



— ST. ANN | ST. JOSEPH | ST. MARY —  
**CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
OF *Jennings County*

## MASS SCHEDULE

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14**

#### **Third Sunday of Advent**

SM- 4:00 PM † Pro Populo

SA—6:00 PM † Henry Eder

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15**

#### **Third Sunday of Advent**

SJ - 7:30 AM † Regina Vogel

SM - 9:30 AM † John "Jack" Williams

### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 16**

#### **Third Monday of Advent**

NO SCHEDULED MASS

### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17**

#### **Third Tuesday of Advent**

\*SA— 6:00 PM † Evelyn Elsner

### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18**

#### **Third Wednesday of Advent / Ember Day**

SM—8:30 AM † Oscar Elsner

\*SM—6:00 PM † Priestly Vocations

\*SM—Adoration following Mass

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19**

#### **Third Thursday of Advent**

SJ - 6:30 AM † Eugene Ebbing

### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20**

#### **Third Friday of Advent**

SM - 8:30 AM † Paul "Ham" Wernke

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21**

#### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

SM- 4:00 PM † Pro Populo

SA—6:00 PM † Poor Souls

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22**

#### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

SJ - 7:30 AM † All those involved in  
Hoosiers Helping Haiti

SM - 9:30 AM † Frank B. Miller

\* indicates changes to the schedule

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.” - Mt 11:10

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## 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 | 3:30 PM

## 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

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pastoralassoc@stmarysnv.com

**Anne-Marie Sullivan, Parish Secretary**  
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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 6:00 PM Mass on December 17**

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

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

(812) 346-2576

### PRAYER LINE

(812) 346-6360 or (812) 346-3810

## PARISH INFORMATION

### WEEKEND OFFERINGS

DEC. 7 & 8

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

**ST. ANN'S**—\$1,767.00

**ST. JOSEPH'S**—\$1,587.00

**ST. MARY'S**—\$8,425.00

### WEEKEND ATTENDANCE

DEC. 7 & 8

**ST. ANN'S**— 6:00PM | 79

**ST. JOSEPH'S**—7:30AM | 180

**ST. MARY'S**—4:00PM | 225

**ST. MARY'S**—9:30AM | 239

**TOTAL: 723**

### CONGRATULATIONS...

...to **Ruthie Jane Watts**, daughter of Michael and Rachael Watts, who was baptized at St. Mary's on December 8, 2019.

...**Henry David Gray**, son of Quinn and Emily Gray, who was baptized at St. Mary's on December 8, 2019.

### HOOSIERS HELPING HAITI

Please drop off Hoosiers Helping Haiti envelopes either in the Sunday Collection or drop the envelope in the box in the chapel. Please make checks payable to "Hoosiers Helping Haiti"

## PRAYER & WORSHIP

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Lincoln McClellan, Louie Wilson, Joe Wahlman, Elizabeth Bridges, Tommy Schumacher, David Baurle, Amy Davis, Becca McClellan, Mattie Jo Kendall, Marilyn Badgett, Debbie Sharp, Brittney Preusz, Dorothy Lauder milk, Chloe Hatton, Esther Lee, Mary Lucas, Hazel Lynn Biehle–Abel, William Hanson, Doyle Williamson, John Carty, Lenny Maschino, JP Morris, Jonah Kreutzjans, Brent Fry, Ann Tallant and Rose Leake.

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) 346-4919 FOR CHAPEL CLOSING INFORMATION

### SECOND ADORER NEEDED FOR FRI 4:00PM

If you would like to commit to an 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 ect.

If you need emergency coverage due to bad weather, here are some options you could try of people who live fairly close to the chapel. Sharlot Ertel 812-592-4107, Ray & Janet Gerkin 812-346-2832 or

Tony Eder 812-346- 2244.

**Chapel Closings will be Flocknoted. If you do not receive flocknote updates please contact the Parish Office at 812-346-3604**

### SPRING BREAK PILGRIMAGE TO ROME—Led by Fr. Jerry Byrd March 20–28, 2020

We will visit Orvieto, Assisi, Cascia, and multiple sites in Rome. This pilgrimage is for any interested high school students or adults over the age of 18. Please contact the parish office for more information, if you have any questions or if you are interested in joining us on this trip . Brochures are available in the back of the churches.

### UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL PLEDGE CARDS

Every registered member will be sent a United Catholic Appeal card directly to their home. Please return your card and pledge in the envelope provided by mailing it directly back to them. There are envelopes available in the back of the churches if you are in need of one.

<b>Parish Goals:</b>	<b>St. Ann's:</b> \$ 8,288.00	<b>Pledged:</b> \$8,800.00
	<b>St. Joseph's:</b> 13,822.00	<b>Pledged:</b> \$14,220.00
	<b>St. Mary's:</b> \$41,896.00	<b>Pledged:</b> 15,357.00

### CHRISTMAS PARADE FLOAT

#### Thank you...

...to Fr. Jerry Byrd and Staff, CCJC Oblates of St. Meinrad, K of C #1631, WELCOME Ladies Group, Jason & Jennifer Sanders, Joseph & Sandra Doran, Dave O'Mara Contractors, Inc. Schneider Feed & Seed, Schneider Trucking & Excavating, Float Building Team, Marilyn Kirchner (who made the St. Nick costume), Scott Gabbard, Ron Doxsee (as St. Nick), Sharlot Ertel (mitre for St. Nick), and Katherine Brunner, Macy Bullard, Norah Campbell, Marlee Elston, Alana Leach, Kate Treadway, Kennedy Woods, and Allie Zamora (as choir and candy helpers)

# PARISH NEWS

## CHRISTMAS GIVING—SVDP

Food bags are available in the back of the churches to stock the Food Pantry at SVDP. Please return bags to the any of the Parish Halls, the Parish office or St. Vincent to Paul (during store hours) by December 16.

## CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

Christmas Memorial Envelopes will be available to pick up in the back of Churches. All memorials must be turned into the Parish Office by Dec. 16 for them to be published in the bulletin. You may either drop the envelopes in the Sunday Collection or bring them to the Parish Office.

## FOUR CORNERS K OF C

### Annual Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 17th 7:00PM in St. Joseph's 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.

## K OF C COUNCIL #1631

### Family of the Month

For the month of December, the family of the month is "Ham Wernke" for a life of service to his council, parish and community.

## Gibault Christmas Party

Any member of the K of C including their families interested going to the Gibault Christmas Party on December 26, 2019 at noon please contact Shawn Miller (812) 350-0709 by December 17th. We will be having lunch with the kids that are unable to go home for Christmas. We have been so blessed, let's show these kids someone cares.

## K OF C #1631 FREE THROW COMPETITION

The K of C will be hosting their annual Free Throw Competition, Sunday, January 19th from 12:00pm—3:00pm in St. Mary's Gym for ages 9-14. For entry forms contact Caleb Abrell (812) 592-9841 or if you have any questions or are in need of additional information.

## BAD WEATHER POLICY

If school is cancelled, all school activities are **CANCELLED**—this means that practices, games, Bingo, PTO activities, school meetings, etc. Also, all parish meetings and activities will be cancelled unless otherwise informed based on the discretion of the pastor or organization head.

**ALSO**—Wed. 8:30 AM School Mass will be cancelled when school is not in session.

## THE ROARING 2020'S NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

### Hosted by St. Mary's School PTO

Willow Lake Event Center  
Dec. 31, 2019 from 7:30pm-1:00am \$30.00 per person or \$50.00 per couple  
Tickets available in the school office.

## ST. JOSEPH SNOW REMOVAL

December 2019: Andy Elsner, David Vogel and Chris Bailey.

## ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Copies of the Advent and Christmas schedule are available in the back of Church.

## ST. ANN'S CHRISTMAS CLEANING

St. Ann's Christmas Cleaning will be on December 18 at 6:00PM at St. Ann's. We will decorate for Christmas on Dec. 22 at 5:00PM.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### GROUPS & MINISTRIES

#### SM-SA K of C

January 6 | 7:00 PM @ St. Mary's

#### SJ K of C

January 7 | 8:00 PM

#### SJ Rosary Society

TBA

#### St. Mary's School Commission

TBA

#### SM Physical Facilities Meeting

TBA

#### Frassati Youth Group

This will be Flocknoted | 6:30PM—9:00PM

#### Religious Education

Dec. 15 | 8:30—10:00AM

## PASTORAL COUNCIL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

### St. Ann's Finance Committee

January 22 | 6:45 Parish Hall

### St. Joseph's Finance Committee

January 22 | 6:30 Parish Hall

### St. Mary's Finance Committee

January 28 | 6:45 Parish Office

### Pastoral Council

January 21 | 6:30 PM

(St. Mary's Sprigler Room)

(All posted Pastoral Council Meetings are open to all Parishioners.)

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

The bulletin deadline for December 29 is **Wednesday, December 18 at 5:00PM**

The bulletin deadline for January 5 is **Thursday, December 26 at 5:00PM**

## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

### December 24

SM—4:00 PM (GYM)

SA—6:00 PM

### December 25

SM— 12:00AM (Midnight)

SJ—9:00AM

## OFFICE CLOSINGS

The office will be closed on Dec. 24-26 and Dec. 31 & Jan. 1.

## CHAPEL CLOSING

Chapel will be closed Dec. 24 at 12:00PM through Dec. 26 at 12:00PM



ST. MARY'S  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
VALUES AND TRADITIONS

St. Mary's School will present "Away in a Mango" on Tuesday, December 17, at 6:30PM, in the St. Mary's Parish Center.

Guests are also invited to attend the dress rehearsal on Tuesday at 12:15PM.