

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF ST. MAURICE, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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MASS SCHEDULE

TUE: 6:00 PM at St. Maurice
WED: 8:00 AM at St. John
THUR: 6:00 PM at IC
FRI: 8:00 AM at St. John
SAT: 8:00 AM at St. John
(Holy Hour One Hour Prior to All Masses Listed Above.)

SATURDAY VIGIL

4:00 PM at St. Maurice
5:00 PM at St. John

SUNDAY OBLIGATION

7:30 AM at St. John
9:00 AM at IC
10:00 AM at St. Maurice

ADORATION EVERY FRIDAY

9:00 AM-12:00 PM at St. Maurice
12:00 PM-3:00 PM at IC
3:00 PM-6:00 PM at St. John

ROSARY

Mondays 10:30 AM
at Immaculate Conception

CONFESSION TIMES

ST. JOHN: Friday 3:00-4:00 PM
Saturday 4:45 PM

IC: Thursday 5:10 PM-5:25 PM
After Sunday Mass

ST. MAURICE: 15 minutes before
weekend Masses

+ **Baptism** is scheduled by appointment. Call your parish office for information about sacramental preparation.

+ The Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months of preparation. Call your parish office before setting your wedding date.

+ The Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request. Please call your parish office to schedule a visit.

AREA PARISH NEWS

"THE MYSTIC NEXT DOOR": ED JOZSA
TALK AT ST. ANTHONY, MORRIS

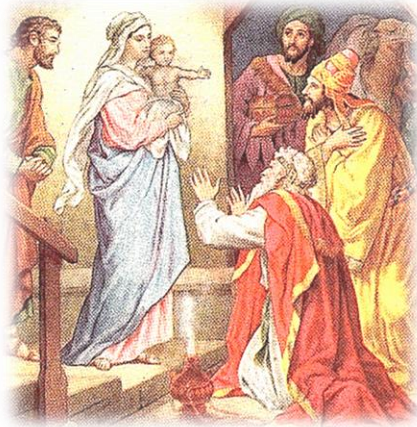
SATURDAY, JANUARY 8 ~ 7:00 PM

A few years ago, he was in a head-on collision that should have killed him. During and after the accident, Ed experienced profound mystical visions of a place he can only describe as "forever", along with a pit of vile creatures and a timeless experience with the Holy Spirit. He spent nearly a year trying everything he could to prove his visions weren't real, but nothing of this world could explain what happened. Get ready for an amazing journey into life, death, suffering and the awesome power of God.

JANUARY 7 ~ THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE?

Today's Gospel answers this question quite definitively: No! Not everyone saw the guiding star in the sky. Not even those who, presumably, knew the prophecy found in the reading from Isaiah. That ancient prophet announced to the people of Jerusalem: "Your light has come" (Isaiah 60:1). In fact, he promised them they would be so embraced by that light, they themselves would shine brightly with its radiance. But when the time came, not everyone saw it. Or, having seen it, they did not recognize it.



The people of Jesus' time were not ignorant of these prophecies. They knew what they meant and to whom they referred. Consequently, when the stargazers who saw the light inquired about it, those to whom they inquired knew where to send them. So, what was the problem? Why were those men in Jerusalem not excited about the star? A new king meant a rival king, and those who had power weren't eager to relinquish it.

We know that not everyone in Israel rejected Jesus. Shepherds had already thrilled at this birth. Someone in Bethlehem had opened his stable to this Child and his parents. Now we add the stargazers from another country. It seems the invitation to come to him is extended to all: political and religious leaders, the unsophisticated and marginalized, the established homeowner, the foreigners in our midst. They are all asked: "Did you see what I saw? What do you think of him?" † Sr. Dianne Bergant

SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

JANUARY 7	JANUARY 14	JANUARY 21
Lawrence & Lillian Lustig	Floyd & Erma Harlemert	Keith & Barb Coyner

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Jan. 6 - Walter and Annabelle Busch
Sunday, Jan. 7 - Gene Simon
Saturday, Jan. 13 - Charles Simon
Sunday, Jan. 14 - Richard Wagner
Saturday, Jan. 20 - Chad White
Sunday, Jan. 21 - Pauline Wittkemper

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2512.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 24.25
Loose Collection	\$ 509.00
Total Regular Collection	\$3045.25
Capital Improvement	\$429.00
Christmas Offering	\$175.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$120.00
Religious Retirement	\$50.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!	

LITURGICAL MINISTRY LIST

	Sat., Jan. 13 - 4:00 PM	Sun., Jan. 14 - 10:00 AM	Sat., Jan. 20 - 4:00 PM	Sun., Jan. 21 - 10:00 AM
GREETERS	Paul Simon Joe Wagner	Tom & Joyce Muckerheide	Dennis Wagner Brian Horan	Kevin Tunny Steve Wagner
SERVER(S)	Allie Harmeyer Sam Simon	Macy Kinker	Morgan Busch	Mason Ryder
LECTOR(S)	Terry Harmeyer	Cindy Weisenbach Ken Powaga	Jack Ferkinhoff	Amanda Schutte Amy Kinker
GIFTS	Chris & Valorie Parker	Jerry & Emily Meyer	Mark & Rosie Lunsford	Todd & Jamie Nobbe
EUCCHARIST MINISTERS	⊕ Judy Steuri Terry Harmeyer (Hall) Beth Simon Rita Kress	⊕ Vicki Wagner Kevin Tunny (Hall) Scott Simon Susan Schutte	⊕ Terry Harmeyer Roseann Wirth (Hall) Janet Wagner Judy Steuri	⊕ Susan Schutte Leslie Hicks (Hall) Katie Spreckelson Vicki Wagner



Please Remember in Prayer: Rosemary Mistler, Lou Wolter, Frances Borgman, Frances Werner, Eileen Wagner, Sue Tunny, Mary Busch, Sandy Wenning, and Evette Jackson.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer line, please call Arlene Gehl (812-614-3388) or Marita Billman (812-593-4674).

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST – Congratulations to **Eldrick Joseph Wagner**, son of Andrew and Cara Wagner, who was baptized last Sunday, December 31, the Feast Day of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Welcome, Eldrick Joseph!

NO WEEKDAY MASSES – There will be no weekday Masses or Holy Hours at any of the cohort parishes from January 2-24, while Fr. Binu is visiting his family in India. He will resume celebrating Mass on Thursday, January 25, at Millhousen.

There will be a Mass and Holy Hour at St. Maurice on Tuesday, January 30, as normal. Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue throughout the month.

YOUTH OUTING – The youth group will be going tubing at Perfect North Slopes on Sunday, January 21, leaving St. Maurice after the 10:00 AM Mass. Please let Joyce know by the second week in January if you plan on coming.

BLOOD DRIVE – The Napoleon Winter Community Blood Drive will be held in our parish hall on Monday, February 5. Appointment times are 12:00 until 2:00 PM, and 3:30 until 6:00 PM. You can schedule your appointment online at hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon, or you can call Arlene Gehl at 812-614-3388.

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS ED – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5 will resume Wednesday, January 10, 6:45 PM.

JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED – Classes for Grades 6 through 11 next Sunday, January 14, 8:30 AM.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS – The Magi humbled themselves before the unheard-of logic of God. They welcomed the Lord not the way they had imagined him to be, but as he was, small and poor. Their prostration is the sign of those who place their own ideas aside and make room for God. It takes humility to do this. (*January 6, 2022*)

PRAYER – Lord Jesus, so that all believers may dwell in the light, walk in the light, and be witnesses to the light, we pray—Be born in us, be born in our world. Amen. (The Redemptorists)

The invitation to come to Jesus is extended to all: political and religious leaders, the unsophisticated, everyone in our midst.

ST. MARY PRESCHOOL – St. Mary will be hosting a Preschool Open House on Monday, January 15, 2:00–6:00 PM, 1331 E. Hunter Robbins Way Greensburg, IN. We anticipate your visit to take approximately 15 - 20 minutes.

The St. Mary's preschool experience involves a hands-on approach in a Christ-centered environment. We offer either morning or afternoon sessions and students must be 4 years old by August 1, 2024. We ask that only the prospective preschool students and parents attend. Please enter the school through door #1.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:

- + Jan. 29–Feb. 2: Registration for current St. Mary's Pre-K students and current staff members
- + Feb. 5–9: Registration for current St. Mary's school families or Daycare families
- + Feb. 12–16: Registration for members of St. Mary's or St. Catherine of Siena Parish
- + Feb. 19–23: Open registration for all others, where available space permits

*** All Pre-K registrations will be online this year. If you cannot attend Open House and would like registration information, please contact us at preschool@stmarysgreensburg.com or call the school at 812-663-2804.

St. Mary's School also offers a full-time daycare to help meet the needs of our students and their families. Some families utilize the daycare during the time the student is not in preschool. We will do our best to accommodate individual needs. Daycare information will also be available at the Open House.

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – A reader in Covington, LA, told Smiley Anders, columnist for the Baton Rouge (LA) Advocate that when his two sons were very little, they loved two things: Christmas and the movie "Star Wars."



During the 1970s, the man invited the entire family, including the boys' uncles and aunts, to a Christmas party at his house. He sat the boys down and instructed them to be on their best behavior when the family arrived.

When the family arrived and saw the Christmas tree, an aunt yelled, "That is sacrilege! Those kids are hooligans!"

The boys had surrounded the manger with Star Wars storm troopers and had arrested the shepherd and hung him from the tree.

They explained to their Dad that they were playing a game, "protecting Mary and Joseph." (*The Joyful Noiseletter*)

January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY No JH/HS Religious Ed Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM Hall Rented - No Mass in Hall	SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD  9:00 AM Mass at St. John NEW YEAR'S DAY	No Holy Hour No Mass	No Elementary Religious Education Classes		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM Pickpockets
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Mass - 10:00 AM Pickpockets	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	No Holy Hour No Mass	Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM	Martin Luther King Day	No Holy Hour No Mass	FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM Youth Outing to Perfect North Slopes	DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN	No Holy Hour No Mass	FEAST OF OUR LADY OF PEACE Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM	FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
JH/HS Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM		<u>THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH</u> For the Gift of Diversity in the Church: We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.	