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Saturday—5 PM Sunday—8 & 10:30 AM

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Saturday 4-4:45 PM

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JULY 6, 2025, FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear friends,

It's all hands on board these next few weeks as we make our big push to sell chicken dinner tickets. Thanks to those who have stepped forward to sell extra tickets. Remember, every little bit helps. Our goal is to sell 2500 tickets. So are we have sold about 400 tickets so we have a ways to go.

Special thanks to our lawn mowing crews that have braved the hot and humid weather to keep our parish campus looking so

great. Your reward will be great! Special thanks to all the folks who have stepped forward to help us clean the school and get it ready for another school year.

This past June we ended our current fiscal year. Right now we have been hitting people with a lot of different financial appeals, raffle tickets, dinner tickets, rebuilding our church

campaign pledges, supporting our all the while asking folk to contribute to our weekly collection. I know that can be a bit overwhelming. I continue to be very grateful for the financial support you have given over the years.

If you review the weekly financial report in our bulletin you will notice that we have missed our budgeted collection needs for the years. Our year to date totals for the current year are actually below our collections totals for the same

period last year. Now is a good time to make up for the weeks you may have missed with your weekly offerings. Remember that there are several ways you can make your weekly contributions.

- 1. Sending your contribution to us through the mail. You can use any of the stamped envelopes we send you in the mail. If you need our parish address, here it is: St. Joseph Church 6202 W. St. Joseph Rd, Evansville, IN 47720
- 2. You can also set up an automatic withdrawal from your checking or savings account. Call the parish office (812-963-3273) and we'll walk you through the process.
- **3.** You can also donate online through our diocesan website. www.evdio.org. At the top of the menu options on the main page, click on the last menu option on the right: "Sunday Collection Giving."

May the great example of generosity of so many in our parish continue to inspire us all to be generous with what we have been given.

ABOUT PAID WE have continued our work with ur brother

With your help we have continued our work with ur brothers and sisters in St. James in Haiti. Our hearts are heavy knowing all the things they are having to cope with on a daily basis. Our hearts are heavy too knowing that there are Haitians in our country who hare losing their Temporary Protected Status.

Facing incredible difficulties, ordinary Haitians continue on. One such person that we remember is the contributions and holiness of the Venerable Pierre Toussaint, the Haitian-American philanthropist who died on June 30, 1853. He was born into slav-



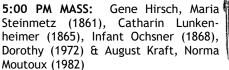
ery in Haiti, but in the early days of the Haitian Revolution, the Catholic couple who claimed ownership of Toussaint brought him and four other slaves to New York City, where slavery was still a firmly entrenched institution. At the age of 45, he was freed, and took the surname "Toussaint," in honor of the leader of the Revolution. He became a successful hairdresser, and bought the freedom of his sister, Rosalie. For 66 years, he attended daily Mass, and he and his wife opened their home to many orphans. They also opened a credit bureau, an employment agency, and a sanctuary for priests and poor travelers.

He was famous for risking his life to nurse quarantined cholera patients during an epidemic in New York City. He is the first layperson buried in the crypt of St. Patrick's Cathedral. "I have enough for myself, but if I stop work, I will not have enough for others," he wrote. May his example inspire us in our service to others!

Leaning into the journey of life, Fr. Gene Schroeder

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

SATURDAY, JULY 5 **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY** IN ORDINARY TIME





SUNDAY, JULY 6 **FORTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**

8:00 AM MASS: Robert & Margie Harpenau, Dean Trowbridge, Akex Trowbridge, Chris Anderson, Henry & Genevieve Kares, Ted Kares, Henriella & Tony Montgomery, Wilma (2019) & Cyril Ubelhor, for the needs of all the people in our parish 10:30 AM MASS: Sr. Mary Leon Baehl, OSB, Richard & Linda Herrell, William and Henrietta Herrell, Bernard Rexing (1882), Larry & Stella Ubelhor

MONDAY, JULY 7 WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:30 PM MASS: Infant Schilly (1865), Anthony Weigand (1869), George Kawe (1873), Maria Helfrich (1893), Sr. Rosalia O.S.B. (Clara Reising) (1965), Jacob (1985) & Jean Lannert

TUESDAY, JÚLY 8 **WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 AM MASS: Herman & Veronica Behnen, Joseph (1932) & Louise Macke, Rowen Enlow (1958), Mary Kibby (1989), Carolyn (2001) & Jim Garvin

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9 **WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 AM MASS: Edward Rexing (1893), Albert Smith (1958), Paul (2001) & Alma Schapker, Roberta (2020) & Leo Waninger

THURSDAY, JULY 10 WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NO MASS: Henry Malkers (1860), Anna Bender (1891), Mark Schneider (1958)

FRIDAY, JULY 11 FEAST OF ST, BENEDICT

7:30 AM MASS: Valentine Freyhaut (1879), Ethel Helfrich (1971), Albert Woodward (1974), Anna Bender (1982), Karen Elpers (2014)

SATURDAY, JULY 12 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM MASS: Catherine Grider, Lena Spahn, Agatha Fischer (1870), Agatha Broermann (1895), Francis (1990) & Viola Englert

SUNDAY, JULY 13 FIFTEEN SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM MASS: Christine Pedo, Geneveive & Henry Kares, Darren Drone (1988), Jerry Drone, Jerry Cain, Clarence



Goebel (1912), Charlie (2019) & Doris Head (2019)

10:30 AM MASS: Anna Jenkins, Joe Stith, Justina (1983) & Edward Weiss, Henry Weiss, Tony and Violet Weiss, Leroy & Rose Weiss, Leo & Marie Gumbel, For the needs of all the people in our parish,



Please remember in your prayers Chris Anderson the niece of Danny Kares and Berta Kares, and *Christine Pedo*, the mother of Christopher Pedo who died this past week. May God grant them eternal rest and may His peace be with all the members of their family and friends.

STEWARDSHIP: The Lord's Way

"The harvest is rich," Jesus tells the seventy-two in today's Gospel, "but the workers are few." The situation is the same today. How can I help with God's harvest? Am I called into the field? Am I one who could provide food or shelter or wages to those who toil in the fields of the Lord?



June 29, 2025	\$ 17,871.70
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$ 15,350.00
TOTAL INCOME TO DATE	\$ 730,347.73
BUDGET TO DATE	\$ 782,850.00
CHILDREN'S COLLECTION	\$ 9.00
MAINTENANCE COLELCTION	\$ 10.00

Saluting our young stewards: Peter, Paul, Beatrice, Bernadette and John Reckelhoff

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

HAITI	\$	25.00
HAITI STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS	\$	251.30
VLADIVOSTOK MISSION ST. VINCENT DEPAUL	\$	289.00 5.00
	\$	
PETER'S PENCE	\$	5.00

May we continue to be blessed by your faithful financial support. to our parish and to our outreach ministries. Remember that you can SEND YOUR COLLECTION THROUGH THE MAIL:

St. Joseph Church 6202 W. St. Joseph Rd. Evansville, IN 47720 REBUILDING OUR CHURCH CAMPAIGN

TOTAL PLEDGED \$805,572.00 **RECEIVED TO DATE** \$ 792,820,23

Your monthly packet of collection envelopes now includes a "Rebuilding our Church Campaign" envelope which you can use to make your pledge contributions.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOME

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HOLIDAY RETIREMNT VILLAGE: Anna Mae Gries

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HAMILTON POINTE: Carolyn Pfaffman

EVANSVILLE PROTESTANT HOME: Mary Lou Davis

JULY 6: Blake Bishop, Amy Elpers, Jackie Elsner, Alma Scheller, Heaven Stetter

JULY 7: Michael Coughlin, Kevin Elpers,

Ali Niemeier, Rylee PUL, Kathy Werinzapfel

JULY 8: Moichelle Shane, Crystal York JULY 9: Alison Knight, Herman Schmitt

JULY 10: Nancy Angermeier, Stephanie Hostettler

JULY 11: Marcia Frey, Lorri Fritch,

Amelia Harl, Jeannine Schumate, Bryan Will,

Steve Willis, Rockie Wolfe JULY 12: Sherry Dile, Melissa Gillenwater, Amelia Minor

JULY 8: Mike & Neringa Clark, Eric & Jill Waninger

JULY 12: Brian & Jenny Elpers, Zak & Stephanie Tanner

JUNE LOTTERY WINNERS ST. JOE: \$750-Jane Scheller, \$300-Keith & Carrie Fehrenbacher, \$200-Brent & Kelly Lyke, \$100-MATER DEI TRADITION \$10,000 - Karen Hin-Theresa Chapman derliter, \$1,500 - Randy & Sally Shappell, \$1,000 - Mike & Martha Bohleber, \$500- Isaac Marx

COME JOIN THE FUN AT THESE SUMMER SOCIALS

St. Francis Xavier (Vincennes)—July 13 St. Matthew (Mt. Vernon)—July 13

St. Wendel Knights – July 17, 18, & 19 St. James-August 3

St. Phillip-August 9 & 10

St. Francis of Assisi (Mariah Hill)-August 10





HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

WEEKEND OF JULY 3-0. 5 FM. (L) Sis Jarboe, (EM) Sis & Katie WEEKEND OF JULY 5-6: 5 PM: Jarboe, Diane Woods Donna Niemeier 8 AM (L) Dave Schmitt

LECTOR (L) EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS (EM) (EM) Tom and Dolores Folz, Imogene Baehl Michael Elpers 10:30 AM (L) Chad ZMartin (EM) Shane Wessel Debra Baumgart, Al Debes, Angie Will WEEKEND OF JULY 12-13 5 PM (L) Susie Schapker, (EM) Peter and Jodi Fehrenbacher, Mary Loehrlein Eric Reffett 8 AM (L) Josh Baehl (EM) Randy and Kathy Fehrenbacher, Chick Duncan Marcia Frey 10:30 AM (L) Jane Scheller (EM) Diane Bassemier. Doris Taylor. Danielle Weledge Debra

COUNTDOWN TO OUR SUMMER SOCIAL--JULY 27



Now is the time to be selling/ buying your chicken dinner tickets. Can you help sell extra chicken dinner tickets? Call, text us (812-499-9074) and let us know how many more tickets you need, and

TICKETS we will get them to you. You can ARE \$15 pick up tickets at the parish office as well.

Mark your calendar for Monday, July 14. That is the day we will make the dumplings. We'll start at 7 am. Come with a rolling pin and/or pizza cutter. No experi-



1st Prize \$10.000

TICKETS \$25

5 /--\$100

ence necessary. We'll teach you everything you need to know. High School students—this is a great way to fulfill your service hour requirements for the year!

SUMMER SOCIAL RAFFLE UPDATE

So far, 257 families have sold their \$15,000 in prizes packet of raffle tickets and raised \$53,695.00. What a great response so far.

2nd Prize \$2,500 Can you help us by selling more 3rd – 6th Prizes tickets? Call/text us and we'll get the tickets to you. \$500 Each

who have returned their tickets

Thanks to the following families (partial listing)

Allen & Barb Rexing Eric & Karen McDonald Shane & Jena Wessel Mark & Charlotte Schmitt Bill & Diane Layman Theresa Woodward Anna Mae Gries James & Judy Raben Al & Janet Debes Debbie Collins Phil & Becky Dosher Svlvia Reckelhoff Dennis & Bobbie Gibbs Dave & Charlotte Schlichting Fred & Mary Happe Ron & Donna Miller Jim & Jane Scheller Berta Kares

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Margaret Effinger Congratulations to our early bird winner: Rich Harpenau

THE LOVE OF THE HEART OF JESUS

We continue reading from Pope Francis' recent letter to the church "On the Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ."

The natural desire to console Christ, which begins with our sorrow in contemplating what he endured for us, grows with the honest acknowledgment of our bad habits, compulsions, attachments, weak faith, vain goals and, together with our actual sins, the failure of our hearts to respond to the Lord's love and his plan for our lives. This experience proves purifying, for love needs the purification of tears that, in the end, leave us more desirous of God and less obsessed with ourselves.

In this way, we see that the deeper our desire to console the Lord, the deeper will be our sincere sense of "compunction". Compunction is "not a feeling of guilt that makes us discouraged or obsessed with our unworthi-

ness, but a beneficial 'piercing' that purifies and heals the heart. Once we acknowledge our sin, our hearts can be opened to the working of the Holy Spirit, the source of living water that wells up within us and brings tears to our eyes... This does not mean weeping in self-pity, as we are so often tempted to do... To shed tears of compunction means seriously to repent of grieving God by our sins; recognizing that we always remain in God's debt... Just as drops of water can wear down a stone, so tears can slowly soften hardened hearts. Here we see the miracle of sorrow, that 'salutary sor-



row' which brings great peace... Compunction, then, is not our work but a grace and, as such, it must be sought in prayer." It means, "asking for sorrow in company with Christ in his sorrow, for anguish with Christ in his anguish, for tears and a deep sense of pain at the great pains that Christ endured for my sake".

I ask, then, that no one make light of the fervent devotion of the holy faithful people of God, which in its popular piety seeks to console Christ. I also encourage everyone to consider whether there might be greater reasonableness, truth and wisdom in certain demonstrations of love that seek to console the Lord than in the cold, distant, calculated and nominal acts of love that are at times practised by those who claim to possess a more reflective, sophisticated and mature faith.

Consoled ourselves in order to console others

In contemplating the heart of Christ and his self-surrender even to death, we ourselves find great consolation. The grief that we feel in our hearts gives way to complete trust and, in the end, what endures is gratitude, tenderness, peace; what endures is Christ's love reigning in our lives. Compunction, then, is not a source of anxiety but of healing for the soul, since it acts as a balm on the wounds of sin, preparing us to receive the caress of the Lord.

Our sufferings are joined to the suffering of Christ on the cross. If we believe that grace can bridge every distance, this means that Christ by his sufferings united himself to the sufferings of his disciples in every time and place. In this way, whenever we endure suffering, we can also experience the interior consolation of knowing that Christ suffers with us. In seeking to console him, we will find ourselves consoled.

At some point, however, in our contemplation, we should likewise hear the urgent plea of the Lord: "Comfort, comfort my people!" (Is 40:1). As Saint Paul tells us, God offers us consolation "so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction, with the consolation by which we ourselves are consoled by God" (2 Cor 1:4).

This then challenges us to seek a deeper understanding of the communitarian, social and missionary dimension of all authentic devotion to the heart of Christ. For even as Christ's heart leads us to the Father, it sends us forth to our brothers and sisters. In the fruits of service, fraternity and mission that the heart of Christ inspires in our lives, the will of the Father is fulfilled. In this way, we come full circle: "My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit" (Jn 15:8). TO BE CONTINUED

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