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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Weekend**

Monday-Friday at 8:00 am  
Saturday at 5:30 pm  
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 am

**Holy Days**

7pm Vigil Mass - 8am & Noon

**VIRTUAL MASS SCHEDULE**

**LIVE on Saturdays at 5:30pm**

on our Facebook page

A link is available on our website from  
livestream 'til next Mass.

**FIRST FRIDAY  
ADORATION & BENEDICTION**

First Friday of the month after  
Daily Mass - 7pm  
Main body of Holy Family Church

**ADORATION**

Monday-Friday 9am-9pm  
St. Anne's Chapel located by  
the East side entrance.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Contact **Beth Geis** to arrange a Baptism  
holyfamilybeth@gmail.com/  
812-934-3013 (ext. 125)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Monday - Friday from 7:15am-7:45am  
Saturdays from 4:30pm - 5:30pm  
Sundays 7am-8am & 9am-10am

# Holy Family Parish

**Two – Count ‘em – Two Advent Penance Services**

Please join us for an Advent penance service this year! On December 3 we will have our annual penance service: **“Christ Jesus, Our Hope.”** The next day, December 4, we will have a penance service for our religious education students and their families: **“Good News of Great Joy.”** If you are not able to make either of these, please be sure to give yourself an early Christmas present and go to one of the many local services during Advent. Details about all of these are inside the bulletin.



**First Reconciliation**

Congratulations to our second-grade religious education class, who celebrated first confessions on November 20. They were plenty nervous before the whole thing began, but in the end they learned it's not so bad to let Jesus help us become the best version of ourselves. Thanks to **Beth Geis, Jennifer Gray,**

**Monica Balash, Deanna Raver, Matt Trossman, and everyone's parents** for making it a wonderful celebration of God's goodness and mercy.

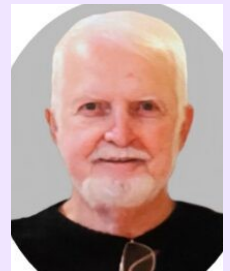
**Please Pray for Peg Salatin and Her Family**



Peggy (Blank) Salatin, who taught at St. Louis School for many years, was laid to rest at St. Louis Cemetery last Saturday. Please take a moment to say a prayer for Peg: *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.* Please pray also for her husband Bob and their family.

**Please Pray for Frank Bravard and His Family**

Our brother Frank Bravard, husband of Charlene (née Lunsford), was laid to rest at St. Mary of the Rock on Tuesday. Please take a moment to say a prayer for Frank: *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.* Please pray also for his wife Charlene and their family.



**Special Thanks from Blest Art**

We received a letter of thanks from Blest Art, who visited us at the beginning of November, for hosting them. Blest Art sells religious items made by Christian families in Bethlehem and is a major source of income for these families. They wanted us to know that they raised \$3200 from your purchases – a great blessing for our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land! Thank you all for your support. Blest Art will return to Oldenburg November 2026.

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

The feast of the Immaculate Conception, which is a Holy Day of Obligation, falls on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> this year. Masses that day will be at 8:00am, noon, and 7:00pm.

- Fr. John

St. Mary's of the Rock

## Annual Whole Hog Sausage and Pancake Breakfast & Raffle

Sunday, December 1, 2024  
Serving : 7:00 a m to Noon

Serving Whole Hog Sausage, Pancakes, Biscuits and Gravy & Eggs  
Fried Apples, Homemade Coffee Cakes and Rolls

Freewill Donation  
Proceeds benefit the  
St Mary's of the Rock Preservation Society

Visit with **SANTA**  
December 7th from 3-5pm  
The Hall of the Knights of Columbus  
Sponsored by the Batesville Daughters of Isabella

## Rummage Sale Collection & Sorting

Tues., December 10<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-7:30pm  
Tues., January 7<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-7:30pm  
Tues., January 21<sup>st</sup> from 6pm-7:30pm

Please use **FRONT** entrance of school. Must bring items to sorting rooms **INSIDE** building.

## Holidays Under the Spires

# December 7th

## Oldenburg, IN

Festivities, Shopping & Dining All Day!

**SECOND FRIDAY AND SATURDAY IN DECEMBER!**  
**5 PM - 9 PM**

St. Anthony's LIVE NATIVITY

LIVE MANGER SCENE  
ANIMALS  
CHRISTMAS CAROLS  
COMPLIMENTARY TREATS

MORRIS, IN

Free Event!

Oldenburg Knights of St. John

## Breakfast with Santa

December 7  
8am-11am  
Holy Family Cafeteria

Freewill offering

Join us for whole hog sausage, pancakes, biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, fried apples, sweet rolls, fruit, orange juice, milk and coffee. Dine-in or Carry out available.

Proceeds benefit Tri-County Council for Special People, Inc., Society of St. Vincent de Paul, & many other local & regional charities & organizations

# SHOP

AT THE  
HOLIDAYS UNDER THE SPIRES CRAFT SHOW  
**SAT. DECEMBER 7TH**  
**9 AM-3PM**

LOCATED IN THE HOLY FAMILY GYM  
WHICH IS ENTERED IN THE CHURCH  
PARKING LOT

**"Let there be Light"**  
**2024 Christmas Cantata**

The Christmas Story shared through song. Presented on Sat., December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm or Sun., December 15<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm at St. Mary Catholic Church, Greensburg.  
Ticket info coming soon.

## Breakfast with Santa

December 8<sup>th</sup> 8am-11am

Santa arrives at 9am  
Millhousen Knights of St. John Hall

**Menu:**  
Sausage, Eggs, Pancakes, Biscuits & Gravy, Coffee Cakes, Milk, Orange Juice & Coffee

Free will offering benefiting the Immaculate Conception Church.  
Sponsored by the Knights of St. John Milhousen

## BATESVILLE DEANARY ADVENT PENANCE SREVICES

12/20 9am - 9pm -ST MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION -AURORA  
12/19 7pm - ST LOUIS PARISH BATESVILLE  
12/3 7pm HOLY FAMILY - OLDENBURG  
12/3 7pm ST MARY PARISH - GREENSBURG  
ST LAWRENCE PARISH - LAWRENCEBURG  
ST CHARLES BORROMEIO - MILAN  
12/3, 12/10, 12/17 6:30 - 7:30pm ST MICHAEL PARISH-BROOKVILLE  
12/6 9am - 9pm ALL SAINTS - DEARBORN COUNTY  
12/11 6-8pm ST MAURICE PARISH - NAPOLEON  
SS PHILOMENA AND CECILIA - BROOKVILLE  
12/11 6:30pm ST VINCENT DE PAUL - SHELBY COUNTY  
12/16 6-8pm IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH - MILLHOUSEN  
ST ANTHONY OF PADUA - MORRIS  
12/17 6:30pm - ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA - DECATUR COUNTY  
12/18 6-8pm ST JOHN PARISH - OSGOOD  
ST NICHOLAS PARISH - RIPLEY COUNTY  
12/18 6:30 - 7:30pm ST PETER PARISH - FRANKLIN COUNTY  
12/20 9am - 9pm ST JOSEPH PARISH - SHELBYVILLE  
ST. TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS - LAWRENCEBURG

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, November 30

5:30pm † Andrew Schneider

## Sunday, December 1

8:00 am † Fred Schene  
10:00 am Members of the Parish

## Monday, December 2

8:00 am † Ronald Moorman

## Tuesday, December 3

8:00 am † Alfred & Kenny Yager

## Wed, December 4

8:00 am † Omer & Vera Hornig

## Thurs, December 5

8:00 am † Rita Amberger

## Friday, December 6

8:00 am † Francis Flaspohler  
6:30pm † Melvin & Mille Cutter (SMR)

## Saturday, December 7

5:30pm † Ambrose Nobbe

## Sunday, December 8

8:00 am † Bhuford Dramann  
10:00 am Members of the Parish

### MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Jim Flodder  
Diane Raver  
Ben Batta  
Rita Batta  
Rita Brockman  
Rory Biltz  
Russell Wagner  
Tim Wurtz  
Logan Nicholas Doll  
Melanie Jones  
Dave Amberger  
Doty Amberger  
Tina Cohill  
Connie  
Alisa Doll  
Terry Duncan

Beth Fasbinder  
Rick Flodder  
Marvin Gehring  
Tony Gorbail  
Lisa Haessig  
Jean Ham  
Dennis Harmeyer  
Sylva Havens  
Becky Horstman  
Dale Kuntz  
Eugene Laker  
Beth Lamping  
Jim Lamping Jr.  
Todd Leising  
Gary Lewis  
Rita Litzinger  
Carlos Luken  
Carolyn Meyer

Sandy Meyer  
Keith Milligan  
Layla Mulcahy  
Shane Neal  
Bobby Patterson  
Gary Payne  
Tami Peters  
Corey Peters  
Jeanne Phillips  
Bill Pierce  
Anna Mae Raver  
Clare Ronnebaum  
Ruth Ronnebaum  
Donn Salladay  
Carolyn Scheele  
Wilfrid Scheele  
Leah Schornick  
Pat Schrank

Ellen Siebert  
Alma Simmermeyer  
Ruth Ann Starost  
Paul Strassel  
Carol Strassel  
Steve Suding  
Terri Jo Thompson  
Wesley Neil Thompson  
Jen Tucker  
Dan Wagner  
Mattie Wagner  
Rick Wilhelm  
Tom Wilson  
and all our nursing  
home & homebound  
parishioners.  
**December 1, 2024**

## 2024 Capital Improvement Projects/Expenses

Project	Cost	Description
Repair Stage Doors underneath	\$ (5,000.00)	In Process
Confessional Updates	\$ (3,500.00)	Quoted
Boiler Work & 1/2 Boiler Replacement	\$ (46,461.00)	Completed
Front Stairs outside Friary & Gutters on gym	\$ (4,925.00)	Completed
Reseal the East Side of the Church Windows	\$ (22,740.00)	Completed
New Stable for Nativity Set	\$ (3,063.00)	Completed
Cut the 3 dead trees down in the cemetery	\$ (1,000.00)	Completed
Priests' concrete parking repair for	\$ (2,275.00)	Completed
Battery Backup Replacement-Cheryl's Comp	\$ (634.49)	Completed
Repaint Holy Family Statue	\$ (1,295.00)	Completed
Copier for Office	\$ (8,500.00)	Completed
Replace Roof on Rectory	\$ (40,860.00)	Completed
Steam Table for Festival	\$ (2,832.00)	Completed
Roof for the Shrine in Woods at Cemetery	\$ (585.00)	Completed
<b>TOTAL 2024 PROJECTS</b>	<b>\$ (143,085.49)</b>	<b>Total Cost for 2024 Projects</b>
Total Donations to date + Balance from 2023	\$ 137,329.49	Total Donations to date for 2024 Projects
<b>Total Deficit for Projects</b>	<b>\$ (5,756.00)</b>	<b>Total Deficit to cover Projects</b>

## OFFERING AN ACT OF WORSHIP

### November 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday Collection

Envelope Collection.....\$7,034.25  
Loose.....\$1,573.00  
Total.....\$8,607.25  
Budget.....\$7,692.31  
**ABOVE Budget.....\$914.94**  
2nd Collection.....\$2,147.00

### Special Parish DECEMBER Collection:

## Choir & Music Liturgy

### EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION DATES:

Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> submits Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> submits Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>  
Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> submits Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>  
Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> submits Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>

## Readings for the week of December 1, 2024

**Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

**Monday:** Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-9/Mt 8:5-11

**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

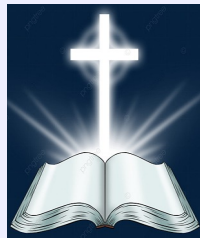
**Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 15:29-37

**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

**Friday:** Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-6/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

**Next Sunday:** Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-6 (3)/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6



## Family Helping Families & the Giving Tree

The first batch of tickets' gifts for Families Helping Families. **need to be returned THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1st.** Distribution of these gifts will be on December 6th. Due to the economy, we are anticipating a huge response this year.

Holy Family Giving Tree Tags will immediately fill the tree as the Families Helping Families tags disappear. For the Christmas season, Holy Family likes to bring a little holiday cheer to the parishioners that are homebound, in nursing homes, attending college, veterans, serving our country and have lost loved ones this past year.

Thank you to each and everyone for your continued support. It truly takes a village to pull the spread of the Christmas Spirit that we provide. THANK YOU to the Holy Family Parish 'Village'!

- Carol Dobson & the Caring Committee



# Mass Ministry Schedule

## November 30th & December 1st

### Servers:

5:30pm Annabelle Eckstein & Aubrey Kruthaupt  
8:00am Leo Spreckelson & Jason Kaiser  
10:00am George Jelinek & Adelynn Kruthaupt

### Lector:

5:30pm Steve Kerker  
8:00am Patricia Doll  
10:00am Wendy Havens

### Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Dan Eckstein, Carla Enzinger, Maureen Grote, Elaine Hawkes & Tom Meyer  
8:00am Connie Chaffee, Kris Baumer, Angie Harmeyer, Theresa Boyce & Monica Livers  
10:00am Ryan Tekulve, Beth Geis, Beth Deputy, Dave Rieman & Teri Rieman

### Music:

5:30pm Parish Choir  
8:00am Matt Trossman  
10:00am Leon Enneking, Tim Volz, Carol Roell & Kim Brockman

## December 7th & December 8th

### Servers:

5:30pm Abe Trossman & Jonah Trossman  
8:00am Henry Giesting & Maddie Balash  
10:00am Nolan Wanstrath & Grace Flaspohler

### Lector:

5:30pm Diane Raver  
8:00am Eric Doll  
10:00am Carol Dobson

### Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Jay Pfeiffer, Connie Chaffee, Lisa Oldham, Michael Irvin & Diane Raver  
8:00am Jeff Paul, Teresa Merkel, Deann Kaiser, Eric Heppner & Dennis Moeller  
10:00am AJ Strassell, Tina Duncan, Wendy Havens, Jenny Ilderton & Melissa Jacobs

### Music:

5:30pm Parish Choir  
8:00am Matt Trossman  
10:00am Leon Enneking, Tim Volz, Carol Roell & Kim Brockman

## December 14th & December 15th

### Servers:

5:30pm Annabelle Eckstein & Easton Enzinger  
8:00am Blaise Mullens & Abby Balash  
10:00am Jonah Trossman & Heidi Werner

### Lector:

5:30pm Halle Meyer  
8:00am Gary Laker  
10:00am Julia Heidlage

### Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Eddie Obermeyer, Dan Eckstein, Carla Enzinger, Maureen Grote & Lisa Oldham  
8:00am Christy Honnert, Karen Trenkamp, Dorohy Ziegler, Cathy Kaiser & Deanna Raver  
10:00am Barb Luff, Kay Pulskamp, Allen Raab, Brandy Starost & Jacob Starost

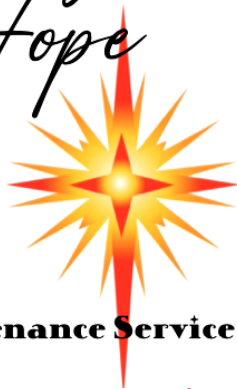
### Music:

5:30pm Leon Enneking, Tim Volz, Carol Roell & Kim Brockman  
8:00am Jayne Enneking  
10:00am Bryce & Shannon Mullins

**USHERS for December 5:30pm:** Bob Obermeyer, Ed Scheele, Louis Scheele

**8:00am:** Bob Schrank, Dan Kerker & Roger Collins - **10:00am:** Ken Pfeiffer, Mike Schwegman & Paul Waechter

*Christ Jesus,  
our Hope*



**An Advent Penance Service**

**Holy Family Church**  
December 3, 2024  
7:00 PM

*GOOD NEWS  
of  
GREAT JOY*

**AN ADVENT  
PENANCE SERVICE  
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE &  
FAMILIES**

**Holy Family Church**  
December 4, 2024  
6:30 PM

## Holy Day of Obligation



The Feast of the Immaculate  
Conception of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary

**Immaculate Conception Mass Times:**

**December 9th**  
**8am - Noon - 7pm**  
**at Holy Family Church**



Please welcome

- ♦ Victoria Kurtz
- ♦ Nathan Flaspohler
- ♦ Rob & Marta Schebler (Jennings)

to Holy Family Parish



Church Ministry  
Help

**HOLIDAY MASS MINISTRIES  
VOLUNTEERS** Attention Servers,  
Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers...**CHRISTMAS  
& Solemnity of Mary (New**

**Year's)** are right around the corner. Please go to the QR code and sign up TODAY! Check your emails for a link or contact Toni Cummings @ tdcummings96@gmail.com or 812-212-2354 if interested.



# Religious Education/Youth Ministry Page

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Religious Education - The next Class will be **Wed. December 4<sup>th</sup>** with a **Young Family Penance Service**.

There will be an **Advent Mass on Wednesday December 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**Preschool/Kindergarten Religious Education Class**

The next Class will be **Sun., Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>** from 9:45-11:00am.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

next session is **Dec 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm-7:30pm in the Parish Library** (located up the stone stairs across from Oldenburg firehouse.) We will continue the Theology & Spirituality of Saints with Fr. E.J. Stein. Come any session you can! We hope to see you there!



## FORMED® PICK OF THE WEEK

**ADVENT WEEK 1** - Explore the seasons of Advent and Christmas with other great videos, audiobooks, and talks by visiting our Advent & Christmas collection: <https://watch.formed.org/advent-and-christmas>



**BAPTISM:** If you are preparing to have your child baptized or need to receive a Baptismal Certificate, please contact Beth Geis. *If this is your first child*, you will need to schedule a Baptism Class with Beth Geis. If this is not your first child & have attended a class already, we will need proof. **Phone #:** (812)-934-3013 ext 3 or **E-mail:** [holyfamilybeth@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamilybeth@gmail.com)



**TEAM JESUS YOUTH GROUP (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP):** High School Youth Group is **THIS Sun., Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>**, from 5:30-7:30pm @ Holy Family Church.

We will have adoration/rosary & then bowling at the church!

Join your peers every Wednesday morning for High School Bible Study at the Youth Center 7:07-7:37 AM. Smoothies, Coffee, Hot Chocolate and Snacks provided.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:** The next youth group is **Fri., Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> from 3-5pm** at the St. Louis Youth Center.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY:** Middle School Bible Study is **THIS Mon. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>** at the St. Louis Youth Center. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Beth Geis.

If you need any help getting your child from the Middle School to the Youth Center, please contact me & we will be willing to help figure something out.

**TRIFORCE MISSION TRIP:** The next meeting is **Sun., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> from 4:30pm-5:30pm** at St. Louis Youth Center.

This year, the group is going to

East Bank, West Virginia July 6-12<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

If you put an order in for the **Christmas sale**, pick up is **December 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>** after the Mass times @ St. Louis Church. Please contact Beth Geis if you'd like help getting your orders.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Beth Geis!  
E-mail: [holyfamilybeth@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamilybeth@gmail.com) / Call: 812-934-3013 (ext. 3)



Oldenburg Academy's Placement  
Test and Parent Meeting:  
December 7th from 8:30-11:30am

The placement test is for any current 8th grade student that would like to apply for an Oldenburg Academy Scholarship. To register or learn more about the enrollment process email Molly Freeland:  
[mfreeland@oldenburgacademy.org](mailto:mfreeland@oldenburgacademy.org)



**BATESVILLE PREGNANCY HOTLINE**

**DID YOU KNOW...** Life is a gift. Adoption is a loving option which allows mothers who don't feel ready to parent to find a loving home for their child. Today there are adoption plans in which you can know your child and be a part of your child's life. You can have the peace of knowing your child is loved and cared for by the couple you choose. Batesville's pregnancy hotline mission is to help mothers in difficult situations. If you need help or know a mother needing help, please call 812-934-5116, go to [www.batesvillecph.org](http://www.batesvillecph.org), or search for Batesville Pregnancy Hotline on Facebook & also reachable at FB Messenger.

## HOLY FAMILY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**CONTACTS: CATECHIST or RUMMAGE SALE:** Beth Geis: at

812-932-3045 or [holyfamilybeth@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamilybeth@gmail.com) **TURTLE SOUP:**

Dorothy Ziegler @ 812-212-0414 - **MASS MINISTRIES:** Toni

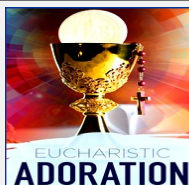
Cummings @ [tdcummings96@gmail.com](mailto:tdcummings96@gmail.com) or 812-932-3046 -

**FESTIVAL or CHURCH LINEN SERVICES:** Cheryl Borgman @

812-934-3015 or [holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com) - **CARING**

**COMMITTEE:** Carol Dobson @ 812-212-3582 **BEREAVEMENT**

**COMMITTEE:** Marcia Bischoff @ 812-871-4872



**COME AND SPEND MORE TIME IN THE PRESENCE of the LORD, our SAVIOR Monday – Friday 9am-9pm in the St. Anne's Chapel. SEEKING an Adorer for Friday at 3pm. Please contact Dustin**

**Walke.** If you would like to sub when needed, PLEASE join our GroupMe Chat. You will then receive text messages for times when a sub is needed. If interested to be added to the Chat OR help with an hour, please contact Dustin Walke at 317-691-5209 or [walkedustin@gmail.com](mailto:walkedustin@gmail.com).