

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH

A FRANCISCAN PARISH FOR 159 YEARS

**MARCH 8, 2026**

Third Sunday of Lent

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4:30pm

Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at St. Mary of the Rock | 11:00am

### Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday | 8:00am

Wednesday | 6:00am, 8:00am

### Holy Days

Check the bulletin for Mass Times

### First Friday Adoration & Benediction

First Friday of the month after daily Mass until 7pm in the main body of Holy Family Church. Benediction at 7pm.

### Adoration

Monday-Friday | 9am-9pm

St. Anne's Chapel located by the east side entrance.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Saturday | 3:30pm-4:30pm

Sunday | 7am-8am, 9am-10am

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## Water for Life

### A Mother Can Only Scoop and Hope

Joyce knows the murky water she collects for her children isn't safe. Her family often suffers from stomach pain and diarrhea. Still, she walks to a stream near her village in Malawi to collect water up to nine times a day. She has no other source of water. The best she can do is dig down into the streambed so the sand filters the water she scoops. Then she hopes for the best.

Your Lenten alms will help Church missions bring clean water — and good health — to villages in Africa.

Give Today  
[CrossCatholic.org/Lent](http://CrossCatholic.org/Lent)



## OCIA Participants Heading toward Easter Sacraments

Last Sunday we went to the Cathedral in Indianapolis for the rites of *Election of Catechumens* and of *Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion*.

Congratulations to Whitney Axsom, Mason Green, and Shianne Peterson (catechumens – now “elect” and awaiting Baptism at the Easter Vigil) and to Lindsey White, who will be received into the Catholic Church at Easter Vigil.



Around the world this Sunday, and on the next two Sundays, our elect will celebrate the “Scrutinies.” The purpose of the Scrutinies is to reveal what is weak, sick, and sinful in the hearts of the elect so that it can be healed; and what is honorable,

strong, and holy, so that it can be strengthened. The Scrutinies are ordered toward liberation from sin and Satan, and they give strength in Christ, Who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. They are intended to purify hearts and minds and fortify against temptations.

Here at Holy Family Church, the three Scrutinies will take place at one of the Masses each weekend, a different Mass each week. At those Masses, we will hear Gospels that fill our spirits with the sense of Christ the Redeemer, Who is living water (Gospel of the Samaritan Woman at the Well), light (Gospel of the Man Born Blind), and resurrection and life (Gospel of the Raising of Lazarus).

The Scrutinies take place after the homily. They begin with a moment of silence as we pray for the elect, asking them to be given a sense of sin, a spirit of repentance, and the true freedom of the children of God. After intercessions for the elect, we pray the prayer of exorcism, in which we ask God to free the elect from the slavery of sin and be converted.

The Scrutinies are an important reminder to all of us of the gift of salvation we have received in Jesus Christ. They are an opportunity for us to recommit ourselves to our Christian vocation and to renew our spirit of repentance, confident in Christ's victory over sin and death.

Please pray for Whitney, Mason, and Shianne as they prepare to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. Please pray also for Lindsey, who is already baptized and will be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church at Easter.

~ Fr. John

## RUMMAGE SALE COLLECTION & SORTING



March 21 | 9am-NOON  
 March 31 | 6pm-7:30pm  
 April 7 | 6pm-7:30pm  
 April 21 | 6pm-7:30pm

Please use FRONT entrance of school. Must bring items to sorting rooms INSIDE building. SALE DATES: July 24, 25 & 26



### 2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH FOOD COLLECTION

This weekend at all Masses. May be brought up during offertory.



### SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER MEETING

March 15 | 2pm

Heppner Hall @ the Rectory

All are welcome to Come & See!



### MISSION CLUB CARD PARTY

March 18 | 1pm

Fr. Rudolf Room below the Rectory

#### Wednesday Mission Card Parties

Help support the Franciscan missions by joining us every third and fifth Wednesday to play "Bid 500"!

To join in, players contribute \$2, which go to support mission efforts around the world. Light refreshments provided. Come, have fun, and support a great Holy Family Parish ministry.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

## EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

7PM HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

BATESVILLE DEANERY

### Lenten Penance Services

March 10	6:00 PM	ST MICHAEL	Brookville
March 19	6:30 PM	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	Millhousen
March 24	6:30 PM	ST CATHERINE OF SIENA	Enochsburg
March 25	6:00 PM	ST MAURICE	Napoleon
March 25	6:30 PM	ST VINCENT DE PAUL	Shelbyville
March 25	6:30 PM	ST PETER	Brookville
March 16	7:15 PM	ST JOHN	Osgood
March 26	7:00 PM	ST LOUIS	Batesville
Saturdays after 8:30am mass		ST NICHOLAS	Sunman



### Oldenburg Academy EASTER EGG HUNT

April 4 - 10am-Noon - Meet at the Main Academic Building. Bring your own basket to collect goodies, candy & prizes! 3 age groups- Rain or Shine-Dress accordingly

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**AA Meeting** - March 8, 15, 22 & 29 (Every Sunday). Join our OPEN group from 7pm-8pm in the Fr. Rudolf Room, under the rectory at Holy Family Church.

**Batesville Celebrate Recovery** - March 11, 18, 25 6:30pm-8:30pm (doors open at 6pm) at Ignite Church (Batesville). Join our Christ-centered recovery program to help overcome life's hurts, habits & hang-ups.

**DRUMMING CIRCLE** w/Leon Enneking (Wednesdays) March 11 - 6:30pm Bring your own drum or we will provide one. FREEWILL DONATION

**MARY'S WAY Candlelight Dinner** March 10 Doors open at 6pm. 6:30pm dinner, with guest speaker Jeanne Hunt following in the St. Mary's School gymnasium. To register, contact Mandy Bedel at 812-614-2353 or mbedel@stmarysgreensburg.com.

**LENTEN CONCERT w/Mike Davis** March 10 - 7pm - Holy Guardian Angels Oratory, Cedar Grove

**WHOLE HOG SAUSAGE BREAKFAST** March 15 - 8am-Noon - Holy Guardian Angels Community Center, Cedar Grove, IN.

### THE ROYAL BALL AND PIRATE COVE

March 15, 2026

12:30-2:00 or 3:00-4:30

Games, Crafts, Activities, Dancing, Snacks, Photo Ops & More!

Meet your favorite Princesses, Princes & Pirates!

St. Louis School Activity Center

\$13 Advance Tickets



Scan the QR Code or Go To: [Triforcemissionsteam.org/royalball](http://Triforcemissionsteam.org/royalball)

All Proceeds help fund the mission trip to Wausau, WI this Summer and other youth ministry trips

**St. Peter's Ladies Sodality FRIED CHICKEN DRIVE-THRU** March 21 - 4pm-7pm - St. Peter's School (NOT GYM) Brookville \$15 - ½ chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, slaw or applesauce & dessert.

### 3RD ANNUAL STILLBOARD & TRAP SHOOT

March 22 - 7pm with signup at 9:30am & shoot begins at 10am. TriTownship Conservation Club, Batesville. Raffles for money, meat & more! Sponsored by the St. Anthony's Ladies Sodality for grounds & church improvements at St. Anthony's

**St. Michael's School Blessed Growth Children's Clothing & Toy ANNUAL SALE**

April 4 - Early Access, 7am - \$3 or General Admission, 8am-Noon - FREE. St. Michael's Gym, Brookville, IN



### Lenten FRIDAY Fish Fries

**All Saints Parish, St Martin Campus**

Fridays in Lent - 4:30pm - 7pm  
 Guilford, IN 47022 Adults \$15 - Kids/Seniors \$7

The HALL of the Knights of Columbus **FISH FRY** FRIDAYS in LENT - 5pm-7:30pm - The HALL, Batesville Adult \$15 | Kids \$8 | Dine in buffet or carryout available.

Millhousen Knights of St. John **ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY**

March 20 & April 3 - 4:30pm-7pm Millhousen Knights of St. John. Dine In or Carry Out. \$15 dinner



**INTERESTED IN LITURGICAL MINISTRIES...**

Contact Toni Cummings at 812-934-3046 or [toni@holyfamilyoldenburg.org](mailto:toni@holyfamilyoldenburg.org) if interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, Server, Lector, Usher &/or Greeter. We will discuss ministry responsibilities & Mass preference!

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**USHERS for March**

4:30pm: Jay Pfeiffer, Ed Scheele & Eric Sunderhaus  
8:00am: Brad Laker, Bob Schrank & Matt Schrank  
10:00am: Brian Lecher, Mike Meyer & Ron Obermeyer

**USHERS for April**

4:30pm: Tim Ryker, Brad Nobbe & Louis Scheele  
8:00am: Rick Hoff, Jason Honnert & Tom Honnert  
10:00am: Ken Pfeiffer, John Baumer & Charles Lampfert

**USHERS for May**

4:30pm: Rick Obermeyer, Paul Brockman & Lawrence Bedel  
8:00am: Eric Heppner, Bill Hoff & Roger Collins  
10:00am: Paul Waechter, Troy Ilderton & Mike Schwegman

**March 7 & 8**

**Servers:**

**4:30pm** Easton Enzinger & Kenzi Froehling  
**8:00am** Luke Raver & Jonah Trossman  
**10:00am** Adelynn Kruthaupt & Jordan Brelage

**Lector:**

**4:30pm** Steve Kerker  
**8:00am** Dan Kerker  
**10:00am** Jan Westerfeld

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**4:30pm** Tom Meyer, Winston Lecher, Michael Irvin, Elaine Hawkes & Landon Oldham  
**8:00am** Deborah Carter, Jeff Paul, Teresa Merkel, Eric Heppner & Dennis Moeller  
**10:00am** Dave Rieman, Teri Rieman, Brandy Starost, Beth Geis & Ryan Tekulve

**Music:**

**4:30pm** Leon Enneking & Kim Brockman  
**8:00am** Jayne Enneking  
**10:00am** Bryce & Shannon Mullins

**March 14 & 15**

**Servers:**

**4:30pm** Annabelle Eckstein & Annie Patterson  
**8:00am** Leo Spreckelson & Kiersten Kreuzman  
**10:00am** Maddie Dole & Heidi Werner  
**11:00am** Emma Robben & Noah Davis (SMR)

**Lector:**

**4:30pm** Kristina Schneider  
**8:00am** Angie Kelly  
**10:00am** Carol Dobson

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**4:30pm** Dan Eckstein, Lisa Oldham, Karen Patterson, Jay Pfeiffer & Will Patterson  
**8:00am** Karen Trenkamp, Henry Spreckelson, Theresa Boyce, Christy Honnert & Dorothy Ziegler  
**10:00am** Nick Prickel, Kris Baumer, Karen Nailor, Charlotte Trossman & Nelson French

**Music:**

**4:30pm** Bryce & Shannon Mullins  
**8:00am** Parish Choir  
**10:00am** Leon Enneking & Kim Brockman

**March 21 & 22**

**Servers:**

**4:30pm** Lorelei Enzinger & George Jelinek  
**8:00am** Annie Harmeyer & Jonah Trossman  
**10:00am** Nolan Wanstrath & Grant Wanstrath

**Lector:**

**4:30pm** Mary Gehring  
**8:00am** Kyle Laker  
**10:00am** Jaculin Wilhelm

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**4:30pm** Connie Chaffee, Cheryl Borgman, Carla Enzinger, Eric Sunderhaus & Mabel Sunderhaus  
**8:00am** Jon Spreckelson, Cathy Kaiser, Deanna Raver, Angie Harmeyer & Deborah Carter  
**10:00am** Kay Pulskamp, Allen Raab, John Gerstbauer, AJ Strassel & Tina Duncan

**Music:**

**4:30pm** Leon Enneking & Kim Brockman  
**8:00am** Jayne Enneking  
**10:00am** Bryce & Shannon Mullins

**March 28 & March 29**

**Servers:**

**4:30pm** Greyson Farmer & Makynze Borgman  
**8:00am** Maddie Balash & Abby Balash  
**10:00am** Audrey Stirn & Gus Robben

**Lector:**

**4:30pm** Mary Gehring  
**8:00am** Angie Harmeyer  
**10:00am** Julia Heidlage

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**4:30pm** Maureen Grote, Landon Oldham, Winston Lecher, Tom Meyer & Michael Irvin  
**8:00am** Kate Weberding, Dennis Moeller, Eric Heppner, Charlotte Trossman & Monica Livers  
**10:00am** Wendy Havens, Carol Dobson, Jenny Ilderton, Paige Gerstbauer & Whitney Prickel

**Music:**

**4:30pm** Parish Choir  
**8:00am** Matt Trossman  
**10:00am** Bryce & Shannon Mullins

**ST. MARY'S OF THE ROCK  
MARCH MASS SCHEDULE**

**MARCH 15 | 11:00AM**  
**MARCH 29 | 11:00AM**



**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

If you or a loved one are seriously ill or preparing 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 happy to come visit & celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing with you personally.

**BULLETIN AD DEADLINE**

Any information for the bulletin must be submitted by 9am Monday morning.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## March 8, 2026

Lina Parr	Eugene Laker
Pam Werner Swinford	Beth Lamping
Regina Bedel	Jim Lamping Jr.
Ron Erhart	Todd Leising
Dorothy Flaspohler	Gary Lewis
Janet Mays	Rita Litzinger
Karen Stoll	Carlos Luken
Cooper Crane	Carolyn Meyer
Don Strub	Sandy Meyer
Robert Amberger	Shane Neal
Tim Buckley	Bobby Patterson
Charlie Peters	Gary Payne
Peggy Peters	Tami Peters
Melissa Williamson	Corey Peters
Helen Lewis	Jeanne Phillips
Ted Dickman	Bill Pierce
L.C.	Clare Ronnebaum
Avery Krause	Ruth Ronnebaum
Peggi Shipman	Donn Salladay
Amanda Scott	Carolyn Scheele
Becky Gorbail	Wilfrid Scheele
Diane Raver	Leah Schornick
Ben Batta	Pat Schrank
Rita Batta	Ellen Siebert
Tim Wurtz	Alma Simmermeyer
Logan Nicholas Doll	Paul Strassel
Melanie Jones	Carol Strassel
Dave Amberger	Terri Jo Thompson
Doty Amberger	Wesley Neil
Tina Cohill	Thompson
Connie	Jen Tucker
Alisa Doll	Dan Wagner
Terry Duncan	Tom Wilson
Marvin Gehring	Donald Niehoff
Lisa Haessig	and all our
Jean Ham	nursing home &
Dennis Harmeyer	homebound
Dale Kuntz	parishioners.

# MASS INTENTIONS

**Next Saturday, March 7**  
4:30pm † Barb Lecher

**Next Sunday, March 8**  
8:00am Members of the Parish  
10:00am † Tom Hellmich

**Monday, March 9**  
8:00am † Joe Scheele

**Tuesday, March 10**  
8:00am † Rosemary Moton

**Wednesday, March 4**  
6:00am † Joan Nobbe  
8:00am Mass of Thanksgiving

**Thursday, March 12**  
8:00am † Edith 'Eydie' Lamping

**Friday, March 13**  
8:00am † Margaret & James Welsh

**Next Saturday, March 14**  
4:30pm † Rita Brockman

**Next Sunday, March 15**  
8:00am Members of the Parish  
10:00am † Sunnie Schebler  
11:00am † Martha Simmermeyer (SMR)

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, please contact Toni Cummings at [toni@holyfamilyoldenburg.org](mailto:toni@holyfamilyoldenburg.org) or 812-932-3046. Mass intentions are \$10/Mass.

## 2026 Capital Improvement Projects/Expenses

Project	Cost Est.	Current Exp.	Description
Grout tucked on bricks of Church and School buildings	\$ (55,000.00)	\$ -	Starting soon
Update bottom floor bathrooms in school building			getting estimates
Gutter & Window repairs			getting estimates
Income & Expenses			
Total 2026 Projects	\$ (55,000.00)		
YTD Donations	\$15,280.00		
Grand Total or Donations including remaining 2025 balance	\$42,255.25		
Total Needed for 2026 Projects	\$12,744.75		

## SPEND TIME IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD, OUR SAVIOR



CONSIDER COMMITTING TO AN OVERNIGHT OR WEEKEND HOUR SO THAT OUR PARISH CAN ADORE THE LORD ALL DAY LONG, EVERY DAY!  
SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP.



## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

### MARCH 1, 2026

Total	\$9,655.25
Budget	\$7,692.31
ABOVE Budget	\$1,716.94
February Collection	\$1,283.00

Special Parish **MARCH** Collection

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

## PAPERLESS DONATIONS

Sick of writing checks? Donate monthly via ACH. Forms located in the back of church. Contact our Business Manager for more details.



## ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION OPEN NOW

Lessons for a lifetime: We live for Jesus, we love others, and we learn.

- Catholic Faith • Respect & Kindness • Service to Others
- Extra-curricular Activities • Dedication • Academic Excellence

PreK/Early Learners

For questions, please contact Principal Trisha Goldsmith at [tgoldsmith@st.louissschool.org](mailto:tgoldsmith@st.louissschool.org)

Kindergarten-8th



So Loved Clothing Closet is a non-for-profit organization that supports families in need. They supply children ages newborn to 18 with clothes, shoes & toiletries. Over 7,000 kids have been helped since the organization began in 2019. Children in all surrounding counties are helped. So Loved is in need of your time, treasure & talent. Volunteers are needed to help sort and put away clothing, fold laundry & organize clothing.

Hours are flexible & there does not have to be a huge time commitment. Please call Kris Beal (812-209-9322) or email [solovedcloset@gmail.com](mailto:solovedcloset@gmail.com) for more info or to volunteer.



## BATESVILLE PREGNANCY HOTLINE

Life begins at conception. The largest recent survey of over 5,000 biologists from 1,000 worldwide institutions revealed that a full 96% agreed with the statement "Human life begins at conception". And they were not a collection of Pro-Life, religious, or conservative scientists. In fact, these biologists self-described as 89% "liberal", 85% "pro-choice", and 63% "non-religious." Even Planned Parenthood said in its own publication that "abortion kills life after it has begun." Source: Steven A. Christie, M.D., J.D.. 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. The hotline can also be reached through Facebook Messenger. 24/7 Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline | 1-877-558-0333

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION | FAITH FORMATION

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



### Religion Education Class:

Wed. March 11 | 6:30pm-7:30pm

### Preschool/Kindergarten Class:

Sun. March 8 | 9:45am-11:00a

On Sat., March 14, our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will receive their First Holy Communion. Please pray for them as we prepare for the day!

### **Dee Raver's Class:**

Olivia Balash, Harley Dwenger, Archer Hannebaum, Aubrey Laker, Grayson May, Fowler Meer, Axton Nobbe, Sawyer Sitterding, Lucy Stirn, Knox Tucker, Hudson Werner, Adeline Yatsko.

### **Monica Balash's Class:**

Jack Bryan, Cora Enzinger, Malia Hannebaum, Allie Harmeyer, Brysen Kruthaupt, Piper Kurtz, Haylee Laker, Oliver Littmer, August Moorman, Grayson Meer, Ella Schantz, Samantha Scitutto

### **Jen Gray's Class (St. Mary's of the Rock):**

Henry Lecher, Sylvie Gray, Rosie Fisk, Lola Strole



## YOUTH GROUPS

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

**THIS** Sun., March 8 from 4:30 - 6:30pm  
at the St. Louis Youth Center.

Please look at our Facebook page for more details.

### TRIFORCE MISSION TEAM MEETING

Sun., March 29 from 6:30-7:30pm  
at the St. Louis Youth Center.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

(6th-8th Grade) is Fri., April 17th from 3pm-5pm.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

**THIS** Mon., March 9 from 3pm-5pm.

## FORMED | PICK OF THE WEEK



Have you ever wanted to liturgically but not known how? We want to help all families by providing these discussions on liturgical living during Lent to be a resource for the Domestic Church—the home. We pray that these discussions bless you and your family.

## 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 Geis



## OCIA | Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

If you are interested in becoming Catholic and want to learn more about our OCIA program at Holy Family, please contact Beth Geis for more information.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next Formation class is **Wed. March 11** from 6:30-7:30PM in the Rectory Library. Any questions, contact Fr. E.J. Stein.

## YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Please consider joining the Young Adult Bible study group, which meets **Wednesdays at 6pm** (location varies). Come for a time of prayer, Scripture discussion, and community.

For more info, contact Justin Weberding at (812) 363-5006 or [weberdingjustin@gmail.com](mailto:weberdingjustin@gmail.com).

## YOUNG MOTHERS GROUP

A women's group focused on building a flourishing & supportive community that helps one another grow in faith, hope & trust in motherhood, and also aim to build & foster connection within the parish. For more details, text or call Tina Paul at 812-212-2538 or email at [hello.paulfamily@gmail.com](mailto:hello.paulfamily@gmail.com) or scan the QR code to join the Facebook group!



## YOUNG ADULT MEN'S GROUP

Meets 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 or text Stephen Janssen at 317-502-9524 or email [smjanssen08@gmail.com](mailto:smjanssen08@gmail.com) to sign up or for more details.

## MEN'S GROUP

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. More info, contact Dustin Walke at 317-691-5209