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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/](mailto: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



I am the Alpha and the Omega...
(Revelation 1:8)

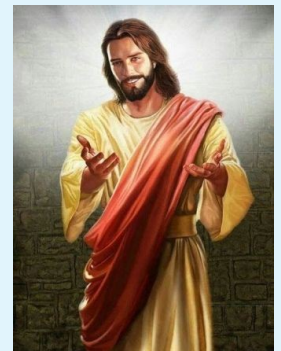
In this week's reading from Revelation, God refers to Himself as "the Alpha and the Omega," the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. At the end of the book of Revelation, Jesus Christ applies this title to Himself: "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end" (Revelation 22:13). In and through Jesus, the Word made flesh, all of creation came to be and

all of creation finds its fulfillment. He is the source and goal of everything. He is also the victorious Lamb of God who triumphs over evil and establishes His reign. He is Christ the King, whose feast we celebrate on this last Sunday of the Church year.

In the Mass this Sunday we give thanks to the almighty God "whose will is to restore all things" in Christ and to set all creation "free from slavery" (*Opening Prayer*). We celebrate Christ's "eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace" (*Preface before the Eucharistic Prayer*).

This is the kingdom that Jesus announces in the Gospels, and the kingdom into which He invites all of us forever. As we bring this year to a close, ask the Holy Spirit to show you the ways you have accepted this invitation by allowing Christ to reign more fully in your life. Give thanks and praise for this! And then ask the Spirit to open your heart wider to receive even more of God's grace in the coming year.

May Christ and His peace reign in all our hearts!

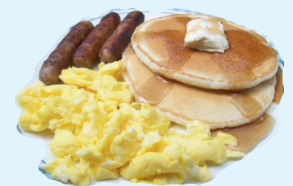


Please Pray for Roger Downard and His Family

The Mass of Christian Burial for our brother Roger Downard was held at St. Mary's of the Rock last Tuesday. Please take a moment to say a prayer for Roger: *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 Ruth Ann and their family.

St. Mary's of the Rock Sausage and Pancake Breakfast

Be sure to swing by SMR next Sunday, December 1, for the annual whole hog sausage and pancake breakfast and raffle (serving 7am to noon). Your freewill donation benefits the St. Mary's of the Rock Preservation Society, which helps us to maintain this beautiful church and grounds of our parish.



- 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 Eatesville Daughters of Isabella

FREE blood pressure checks after all Mass **THIS WEEKEND** in the bride's room at the back of

Rummage Sale Collection & Sorting

Tues., December 10th from 6pm-7:30pm
Tues., January 7th from 6pm-7:30pm
Tues., January 21st 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 MANGER SCENE
ANIMALS
CHRISTMAS CAROLS
COMPLIMENTARY TREATS

LIVE NATIVITY

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 14th @ 7pm or Sun., December 15th @ 6pm at St. Mary Catholic Church, Greensburg. Ticket info coming soon.

Thank you,
FATHER, FOR HAVING CREATED US AND GIVEN US TO EACH OTHER IN THE HUMAN FAMILY.

Thank you
FOR BEING WITH US IN ALL OUR JOYS AND SORROWS, FOR YOUR COMFORT IN OUR SADNESS, YOUR COMPANIONSHIP IN OUR LONELINESS.

Thank you
FOR YESTERDAY, TODAY, TOMORROW AND FOR THE WHOLE OF OUR LIVES.

Thank you
FOR FRIENDS, FOR HEALTH AND FOR GRACE. MAY WE LIVE THIS AND EVERY DAY CONSCIOUS OF ALL THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO US.

Amen

REJOICE IN KNOWING THE KING

GOSPEL MEDITATION - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

When I was a young boy in Burlington, Vermont, my dad had a good friend named Phil who owned a sporting goods store. I loved sports, so meandering the treasure-filled aisles was an unmitigated joy. One afternoon, we were shopping for a baseball glove. Dad said to me, "Hey Johnny, see that man who just walked into the store? That's Phil." I remember being fascinated and a little terrified. I recall thinking, "That man right there is in charge of everything in this store!"

He reigned over every ball, sneaker, jersey, and sweatsuit. Phil became a family friend. And he was a good owner. The store flourished, and I found myself even more at peace every time I went there. I felt a new hope and even responsibility for the store to flourish.

To say that Christ is the King of the Universe means that Jesus has absolute authority over everything in it. It should fill us with awe and fascination. He is in charge. The world and everything in it are finally his. Knowing that he knows and loves us should make us also feel a deep peace at being a part of his universe. This leads us to want his kingdom to flourish, to play some responsible role in it.

We advance his kingdom by promoting the truth. "Everyone who is of the truth hears my voice," Christ the King proclaims. In Phil's store, it was about the truth of athletics. In our world, it's all about the truth of all creation, especially the dignity of the human person, made by and for our loving God. Let's rejoice that we know the true king and commit to the flourishing of his kingdom.

— Father John Muir

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 23

5:30pm Living & † Deceased Members of the Knights of St. John Commandery #220

Sunday, November 24

8:00 am † Shirley Kiefer
10:00 am Members of the Parish

Monday, November 25

8:00 am † Joe & Leona Scheele

Tuesday, November 26

8:00 am † Albert Meyer

Wed, November 27

8:00 am † Deceased Members of the Bessler Family

Thurs, November 28

8:00 am † Jerry Lamping

Friday, November 29

8:00 am † Dick Hirt

Saturday, November 30

5:30pm † Andrew Schneider

Sunday, December 1

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

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

If you would like a Mass offered for a loved one who has passed on or as a special intention for someone in your life, for requests please contact Toni Cummings at tdcummings96@gmail.com or 812-932-3046

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.
November 24, 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
TOTAL 2024 PROJECTS	\$ (143,085.49)	Total Cost for 2024 Projects
		Total Donations to date for 2024 Projects
Total Donations to date + Balance from 2023	\$ 137,329.49	
Total Deficit for Projects	\$ (5,756.00)	Total Deficit to cover Projects

'Tis the Season

EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION DATES:

Dec. 8th submits Dec. 2nd

Dec. 15th submits Dec. 6th

Dec. 22nd submits Dec. 12th

Dec. 29th submits Dec. 20th



Readings for the week of November 24, 2024

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1-2, 5/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10-13/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-9/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-5/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2/Ps 84:3-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 4:18-22

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

OFFERING

AN ACT OF WORSHIP

Special Parish **NOVEMBER** Collection:

Christmas Flowers & Decorations

Special Parish **DECEMBER** Collection:

Choir & Music Liturgy



Family Helping Families & the Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is up. The first batch of tickets will be for Families Helping Families.

These gifts need to be returned **NO LATER** than **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 23rd & November 24th

Servers:

5:30pm Annie Patterson & Kenzi Froehling
8:00am Annie Harmeyer & Blaise Mullens
10:00am Gus Robben & Maddie Balash

Lector:

5:30pm Kristina Schneider
8:00am Dan Kerker
10:00am Barb Luff

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Tom Meyer, Karen Patterson, Will Patterson, Michael Irvin & Eddie Obermeyer
8:00am Christy Honnert, Karen Trenkamp, Dorothy Ziegler, Deanna Raver & Jon Spreckelson
10:00am Wendy Havens, 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

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

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

Advent Penance Service



Prepare the way of the Lord!

Join us...

December 3rd at
7:00pm OR

December 4th at
6:30pm (Family Friendly)
in Holy Family Church.

Individual confessions available



The Feast of the Immaculate
Conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary



Immaculate Conception Mass Times:

December 9th
8am & Noon
at Holy Family Church

CHRIST THE KING



HOLIDAY MASS MINISTRIES VOLUNTEERS

Attention Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers...**CHRISTMAS & Solemnity of Mary (New Year's)** are right around the corner. Keep an eye out for a Sign-up genius or if you know which Mass you will be attending, contact Toni Cummings at tdcummings96@gmail.com/812-212-2354



Dear Family and Friends

We extend our deepest thank you to you during our greatest sadness. Whether you kept us in your thoughts and prayers, visited us and brought us food to our home and/or to the funeral meal, sent a lovely arrangement or gift, made a donation, donated towards the children's education fund, or helped us out in any way. Your love and kindness did not go unnoticed, and it brought us great comfort, and will always be remembered.

Your words have comforted us, your support has strengthened us, and your love has sustained us.
In Loving Memory of Natalie Anne Volk-Rennekamp & Clarissa Agnes Benham whom God has you in his arms and we have you in our hearts.

With sincere love and thanks,
Cletus, Elmer, Harold & Mack Rennekamp - Garrett & Alex Benham
- Sandy Weisenbach-Volk & Family

Religious Education/Youth Ministry Page

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

1st – 8th Grade Religious Education - The next class will be **Wed. December 4th** with a **Young Family Penance Service** (Beth Geis will email more info soon) from 6:30-7:30pm.

There will be an **Advent Mass on Wednesday December 11th**. **Remember**, there's no class on Wed., Nov. 27th due to Thanksgiving.

Preschool/Kindergarten Religious Education Class

The next class will be **Sun., Nov. 24th** from 9:45-11:00am.

YOUTH GROUP

TEAM JESUS YOUTH GROUP (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP): High School Youth Group is **Sun., Dec. 1st**, 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. 6th from 3-5pm** at the St. Louis Youth Center.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY: Middle School Bible Study is **THIS Mon. Dec. 2nd** 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. 15th from 4:30pm-5:30pm** at St. Louis Youth Center.

This year, the group is going to

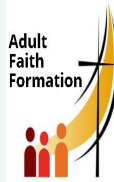
East Bank, West Virginia July 6-12th, 2025.

If you put an order in for the **Christmas sale**, pick up is **December 7th & 8th** 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 / Call: 812-934-3013 (ext. 3)

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

next session is **Dec 11th 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

RETROUVAILLE

HelpOurMarriage.org
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Cincinnati Retrouvaille weekend
January 3-5

Retrouvaille has been helping troubled marriages since 1977. The program is confidential, effective, and can help you find hope and healing!

HelpOurMarriage.org
513-486-6222

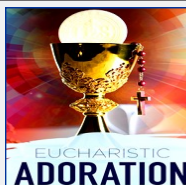


BATESVILLE
PREGNANCY HOTLINE

DID YOU KNOW... 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, or search for Batesville Pregnancy Hotline on Facebook & also reachable at FB Messenger.



Artificial Birth Control is a moral wrong. Come learn the Christian Way. **A Natural Family Planning class is held the 1st Sunday of the month, from 9a.m. to 12 Noon in Batesville. This class is taught in one session.** The Sympto-Thermal method is 98% effective, natural, & safe. There is a \$40 fee for books & materials. **For reservations call/text Aly (812)212-4951 or Michael (812)212-2719.**



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.

HOLY FAMILY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CONTACTS: CATECHIST or RUMMAGE SALE: Beth Geis: at 812-932-3045 or holyfamilybeth@gmail.com **TURTLE SOUP:** Dorothy Ziegler @ 812-212-0414 - **MASS MINISTRIES:** Toni Cummings @ tdcummings96@gmail.com or 812-932-3046 - **FESTIVAL or CHURCH LINEN SERVICES:** Cheryl Borgman @ 812-934-3015 or holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com - **CARING COMMITTEE:** Carol Dobson @ 812-212-3582 **BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE:** Marcia Bischoff @ 812-871-4872