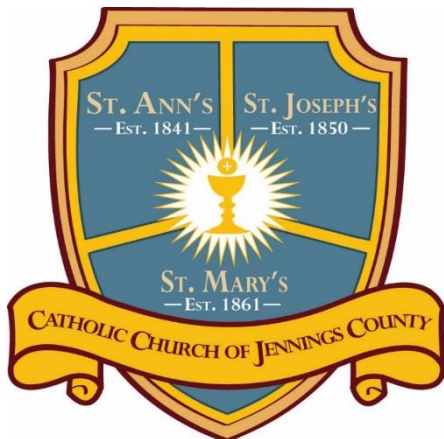


St. Ann's ~ St. Joseph's ~ St. Mary's



Parish Office
629 Clay Street
North Vernon, IN 47265
(812) 346-3604 phone
(812) 346-3506 fax
Website: ccjc3.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-4pm

Fourth Sunday of Advent ***December 20, 2015***

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the upcoming Week

SM-Sat. December 19, 5:00 pm – Richard & Anna Marie Mayer
Fr. Jerry's Installation Mass INCENSE

SJ-Sun. December 20, 7:30 am – Members SA/SJ/SM

SM-Sun. December 20, 9:00 am – Rowan Siebert

SA-Sun. December 20, 10:45 am – Mark Kirchner

***SM-Tues. December 22, 8:15 am** – CANCELLED

SA-Tues. December 22, 6:00 pm – Sr. Joanita Koors

***SM-Wed. December 23, 6:00 pm** – Lee Kane

Anointing of the Sick during the mass

Confessions and Adoration after mass until 7:30 pm

Benediction at 7:30 pm

***SM-Thurs. December 24, 4:00 pm** – Christmas Memorials

IN THE GYM

***SJ-Thurs. December 24, 7:00 pm** – Christmas Memorials

***SA-Fri. December 24, 9:00 pm** – Christmas Memorials

***SM-Fri. December 24, Midnight** – Members SA/SJ/SM

***ON MASSES ON CHRISTMAS DAY – DECEMBER 25TH.**

***SA-Sat. December 26, 7:30 am** – CANCELLED

SM-Sat. December 26, 5:00 pm – Billy Byron

SJ-Sun. December 27, 7:30 am – Members SA/SJ/SM

SM-Sun. December 27, 9:00 am – Juanita Mock

SA-Sun. December 27, 10:45 am – Dolores Reitman

**Take Note – this is a change from the normal schedule*

Reconciliation/Confessions

Saturday 4 pm at St. Mary's

Sunday 7am at St. Joseph's

Tuesday 5:30 pm at St. Ann's

Wednesday 5:30 pm at St. Mary's

Tri Parish Penance Service – TBA for Lent

Anointing of the Sick

•Emergency – Fr. Jerry Byrd (513) 403-1547

•Anointing within mass – December 23rd 6pm mass at St. Mary's

•Call Fr. Jerry for the sacrament of Anointing at other times

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●School Secretary

Natalie Messer

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School Address

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OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION

●Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Open 24 hours a day

Call (812) 346-4919 for chapel closing information

●St. Vincent dePaul

10 E. O & M Avenue, North Vernon, IN 47265

(812) 346-2576 Hours: Tues-Fri 10am-4pm Sat 10am-1pm

●Birthline Pregnancy Help Line (877) 734-2444

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 20, 2015

SACRAMENTAL STATS-

Holy Mass Attendance for last weekend

St. Mary's 5:00PM-220 St. Joseph's 7:30AM-178

St. Mary's 9:00AM-322 St. Ann's 10:45AM-182

TOTAL- 1,040

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS-

Giving for last weekend

St. Ann's (budget \$1,470.00) - \$939.00

St. Joseph's (budget \$2,437.00) - \$2,764.00

St. Mary's (budget \$9,533.00) - \$9,211.50

Job Opening

We are looking for a person to join the Tri-Parish Office Staff. This is a part time position (15-20 hours per week) of clerical work and other responsibilities. Applicants must be able to work with Microsoft Office and Excel. Please send your resume to Fr. Jerry at the Parish Office.

Cleaning and Decorating of St. Ann's Church

We will clean and decorate for Christmas on Sunday, December 20th. There will be soup and sandwiches in the hall after mass followed by the cleaning and decorating. If you have questions, call Elizabeth Kirchner at 812-498-0031.

Confession – Last Chance during Advent

When: Wednesday, December 23rd

Time: 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Where: St. Mary's Church

Fr. Jerry will be gone

Father will be in Rome from December 26th through January 4th. There will not be daily masses during this time except for the Mary, Mother of God Holy Day masses. Fr. Buchanan will be here to celebrate the holy day and weekend masses.

St. Mary's Outside Nativity

The two sheep were taken from the outside Nativity – if anyone hears of their whereabouts, please let the office know.

Holy Day Masses Christmas Masses

Christmas Masses

**Thursday, December 24th 4:00pm St. Mary's gym

*Thursday, December 24th 7:00pm St. Joseph's Church

Thursday, December 24th 9:00pm St. Ann's Church

**Thursday, December 25th Midnight St. Mary's Church

*There will be incense at all the Christmas masses
except for the 4pm at St. Mary's in the gym*

*Anyone wanting to play music beginning at 6:30pm at the St. Joseph mass needs to sign up in the back of church on the form on the bulletin board by December 7th.

All liturgical ministers, please sign up in the back of church for these masses **ASAP please.

Mary, Mother of God Holy Day Masses

**Thursday, December 31st 4:00pm St. Mary's

Thursday, December 31st 6:30pm St. Joseph's

Friday, January 1, 2016 9:00am St. Ann's

All liturgical ministers, please sign up in the back of church for these masses **ASAP please

Parish Office Closed

•The Parish Office will be closed December 24th and 25th for the Christmas Holiday.

•The Parish Office will also be closed December 28th through January 1st for inventory and office upkeep. Emails will be checked for needs during that week.

Pilgrimage for Life to Washington, DC Jan 21-24, 2016

Fr. Shaun Whittington will be leading a group to the March for Life this January. Cost is \$180 per person and registration forms are available in the parish office OR contact Sharon at marchforlife@stnicholas-sunman.org.

St. Mary's PTO Chili Supper Cook Off – Jan 30th

There will be a chili cook off on January 30th to kick off the Catholic School's Week family evening of food, games and fun. Anyone can participate – judging will begin at 4pm. Registration forms can be found in the back of all the churches, in the school office and in the parish office. Deadline to register is January 9, 2016.

UPCOMING RETREATS for our TEENS

Confirmation Retreat – February 5th/6th, 2016

High School Retreat – February 19th/20th/21st, 2016

MORE INFORMATION TO COME

Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) Women's Retreat April 23 and 24, 2016 St. Joseph's Hall

This renewal weekend retreat stresses a clear focus on the Gospel, the Good News of Jesus Christ. It emphasizes continued growth in Christian life in our daily contacts with others. The Weekend also offers an excellent opportunity to meet other people in our parishes. Flyers are available in the back of all the churches. Questions-contact Cindy Callahan at 812-346-4544 or Carolyn Doxsee at 812-592-4971.

Pilgrimage to the Shrines of France July 11-21, 2016

Fr. Jerry will be leading this pilgrimage next summer. Flyers are in the back of all the churches or in the parish office. If you'd like to go, contact the parish office at 812-346-3604 to get your name on the list.

St. Mary's PTO School Scrip

Stop by the school office to order or to purchase from the limited inventory they keep on hand.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd

We currently have at least one adorer on each hour.

Thank you to all our wonderful adorers.

TAKE NOTE: The Chapel will be closed beginning at 10pm on Wednesday, December 23 at 10pm and reopen on Saturday, December 26th at 8am. Adorers who normally have these hours, please pray at home.

BAD WEATHER POLICY

If school is cancelled, all school related activities are **CANCELLED** – this means practices, games, Bingo, PTO activities, school meetings, etc. Also, all parish meetings and activities will be cancelled at all three parishes (i.e. K of C, Parish Council meetings, Finance Council meetings, Adult Faith Formation, religious education activities, RCIA, etc.)

ALSO – 8:15 am school masses at St. Mary's will be cancelled when school is not in session.

CHAPEL CLOSING: The chapel closing **WILL NOT** be linked to school closing – it will be based solely on the weather conditions – please call the **346-4919** for a recorded message on if the chapel is open or closed – don't just make assumptions. Bad Weather Policy card are in the chapel.

Jesus and the End Times:

A Catholic View of the Last Days

Have you ever wondered what the Bible teaches about what will happen at the End of Time? Many Catholics have heard about "the Rapture," the coming of the "Antichrist," and the Second Coming, but are unsure exactly what to believe about these topics. Moreover, while Protestant Christians are often well-versed in the study of the "end times," Catholics are often unfamiliar with what the Bible actually teaches. Many Christians are unaware that the Catholic Church has very explicit teachings about the Tribulation, the Antichrist, the Second Coming, and the New Creation. **Watch for an insert in next weekend's bulletin.**

Calendar of Meetings and Activities

Faith Formation

Legion of Mary – December 26 ~ 9:00AM

St. Joseph's Religious Education – Jan 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31

St. Joseph's Confirmation Classes – Jan 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

St. Mary's Jump Start Religious Education – Jan 10, 17, 24 & 31

St. Mary's Confirmation Classes – Jan 10, 17, 24, 31

RCIA – next class January 7 - 6:30pm at St. Joseph's

Various Groups and Ministries

SM-SA K of C – January 4 ~ 7PM

SJ K of C – January 5 ~ 8PM

SM School Commission – TBA ~ 5:30PM (school library)

SJ Rosary Society – January 13 ~ 6:30PM

SM Physical Facilities – January 12 ~ 6:00PM

Parish Council (PC) and Finance Committee (FC) Mtgs

*SA-FC – Jan 12 6:30PM *SA-PC – Jan 12 6:30PM

*SJ-FC – Jan 13 7:00PM *SJ-PC – Jan 13 7:00PM

SM-FC – Jan 14 5:30PM SM-PC – Jan 14 7:00PM

*Take note – these meetings will be joint with Finance Committee and Parish Council at the same time.

End of Year Donations

The last day that donations to the parishes will be accepted for posting to the 2015 year is Tuesday, December 29th. Donations can be put in the Sunday Collection on December 26th and 27th or dropped in the Parish Office drop box on the door by end of day on December 29th.

United Catholic Appeal 2015

	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>PLEDGES TO DATE</u>
St. Ann's	\$9,364.00	\$17,090.00
St. Joseph's	\$17,852.00	\$24,685.00
St. Mary's	\$34,747.00	\$25,570.00

Pray for those who need healing grace and comfort.

Please pray for: Charlotte Pahls, Rex Sanders, Mary Catherine Fox, Rose Leake, Liz Colvin, Doug Reitman, Barry Elston, Elizabeth McCauley, Jack Wickens, Margaret Kipper, Maddie Grace Bailey, Shirley Kreutzjans, Richard Young, Julie Eddins, Dick Burnett, Pat Maschino, Billy Bryant, Agnes Matern, Steve Luedeman, Wanda Wernke, Eileen Whitaker, and Brent Fry

Thank You

...to Sawyer Pickett Funeral Home for the beautiful 2016 calendars that are in the back of the three parishes.

...to Lucas and Ashley Newsom and Bill Ertel for their help with the Parish Christmas Dinner last Saturday.

...to St. Mary's school children for changing out hymnals and carrying lots of boxes for the parishes.

...to Larry and Terri French for setting up and organizing the Penance Service – approximately 135 people came to confession at the service.

...to everyone who was so generous in filling the Christmas Giving food bags.

...to Rita Farran for finding Ann Tallant's watch outside the chapel and turning it in.

T3 – Tame the Terrain

Registration for Tame the Terrain 2016 is now open!

Mark your calendars for June 18, 2016 and start preparing to Tame the Terrain. Register **BEFORE** January 1st for our rock bottom price of \$45.00. Check out website: www.tametheterrain.com <<http://tametheterrain.com>> for all the details.

ARE YOU A REGISTER MEMBER OF ST. ANN'S, ST. JOSEPH'S OR ST. MARY'S?

You would be surprised how many people believe they are registered members, but actually are not. Here is some information about being a registered member:

• If you are currently receiving collection envelopes every two months through the mail, **you are registered in one of the parishes.**

• If you are not receiving these envelopes, then you are **NOT registered in any of the parishes.**

• If you are 18 years or older and in the work force, **you should be registered on your own in the parish of your choice** not under your parents.

Be aware that if you are not registered, and want to rent any of the facilities, enroll your children in the school, get married in the churches, have children baptized, buy burial plots, etc. fees and requirements may be different than those who are registered members.

If you wish to be registered at St. Ann's, St. Joseph's or St. Mary's, simply fill out the information below and return to the Parish Office by dropping it off, mailing it, or placing it in the collection basket. Appropriate registration forms will then be sent to you for completion.

Upon the return of these forms, you will be registered in the parish of your choice. If you have any questions at all, please call the Parish Office at 812-346-3604.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you would like to register at St. Ann's, St. Joseph's or St. Mary's, change your address and/or phone, or simply have questions about any of our parishes, please fill out the information below, check appropriate boxes, and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office at 629 Clay Street, North Vernon, IN 47265

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

- I would like to register as an active parishioner. Please send me a registration form for St. Ann's, St. Joseph's or St. Mary's (please circle the parish where you want to register)
- Please change my address and/or phone to the one shown above.
- I would like to learn more about parish/school activities.
- I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- I would like to speak with a priest about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

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