

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Fourth Sunday of Lent

SM - 4:00 PM† Mr. & Mrs. Gene BiehleSA - 6:00 PM† Otto & Kate Daeger

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Fourth Sunday of Lent SJ - 7:30 AM † Dec. Mbrs of Wm & Rose Hunt Family

† Pro Populo

SM - 9:30 AM

MONDAY, APRIL 1 No Scheduled Mass

SM- 6:00 PM † Mary Kreutzjans WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Fourth Wednesday of Lent SM - 8:30 AM † Rita Bott SA - MASS CANCELLED

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Fourth Thursday of LentSJ - 6:30 AM† Thurman Gill*Hospital- 12:00 PM† Margaret Kipper

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Fourth Friday of Lent SM - 8:30 AM † Josh Stidham

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Fifth Sunday of LentSM - 4:00 PM† Pro PopuloSA - 6:00 PM† All those Memorialized
in Hoosiers Helping Haiti

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Fifth Sunday of Lent

SJ - 7:30 AM‡ Evelyn ElsnerSM - 9:30 AM‡ Don & Mary Hope Miller*Indicates change from the normal schedule.

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS

Saint Ann Wednesday | 5:30 PM (when there is 6 PM mass) & Saturday | 5:30 PM

Saint Joseph Sunday | 7:00 AM Saint Mary Sunday | 9:00 AM, Tuesday | 5:30 PM (when there is 6:00 PM mass), Saturday | 9:00–10:00AM & 3:30 PM

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Jesus said to him, "You have seen him and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. —Jn 9:37-38

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

MISSION STATEMENT

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 CONTACTS

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jerry L. Byrd, Pastor | frbyrd@stmarysnv.com Rev. Mr. Larry French, Deacon | ljosephfrench@yahoo.com **Courtney Seiwert, Pastoral Associate** pastoralassoc@stmarysnv.com

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PARISH OFFICE

629 Clay Street, North Vernon, IN 47265 Hours: Monday - Friday | 8 AM - 4 PM Office: (812) 346-3604 | Emergency: (513) 403-1547 | www.ccjc3.org

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

209 Washington Street, North Vernon, IN 47265 School Office: (812) 346-3445 Lisa Vogel, Principal | lisav@stmarysnv.com Natalie Messer, Secretary | nataliem@stmarysnv.com

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Emergency - Contact Fr. Jerry Byrd at (513) 403-1547.

Call Fr. Jerry for the sacrament of anointing at other times.

Anointing during St. Ann's 6 PM Mass on March 20

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

> **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** (812) 346-2576

PARISH INFORMATION

WEEKEND OFFERINGS MARCH 23 & 24

WEEKEND ATTENDANCE MARCH 23 & 24

What I spent is gone, what I kept I lost, but what I gave will be mine forever.

ST. ANN'S- 6:00PM | 113

ST. ANN'S-\$775.00 **ST. JOSEPH'S**-7:30AM | 140

ST. JOSEPH'S-\$1,403.00

ST. MARY'S-\$9,372.12

ST. MARY'S-4:00PM | 260 ST. MARY'S-9:30AM | 239

Father Jerry will be celebrating Mass every first Thursday at St. Vincent Hospital at 12:00PM (noon) in the Chapel. All are welcome to attend.

PENANCE SERVICE

Joseph's and St. Mary's

be provided.

Wednesday, April 3 at 6:30PM -St. Mary's Parish Center

Penance Service for St. Ann's, St.

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION

Saturday, April 6 from 10:00AM-

Sign up sheets are located in the

3:00PM - St. Mary's Parish Center

back of all the churches. Lunch will

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION Saturday, April 13-4:00PM Mass.

Our Palm Sunday procession will take place on Saturday, April 13 at the 4:00PM Mass at St. Mary's. Please note that incense WILL be used at the 4:00PM Mass and will NOT be used at the 9:30AM Mass.

WAY OF THE CROSS

April 14th at 2:00PM—Oldenburg April 19th at 1:00PM—St. Mary's

PRAYER & WORSHIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

John Carty, Lenny Maschino, JP Morris, Jonah Kreutzjans, Jack Wickens, Joni Biehle-Abel, Tony Pottorff, Brent Fry, Hailey Brown, Kaye Sullivan, Ann Tallant, Rose Leake, and Diana Daeger.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list please call Anne-Marie at the Parish Office 812-346-3604 or e-mail her at parishsecretary@stmarysnv.com

CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

OPEN 24 HOURS. CALL (812) 246-4919 FOR CHAPEL CLOSING INFORMATION

HOURS THAT NEED FILLED

Mon.-2:00AM | Fri. - 1:00AM Second Adorer Needed for Fri. 12AM Midnight | Wed. 7:00PM Temporary Sub Needed for Sat. 2:00PM (about 3 months)

If you can commit to an hour, would like to join someone on their hour, or would like to temporarily take Sat. 2:00PM please call the Parish Office at (812) 346-3604.

Bad Weather Policy

Closing the chapel due to 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.



Are you ready?!?!? Let's have some fun, get healthier, meet some new friends, and support a great cause together! Anytime Fitness is offering a 6 week coaching program to help you prepare for the T3 obstacle course. This program includes unlimited team coaching, registration to the event, t-shirt and lots of fun. Training begins April 1 so get registered today! Call Anytime Fitness at (812) 953-3212 for more information.

WELCOME RETREAT

April 27-28, 2019- St. Mary's Parish Center

Matthew Kelly with Dynamic Catholic absorbed the Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) program. They updated the materials for the program and renamed the updated version "Welcome." The Welcome retreat is open to all adult women and 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 offers an excellent opportunity to meet other people in our parish. If you are interested , brochures/registration are available in the back of all the churches or at the Parish Office.

FOUR CORNERS K OF C

Thank you to all that donated their time and talent to this year's 2019 Annual Consignment Auction. Special thanks to Andy and Larry Maschino, Joe Gerringer, Tom Lawson Auction Service, Mark Biehle Catering, and the ladies for their wonderful pies and desserts .

Donna Gerringer took both first and second place in the Best Pie Contest this year. First place, an apple pie, was purchased by the Grammer Industries. Second place, a cherry delight, was purchased by Top Land Insurance; Jack and Tyler Wagster.

MASS INTENTIONS

All Mass intentions for St. Joseph are filled for 2019. If you are wanting to have a Mass scheduled there is still availability for St. Ann's and St. Mary's. Beginning September 1, 2019 Mass intentions for 2020 may be scheduled.

LITURGICAL QUESTION BOX

Q: Why are the statues and crucifixes covered during the last part of Lent?

A: I remember the first time I experienced a church full of covered statues. I was quite surprised, and sort of confused. I did not know what to think about it. Now, as a pastor, I look forward to this liturgical tradition, because it invites those of us who see the covered statues and crucifixes to think on a deeper level about what it signifies, or at least it should! So, why do we cover the statues and crucifixes with purple shrouds? We do this to be reminded in a visual way that our faith in all its glory is made possible only through the work of Christ in his suffering and death on the cross. When we cover or remove these holy and sacred images that we are so accustomed to, we are starkly confronted and reminded in a poignant way of all that Christ has won for us. This traditionally happens during what was once known as *Passiontide* – the period from "Passion" Sunday (the 5th Sunday of Lent) through Good Friday. The only images that are not veiled during this time are the Stations of the Cross, because they tell the story of Our Lord's Passion. The statues and crucifixes are unveiled for the Easter Vigil to mark the triumph of Christ over sin and death!

EASTER LITURGICAL SIGN UP

Sign ups for Easter Sunday Masses will be in the back of all the churches this weekend, March 31.

FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 4 at 6:00PM In St. Mary's Parish Center If you are interested in being involved in this year's festival planning, please plan to attend or contact Abbey Bales at (812) 592-2766.

EASTER EGG HUNT & BREAKFAST

For ALL Parishioners of St. Ann's, St. Joe's & St. Mary's Saturday, April 13 from 9:00AM–11:00AM St. Joseph's Parish Hall

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Sunday, June 16–Thursday, June 20 6:00PM–8:00PM at St. Joseph's Hall Registrations will be available in May.

ROSARY SOCIETY

April 6—Church Cleaning for Easter Church Cleaning for Easter will begin at 8:00AM

April 27—Spring Craft & Garden Show

The Rosary Society of St. Joseph Catholic Church invite everyone to the 2019 Spring Craft and Garden Show, Saturday, April 27. Hours are 8am—2pm.

If anyone has perennials they would like to donate to the Parish booth, please bring them the evening before the show or the morning of the show.



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Lenten Fish fry: April 12–4:30PM–7:30PM St. Joseph Parish Hall Please come and enjoy some good food. To go orders will be available. Ladies, any desserts would be appreciated . Supper provided. Free donations appreciated. Entertainment includes live bluegrass music.

Four Corners Road Cleanup

Members are asked to gather at the Church, Saturday, April 6th at 7:30AM. We will clean the road to the highway. All help is appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE...

Saturday, April 13 at 6:00PM

"Battle of the Brains"

Are you forming your teams? DO you have a Team Name? Get ready for some fun competition of who knows more at the First Ever St. Mary's Trivia Night set for Saturday, April 13 in the parish center. Social and dinner is 6:00-7:30. Then Ten rounds of Trivia will begin at 7:30.

Cash bar and snacks will be available throughout the evening. Registration forms are available at the school office or be contacting Dan/Jennifer Schuck or Courtney Maschino.

FIRST COMMUNION

First Communion this year will take place the weekend of May 4 & 5.



If you or someone you know is interested in subbing for a teacher on maternity leave next Fall, please contact Lisa Vogel in the school office. (812) 346-3445

St. Mary's School is having a trash bag sale until April 3rd.

3 sizes: Yellow (39 gallon), White (15 gallon), and Blue (55 gallon). The cost is \$10 per roll. Call St. Mary's School office or Amber Elsner (812) 569-9725 with any questions.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS GROUPS & MINISTRIES

SM Legion of Mary Saturdays | 9:00 AM SM-SA K of C April 1 | 7:00 PM SJ K of C

April 2 | 8:00 PM

SJ Rosary Society July 9 | 6:00PM

St. Mary's School Commission April 23 | 5:30 PM

SM Physical Facilities Meeting TBA

Frassati Youth Group April 10 & 24 | 6:45PM - 9:00 PM

Religious Education April 7, 14 & 28 and May 12 & 19 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (St. Joseph's)

Bible Timeline April 8, 22, & 29 | 6:00 PM (St. Mary's Missi/Widerin Room)

PASTORAL COUNCIL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

St. Ann's Finance Committee TBA

St. Joseph's Finance Committee TBA

St. Mary's Finance Committee April 10 | 6:45 PM

Pastoral Council May 14 | 6:30 PM (St. Mary's Sprigler Room) (All posted Pastoral Council Meetings are open to all Parishioners.)

LENTEN ACTIVITIES

March 6–April 21, 2019 Saturday Confessions | SM 9–10AM Stations of the Cross SM - Friday | 6:00 PM SA–Saturday | 5:30 PM before 6:00 Mass SJ–Sunday | 8:30 AM following 7:30 Mass K of C Fish Fry–St. Mary's Parish Center April 5, 12, 19 | 4:30 PM –7:00 PM Lenten Series– St. Mary's April 2 & 9 | Mass at 6:00 PM Soup Supper 6:30 PM | Talk at 7:15 PM Penance Service–St. Mary's April 3 | 6:30 PM in the Parish Center Day of Reflection–St. Mary's April 6 | 10:00 AM–3:00 PM