

THE FESTIVAL BULLETIN BOARD

May 14, 15, and 16

IT'S ALMOST HERE!

ST. JOSEPH SPRING FESTIVAL!!!

Our Parish Festival is a chance for us to work together as one to raise not only money but Parish spirit! Running Friday, May 14 to Sunday, May 16, the festival offers many great activities for the whole family. It kicks off at **5:00 pm May 14** with rides, games and food.

Advance Ride Tickets

Advance Ride Tickets are **NOW AVAILABLE!** Plan ahead and save some money—**20 tickets for just \$9.00.** They are available at the following locations: **Deans Dry Cleaning and Laundry** (20 W. Broadway St.), **Knights of Columbus** (413 E. South St.), **Mathies Landscaping** (525 E. Hendricks St.), **Quality Cleaners** (240 E. Broadway St.), and **Sanders Jewelry** (16 S. Harrison St.). **St. Joe School will sell advance ride tickets from May 3—14 only.**

Opportunities to Help

Putting on an event of this size requires a cooperative spirit and a LOT of hard work. If you are interested in volunteering, the sign-up sheets are in the narthex in the back of church. You may also contact the festival chairpersons, Don and Michelle Lux, at mlux@att.blackberry.net or 317-919-9836 (Michelle) or 317-797-3065 (Don) to learn about volunteer opportunities. If you need service hours, this is a great way to earn some!

Giving Tree

A BIG THANK YOU to all the individuals who have donated items from the Giving Tree and to the businesses that have made contributions. These donations help offset the costs of running the festival.

New This Year

For those 21 years of age and older, there is some new entertainment at the festival this year. It's **Monte Carlo Night** on **Friday** from 6:30—10:30 pm in the gym with free admission. On **Saturday** night, local band **Push/Play** is in concert from 8:00—10:00 pm; doors open at 6:30 pm. Advance tickets for Push/Play are on sale for \$5.00 at Knights of Columbus, Mathies Landscaping, and St. Joseph School. The **Beer Garden** sponsored by Cork Liquors is open both nights starting at 6:30 pm.

Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets are on sale for \$1 per chance. Grand prize is \$1,000 cash; 2nd prize is a beautiful ladies' white gold and blue/white diamond ring donated by Sanders Jewelry; 3rd prize is \$500 cash. Additional prizes include a Mathies Landscaping gift certificate and much more! Final drawing for the raffle will be on Sunday, May 16, at 6:00 pm. **If you have NOT returned your sold raffle tickets OR want to buy more, visit the Raffle Booth during the Festival.**

All Kinds of Great Food

There will be food for all tastes at this year's festival. Back by popular demand are the original **Chuckwagon** and the **Snack Booth** with a variety of festival favorites, including deep-fried creations. **LaCocina** with authentic Mexican food staffed by the Hispanic Ministry is continuing their **dinner specials** both Friday and Saturday nights. **Friday's dinner** is chili Mexican style (mild and hot) with nachos for just \$5.00. **Saturday's dinner** is fajitas with vegetables, rice, beans and a dessert for \$9.50.

The festival's two special dinners are back again this year. The **Pork Chop Dinner** is on **Friday** night at 6:00 pm. The mouth-watering **Barbecue Chicken Dinner** returns on **Saturday** night and will be available after the 5:00 pm Mass.

Don't forget about the **Homemade Turkey Dinner** on **Sunday**, May 16th, at the Knights of Columbus. Dinner will be served from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Cost is \$11.00 adult and \$5.00 children (under 10). Carryout dinners are available!

Help Spread the Word

Fliers advertising the festival and turkey dinner can be found at the exits of church this weekend. Please take a few and post them at work or ask some of the businesses you patronize to display them.

A Great Big Thank You

We could not pull off a festival without the help of the entire parish and some great local businesses. Here are some (but not all) of the businesses who've donated services, money or goods to this year's festival: Murphy Parks Funeral Home, Sanders Jewelry, Mathies Landscaping, Indiana Live!, Cork Liquors, Cholula Mexican Restaurant, El Meson Mexican Restaurant, Studio 10 Cinemas, and Shelbyville Parks & Recreation. If you patronize these local businesses, please thank them for their support of our parish.

(Note: The next festival committee meeting is May 12th at 6:00 pm.)