Tues., Thurs. or Fri., from 9:00am - 4:00 pm. Suggested donation for a mass intention is \$10 per mass.



## USING SCRIP PAYS OFF!

*Saint Joseph Catholic Church received a scrip distribution rebate check for monies designated for our parish over the last year in the amount of \$573.37.*

There was also a notification from Kroger that **\$240.18** was given back to Saint Joseph for the quarter of April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018 due to the 84 households that use the Kroger scrip. *We are grateful to those who choose to buy scrip, to the faithful volunteers who sell after Masses and to our dear Denise Venderley for managing this program! It has been a great help to our Saint Joseph Parish Family!*

**Keep up the good work,  
and please encourage others to buy Scrip!**

## CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISM

Prior to celebrating a baptism for your child, parents and chosen godparents must attend a class about baptism. **Baptisms in Spanish will usually be celebrated in church on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00am.** (This might occasionally vary.)



**Please note: Children older than 7 years of age must be interviewed by the RCIA Coordinator.**

Las Clases en español para los bautismos se llevaran a cabo cada primer domingo del mes a la 1:30 pm (de haber algun cambio se le avisara). Por favor llame y deje un nombre y numero de contacto al telefono (260) 432-5113, ext. 340.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays - 9am until all are heard, or by Appointment. Call the parish office for an appointment for a mutual time with our priest.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education is for children who attend public schools in grades K-8. To fully prepare for sacraments, students need to begin classes no later than the beginning of 1<sup>st</sup> grade and remain enrolled through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Please contact **our Religious Education Director, Ana Ponce, in the Parish Office** for further details, 260-432-5113, ext. 319.

### RCIA

The Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults is a year around ongoing process preparing adults for full membership in the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation. Call the Pastor or the Parish Office for more information, **260-432-5113, ext 323.** Now (**anytime**) is the time to begin the process.

### MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made with the Pastor at least 6 months in advance. **Important: Please call the Parish Office before you book the reception hall - or - set a date.**

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office to reach a priest and arrange for the anointing when someone is ill or in the hospital. Remember that we pray for recuperation and healing.

### QUINCEAÑERAS

Classes are required of girls wishing to celebrate a quinceañera. Please call the Parish Office 6 months in advance of date and/or call Lorenza at 260.515.5162 to schedule the quinceañera and to sign up for classes.



### FAITH IN INDIANA

Faith In Indiana is beginning the next phase of our Families First effort by starting our Voter Engagement Campaign this Tuesday, August 28.

For the next 10 weeks, we will be doing voter canvassing in the area around our parish and in nearby neighborhoods. We need people who speak English and/or are fluent in Spanish to canvass with us. Please consider joining our effort.

We will meet here at St. Joseph from 6:00pm to 9:00pm on Tuesday evenings and at New Zion Tabernacle Church (1835 Spring St.) on Saturdays from 10am - 2pm.

For more information, contact Theresa Driscoll by email, [tkdriscoll@netzero.com](mailto:tkdriscoll@netzero.com) or at 747-7422. If Spanish speaking, call Jaime Palma at 260-414-7554.



*Celebrate the goodness of SJCS!*

Our mission is to create a spiritual community of learning that educates and inspires all to reach their God-given potential.

**Ms. Jordán's NEWS to KNOW**

Saint Joseph Catholic School still has openings in the following grades:

PRE-SCHOOL

2ND

4TH

7TH

8TH

Call the School Office at 260-432-4000 to schedule an appointment if interested in registering your child.

**A White Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Rhoades on Thursday, Oct. 18, at 6pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception for all in healthcare, and their families.**

A dinner arranged by the Catholic Medical Guild of Northeast Indiana will follow at nearby St. Mary, Mother of God Parish, Oechtering Hall.

Special guest speaker:  
Dr. Brandon Brown, speaking on "Caring for the Least Among Us."

Dinner cost is \$15.

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