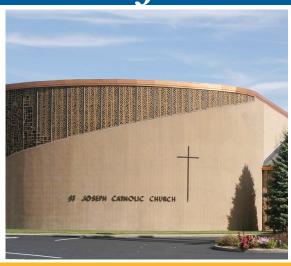
St. Joseph & St. Bernard



ST. JOSEPH

410 S. Race, Princeton, IN 47670

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Parish Council President: Angie Walden

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School Principal: Lynde Anquillare
School Secretary: Linda Yeryar
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MASS SCHEDULE

7:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Wednesday - Friday 8:15 a.m.

Adoration

Second Friday of month (24 hrs.) 9 a.m. - 9 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesdays 5:00-5:45 p.m. Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

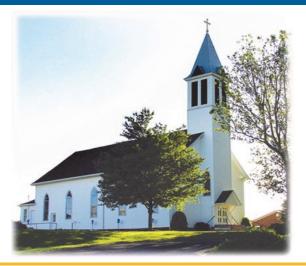
Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Call the parish office at least six months in advance.

Sacrament of the Sick:

Administered annually and by appointment.



ST. BERNARD

5342 E. State Road 168, Ft. Branch, IN 47648

Pastor: Fr. Gary Kaiser
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Thursday 6:00 p.m.

Adoration

First Friday of each month 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sundays 8:00-8:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Call the parish office at least six months in advance of wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick:

Administered annually and by appointment.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021

No Mass

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021

6:00 p.m. † Charles Matthew Goldbach

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021

8:15 a.m. † Jim Sievers

2:00 p.m. † Living & Deceased Members

of the Helmick Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021

8:15 a.m. † Rita Prunty

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2021

8:15 a.m. † Lila Simon

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2021

7:00 a.m. † James Warren Lanham 4:00 p.m. St. Joseph & St. Bernard

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021

10:30 a.m. † Bob Kirchoff

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Saturday, December 11 - 4:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Tony Thompson Lector: Rick Coleman **Extraordinary Minister:**

Mary Halbig **David Memmer**

Shelby Thompson **Servers:**

Shane Thompson

Usher: Jeff Koberstein

Presenters: Charles Ingram Family **Greeters:** Chris Halbig Family (A)

Jared Halbig Family (B)

Sunday, December 12 - 10:30 a.m.

Sacristan: Frank Creedon Lector: Stephen Kissel **Extraordinary Ministers:**

Elaine Fortner

Phil Perry

Cortney Dove Servers: Seth Cochren

Usher: Frank Creedon

Presenters: Bryan Edwards Family

Greeters: Rob Dunn Family (A)

Bryan Edwards Family (B)

Ken Halbig Family (C)

Scrips: Angie Paul Linda Yeryar **Scrips:**

Greeters:

(A) Bell Tower Entrance (B) Stormont Street Entrance (C) Chapel Entrance

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, December 5

9:00 a.m. RCIA in Celestin Center

Monday, December 6

9:00 a.m. Josephines meet in the

Celestin Center

6:00 p.m. Crochet Group meets in the

Parish Center

Tuesday, December 7

6:45 p.m. Advent Reconciliation Service 7:00 p.m. Euchre in the Celestin Center

Wednesday, December 8

9:00 a.m. Quilters in the Parish Center

6:00 p.m. Faith Formation

Friday, December 10

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration 9:00 a.m. Church Cleaners - Crew 3 John & Doris Beasley

John & Suzanne Jaquemai

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION MINISTER

December 5 - December 11 **Mary Kay Turner**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

December 12 **Linda Yeryar and Beth Putt**

Parish Mission:



Reborn In Baptism; Transformed Into Disciples



YTD Variance

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TREASURE, & TALENT

November 21, 2021 Collection 4,843.75 Online Giving for the week of November 21, 2021 3,815.00 Total Collection for the week of November 21, 2021 8,658.75 November 28, 2021 Collection 5,351.05 Online Giving for the week of November 28, 2021 \$ 1,855.00 Total Collection for the week of November 28, 2021 \$ 7,206.05 Needed for weekly budget \$ 10,979.25 Variance for November 21, 2021 (\$ 2,320.50) Variance for November 28, 2021 (\$ 3,773.20) YTD Collection (July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022) \$ 185,139.03 Needed to meet budget

Thank you!

\$ 241,543.50 (\$ 56,404.47)



"Talent: Sports and games, soccer, football"

"I'm going to donate money to the poor"

"Put in the blessing box"

"Give to the poor"

"Help the poor"

November 21, 2021 Children's Collection \$1.75 November 28, 2021 Children's Collection \$2.00

~Use whatever gift you have received to serve others.~

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE



St. Joseph

Tuesday, December 7 Wednesday, December 8 6:00 p.m. 8:15 a.m.

St. Bernard

Wednesday, December 8

6:00 p.m.

~O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee~

Advent Reconciliation



There will be an Advent Reconciliation Service at St. Joseph on Tuesday, December 7,

immediately following the 6:00 p.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome!



If you would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please join the RCIA team each Sunday, at 9:00 a.m. in the Celestin Center. The topic for December 12 is:

Walk Through the Mass: Exploring the Sacred Liturgy / Church Tour



St. Joseph is selling Dewig Meats! Choose from Ground Beef, Summer Sausage, BBQ Ribs, BBQ Butts, and BBQ pulled pork. All items are \$30. Orders are due by December 6th

and pick up will be at St. Joseph on Wednesday, December 15th. For more information please check out our website, Facebook page, or call the parish office.



Don't forget to order your *Benedict* Calendar! You can pre-order now by calling the parish office. For more information, see page 7 of this bulletin.



Please keep in prayer those who are on our prayer chain and all members of our St. Joseph family.



The Angel Tree will be up in the church this weekend. We are so thankful to our parishioners and their families for helping those in need during this Christmas season.

We currently provide gifts and necessities to those who are homebound or in nursing homes; provide diapers and baby items to the health department; presents to residents of GCARC; and gifts for both parish families and for local families in need.

When taking an angel, please:

- 1. Write our name and phone # in the book. Each angel has a number on its wing and will correspond with a number in the book.
- 2. If your Angel has a "return by" date, please make sure it is returned in time. All gifts have a set delivery time.
- 3. If you take an Angel for a family or for GCARC, please note that what we put on the Angel is what they are asking Santa for, this may be all they will receive for Christmas, so please make sure to provide what you can.
- 4. If you have any questions, please give Kathy Evans (812) 779-3500 a call.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and willingness to help others during the holiday.



Make sure you are supporting St. Joseph with all of your Amazon shopping. You still get the same great Amazon prices

and convenience and Amazon donates a percentage of your purchases to St. Joseph! Simply go to the church website at www.stjosephprinceton.org and click on the link to Amazon Smile. Once there, choose St. Joseph School as your charity of choice.



We encourage our parishioners to patronize our sponsors. It is through their generosity that our weekly bulletin comes to you at no cost to the church. Our sponsor this week is:

ABCD ASK RENA/RENA ROHRBACH

Thank you to all the businesses who sponsor our bulletin.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 5, 2021 2nd Sunday of Advent

St. Ambrose shares some wisdom on our need to prepare the way and open the door for Christ. "You see that when the Word of God knocks hardest on your door, it is when his hair is wet with the dew of the night. In fact, he chooses to visit those who are in tribulation and trial, lest one of them be overwhelmed by distress. So, his head is covered with dew, with drops, when his body is laboring hard. It is important to keep watch so that when the Bridegroom comes, he is not shut out. If you are asleep and your heart is not keeping watch, he will go away without knocking; but if your heart is alert for his coming, he knocks and asks for the door to be opened to him." When life gets overwhelming and difficult and we find ourselves feeling a bit downhearted and miserable, these words can bring great comfort.

We sometimes choose to remain stuck in our uncomfortable darkness and being stuck becomes our norm. In this time of self-focus our hearts are closed to the graces and life God desires to give us. Wrapped in the robe of mourning and misery, we fail to see the mercy, justice, and love the Bridegroom wants to bring. If we take seriously the need to prepare the way for Christ and open our hearts in preparation for his visit, we can hear God's gentle voice calling us deep within. It beckons us to seek out its source and discover the inner calm and peace that can prevail over the darkness of despair. Sometimes our darkness is so dark that it may seem unsurmountable. Trusting in the spiritual



friends who journey with us, and God's promise may bring a glimmer of light even when it is most difficult to keep our hearts' doors open. Sometimes, the only light in the darkness is found in trusting the faith of others both past and present.

We have to trust that God has already begun the accomplishment of good work in us and that humanity is on an incredible journey to something wonderful and awesome. God is not done. When we open the doors of our hearts, straighten the paths of our lives, and prepare the way, Jesus can come with God's simple gifts of peace, grace, and joy. Life throws a great deal at us. It is easy to get tired and confused. We have to train our hearts to keep watch, discern what is of value, and forge ahead. Not allowing ourselves to become so weighed down by things and brought out of focus is a tremendous goal to achieve this Advent season. God is knocking. Answer the door. You will see and understand life in ways you never thought possible before.

St. Maria Goretti News

Upcoming Youth Events

Dec. 12 - Boys Open Gym / Girl Time (grades 8-12)

Dec. 12 – HS RockLife

Dec. 17 - HS Christmas "LockINN"

Girl Time grades 8-12

For the next gathering on Dec. 12 we will make "Sole Hope" jean shoes for people in developing nations living in poverty. All girls in grades 8-12 are invited to join us for girl hangouts, one Sunday of the month from 4:00-5:30pm in the youth room. Bring a waiver and a friend!

Open Gym for Boys grades 8-12

Our next Open Gym will be on Dec. 12, from 4:00-5:30. This time it will be in Madden Hall at St. James.

HS Christmas Lock-Inn & Caroling – Adult help needed!

We still may have room in our Inn so please contact Bryan if you still want to sign up. Adult volunteers: we always need a lot of adults to help chaperone a shift for this event! Shifts this year are 5:00-8:30 and 8:30-12:00 midnight (event ends at midnight). If you can, please help! Lock-Inn will be held at Sts P&P on Dec. 17. To volunteer or if you have questions, contact Bryan at 664-7992 or bmacke@evdio.org.

Any questions/concerns about youth events please contact
Bryan Macke at 664-7992 or bmacke@evdio.org. Diocesan Event
Waivers can be found in the back of each church or on our
webpage at www.smgyouth.com
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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, December 5

8:30 a.m. St. Joseph & St. Bernard Parishes

WEDNESDAY, December 8

6:00 p.m. † Mae Rexing

THURSDAY, December 9

6:00 p.m. † Jeanne Vieke

SUNDAY, December 12

8:30 a.m. † Tom, Carol & Glen Vaal

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

Rosary Lori Spindler
Sacristan John Hasenour
Cantor Sarah Reising
Greeters Knights of Columbus
Lector Kim Elpers
Servers Blake Silva & Jake Richter

Molly Schnarr & Kaleb Sterczer

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

Gifts

Rosary
Sacristan
Cantor
Cantor
Greeters
Lector
Schleter Family
Lector
Elizabeth Ivy
Servers
Isaac Ivy & Maverick Reising
Gifts
Abby & Carson Heichelbech

PRAYERS

Michelle Ziebel, Gwen Graber, Crystal Williamson, Kenny & Marcia Reising, Wilma Miley, Elvira Meny, Jim Lubbers, Herb Bethe, Stan Phillips, Ralph Elpers, Susan Williamson, Diane Denton, Lisa Wilson, Graham Hosman, Ace Turner, Jerry Brown, Gerald & Mary Allen, Greg Obert, Sarah Reising, Martha Schauss, Mike Folsom, Julia Market

Please call Terri to add or remove someone 677-0511 Please help up to keep this list up to date. Let us know when someone can come off the list. Thank you

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



 November 21, 2021 Collection
 \$ 1,722.00

 November 28, 2021 Collection
 \$ 5,002.00

 Needed for weekly budget
 \$ 1,738.88

 Variance for November 21, 2021
 \$ 16.88

 Variance for November 28, 2021
 \$ 3,263.12

 YTD Collection
 \$46,089.17

 Needed to meet budget
 \$38,255.36

 YTD Variance
 \$ 7.833.81

Children's Collection—Nov. 21st \$ 7.00 Children's Collection—Nov. 28th \$ 5.00

ST. BERNARD PARISH NEWS

Religious Education this week is Program Practice from 6:45 to 8 p.m. directly after the Holy Day Mass.

Immaculate Conception Holy Day

There will be Mass at St. Bernard on Wednesday, December 8 at 6 p.m. for the feast of the Immaculate Conception. **THIS IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.** The Immaculate Conception is the Patron of the United States. Let's pray for Mary's protection in these times of peril. Father will still have Mass on Thursday this week.



Renovation Project Phase 2

You should have received a letter in the mail this week. We have raised \$40,000 of the \$140,000 needed. This project is projected to start in July of 2022. Checks can be mailed to St. Joseph or put in the collection. Please be generous and help us to reach our goal!

Christmas Poinsettia Remembrances

We are going to do this a little different this year. If you would like to donate to the poinsettia decorations for Christmas on the Altar in remembrance of a loved one, please either put your money in your labeled Christmas memorial envelope or one of your own envelopes and put a list of the persons you want the memorial to go toward and put your donated amount in the Sunday collection or in the box in the back of church. We are asking for at least a \$10.00 donation for as many people as you would like. Any questions, please ask Dolores Ziliak. These are due by **Sunday, December 19.**

Children's Advent Play

The Religious Education youth will have a play on **Wednesday, December 15 at 6:30 pm** in the Church followed by refreshments and a visit from Santa in the School Hall. All are invited!!

*Donations of cookies are needed. Please sign up in back of church if you can help with the donations.

The Christmas Giving Tree is Now Up

Please pick an angel from the tree in the back of church. This year's gifts will go to the House of Bread & Peace in Evansville. The angel will let you know what needs to be purchased and if the item needs to be wrapped. Please have all items under the tree by **December 19**. Thank you for your support!

Advent Booklet & Calendars

There are Advent Word Among Us booklets for every family in the back of church, 2022 calendars from Stodghill Funeral Home, and Advent books from the K of C. Please take advantage of these spiritual meditations during the Advent Season and remember what Christmas is all about!!

Christmas Cards

As you send your Christmas cards to friends and relatives, please remember the homebound of St. Bernard and all those not attending Mass at this time along with our priests of St. Bernard.

Fr. John Silva - P.O. Box 269—Berlin, WI 54923 Fr. Bernie Lutz - 24 Williams Ln, Newburgh, IN 47630

Congratulations to Lucas Alan Ziliak , son of Jacob & Alicia, who will be Baptized today at St. Bernard Church. Welcome to our St. Bernard Church Family Lucas!!





The Knights of Columbus will have its annual Family Christmas Party on Sunday, December 5, at the K of C Hall. The meal will be a carryin with chicken and drinks supplied. The bar opens at 4:00 p.m. with dinner at 5:00 p.m. Santa will arrive at 6:00 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus New Years Eve Party will be at the K of C Hall on December 31. Jed Guillaume & Sweetwater Band will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Ticket prices are \$15 each or \$25 per couple. Tickets are on sale now! Please bring your favorite appetizer, snack or dessert to share.



The PTO is looking for volunteers to help wrap gifts for the upcoming Santa Store December 6-10. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the Parish Office.



Flower Memorials. Please print clearly the names you want memorialized on the envelope in exactly the way you wish for them to be printed. Please also include a telephone number in case we have questions about spellings. Envelopes can be placed in the

collection basket or dropped off in the parish office. **Deadline is Monday, December 20.**



We are still in need of volunteers for all of the Christmas Mass times. Please call the parish office to volunteer as lector, altar server, greeter, gift presenter, usher, or Eucharistic Minister.

Also, the schedule for the first quarter will be completed soon. Please call the parish office to make any changes.





Congratulations to
Melissa Baker
and Mark Turner
who were united in the
Sacrament of Holy Matrimony
on November 20 at St. Joseph.

"A man shall leave his father & mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." -Ephesians 5:31



St. Joseph is looking for an Extended Care Aid! Hours are Monday - Friday 6:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. and the starting date will be January 5. Please contact Lynde Anquillare at 812-385-2228 for more information.



St. Joseph has met our CPC goal for this year! Thank you to all who have made this possible.

Year-end Contributions. If you wish to make contributions to be included in your 2021 contribution summary, please have those turned in to the parish office by December 31, 2021. Contribution summaries to be used for tax purposes will be mailed in January.



St. Nicholas Feast Day December 6

St. Nicholas of Bari (March 15, 270 – December 6, 343), the bishop of Myra in the fourth century, is the saint that Santa Claus is modeled after. Known for his kindness and generosity to the poor, the story has it that St. Nicholas once tossed

bags of gold through the open window of a poor man's house to help his daughters avoid a life of prostitution. According to legend, the gold landed in stockings dangling on the corners of the beds, which is why many of us celebrate St. Nicholas Day by hanging stockings and filling them with candy, fruit, and small toys. Not much else is known about this beloved saint, but regardless, his reputation as a generous man continues today.



PRE-ORDER YOURS TODAY!

12 MONTHS OF BENEDICT

St. Joseph School's Favorite Dog!

2022 CALENDAR

Contact the Parish Office for more details.

All proceeds benefiting St. Joseph's Scholarship Fund



We are excited to be kicking off a fundraiser to benefit St. Joseph School's Scholarship Fund.

Calendars of Benedict, Fr. Gary's service dog will be available on apx. December 10th. Calendars are \$20 plus \$5 shipping and handling if you would like it mailed to you. Pre-orders are now being accepted at the Parish Office. Call 812-385-2617 to reserve yours! There are a limited number of calendars available, so don't miss out!