

# St. Joseph Church

May 11, 2014 - 4th Sunday of Easter  
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## St. Joseph Parish

### Mission Statement

*We, the faith community of Saint Joseph Parish, open to the Spirit as disciples of Jesus Christ, proclaim, witness and celebrate the Kingdom of God among us, through service, healing and reconciling love.*



## *Masses for the Week*

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| <b>Monday, May 12,</b>    | 12:00 Noon | In reparation to Our Blessed Lord          |
| <b>Tuesday, May 13,</b>   | 12:00 Noon | Deceased members of Dominic Cassano Family |
| <b>Wednesday, May 14,</b> | 12:00 Noon | Frances Smokiel                            |
| <b>Thursday, May 15,</b>  | 12:00 Noon | Millard & Wilma Lefeld                     |
| <b>Friday, May 16,</b>    | 12:00 Noon | Florence & Russell Donauer                 |
| <b>Saturday, May 17,</b>  | 12:00 Noon | St. Joseph Parishioners                    |
|                           | 4:30 p.m.  | James Roeckner                             |
| <b>Sunday, May 18,</b>    | 10:00 a.m. | Patrick Somers                             |

**Parish Registration:** Call the rectory Monday thru Friday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

**Baptisms:** Call the rectory to schedule

**Weddings:** You must be a registered parish member for six months to set a date. Allow 6 months preparation time.

**Confessions:** Monday thru Saturday 11:30 am until 11:55 am

**Holy Day Mass:** Noon on the Holy day

### St. Joseph Staff

Rev. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S., Pastor  
Rev. Ken Pleiman, C.P.P.S., Assoc Pastor  
Rita Zimmerman, Business Manager  
Bill Baron, Maintenance

### Finance Council

Jim Bolton  
Harry Bossey  
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Jonathan Spowart

### Parish Council

Beth Anderson      John Ludwig  
Steve Byington      Cindy Luzar  
Gary Gregory      Janet Smith  
Michael Landry      Amy Spowart

## *A MOTHER'S LOVE*

*A Mother's love is something that no one can explain,  
It is made of deep devotion and of sacrifice and pain,  
It is endless and unselfish and enduring come what may  
For nothing can destroy it or take that love away . . .*

*It is patient and forgiving when all others are forsaking,  
And it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking . . .  
It believes beyond believing when the world around condemns,  
And it glows with all the beauty of the rarest, brightest gems . . .*

*It is far beyond defining, it defies all explanation,  
And it still remains a secret like the mysteries of creation . . .  
A many splendored miracle man cannot understand  
And another wondrous evidence of God's tender guiding hand.*

*~Helen Steiner Rice~*

## *St. Joseph Update*

*No Coffee and Donuts this Sunday*

*Congratulations to the Newly Weds*

*Greg and Loura Grant*

*Linden and Brittany Ballen*

*Eric and Katie Wiley*

### *First Communion*

We would like to recognize the children in our parish who will receive their First Communion this spring.

On May 24th, at the 4:30 Mass, the children and grandchildren of St. Joseph Parishioners who have received their First Communion this year are asked to wear their First Communion clothes and celebrate Mass with our parish family so that we can all share in their joy. If you have a child/grandchild who would like to participate, please call the rectory at 228-9272.

### *Spring Is Here And Its Time To Plant Flowers*

We will plant flowers in front of the church and rectory on May 17th at 9:00 a.m.. Come join the fun. All help is greatly appreciated.

## **Financial Information**

Collection for May 4th \$4421.00

Charity \$487.00 **Thank You!**

## *Prayer List*

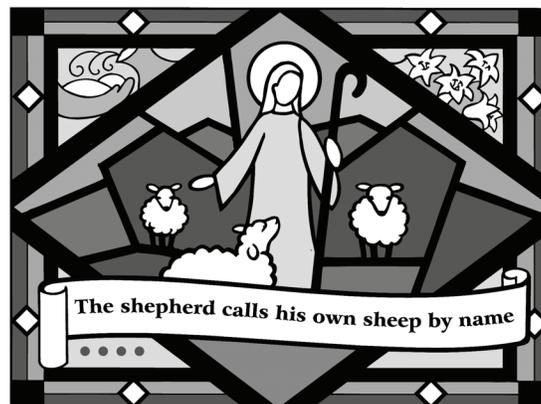
*Please keep the following people in your prayers.  
Please call the rectory if you would like someone  
added to the prayer list.*

*Patricia Bornhorst  
Greg Bowers  
Susan Busch  
Pamela Cabrera  
Fran & Al Dabrowski  
Nancy Dolan  
George Dopf  
Rachel Dudley  
Earl Evans Jr  
Mary Fiste  
Joseph Franchina  
Darrel Francis  
Gail Gaeth  
Clara Garza  
Richard Gill  
Dorothy Grant  
Jim Hanerty  
Bennett Hart*

*Marie Henry  
Brittany Keirns  
Robert Garrity  
Randy Kramer  
Chris Luehrs  
Lindsey Luehrs  
Milo Nickles  
Helen Moore  
Joe Moretto  
Robert Morris  
Clara Osman  
Anna Pole  
Stephanie Potter  
Thomas Pluckett  
Isaiah Ramsey  
Tony Riggs  
Ed Sullivan  
Betty Wenzel*

## Pastor's Corner

In today's reading from the gospel of St. John we are given a reflection on Jesus the Good Shepherd. The shepherd knows each of his sheep by name. It is his responsibility to lead the sheep to food and water; all the time offering them protection and care. It was not unusual for the shepherd to sleep at the entrance of the place where the sheep would rest. Jesus picks up on this image today as He refers to Himself as the sheep gate. Using this symbolic term Jesus is saying that He is our way to God. We must listen to him and follow the Good Shepherd wherever he leads us.



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A parent's love for their child mirrors for us the love that the Good Shepherd has for us: to love unconditionally, to sacrifice oneself as an act of love and to love even though such love is not deserved. On this Mother's Day we recall the love that a Mother has for her child a love that is rooted in the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The sacrificial love of Mary is seen in her willingness to allow God's Will to be done in her.

The word sacrifice comes from two Latin roots, sacer meaning "sacred" and facere which means "to make" or "to do". When we sacrifice ourselves we are being made holy by caring first for the needs of others rather than ourselves. As we heard in the First Letter of Peter, "Beloved: If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is grace before God."

One of the titles given to the Blessed Virgin Mary is "Gate of Heaven," an image similar to Jesus the sheep gate. St. Ambrose says that "Mary is the gate through which Christ entered the world." Scripture tells us that Mary conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and through her, our savior entered into this world. At the end of her life we believe that through the assumption Mary was taken up into heaven body and soul, the fulfillment of everlasting life and the resurrection of the body. This promise given to us by Jesus has been fulfilled in Mary.

In the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church #68 we read, "The Mother of Jesus in the glory which she possesses body and soul in heaven is the image and beginning of the Church as it is to be perfected in the world to come. Likewise, she shines forth on earth, until the day of the Lord shall come, a sign of certain hope and comfort to the Pilgrim People of God."



Today as we honor our mothers, living and deceased, we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary who with a mother's heart provides for the needs of her children and teaches us the meaning of living faithful, hope-filled lives rooted in God's covenant of love.

Fr. Angelo

### *SVdP Food Pantry*

Thank you so much for your continued support of our St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. The third weekend of each month the food pantry opens its door to those in need. To help ensure food and other items are available, we would like to encourage everyone to bring an item the second Sunday of each month. There will be boxes in church to put your items in.

Particular needs at this time include: canned meat (ham, chicken, tuna, etc.), toiletries (toothpaste, bar soap, shampoo, deodorant), dish soap, laundry detergent, sugar, spaghetti sauce, juices, cooking oil, instant mashed potatoes, crackers, boxed "helpers", canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, toilet paper and paper towels.

### *Catholic Relief Services*

Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Through your generosity families will be reunited, valuable life skills will be taught to those seeking a better life, and many will have vital humanitarian needs met. Please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) (search "Catholic Relief Services Collection") to learn how your donations make a difference and help Jesus in disguise.

**St. Joseph collected \$1561.00. Thank You!**

***Our SVDP Conference***, St. Joseph's Works of Mercy and Dayton Council 500 KOC will join together for a Charity Sale of household items, excluding clothing. Dates are May 15, 16 and 17th from 9:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the K of C Hall on Bainbridge St. Donations will be accepted on May 12, 13 and 14th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please contact Gail Miller 361-9576 with any questions or if you wish to volunteer to help. Help us make this joint charitable venture a success. Proceeds will benefit all three groups. Lunch and baked goods available.

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18  
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30  
Wednesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17  
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25,27; Jn 13:16-20  
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6  
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14  
Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

### *Divorce/Separated Ministry*

Sr. Victoria Vondenberger – "*Declaration of Nullity*" May 13, 7-9:00 pm. - Sr. Victoria will provide basic information on the procedures and why the Catholic Church has this practice. She will go through different cases so that attendees will know how to choose witnesses and be less fearful and even angry over the process. \$10 Fee

David Riley will help those experiencing divorce/separation navigate through the difficult transitions that this life event presents (anger, loneliness, confusion, disorientation...) and help them through the "forgiveness" that may need to be confronted and lead them to a transformation; to help them see the Hope and Healing and growth that can come from this complicated life event. May 21st & May 28th 7:00pm – 9:00pm, \$20 Fee for both evenings.

### *Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military*

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|----------------|----------------|
| Gary Eilers    | Cody Landers   |
| Greg Marcus    | Alex McGarvey  |
| David Musgrove | Jessica Pruitt |

### *Walking with the Apostles*

Congratulations, we're 75% of the way to Rome! This week's reading is about being patient when you are working hard doing something that is good for yourself, family, friends or community that you are gaining grace. That's a pretty good deal! So keep gaining grace by walking because it's good for you.

4th Sunday of Easter- Second Reading – 1

*Peter 2:20*

*"Beloved: If you are patient when you suffer for doing good, this is a grace before God."*

Miles last week: 171 miles, to date 2199 miles, and this is 75% of the journey.

### **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Mother's Day; World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
Monday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras  
Tuesday: Our Lady of Fatima  
Wednesday: St. Matthias  
Thursday: St. Isidore  
Saturday: Armed Forces Day