# **Catholic Church of Jennings County**



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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

St. Ann's, St. Joseph's and 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

# *Third Sunday of Advent* December 11, 2016

# **Mass Schedule and Intentions**

SM-Sat. December 10, 4:00 pm –Richard and Anna Marie Mayer SA-Sat. December 10, 6:00 pm - Members SA/SJ/SM SJ-Sun. December 11, 7:30 am - Ed and Stella Vogel SM-Sun. December 11, 10:30 am - Deceased Members of K of C Council #1631 INCENSE SM-Tues. December 13, 6:00 pm - Rodney Butler SM-Wed. December 14, 8:30 am - Gordon and Jo Mordini family SA-Wed. December 14, 6:00 pm - Farrell Coons SJ-Thurs. December 15, 6:30 am - Magdelena Brumfield SJ-Fri. December 16, 6:30 am - Delbert Hauersperger SM-Fri. December 16, 8:30 am - Chick and Ruth Evelyn Helm SM-Sat. December 17, 4:00 pm – Debbie Mayer Chase INCENSE SA-Sat. December 17, 6:00 pm - Members SA/SJ/SM SJ-Sun. December 18, 7:30 am - Michael E. O'Brien SM-Sun. December 18, 10:30 am - Deceased Members of Kirchner/Matern families \*Take Note – this is a change from the normal schedule

#### **Reconciliation/Confessions**

Saturday 3:30 pm at St. Mary's Saturday 5:30 pm at St. Ann's Sunday 7:00 am at St. Joseph's Sunday 10:00 am at St. Mary's Tuesday 5:30 pm at St. Mary's (when there is 6pm mass) Wednesday 5:30 pm at St. Ann's (when there is 6pm mass)

#### Mercy Sunday – TBA in January

Exposition at 11:30am (following mass) with Confessions following until 12:45 pm with benediction at 1:00pm. *Tri Parish Penance Service – TBA during Lent* 

#### Anointing of the Sick

- •Emergency Fr. Jerry Byrd (513) 403-1547
- •Anointing within mass December 20th at St. Mary's 6pm mass
- •Call Fr. Jerry for the sacrament of Anointing at other times

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#### SACRAMENTAL STATS-

#### Holy Mass Attendance for last weekend

St. Mary's 4:00PM- 239 St. Joseph's 7:30AM- 197 St. Mary's 10:30AM- 367 St. Ann's 6:00PM- 108 **TOTAL- 911** 

#### SACRIFICIAL GIFTS-

#### Giving for last weekend \$2,471.00

St. Ann's (weekly budget \$1,470.00) Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$85,374.00 Year to date *budget as of October 31<sup>st</sup>* \$28,457.92 Year to date *actual as of October 31<sup>st</sup>* \$22,696.02 <u>Shortage</u> as of October 31<sup>st</sup> \$5,761.90

#### Giving for last weekend \$2,825.00

St. Joseph's (weekly budget \$2,437.00) Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$135,969.00 Year to date *budget as of October 31<sup>st</sup>* \$45,323.08 Year to date *actual as of October 31<sup>st</sup>* \$29,606.33 <u>Shortage</u> as of October 31<sup>st</sup> \$5,716.75

#### Giving for last weekend \$9,967.00

St. Mary's (weekly budget \$9,533.00) Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$531.899.00 Year to date *budget as of October 31<sup>st</sup>* \$177,299.52 Year to date *actual as of October 31<sup>st</sup>* \$160,219.00 <u>Shortage</u> as of October 31<sup>st</sup> **\$17,080.52** 

#### **Calendar of Meetings and Activities**

Legion of Mary – December 17 ~ 9:00AM Various Groups and Ministries SM-SA K of C – January 2 ~ 7PM SJ K of C – December 20~ 8PM SM School Commission –December 14~ 5:30PM (school library) SJ Rosary Society - TBA ~ 6:30PM SM Physical Facilities – TBA~ 6:00PM Parish Council (PC) and Finance Committee (FC) Mtgs SA Finance Committee/Parish Council Mtg – TBA SJ Finance Committee/Parish Council Mtg – TBA SM Finance Committee – TBA SM Parish Council – TBA

## **CHRISTMAS GIVING PROGRAM**

The Christmas Giving Food bags and gift ornaments are available in the three churches Please take as many bags and ornaments as you would like, buy what is listed on them and return the items to the back of each church or the parish office. **DO** <u>NOT</u> WRAP THE GIFTS – no need to return the ornaments. ALL GIFTS SHOULD BE TURNED IN BY **DECEMBER 10**<sup>TH</sup>

All gifts and food will be distributed on **Saturday, December 17**<sup>th</sup> from St. Mary's Parish Center. **So please be attentive to these deadlines.** 

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for the Christmas Giving Program

December 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> **-THIS WEEKEND-** at all the masses – please be generous as this will help with the meat and cold foods that we will be distributing.

#### Four Corners K of C

Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> 9am the knights will set up the outdoor nativity scene after mass. All help is appreciated.

#### **Christmas Memorials**

Christmas Memorial envelopes are available in the back of all three parishes. A Christmas mass at each of the churches will be said for those names turned in at the Christmas masses. Please pick up an envelope, fill it out and return with the appropriate fees in the collection or directly to the Parish Office by <u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>December 13th</u> for publication in the bulletin. Names received after December 13th will not be published.

#### Four Corners K of C Annual Christmas Party December 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm

All members are invited for food, fun and games in the Parish Hall. So come and enjoy the evening with your fellow knights.

#### Nursing Home Mass – December 21st 10am

Fr. will have mass at the Nursing Home on Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 10am.

#### Cleaning and Decorating at St. Ann's

Cleaning and Christmas decorating will begin on Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup> after mass and will finish up on Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 8am. All volunteers are welcome.

#### Last Chance for Advent Confession – December 22

Fr. Jerry will be in the confessional at St. Mary's on Thursday, December  $22^{nd}$  from 5pm to 7pm.

#### Christmas Mass Gym Set Up & Decorating at St. Mary's

We will be setting up the gym and decorating in it on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 9 am. All volunteers would be greatly appreciated.

#### Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP)

#### The Cross is the Anchor of My Soul

There are brochures in the back of all three parishes for women of the parishes wishing to attend the CRHP Retreat set for May 6 and 7, 2017 at St. Mary's. It is a wonderful opportunity to grow spiritually and renew your relationship with Jesus. For more information contact Angel Skelton at 812-592-1164 or Mary Kilgore at 812-592-6974.

#### St. Vincent dePaul Needs

As winter sits in, St. Vincent dePaul has been unable to keep up with our community's need for children's shoes. If you little ones have gotten bigger and grown out of some gently used shoes, please consider gathering them up and dropping them off at the SVDP warehouse. The volunteers at SVDP continue to be humbled by your generosity.

#### STEWARDSHIP

This past week, all registered families at St. Ann's, St. Joseph's, and St. Mary's should of received an envelope with a letter from Fr. Jerry and the Parish Stewardship form enclosed. <u>Please read the letter, complete the stewardship form and return it to the parish office</u> <u>ASAP</u>. If you misplace your stewardship form, additional copies are available in the back of all three churches and in the chapel.

#### Congratulations

◆To Knox Wayne Whipple, son of Christopher and Hannah (Biehle) Whipple, who received the gift of baptism on December 4th at St. Mary's

#### Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Tuesday at 2am is an open chapel hour. If you are interested in committing to this hour, please contact the parish office at 812-346-3604.

CHAPEL CLOSING DURING CHRISTMAS: The chapel will close on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8pm and will remain closed until Monday, December 26th at 8am.

#### United Catholic Appeal

Goals for 2016 Amount pledged to date St. Ann's \$ 9,364.00 \$15,626.00 St. Joseph's \$17,852.00 \$19,587.00 St. Mary's \$34,747.00 \$26,409.00 Please mail your UCA pledge card in directly to the

Archdiocese.

# **FAITH FORMATION**

•Bible Timeline Study – Week 17: December 11th Week 18: December 18th When: Sundays 9:00 am to 10:15 am Where: St. Mary's Parish Center

#### •Religious Education

**Catholic Church of Jennings County** 

Classes - Dec. 11th and Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29 **For:** children ages 2 through 7<sup>th</sup> grade When: Sundays 8:30 am to 10:00 am Where: St. Joseph's Parish Hall

• Frassati Youth Ministry next gathering November 19th and then on December 17th For: 9th to 12th graders When: Saturdays after 6pm mass Where: St. Ann's Rectory-The Frassati House

•RCIA will meet December 11th and Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29 For: anyone interested in becoming Catholic When: Sundays 9:00am to 10:15 am Where: St. Mary's Parish Center

#### •Confirmation – next session December 14th

For: any 8th grader or older wishing to be confirmed When: Wednesdays after 6pm mass Where: St Ann's Rectory-The Frassati House Confirmation Retreat – December 30th and 31st

## Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm St. Mary's (in the gym) December 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm St. Joseph's December 24th 9:00 pm St. Ann's December 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am St. Mary's (in church)

#### **End of Year Donations**

The last day that donations to the parishes will be accepted for posting to the 2016 year is Wednesday, December 28th Donations can be put in the Sunday Collection on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> or dropped in the Parish Office drop box on the door by end of day on December 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed from December 24<sup>th</sup> through January 1<sup>st</sup>. Emails will be checked during this week.

#### St. Mary's School Scrip Gift Cards

Anyone need gift cards for Christmas. Stop by the school office...

We will have 1 more Scrip Order sent in before Christmas Break. All orders must be received by 11am Monday morning. This order will be delivered home to you before we go on Christmas Break.

We also have an already purchased inventory in the school office. You may stop in and purchase the following cards during office hours without having to place an order. 7 - Arbv's

- 10 Applebees
- 4 Bath & Body Works
- 1 Chilis 10 - Cracker Barrel
- 1 ITunes
- 2 Maurice's

3 - Dunham Sports 14 - Kohls 8 - Papa Johns

2 - Circle K

1 - Shell

9 – Subwav

6 - Buffalo Wild Wings

- 9 Pizza Hut
- 10 Olive Garden/Red Lobster 10 Starbucks
- 3 Steak N Shake
- 5 Taco Bell
- 1 Target 11 - Wal-Mart
- 2 TJ Maxx 9 - Wendy's

#### Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – June 19<sup>th</sup> thru 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Fr. Jonathan Meyer will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in June, 2017. Walk where Jesus walked; sit where His disciples sate, experience the land of the Bible, renew your Baptismal promises at the Jordan River, renew your wedding vows in Cana, pray at the Rock of Agony and see the empty tomb. You will visit locations including Bethlehem, Cana, Capernaum, Galilee, Nazareth and Jerusalem. Cost of this Pilgrimage is approximately \$3,235. Register online at www.tektonministries.org or call (317) 574-4191.

#### **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 - 8:30 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 812-346-4919 for a recorded message on if the chapel is open or closed - don't just make assumptions. Bad Weather Policy cards are in the chapel.

Pray for those who need healing grace and comfort. Please pray for: Vern Pytleski, Patty Kirby, Rita Bott, Betty Williams, Brian Wilbert, Doris VanSickle, Daniel Brown, Doris Juett, Jerry Genda, Jeri Diekhoff, Ray Mullins, Brian Taylor, Emily Ross, Cohen Morris, Wilma Abney, Jonah Kreutzjans, Rose Leake, Leo Speck, Robin Laudermilt, Helen Rogers, Irvin French, Jack Wickens, Charlie Graham, Rex Sanders, Mary Catherine Fox, Elizabeth McCauley, Agnes Matern, Steve Luedeman, Wanda Wernke, and Brent Fry

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