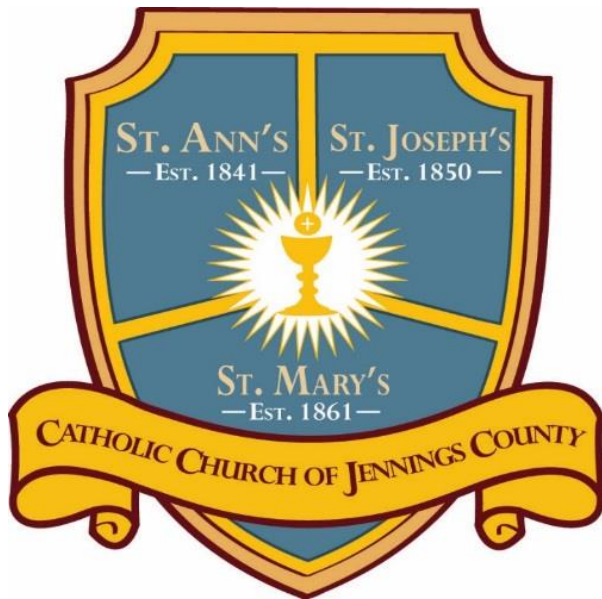


# Catholic Church of Jennings County

St. Ann • St. Joseph • St. Mary



## Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

The Catholic Churches of Jennings County, under the patronage of Saint Ann, Saint Joseph, and the Blessed Virgin Mary, are places of worship, evangelization, and reconciliation. They offer to all men and women the occasion for a deepening conversion, a step forward in the journey to God with our patron saints as the model for that journey. These parishes, built generations ago, provide witness to our faith in Jesus Christ and our Catholic heritage. All are invited into the saving moments of faith, hope, and charity, so that they may be reconciled and transformed into living symbols of Christ's presence in the world. It is here that the faithful gather to worship God and are sent to spread God's word wherever they go.

### **Parish Office:**

Hours: Monday – Friday 8am – 4pm

Mailing Address: 629 Clay Street

North Vernon, IN 47265

Office Number: (812) 346-3604

Emergency Number: (513) 403-1547

Website: [www.ccjc3.org](http://www.ccjc3.org)

### **Parish Staff:**

Rev. Jerry L. Byrd.....Pastor  
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Sharlot Ertel.....Administrative Assistant  
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### **Anointing of the Sick**

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

•Anointing within mass **December 19<sup>th</sup> at St. Ann's 6pm Mass**

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

•Contact Deacon Larry French (812) 525-6568 for communion to the sick or hospitalized

**Chapel of the Good Shepherd:** Open 24 Hours

Call (812) 346-4919 for chapel closing information

**St. Vincent de Paul:** (812) 346-2576

### **St. Mary's School**

Address: 209 Washington Street

North Vernon, IN 47265

School Office: (812) 346-3445

### **School Staff:**

Lisa Vogel.....Principal  
[lisav@stmarysnv.com](mailto:lisav@stmarysnv.com)

Natalie Messer.....Secretary  
[nataliem@stmarysnv.com](mailto:nataliem@stmarysnv.com)

**Saturday, December 15, 2018**SM – 4:00PM..... *Third Sunday of Advent*..... Eric MaschinoSA – 6:00PM..... *Third Sunday of Advent* .....Members SA/SJ/SM**Sunday, December 16, 2018**SJ – 7:30AM..... *Third Sunday of Advent*.....Special NeedsSM – 9:30AM - **High Altar**..... *Third Sunday of Advent* .....Carolyn Doxsee**Monday, December 17, 2018**

NO SCHEDULED MASS

**Tuesday, December 18, 2018**SM – 6:00PM ..... *Advent Weekday*.....Edna Smith Cull**Wednesday, December 19, 2018 – Anointing within Mass at 6:00PM**SM – 8:30AM..... *Advent Weekday*.....Priestly VocationsSA – 6:00PM..... *Advent Weekday* .....Bob Mayes**Thursday, December 20, 2018**SJ – 6:30AM..... *Advent Weekday*.....Dcs. Mbrs of Wm & Rose Hunt Family**Friday, December 21, 2018**SM – 8:30AM..... *Advent Weekday* .....Josh Stidham**Saturday, December 22, 2018**SM – 4:00PM..... *Fourth Sunday of Advent*..... Madonna HillenSA – 6:00PM..... *Fourth Sunday of Advent* .....Dcs. Mbrs Kirchner/Matern Families**Sunday, December 23, 2018**SJ – 7:30AM..... *Fourth Sunday of Advent*.....Evelyn ElsnerSM – 9:30AM - ..... *Fourth Sunday of Advent* .....Members SA/SJ/SM**Monday, December 24, 2018 – Christmas Vigil**SM – 4:00PM - **GYM**..... *The Nativity of the Lord*..... Madonna HillenSJ – 6:00PM..... *The Nativity of the Lord* .....Members of SA/SJ/SM**Tuesday, December 25, 2018 - Christmas**SM – 12:00AM - **Midnight**..... *The Nativity of the Lord*..... Carolyn Doxsee**Christmas Carols Beginning at 11:30PM | Blessing of the Crib: 11:45PM | Mass at Midnight**SA – 9:00AM ..... *The Nativity of the Lord* .....Christmas Memorials**Reconciliation – Before Weekend and Weekday Evening Masses.****Holy Mass Attendance December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>**

SM – 4:00PM.....234      SA – 6:00PM.....130

SJ – 7:30AM..... 185      SM – 9:30AM.....276

**Total: 825****SUNDAY OFFERINGS***What I spent is gone, what I kept I lost, but what I gave will be mine forever.***St. Ann's****Offerings for December 8<sup>th</sup> \$949.00**

St. Ann's (weekly budget \$1,548.08)

Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$80,500.00

Year to date ***budget as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$33,541.65Year to date ***actual as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$33,994.00***Overage as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$452.35**St. Joseph's****Offerings for December 9<sup>th</sup> \$1,653.00**

St. Joseph's (weekly budget \$2,365.38)

Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$123,000.00

Year to date ***budget as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$51,250.00Year to date ***actual as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$49,604.02***Shortage as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$1,645.98**St. Mary's****Offerings for December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> \$7,775.00**

St. Mary's (weekly budget \$10,192.31)

Total Yearly Sunday Giving Budget \$530,000.00

Year to date ***budget as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$220,833.35Year to date ***actual as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$211,246.25***Shortage as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$9,587.10**Calendar of Meetings and Activities****Various Groups and Ministries***SM Legion of Mary – Saturdays 9:00AM**SM-SA K of C – January 7<sup>th</sup> - 7:00PM**SJ K of C – January 8<sup>th</sup> - 8:00PM**SJ Rosary Society – January 8<sup>th</sup> 6:00PM**St. Mary's School Commission – January 16<sup>th</sup> 5:30PM**SM Physical Facilities Meeting – TBA**Frassati Youth Group – December 19<sup>th</sup> - 6:30PM – 9:00PM**Confirmation Class – December 16<sup>th</sup> – after 9:30 Mass – 12PM**Religious Education – Dec. 16 & Jan. 6, 20, 27**8:30am-10am (St. Joseph's)***Pastoral Council and Finance Committee Meetings***St. Ann's Finance Committee – January 29<sup>th</sup> – 7:00PM**St. Joseph's Finance Committee – January 24<sup>th</sup> – 7:00AM**St. Mary's Finance Committee– January 24<sup>th</sup> – 6:30PM**Pastoral Council – January 22<sup>nd</sup> – 6:30PM**(St. Mary's Sprigler Room)**(All posted Pastoral Council Meetings are open to all Parishioners.)***Please pray for:** Diana Daeger, Stacie Boswell, Jayton Littrell,

Randy Wilkerson, Diane Bower, Calvin Clark, Rose Eder, Kaye

Sullivan, Sylvia Magner, Nikki Schafer, Richard Miller, Amy Davis,

Sharon Schneider, John A. Gootee, Tim Martin, Marilyn Badgett,

Sam Wagner, Phyllis Heaton, Tom Sicking, Leon Turner, Ralph

Biehle, Ted Westerman, Jimmy Willett, Karen Miles, Lynda

Pettigrew, Norman Wallace, Amber Fleming, Harold Wilson, Wanda

Wright, Nicki Ebinger, Thelma Harper, George Kreutzjans, Charlie

Baldinger, Fenton Seibert, Cohen Morris, Jonah Kreutzjans, Jack

Wickens, Mary Catherine Fox, Agnes Matern, Steve Luedeman,

Wanda Wernke, Brent Fry, Steve Martin, Sue Hodges, Judy

Carmer, Teresa Lane, Elaine Leahigh and Tyler Ralstin

## Mark your calendars!

♦ **Christmas Adoration** at St. Ann's, St. Joseph's and St. Mary's on Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 3pm through Monday December 24<sup>th</sup> ending at 3pm. If you would like to sign up for an hour, sign-up sheets are located in the back of each of the churches.

♦ **Christmas Concert** celebrating the 200th anniversary of Silent Night featuring Fr. Jerry, the Schola Cantorum, and other musicians.

Sunday, December 30 at 6:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Church.

♦ **New Year's Eve Holy Hour** – 7:00PM - December 31<sup>st</sup> at St. Joseph Church. Exposition, Solemn Vespers and Benediction.

♦ **Adult Retreat** at St. Meinrad - February 8-10, 2019

More details to follow.

**Saint Ann** Christmas Cleaning and Decorating  
December 19<sup>th</sup> after 6:00PM Mass.

### Liturgical Ministers

Sign-up sheets for all the Christmas Masses are located in the back of all the churches.

### Hoosier's Helping Haiti

The Kobonal Mission feeds 860 students daily and 250 poorest of the poor monthly. **100% OF ALL DONATIONS ARE SENT TO KONOBA, HAITI.** The committee takes care of all expenses out of their own pocket.

Make checks payable to Hoosier's Helping Haiti (501c-3 organization.)

### Christmas Memorials – deadline December 17<sup>th</sup>

There are envelopes in the back of all the churches for Christmas Memorials. These **MUST** be turned in to the Parish Office or put in the collection basket by **December 17<sup>th</sup>** to be published in the bulletin. Any turned in after that date will **NOT** be published.

### Four Corners K of C – Annual Christmas Party

Tuesday December 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM in the St. Joseph Parish Center  
All members, and anyone interested in joining the Knights, are invited for food, fun and games.

Please come and enjoy the evening with your fellow knights.

### Bible Timeline

Everyone is invited to join a 20 week session DVD study featuring Jeff Cavins which provides an in-depth explanation of the Acts of the Apostles. The sessions will begin on Monday, January 21, 2019 at 6:00PM in the Missi/Widerin Room at St. Mary's. The workbooks are \$28.95

\*\*A schedule will be provided at the first session as there are some Monday evenings that conflict with other scheduled events.

### Welcome Retreat April 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

Flyers are in the back of all the churches to sign up for the 2019 Welcome Retreat to be held at St. Mary's. Please pick up a flyer if you are interested in attending.

### St. Joseph Snow Removal Teams: 2018-2019

December 2018: Joe Gerringer & Sean Hughes

January 2019: Gilbert Vogel, Tony Vogel, & Lenny Maschino

February 2019: Larry Maschino, Andy Maschino & Tom Maschino

March 2019: Andy Elsner, David Vogel & Chris Bailey

### Thank you...

... to Dove, Sharp & Rudicel Funeral Home for the 2019 Journey of Faith Calendars.

...I would like to express my sincere gratitude for all of the thoughts, cards, and prayers we received at the passing of my husband, Josh. Thank you as well to Father for the beautiful service, Courtney for the lovely music, and for the funeral dinner committee for the delicious meal. The support we've received from the parish has been overwhelming. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

## Chapel of the Good Shepherd OPEN HOURS THAT NEEDS FILLED

**Fri. - 1AM | Sat. - 4AM**

### Second Adorer Needed for Friday 12AM Midnight

If you can commit to an hour or would like to join someone on their hour, please call the Parish Office at (812) 346-3604.

### Bad Weather Policy

Closing the chapel due to bad weather will be based solely on the weather conditions and **WILL NOT** be linked to school closings, etc. Please call the chapel phone at **(812) 346-4919** if you are questioning if it is open or closed and a recording will let you know the status.

Upon closing the chapel, the next 10 or so adorers will be called. Then upon reopening the chapel, again the next 10 or so adorers will be called.

### Parish Office Holiday Hours

**OPEN:** December 24 from 8am – 12pm

**CLOSED:** December 26-28 for end of year

December 31 and January 1 for New Year's.

### PTO

St. Mary's School PTO is still selling ½ hog raffle tickets. The drawing will be Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Two names will be drawn and each winner will receive ½ cured hog. Stop by the school office to purchase your tickets! \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

### Parish Rentals

Beginning the first of the year the contracts are being updated and the pricing for all hall rentals will be raising.

All renters and parish groups will have to come to the Parish Office to sign a responsibility form for 2019.

**Deadline for submitting items to be added in the bulletin will be Mondays by 5:00PM. Anything submitted after will not be included in that weekend's bulletin.**

## St. Mary's Catholic School

Reminders:

1. **A special thank you to Schneider Excavating for making a special trip to fill in around the new basketball goals. We appreciate their generosity to St. Mary's School. Schneider Excavating is truly a blessing!**
2. St. Mary's School will present "Carol and the Belles" on Tuesday, December 18, at 6:30, in the St. Mary's Parish Center. Guests are also invited to attend the dress rehearsal on Tuesday at 12:15pm.
3. The school will be closed December 24-January 4 for Christmas break.

### United Catholic Appeal Pledge Cards

Every registered member will be sent a United Catholic Appeal card directly to your home. Please return your card and pledge in the envelope they provided by mailing it directly back to them.

**Parish Goals:** St. Ann's - \$8,817.00

St. Joseph's - \$15,621.00

St. Mary's - \$40,035.00

### RCIA

Catechumens (not baptized) meet at St. Mary's in the Parish Center on Sundays following the 9:30AM Mass ~10:45a.m. RCIA candidates (already baptized) meet Thursdays from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. in the Parish Center starting November 15. If you want to explore the Catholic faith, you are welcome.

Call Jennifer Ertel for more information or to sign up (812) 767-0030.

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