

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 29

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. Edward J. Schaefer + by Diane Humphrey
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 4:00 p.m. Confessions
- 4:35 p.m. Rosary
- 5:00 p.m. Mary Margaret Meyer + (mother of former parishioner Diane (Mark) Smith by Sue Hauptert

Sunday, April 30

- Third Sunday of Easter -

- 7:10 a.m. Rosary
- 7:30 a.m. Parish Family
- 9:40 a.m. Rosary
- 10:00 a.m. Mary Ellen Geimer + by Jack & Alice Brunton

Monday, May 1

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. Hildegard Schaefer + by Diane Humphrey
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary

Tuesday, May 2

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. Edward Schaefer + by Diane Humphrey
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 8:30 a.m. Confession

Wednesday, May 3

- 6:25 p.m. Rosary
- 6:45 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 7:00 p.m. Fr. Ken Sarrazine + by Family

Thursday, May 4

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Diane Humphrey Family by Diane Humphrey
- 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Adoration
- 6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 6:45 p.m. Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction
- 7:00 p.m. Mass

Friday, May 5

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. Ralph Nichter + by Joanne & Marianne Nichter
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary


Saturday, May 6

- 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:00 a.m. No Mass Intention
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary
- 4:00 p.m. Confessions
- 4:35 p.m. Rosary
- 5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, May 7

- Fourth Sunday of Easter -

- 7:10 a.m. Rosary
- 7:30 a.m. Gerald Beckman + by Family
- 9:40 a.m. Rosary
- 10:00 a.m. First Communion Children

 Bud & Sharon Miller, Ramon Villamil, Genevieve Lohmuller, Dolores Borton, Gloria Gordon, Becky Biberstein, Dennis Heyne, Fern Britton, James A. Yonker, Sr., Priscilla Rogers, Evelyn Morrissey, Betty Meyer, Ron Payne, David Carr, Larry Dustman, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Gary Cook, Michael Green, and George Bitzer.

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER, APRIL 30, 2017, YR. A,

From the Pastor's Desk:

THE WORD AND SACRAMENT; THE EMMAUS EPISODE

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, in the name of the Lord Jesus, I say, peace with you all. I want to congratulate all those who will be making their First Holy Communion next weekend, Sunday May 7, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Mass. They are: **Kolby Buckley, Ellie Coyne and Savannah Kinsey**. I will hear their 2nd Confessions after 7:30 a.m. Mass today April 30, 2017. Thanks to their parents, sponsors who stood by them. Thanks also to their Religious Education teachers and others who helped and prepared them very well. It was wonderful. I want to thank the DRE Michelle Paxton and all Catechists for their devotedness in Religious Education Classes which ends today Sunday. God bless you.

In the celebration of the Holy Mass we have two major parts: The Liturgy of the Word or the Table of the word and the Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist or the Table of the Holy Eucharist, (words and sign/Sacrament). Both are important to bring out the reality we celebrate. We grow in faith through the ministry of word that is, in reading our bible, listening attentively to homilies and their explanation and the celebration of the Eucharist, our Passover meal. In them we discover Christ the Lord and be saved.

Faith comes by hearing that is why it is important, that we need to read the Bible, read Catholic books and other good books and attend Mass, and listen to homilies. That is why St. Peter in the **1st Reading; Acts 2:14, 22-33**: stated strongly thus: "You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem. Let this be known to you, and listen to my word." He explained to them that Christ is the fulfillment of the promise God made to David their ancestor, and that all that David wrote about the Messiah the Christ were all seen and manifested in Christ Jesus,

In the Gospel; Lk 24:13-35: the episode of Jesus and the two of his disciples travelling to Emmaus brought clearly the two important parts of the Holy Mass. The Lord Jesus spoke the word to them teaching them from the Scripture and they listened attentively. So, they said; "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" And at table they came to recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread, the Holy Eucharist. Thus, we are nourished from the table of the Word and the table of the Holy Eucharist, (Word and sign/Sacrament). It is through these that we shall discover the risen Lord Jesus Christ and thus be saved. Let us always recognize Our Lord Jesus at the Eucharistic celebration.

God bless you Msgr. Pius N. Ilechukwu

Remember: "Heaven is for us all. I hope you are doing something"

EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, HOMEBOUND MINISTERS, LECTORS AND CANTORS

Please mark your calendars for the Evening of Reflection on Tuesday, June 13th. This important meeting is for ALL Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Homebound Ministers, Lectors and Cantors. We will meet in the social hall for dinner 6:00 - 6:35 p.m. then go to the Church for Evening of Reflection 6:45 - 7:30 p.m.

We all mold another's dreams. We all hold each other's fragile hopes in our hands.
We all touch others' hearts.

SCRIPTURE/MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon., May 1 - Third Week of Easter - St. Joseph the Worker - Acts 6:8-15/ Jn 6:22-29**
- Tues., May 2 - St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - Acts 7:51—8:1a/ Jn 6:30-35**
- Wed., May 3 - Sts. Philip and James, Apostles - 1 Cor 15:1-8/ Jn 14:6-14**
- Thurs., May 4 - Acts 8:26-40/ Jn 6:44-51**
- Fri., May 5 - Acts 9:1-20/ Jn 6:52-59**
- Sat., May 6 - Acts 9:31-42/ Jn 6:60-69**
- Sun., May 7 - Fourth Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:14a,36-41/ 1 Pt 2:20b-25/ Jn 10:1-10**



**PLEASE REMEMBER
IN YOUR PRAYERS**

These children who will be receiving Jesus for the first time in the Holy Eucharist on Sunday, May 7 at the 10:00 Mass, they are:

Kolby Buckley, son of Chris and Michelle buckley
Ellie Coyne, daughter of Kerry and Tracy Coyne

Savannah Kinsey, granddaughter of Julie Kinsey and daughter of Brooks Baumgartner and Shyanne Kinsey

Body of Christ, true Bread of Life, stay always in my heart.



**JERUSALEM CHRISTIAN FAMILIES
LAND OF PEACE**

Will be visiting St. Joseph's the weekend of May 6 and 7. Land of Peace is a nonprofit organization with the mission of helping and supporting Christian families in the Holy Land through the Patriarch of Jerusalem. Please help support them in their ministry.

**ANNUAL PARISH VOLUNTEER
APPRECIATION DINNER**

**Saturday, May 20, 2017
following 5:00 Mass**

The Annual Parish Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held Saturday, May 20, 2017 immediately following the 5:00 Mass. So that preparations may be made, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex if you and your family plan to attend. Thank you!



TINCAPS GAME!!

Hey Kids!

**Take Dad to the ball park for Father's Day!
Sunday, June 18- 1:05 p.m.**

There are still some seats left for the TinCaps game on Sunday, June 18th at 1:05 p.m. Call the Parish office to reserve yours today- 824-1380!



RUMMAGE SALE- Most Precious Blood Church- 1505 Barthold St., Fort Wayne, IN., Mohr Hall in the School basement- Thurs. & Fri., May 4 & 5- 9am-5pm. Sat., May 6- 9am-1pm

ST. JOSEPH'S 2017 PARISH CALENDAR

- Wed., May 3- Parish Council Meeting- 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., May 4- All Day- Adoration 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. / Evening Prayer- 6:30 p.m. / Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction- 6:45 p.m. / Mass- 7:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 7- First Communion Mass- 10:00 a.m.
- Sat., May 20- Parish Volunteer Appreciation Dinner- 6:00 p.m. (after 5:00 Mass)- Sign up on the sheet in the narthex.
- Sun., June 11- Graduation Mass- 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., June 13- Evening Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers, Homebound Ministers, Lectors and Cantors- 6:00 - 6:35 dinner in social hall; 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. reflection in the Church.
- Sun., June 18- Eucharistic Procession for Corpus Christi Sunday- 8:30 a.m.
- Sun., June 18- TINCAPS game- Parkview Field- 1:05 p.m.
- Sun., June 25- June 29- Vacation Bible School
- Fri., June 30- VBS Carry-in/Pool Party at Wells Comm. Pool- all are invited and welcome!

WEEKEND OF May 6 and 7, 2017

CANTORS:

- 5:00** Nichole Decker
- 7:30** Mike Morrissey
- 10:00** Nancy Leitz- **First Holy Communion Mass/Choir Mass**

LECTORS:

- 5:00** Stacey Coulardot
- 7:30** Carol Butler
- 10:00** Michelle Paxton

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

- 5:00** Dan/Beth Gordon, Sara Bear
- 7:30** Sherry Makowski, Barb Ault, Jill Morrissey
- 10:00** Missy Huss, Rick Singer, Larisa Sudhoff, Diana Cole, Steve Higgins, Sandy Smythe

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

- 5:00** **Volunteers!!!**
- 7:30** Doug/Janet Lehman
- 10:00** Knights of Columbus

SERVERS:

- 5:00** Allison Bear, McKenna McNabb, Emma Roembke
- 7:30** Jeremy Mayer, Mitchel or Justin Mayer, Oriana Makowski
- 10:00** Sophia Emrah, Kody/Cassie Coyne

**Collection for Weekend of
April 22/23, 2017**

- Adult Envelopes- \$3,902.00
- Child Envelopes- \$34.62
- Loose- \$160.00
- Religious Ed. Fund- \$25.00
- Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$20.00
- Easter Offering- \$102.00
- Kobryn Funeral Donation- \$331.00
- Votive Candles- \$95.32
- Total- \$4,669.94**

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

We are \$446.46 behind budget from last week.

**Other Collections within
our Parish-
St. Vincent de Paul Fund-
\$30.00**

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



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING
Tuesday, May 9 - Rosary at 6:40 p.m.
Meeting at 7:00**



ST. JOSEPH CCW MEETING

The St. Joseph CCW meeting will be Tuesday, May 9 at Sassafras at 6:00 p.m. This will be our last meeting, as we do not meet during the summer months of June, July and August, however there will be a "planning" meeting in August for officers. The next regular CCW meeting will be Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the social hall. **All women of St. Joseph's are welcome and invited to attend meetings and dinner! Please join us on May 9 at Sassafras at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and fellowship! Call Mary Ann Flowers at 824-1132 by May 5th if you plan to attend.**

**ALL DAY ADORATION/ EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT AT ST. JOSEPH, BLUFFTON**



Thursday, May 4, 2017 - 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. / Evening Prayer- 6:30 p.m. / Litany of the Eucharist/ Benediction- 6:45 p.m. / Mass- 7:00 p.m.
Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex if you plan to come and spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This helps us plan the day making sure Jesus is not left alone while exposed on the altar. Thank you!