

**HOLY FAMILY
PARISH OFFICE**

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday at 8:00 am

Saturday at 5:30 pm

Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 am

3rd Sunday at St. Mary of the
Rock at 11 am

Holy Days

Check the Bulletin for Mass Times

FIRST FRIDAY

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

First Friday of the month after
Daily Mass until 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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday ~ 7:15am-7:45am

Saturdays ~ 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Sundays ~ 7am-8am & 9am-10am

A Franciscan Parish for 158 years! • March 16, 2025 • Second Sunday of Lent

Holy Family Parish

Congratulations, Vivian Rose and Barrett Thomas!

Vivian Rose, daughter of Caleb and Tiffany Pierson, and Barrett Thomas, son of Travis and Amanda Kurtz, were baptized at the 10:00 Mass last weekend. Let's all welcome our sister and brother in Christ to the household of God. Alleluia!



Please Pray for Lisa Struewing



Our sister Lisa Struewing was laid to rest at Holy Family Cemetery after a Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, March 7. Please pray for Lisa: *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.* Please pray also for Lisa's family and friends who will miss her.

Congratulations to our OCIA Members!

Last Sunday we went to the Cathedral in Indianapolis for the *Rite of Election for Catechumens* and the *Call to Continuing Conversion of Candidates for the Reception into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church*. Congratulations to Katey Stout (catechumen – now “elect” and awaiting Baptism at the Easter Vigil) and to Linda & David Adams and Brandi & Kayne Cornett, who will be received into the Catholic Church at Easter Vigil. Please pray for all of them as they continue their journey to the Easter Sacraments.



Many Thanks for Mardi Gras

Our Mardi Gras celebration on the day before Ash Wednesday was a great success. So many came by that we ran out of food! (Next year we will make sure that we have enough for the late-comers.) *Merci beaucoup!* to the Daughters of Isabella and others who contributed the delicious food and those who decorated and who cleaned up. Thanks also to those who came not only for the food and fun but to support our parish Lenten outreach project, Water for Life. We raised over \$1000!!!

Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa

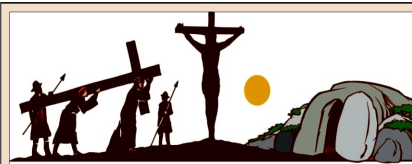
Next week our parish will take up a collection to support the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Although the Church in Africa is growing, many still lack access to basic resources and pastoral care. The Solidarity Fund supports pastoral projects to build the capacity of the Church and foster lasting peace and reconciliation across a continent often marked by division and tension.

To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/africa.

- Fr. John

Toni Cummings will be away from the office for the next few weeks. Please contact Cheryl Borgman by phone (812-934-3013) or by email (holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com) for Mass intentions, bulletin items, or anything else you would normally contact Toni about. We look forward to Toni returning; in the meantime, please be patient as we work to fill her shoes (not easy!).

PARISH EVENTS



STATIONS of the CROSS

Every Friday During Lent
Holy Family Church - 7pm

Welcome New Parishioners

- * Charlotte Bergman
- * John & Mary (Coats)
Langsenkamp



HOLY FAMILY
Saturday, April 19th at
1:00pm in rectory yard.
If inclement weather it
will be held in the
school cafeteria.

RUMMAGE SALE Upcoming Collection Dates

MARCH Collection Dates:
March 25, 2025 from 6pm-7:30pm

April Collection Dates:
April 8 from 6pm-7:30pm
April 22 from 6pm-7:30pm

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



Secular Franciscan Meeting

COME & SEE

Sun., March 16th
2pm in Heppner Hall
@ the Rectory
All are welcome!



COME & SPEND MORE TIME IN THE PRES- ENCE of the LORD, our SAVIOR

**Monday – Friday 9am-9pm in the St.
Anne's Chapel. Join us ANYTIME &
for however long you have.**

If you would like to sub when needed, PLEASE
join our GroupMe Chat. You will then receive
text messages for the needed times. To join
the Chat OR help with an hour, please contact Dustin
Walke at 317-691-5209 or walkedustin@gmail.com.



*There will be
more
JOY
in heaven!*

A Lenten Penance Service

Holy Family Church
March 18, 2025
7:00 PM



COMMUNITY EVENTS



LOCAL LENTEN FISH FRIES

Knights of Columbus 5:00pm–7:30pm.
Fridays - **March 14th - April 11th**
St. Martin 4:30pm-7:00pm
Fridays - **March 14th - April 11th**
St. Mary's - Aurora 4:30pm-7:00pm
Fridays - **March 14th - April 11th** from
♦ **St. Teresa-Bright 4:30pm-7:30pm**
Fridays - **March 14th - April 11th**



OA Easter Egg Hunt.
Saturday before Easter
10am-12pm at the
Main

Beautifying the Burg

OA students are partnering with the town of
Oldenburg and the state to transform the
park near the Maypole. The project is ex-
pected to cost \$80,000. If students can raise
\$25,000 by March 28th they will receive a
"My Community My Vision" program grant
which would award a 50-50 match from the
state. Please help them reach their goals.
You can donate by contacting Jason Walke
at 812-934-4440 or
jwalke@oldenburgacademy.org. Google
"Beautifying the Burg" for additional infor-
mation.



LENTEN SERIES & RETREATS

♦ Lenten Series

Oldenburg Franciscan Retreat Center

Thursdays in March from 6:30pm-
8:30pm

With Fr. John Barker, OFM & Fr. E.J.
Stein

A special Lenten series offering
reflections, spiritual guidance & meaningful practices
to deepen your faith journey during this sacred sea-
son. Scan the QR code to register for one or all!



♦ Traditional Silent Re- treats

St. Teresa of Avila Retreat Center

Men's Lent Retreat ~ April 3-6

edelweisshouse.org / 812-221-5370



♦ Womens Lenten Retreat

St. Catherine of Siena Church and Hall

Saturday, April 5th from 8:00-3:00pm

DID YOU KNOW... Planned Parenthood and abortion
target Black America. In 2020, abortion killed 101,379 more
African-Americans than the ten leading causes of death for
Black Americans in 2019 combined. An estimated 20 million
Black lives have been taken by abortion between 1967 and
2019. 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.

You're invited to...

MARY'S a WAY



3rd Annual
Mary's Way
Candlelight Dinner

Free will donations accepted.
Thank you, Parish Festival for
their generous contributions.

Thursday,
April 3, 2025
6:00: Doors open
for registration
6:30: Dinner
Guest speaker to
follow dinner

Candlelight catered dinner,
inspirational speaker, prayer
& fellowship for women (high
school age and older) in the
St. Mary's School gymnasium.

Rediscover your love!

HAS YOUR MARRIAGE
GROWN COLD
AND DISTANT?



April 4-6

Retrouvaille has been
helping troubled
marriages since 1977.

The program is
confidential, effective,
and can help you find
hope and healing!

RETROUVAILLE
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

HelpOurMarriage.org
513-486-6222

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 15

5:30 pm † Dale Parmer

Sunday, March 16

8:00 am Members of the Parish

10:00 am Living & † Deceased Members of the Leo & Loretta Werner Family

11:00 am † Floyd Roell (SMR)

Monday, March 17

8:00 am Living & † Deceased Members of the Oesterling family

Tuesday, March 18

8:00 am † Jerry Lamping

Wednesday, March 19

8:00 am † Brenda Suttman

Thursday, March 20

8:00 am † Ralph Wagner

Friday, March 21

8:00 am † Cletus Tekulve

Saturday, March 22

5:30 pm † Luke Schwegman

Sunday, March 23

8:00 am Members of the Parish

10:00 am † Janet Kirschner & Bob and Joan Grieshop

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mike Moll
Jim Heppner
Joe Moll
Patrick Schene
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
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.

March 16, 2025

2025 Capital Improvement Projects/Expenses

Project	Estimated Cost	Current Expenses	Description
Confessional	\$ (4,285.41)	\$ (4,285.41)	Reconstruct current confessional
4 Stage carts and Roller	\$ (2,800.00)	\$ -	Rollers for tables stored under the stage to get them in and out
Flooring replaced in vestibule right & left entrances	\$ (10,000.00)		Quoting-estimated
Camera System	\$ (2,000.00)	\$ -	Update the security cameras and ensure each outside door is covered
Grout needs fixed on Church		\$ -	Quoting
Bedroom & Bathroom Redone in Friary	\$ (8,000.00)	\$ 3,080.34	Renovate Friary Bathroom & New Carpet in Bedroom
Total 2025 Projects	\$ (27,085.41)	\$ (1,205.07)	
Remaining Donations left from 2024	\$ 4,169.00		
Donations from 2025	\$ 13,060.00		
Total Deficit for 2025 Projects	\$ (9,856.41)		

OFFERING AN ACT OF WORSHIP

March 9th Sunday Collection

Envelope Collection.....\$6,015.75
Loose.....\$3,554.00
Total.....\$9,569.75
Budget.....\$7,692.31
ABOVE Budget.....\$1,877.44

Black and Indian Missions
Second Collection.....\$1,958.00

Special Parish **MARCH** Collection:

Capital Improvements

Upcoming MISSION Office Special Collections

March 22 & 23

Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa

March 29 & 30

Catholic Relief Services

Information & envelopes can be found on the bulletin board in the center vestibule.

LOCAL PENANCE SERVICES FOR LENT

- ⇒ March 18, 7 p.m. at Holy Family, Oldenburg
- ⇒ April 1, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Michael, Brookville
- ⇒ April 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Michael, Brookville
- ⇒ April 8, 6:30 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist campus of St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Decatur County
- ⇒ April 9, 6:30 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul, Shelby County
- ⇒ April 9, 6-8 p.m. at St. Maurice, Napoleon
- ⇒ April 10, 6-8 p.m. at Immaculate Conception, Millhousen
- ⇒ April 10, 7 p.m. at St. Louis, Batesville
- ⇒ April 11, 6-8 p.m. at St. John the Baptist, Osgood
- ⇒ April 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Peter, Franklin County

NEED A PLACE FOR A FAMILY GATHERING

**Holy Family Cafeteria
and/or Gym**

OR

**St. Mary of the Rock
Hall & Shelter**

Call or Email Cheryl Borgman

If you or a loved one are **seriously ill** or getting ready to have surgery, please contact

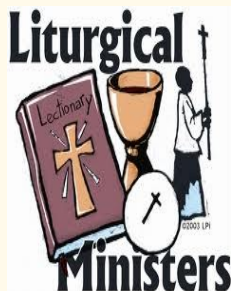


Fr. John Barker
@ 812-934-3013 opt. 1

or **Fr. EJ Stein**
@ 812-934-3013 opt. 6.

We will be VERY happy to come visit & celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing with you personally.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule



USHERS for March

5:30pm: Rick Obermeyer, Jay Pfeiffer & Ed Scheele
8:00am: Brad Laker, Bob Schrank & Matt Schrank
10:00am: Brian Lecher, Mike Meyer & Ron V. Obermeyer

USHERS for April

5:30pm: Louis Scheele, Marvin Wissel & Bill Beetz
8:00am: Chris Stange, Tom Honnert & Jason Honnert
10:00am: Ken Pfeiffer, Richard Rahe & Mike Schwegman

USHERS for May

5:30pm: Tim Ryker, Paul Brockman & Doug Haskamp
8:00am: Rick Hoff, Bill Hoff & Roger Collins
10:00am: Paul Waechter, Dale Nobbe & Ken Enneking

March 15th & March 16th

Servers:

5:30pm Aubrey Kruthaupt & Greyson Farmer
8:00am Leo Spreckelson & Blaise Mullens
10:00am Jonah Trossman & Gus Robben
11:00am Lauren Glardon (SMR)

Lector:

5:30pm Mary Gehring
8:00am Gary Laker
10:00am Jaculin Wilhelm

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Connie Chaffee, Dan Eckstein, Michael Irvin & Carla Enzinger
8:00am Christy Honnert, Karen Trenkamp, Dorothy Ziegler, Cathy Kaiser & Deanna Raver
10:00am Kay Pulskamp, Allen Raab, Brandy Starost, Jacob Starost & Ryan Tekulve

Music:

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

March 22nd & March 23rd

Servers:

5:30pm Lauren Lecher & Easton Enzinger
8:00am Luke Raver & Maddie Balash
10:00am Audrey Stirn & Annie Harmeyer

Lector:

5:30pm Kristina Schneider
8:00am Connie Luers
10:00am Gus Robben

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Deann Kaiser, Maureen Grote, Elaine Hawkes, Tom Meyer & Lisa Oldham
8:00am Kris Baumer, Isaac Trossman, Angie Harmeyer, Eddie Obermeyer & Jeff Paul
10:00am Beth Geis, Dave Rieman, Teri Rieman, AJ Strassell & Carol Dobson

Music:

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

March 29th & March 30th

Servers:

5:30pm Kenzi Froehling & George Jelinek
8:00am Henry Giesting & Kiersten Kreuzman
10:00am Heidi Werner & Nolan Wanstrath

Lector:

5:30pm Steve Kerker
8:00am Eric Doll
10:00am Jan Westerfeld

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Connie Chaffee, Eddie Obermeyer, Dan Eckstein, Carla Enzinger, & Monica Livers
8:00am Jeff Paul, Teresa Merkel, Eric Heppner, Connie Luers & Dennis Moeller
10:00am Tina Duncan, Wendy Havens, Julia Heidlage, Jenny Ilderton & Melissa Jacobs

Music:

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

April 5th & April 6th

Servers:

5:30pm Annabelle Eckstein & Annie Patterson
8:00am Maddie Balash & Abby Balash
10:00am Jonah Trossman & Adelynn Kruthaupt

Lector:

5:30pm Paul Brockman
8:00am Kyle Laker
10:00am Paul Gates

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Jay Pfeiffer, Karen Patterson, Will Patterson, & Elaine Hawkes & Michael Irvin
8:00am Jon Spreckelson, Theresa Boyce, Dorothy Ziegler, Christy Honnert & Deanna Raver
10:00am Kay Pulskamp, Allen Raab, Brandy Starost, Jacob Starost & Ryan Tekulve

Music:

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

April 12th & April 13th (Palm Sunday)

Servers:

5:30pm Jason Kaiser & Makynze Borgman
8:00am Asher Suddah & Leo Spreckleson
10:00am Adelynn Kruthaupt & Maddie Dole
11:00am Gus Robben & Emma Robben (SMR)

Lector:

5:30pm Diane Raver
8:00am Angie Harmeyer
10:00am Carol Dobson

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Maureen Grote, Dan Eckstein, Carla Enzinger, Eddie Obermeyer & Monica Livers
8:00am Isaac Trossman, Angie Harmeyer, Kris Baumer, Karen Trenkamp & Teresa Merkel
10:00am Barb Luff, Dave Rieman, Teri Rieman, Beth Geis & Jenny Ilderton

Music:

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

There will be additional sign ups for services on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday & Easter Sunday. Stay tuned for more details.

MISSION CLUB CARD PARTY

Come & bring a friend for an afternoon



of fun **March 19th** in the **Fr. Rudolf Room** underneath the **Holy Family Parish Rectory** in **Oldenburg, IN** at **1pm.**

Religious Education/Youth Ministry Page



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

1st – 8th Grade Religious Education - The next class will be **Wed. March 26th from 6:30pm-7:30pm.** - On Wednesday, March 26th, we will do a walkthrough of First Communion Mass. Parents can attend if wish, but they do NOT need to. First Communion Banners are due Wednesday, March 26th!

- There will be no class on Wednesday March 19th due to Spring Break.

Preschool/Kindergarten Religious Education Class
Next Class is on **March 30th** from 9:45am-11:00am.

FORMED® PICK OF THE WEEK

LENT WITH BROTHER FRANCIS:

Learn and pray with Brother Francis in any of the four seasons offered below!

Season 1: Daily Meditations (New This Year)

Season 2: 4-part Series

Season 3: Let's Learn about Lent

Season 4: The Stations of the Cross



BAPTISM

If you are ready to have your child baptized, please contact Beth Geis & she will send you the information you need. If you are in need of a Baptismal Certificate from either Holy Family, St. Mary of the Rock or St. Anne, please contact Beth & she will help you!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next Adult Formation class is Wednesday, March 19th from 6:30-7:30 PM in the library. The theme will be "A Pilgrim of Hope Through the Eyes of St. Francis". If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Fr. EJ.

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



TEAM JESUS YOUTH GROUP (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP):

High School Youth Group is Sun., Mar. 23rd, from 5:30-7:30pm

@ the St. Louis Youth Center. Beth Geis will give a witness on how her faith has impacted her during her highs & lows of life & followed by an unlock the box activity after!

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 **THIS Fri., Mar. 21st from 3-5pm** at the St. Louis Youth Center.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY: Middle School Bible Study is Mon. Mar. 10th 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: This year, the group is going to East Bank, West Virginia July 6-12th, 2025. The next meeting is **Mar. 23rd** from 4:30-5:30pm in the youth center at St. Louis.



ROYAL BALL + PIRATE COVE:

Tickets are on Sale now!!
Sun., March 30th @ the St. Louis School Activity Center. Early Event 12:30-2:00 PM & Late Event 3:00-4:30 PM. To order tickets, scan the QR code



Calling ALL MEN who'd like to enjoy a cup of coffee & discuss the role of our Catholic faith in our everyday lives. **Join us TUESDAYS after morning Mass in the Fr. Rudolf room for some friendly conversation with your parish brothers.** No commitment, come & go as you please. Coffee is provided.

Contact Dustin Walke at 317-691-5209 with questions.

Young adult men's group every third Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm. The group welcomes young men who are single or married with or without young children. Call, text, or email Stephen Janssen to sign up or for more details. Phone: 317-502-9524 Email: smjanssen08@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULTS



Young Mothers' New Baby Meal Train As many mothers of a new child know, those first few weeks bring excitement, challenges, and adjustments to family life. Let's support those mothers & families who have recently had a baby with the gift of a meal train! If you are interested in being on the meal train list to deliver a meal to a family that had a new baby or you recently had/will be having a baby and would like to receive meals, please contact Kara Janssen by email