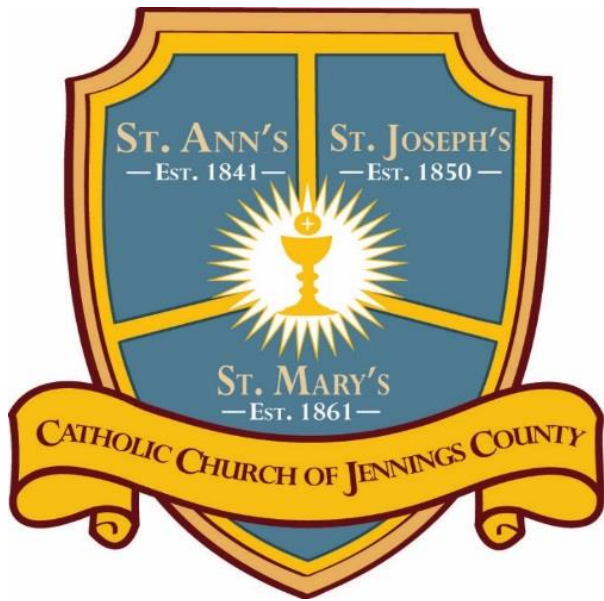


# Catholic Church of Jennings County

St. Ann • St. Joseph • St. Mary



## The Nativity of the Lord

December 25, 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  
[frbyrd@stmarysnv.com](mailto:frbyrd@stmarysnv.com)

Rev. Mr. Larry French.....Deacon  
[ljosephfrench@yahoo.com](mailto:ljosephfrench@yahoo.com)

Courtney Seiwert.....Pastoral Associate  
[pastoralassoc@stmarysnv.com](mailto:pastoralassoc@stmarysnv.com)

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[parishsecretary@stmarysnv.com](mailto:parishsecretary@stmarysnv.com)

Sharlot Ertel.....Administrative Assistant  
[adminassist@stmarysnv.com](mailto:adminassist@stmarysnv.com)

### **Anointing of the Sick**

- Emergency – Fr. Jerry Byrd (513) 403-1547
- Anointing within mass **January 22 at St. Mary'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)

**Monday, December 24, 2018 – Christmas Vigil**

\*SM – 4:00PM - GYM..... *The Nativity of the Lord*..... Madonna Hillen

\*SJ – 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

**Wednesday, December 26, 2018**

\*SM – 8:30AM- **MASS CANCELLED**

SA – 6:00PM.....*Saint Stephen, The First Martyr* .....Ryan Kunkel

**Thursday, December 27, 2018**

\*SJ – 6:30AM – **MASS CANCELLED**

**Friday, December 28, 2018**

SM – 8:30AM.....*The Holy Innocents, Martyrs* .....Edna Smith Cull

**Saturday, December 29, 2018**

SM – 4:00PM..... *Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph* .....Dec. Mbrs Herman & Antoinette  
Ebbing Family

SA – 6:00PM..... *Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph* .....Steve Wessel Family

**Sunday, December 30, 2018**

SJ – 7:30AM..... *Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*.....Evelyn Elsner

SM – 9:30AM - ..... *Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph* .....Members SA/SJ/SM

**Monday, December 31, 2018**

NO MASS SCHEDULED

**Tuesday, January 1, 2019 – Holy Day of Obligation**

\*SJ – 8:00AM..... Solemnity of *Mary, the Holy Mother of God*.....Madonna Hillen

\*SA – 10:00AM ..... Solemnity of *Mary, the Holy Mother of God* .....Paul Staublin

\*SM – 7:00PM ..... Solemnity of *Mary, the Holy Mother of God* .....Priestly Vocations

**RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS:**

**SAINT ANN:** Saturday 5:30 pm, Wednesday 5:30pm (when there is 6pm mass)

**SAINT JOSEPH:** Sunday 7:00 am

**SAINT MARY:** Sunday 9:00am, Tuesday 5:30pm (when there is 6pm mass), Saturday 3:30 pm

\*Take note – this is a change from the normal schedule

**Holy Mass Attendance December 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>**

SM – 4:00PM.....299      SA – 6:00PM.....108

SJ – 7:30AM.....183      SM – 9:30AM.....316

**Total: 906**

**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 15<sup>th</sup> \$2,077.00**

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>*** \$33,541.65

Year 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 16<sup>th</sup> \$4,004.00**

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>*** \$51,250.00

Year 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 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> \$8,948.00**

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>*** \$220,833.35

Year to date ***actual as of November 30<sup>th</sup>*** \$211,246.25

***Shortage as of November 30<sup>th</sup> \$9,587.10***

**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 – January 9<sup>th</sup> - 6:30PM – 9:00PM*

*Confirmation Class – January 20<sup>th</sup> – after 9:30 Mass – 12PM*

*Religious Education – Jan. 6, 20, 27 & Feb. 3, 10, 17 & 24*

*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, Catherine Catterton, Aenton

Wilson, 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 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.

♦**Holy Day of Obligation** – January 1, 2019

Mary Mother of God

**SJ – 8:00AM | SA – 10:00AM | SM – 7:00PM**

♦ **Adult Retreat** at St. Meinrad - February 8-10, 2019  
More details to follow.

### 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.

### Knights of Columbus

Ernie has been assigned local field agent in charge of insurance needs. He will be serving both North Vernon as well as Four Corners council's.

Contact Ernie for your K of C insurance needs and concerns.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FIELD AGENT

ERNIE ERNSTES.

CELL: (765) 760-8913

[matt.ernstes@kofc.org](mailto:matt.ernstes@kofc.org)

### 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

### Pilgrimage to France – June 5<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Father Jerry Byrd will be leading a ten day pilgrimage to France in June, 2019. You will be visiting towns such as Lisieux, Mont Saint-Michel, Lourdes, and Paris. Cost of this pilgrimage is approximately \$3,695.00. You can register online at

[www.tektonministries.org](http://www.tektonministries.org)

There are fliers/itineraries in the back of all the churches if you are interested in joining/learning more about the pilgrimage.

### 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.**

The deadline for the January 6<sup>th</sup> bulletin will be December 27<sup>th</sup>. Anything submitted after the 27<sup>th</sup> will not be included in the January 6<sup>th</sup> bulletin.

## Have a very Blessed Christmas!!!

"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. "

– Luke 2:11-12

### 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.**

The Chapel will be closed Sunday, December 23 at 2:00PM and will open again on Wednesday, December 26 at 10:00AM

#### **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.

E-mails will be checked during this time.

#### **End of year Donations**

All donations for the three parishes must be put in the collection the weekend of December 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> or be dropped at the parish office prior to December 30<sup>th</sup> to be accepted for posting in the 2018 year.

### St. Mary's Catholic School

A special thank you to the St. Mary's School PTO for sponsoring the annual Christmas Dinner on Friday. Also thank you to Nicole Bullard and Amber Elsner for chairing the event and the many volunteers who helped make our Christmas dinner so special

#### **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.

#### **ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**

**St. Bernard Council #1631**  
**Danny Gadd – Grand Knight**  
**(812) 871-1785**