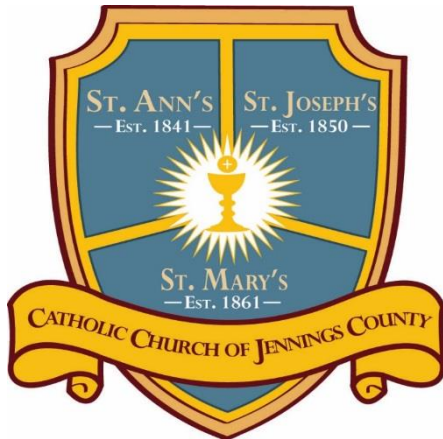


Catholic Church of Jennings County



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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2016

Mass Schedule and Intentions

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

SM-Tues. December 20, 6:00 pm – Jim Leach

↑ Anointing of the Sick during mass

***SM-Wed. December 21, 8:30 am – CANCELLED**

***Wed. December 21 10:00 am** – M/M James Buehler

↑ at the Nursing Home

SA-Wed. December 21, 6:00 pm – Christina Mitchell

SJ-Thurs. December 22, 6:30 am – Eugene Ebbing

SJ-Fri. December 23, 6:30 am – Eugene Ebbing

***SM-Fri. December 23, 8:30 am – CANCELLED**

CHRISTMAS EVE ↓

***SM-Sat. December 24, 5:00 pm (in gym)** – Christmas Memorials

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

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

CHRISTMAS DAY ↓

***SM-Sun. December 25, 9:00 am (in church)** – Members SA/SJ/SM
INCENSE

**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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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●School Principal

Lisa Vogel

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Natalie Messer

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School Address

209 Washington Street, North Vernon, IN 47265

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 18, 2016

SACRAMENTAL STATS-

Holy Mass Attendance for last weekend

St. Mary's 4:00PM- 221 St. Joseph's 7:30AM- 175

St. Mary's 10:30AM- 368 St. Ann's 6:00PM- 83

TOTAL- 847

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS-

Giving for last weekend \$910.00

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

Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$85,374.00

Year to date **budget as of October 31st** \$28,457.92

Year to date **actual as of October 31st** \$22,696.02

Shortage as of October 31st \$5,761.90

Giving for last weekend \$1,906.00

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

Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$135,969.00

Year to date **budget as of October 31st** \$45,323.08

Year to date **actual as of October 31st** \$29,606.33

Shortage as of October 31st \$5,716.75

Giving for last weekend \$7,137.00

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

Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$531,899.00

Year to date **budget as of October 31st** \$177,299.52

Year to date **actual as of October 31st** \$160,219.00

Shortage as of October 31st \$17,080.52

Calendar of Meetings and Activities

Legion of Mary – December 31 ~ 9:00AM

Various Groups and Ministries

SM-SA K of C – January 2 ~ 7PM

SJ K of C – December 20~ 8PM

SM School Commission –TBA~ 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

Four Corners K of C Annual Christmas Party

December 20th 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 21st at 10am.

Cleaning and Decorating at St. Ann's

Cleaning and Christmas decorating will begin on Wednesday, December 21st after mass and will finish up on Saturday, December 24th 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 22nd from 5pm to 7pm.

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

We will be setting up St. Mary's gym and decorating in it on Friday, December 23rd 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 have received an envelope with a letter from Fr. Jerry and the Parish Stewardship form enclosed. **Please read the letter, complete the stewardship form and return it to the parish office ASAP.** If you misplace your stewardship form, additional copies are available in the back of all three churches and in the chapel.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Open Hours are Thursday at 2am, Saturday at 5pm and Sunday at 12 noon. If you are can permanently commit to one of these hours, please contact the parish office at 812-346-3604.

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

Christmas Memorials

Inserted in this weekend's bulletin is a listing of all Christmas Memorials there were received by December 13th. The masses on Christmas Eve at the three parishes will be for those listed on this insert.

United Catholic Appeal

	<u>Goals for 2016</u>	<u>Amount pledged to date</u>
St. Ann's	\$ 9,364.00	\$16,601.00
St. Joseph's	\$17,852.00	\$20,207.00
St. Mary's	\$34,747.00	\$28,514.00

Please mail your UCA pledge card in directly to the Archdiocese.

Christmas Mass Sign Ups

Please look for the sign-up sheets in the back of St. Mary's to sign up for ministries for the Christmas masses on December 24th and December 25th.

Thank You

Thank you to Sawyer Pickett Funeral Home for the donation of the beautiful 2017 calendars that are available in the back of all three parishes.

FAITH FORMATION

●Bible Timeline Study – Week 18: December 18th Week 19: January 8th

When: Sundays 9:00 am to 10:15 am
Where: St. Mary's Parish Center

●Religious Education

Catholic Church of Jennings County

Classes –Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29

For: children ages 2 through 7th grade
When: Sundays 8:30 am to 10:00 am
Where: St. Joseph's Parish Hall

●Frassati Youth Ministry next gathering January 7th

For: 9th to 12th graders
When: Saturdays after 6pm mass
Where: St. Ann's Rectory-The Frassati House

●RCIA will meet 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 January 18th

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 24th 5:00 pm St. Mary's (in the gym)
December 24th 7:00 pm St. Joseph's
December 24th 9:00 pm St. Ann's
December 25th 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 24th and 25th or dropped in the Parish Office drop box on the door by end of day on December 28th.

Parish Office Closed

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

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – June 19th thru 29th, 2017

Fr. Jonathan Meyer will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in June, 2017. Walk where Jesus walked; sit where His disciples sat, 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.

Thank You

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Thanksgiving Day 5k to support St. Vincent dePaul. More than \$2,000 was raised to help support families in need in our community.

PEWS FOR SALE \$100 each

Anyone interested in purchasing one of the pews taken out of St. Mary's balcony last year for \$100 each can do so by contacting the Parish Office at 812-346-3604. Actual pews can be seen in the Adoration Chapel.



PEWS FOR SALE

Pray for those who need healing grace and comfort.

Please pray for: John Post, Vern Pytleski, Patty Kirby, Rita Bott, Betty Williams, Brian Wilbert, Doris VanSickle, 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

Have a very blessed Christmas

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