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December 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent (B)

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 / 2 Peter 3:8-14 / Mark 1:1-8



When Will We Be Satisfied?

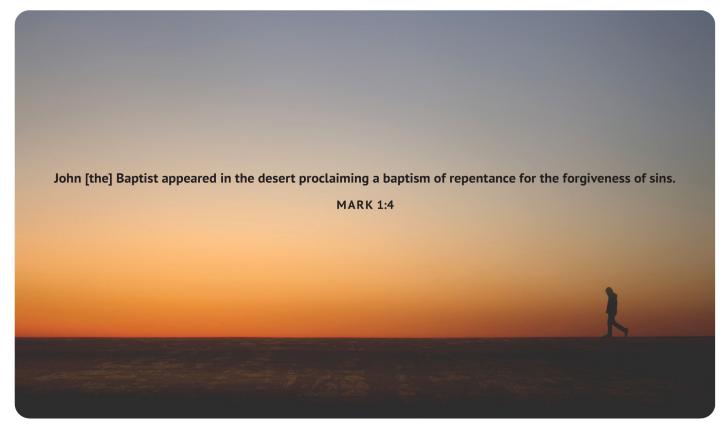
FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

n 1992, Forbes magazine published an issue titled "Why Do We Feel So Bad When We Have It So Good?" It featured articles by such luminaries as newsman Dan Rather, President George H. W. Bush, and author John Updike. Many of the writers reflected upon our passion for more and our hunger to live in affluence and how that fails to satisfy. In so many ways, we as a nation find ourselves seeking distractions from living with ourselves lest we be confronted by our ultimate loneliness. As a nation we are addicted to entertainment and smartphones, to drugs and pornography, to finding something new. We are confronted by rising suicide rates and a pervasive, deep-seated anger. Why are we not satisfied?

John the Baptist called the people of his day to repent, which is another way of asking them—and us—to look at life differently. Advent is really about getting in touch with our deep longing for more, a part of our human condition that ultimately is only satisfied by God. We have been created to long for more, a longing that feels like loneliness, a longing that seeks to be satisfied. In the end, we can only find a sense of peace in the midst of such longing by accepting that it can never be fully satisfied in this life. Like the spirituality of Alcoholics Anonymous, accepting rather than fleeing from our human reality becomes a path to new life. •

Reflect-

How do you deal with loneliness and a longing for more out of life?



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FULDA, INDIANA

PHONE

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A Catholic parish is the single most important part of our Catholic Church. A parish is where parishioners - the people - continue the mission of Jesus Christ. Our parish family exists to nurture an intentional faith-filled Catholic Community that inspires and empowers all people to follow Jesus Christ. We would love to have you as a parish family member if you are new to the area. If you have remained under your parent's membership, but now you are an adult, we encourage you to register independently. You may come to the parish office during office hours and register in person or contact us using the QR code, so we have a way to welcome you.

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Padre's Post

A precursor's invitation: Preparing the way in Advent

Mark 1:1-8
Second Sunday of Advent (5)

F3 Question of the Week

F3 Families and Caregivers, please read *The Gospel for All Ages* on **page 6** of the bulletin to learn more about today's Gospel.

This page features questions from this week's student session, where your student learned more about their Catholic faith.

I encourage each of you to continue to learn about your faith as a family and together pray the Family Prayer and take the weekly challenge.

How does your family prepare for Christmas?

Today we meet John the Baptist as an adult, and he is announcing the coming of Jesus. His twofold message is clear: that we must repent, and that when Jesus comes, He will baptize – not with water, but with the Holy Spirit. During these days of Advent, we are called to pray that we uncover the wisdom of this season.

In last week's gospel, we heard that we must be vigilant and alert. We are being called to return to the basics of our faith, the Church's gifts, as we prepare to welcome Jesus.

From the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*: "St. John the Baptist is the Lord's immediate precursor or forerunner, sent to prepare his way. 'Prophet of the Most High,' John surpasses all the prophets, of whom he is the last. He inaugurates the Gospel, already from his mother's womb welcomes the coming of Christ, and rejoices in being 'the friend of the bridegroom,' whom he points out as 'the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.' Going before Jesus 'in the spirit and power of Elijah,' John bears witness to Christ in his preaching, by his Baptism of conversion, and through his martyrdom." (CCC 523)

"John is 'Elijah [who] must come.' The fire of the Spirit dwells in him and makes him the forerunner of the coming Lord. In John, the precursor, the Holy Spirit completes the work of '[making] ready a people prepared for the Lord." (CCC 718)

John the Baptist is Jesus' cousin. We first learn about him when he leaps in his mother Elizabeth's womb when the Blessed Virgin Mary visits. (Luke 1:39-56)

As the final prophet, John the Baptist calls us to turn away from fear, sin, and discouragement to actively pursue with a sense of personal responsibility the virtues of faith, hope, and love. The *Catechism* uses the word "precursor" to describe John the Baptist's role. That word is from the word "cursor," which is derived from the Latin word *cursor*, meaning runner.

As many of our F3 students learned in their session this week under the STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) activity, "cursor" was chosen for the mouse icon that today we use on a computer. A cursor was originally used to describe a part on a slide rule.

"Precursor" is another word for "forerunner," which perfectly describes John's role in inviting the faithful to get ready for Jesus' coming.

Through the journey of Exodus, God opened a pathway – just as He does today. As we gather for prayer and worship, together as the Body of Christ, we, too, are making the journey toward Christ revealed in the Nativity. It is time to examine our conscience and rearrange our hearts to remove any obstacles to freedom and compassion. We need to clear away any distractions from making our way to the manger. As we begin the second week of Advent lighting the second candle on our Advent wreath, which signifies Peace - let us continue to pray for peace to reign in our hearts and throughout the world, especially in places undergoing political distress, war,

Penance Service: As is our custom, we will celebrate an Advent penance service at St. Boniface Parish on Wednesday, December 13, at 6:30 p.m. F3 students in grades 2 through 9 and their families are required to be present. This is one of the F3 student sessions. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to make use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this season of preparation.

and famine.

We welcome confessors from Dubois, Spencer, and Perry counties. Stations will be located throughout the church; all are set up

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10 Second Sunday of Advent

Retirement Fund for Religious Annual Appeal 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. F3 Adult Session, Parish Office: Room H

11 a.m. to **1** p.m. St. Boniface Ladies Sodality Christmas Celebration and Dinner, St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Rooms 103, 104

11 a.m. to **4** p.m. Reserved for seasonal rental:, Parish Office: Rooms F, G

1 to **2** p.m. Celebration Singers Christmas Concert, St. Meinrad Catholic Church

- **11 8** a.m. to **Noon** Reserved for Team B, Parish Office: Room G-B
- 12 Give Us This Day: Daily Prayer for Today's Catholics for January are available in churches
 6 p.m. Cub Scouts, St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Rooms 102-106

6 to **7** p.m. Finance Commission (SB | SM), Parish Office: Room G

- **13 4:45** to **5:30** p.m. Cor Men's Bible Study, Parish Office: Rooms F, G
 - **6:30** to **7:30** p.m. Advent Penance Service, Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
- 17 Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. F3 Adult Session, Parish Office: Room H

5:30 p.m. Grade 9-12 CYO Youth Group, St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Room 004

- 18 6 to 7 p.m. Parish Council Meeting (all chairpersons to attend), St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Room 105
- **19 8** a.m. to **Noon** Reserved for Team C, Parish Office: Room G-B
 - **12** to **1:30** p.m. Monthly meeting of priests for the Tell City Deanery, Saint Meinrad, IN
 - **6** to **7** p.m. Fulda 4-H Club Meeting, St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Room 106
- **20 4:45** to **5:30** p.m. Cor Men's Bible Study, Parish Office: Rooms F, G
- 21 12:30 p.m. JOY (just older youth), St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Room 103
- 24 Fourth Sunday of Advent (Christmas Eve)3:30 p.m. Vigil Mass for The Nativity of the Lord,St. Meinrad Catholic Church
 - **6** p.m. Vigil Mass for The Nativity of the Lord, Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
- 25 The Nativity of the Lord (Parish Office Closed)
 12 a.m. Mass for The Nativity of the Lord, Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
- **26 8** a.m. to **Noon** Reserved for Team D, Parish Office: Room G-B
- **26-31** Parish Office Closed for Christmas and New Year Holiday (Office Reopens January 3)
- **27 4:45** to **5:30** p.m. Cor Men's Bible Study, Parish Office: Rooms F, G
- **31 3:15** p.m. Patriotic Rosary, Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church

4 p.m. Vigil Mass for The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, St. Boniface *Catholic Church* *

*Holy Day of Obligation

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - Mark 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful, and generous with our gifts puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. How are you helping others get to Heaven?

THE MISSION OF OUR PARISH FAMILY



St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish exist to nurture an intentional faith-filled Catholic Community which inspires and empowers all people to follow Jesus Christ. We will continue to "Keep our eyes fixed on Jesus" (Hebrews 12:2) by living the Word of God, celebrating the sacraments with meaningful worship, and calling one another to prayer, Christian Service, and fellowship rooted in the living tradition of a rich German-Catholic heritage.

Sanctuary Lamp Luminary December 10, 2023

St. Boniface Parish +Logan Matthew Wetzel St. Meinrad Parish +Robert "Bob" Joseph Heeke

DATE / TIME	CALENDAR ITEM	LOCATION
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (May through October at 7 a.m.; November through April at 8 a.m.)	Monte Cassino Shrine
11:15 a.m.	Confession (confessional located at the main entrance)	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
3:15 p.m.	Confession (confessional located at the south entrance)	Historic St. Boniface Catholic
3:35 p.m.	Rosary (Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations)	Historic St. Boniface Catholic
4:00 p.m.	Mass Missa Pro Populo	Historic St. Boniface Catholi
4:10 p.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Historic St. Boniface Catholic
SUNDAŸ, DECEMBER 10	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
6:00 a.m.	Mass +Kenny Ray Zoglman (50th Anniversary of Death)	Historic St. Boniface Catholi
8:05 a.m.	Rosary (Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations)	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
8:30 a.m.	Mass +Robert "Bob" Joseph and +Sherry Ann (Wheatley) VanWinkle	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
8:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
9:30 a.m.	Mass with monastic community (pilgrims and guests are welcome)	Archabbey Church
9:45 to 10:45 a.m.	F3 Adult Session #3: Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist	Parish Office: Room H
11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.	St. Boniface Ladies Sodality Christmas Celebration and Dinner	St. Boniface Parish Center and
•	·	House: Rooms 103, 104
11:00 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Reserved for seasonal rental: area organization holiday party	Parish Office: Rooms F, G
1:00 to 2:00 p.m.	Celebration Singers Christmas Concert	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
MONDAY, DECEMBER 11		
8:00 a.m. to Noon	Reserved for Team B	Parish Office: Room G-B
4:15 p.m.	Mass +Marilyn Catherine (Schaefer) Haefling	Historic St. Boniface Catholi
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12	OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE	
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Robert "Bob" Joseph and +Sherry Ann (Wheatley) VanWinkle	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts	St. Boniface Parish Center and
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6:00 p.m.	Finance Commission (SB SM) FY2023-24 Budget Review	Parish Office: Rooms F, G
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13		
1:30 p.m.	Parish Staff (second Wednesday of the month with coordinators)	Parish Office: Room G-A
3:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
3:30 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
4:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction)	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
4:15 p.m.	Mass +George Christopher and +Apolonea Claria (Waninger) Hedinger	
1.45 to 5.30 n m	Cor Men's Bible Study	Parish Office: Rooms F, G
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11:40 a.m.	Rosary (Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations)	Historic St. Boniface Catholic
12:05 p.m.	Mass +Paul A. Linne	Historic St. Boniface Catholi
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15		

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St. Meinrad Catholic Church

Mass +Earl Anthony Peters

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)

"Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." - Thessalonians 5:16

This scripture reading sums up Stewardship. "Rejoice always" means place your trust in God; He will provide all that you need. "Pray constantly" means prayer should be a running conversation with God throughout the whole day, every day. "Give thanks in all circumstances" means even in bad situations, thank God. Suffering a little bit helps build empathy for others in similar situations and shows our dependence on God.

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St. Boniface Parish +Teresa Marie (Berg) Beier St. Meinrad Parish +Norma Lee (Fischer) Heeke

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DATE / TIME	CALENDAR ITEM	LOCATION
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (May through October at 7 a.m.; November through April at 8 a.m.)	Monte Cassino Shrine
11:15 a.m.	Confession (confessional located at the main entrance)	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
3:15 p.m.	Confession (confessional located at the south entrance)	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
3:35 p.m.	Rosary (Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations)	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
4:00 p.m.	Mass +Members of Dennis Herman and Norma Leona (Dilger) Kerstiens Family	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
4:10 p.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)	
6:00 a.m.	Mass Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People"	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
8:05 a.m.	Rosary (Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations)	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
8:30 a.m.	Mass +Sylvan Robert and +Margaret "Marge" Rose (Luebbehusen) (Anniversary of Death) Fetter	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
8:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
9:30 a.m.	Mass with monastic community (pilgrims and guests are welcome)	Archabbey Church
9:45 to 10:45 a.m.	F3 Adult Session #4: Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist	Parish Office: Room H
5:30 p.m.	Grade 9-12 CYO Youth Group	St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Room 004
MONDAY, DECEMBER 18		
4:15 p.m. 6:00-7:00 p.m.	Mass +Bradley "Brad" Gene Haefling Parish Council Meeting (all chairpersons to attend)	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Room 105
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Joseph Robert Wiederkehr	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
8:00 a.m. to Noon	Reserved for Team C	Parish Office: Room G-B
6:00 to 7:00 p.m.	Fulda 4-H Club Meeting	St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Room 106
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20		
1:30 p.m.	Parish Staff (second Wednesday of the month with coordinators)	Parish Office: Room G-A
3:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
3:30 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
4:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction)	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
4:15 p.m.	Mass +Charles "Charlie" Robert Ruxer	St. Meinrad Catholic Church
4:45 to 5:30 p.m.	Cor Men's Bible Study	Parish Office: Rooms F, G
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21	D (G) C (C) C	H' (' C(D ')C
11:40 a.m. 12:05 p.m.	Rosary (Sanctification of Life, Marriage, Family Life and Vocations) Mass +Marilyn Catherine (Schaefer) Haefling (Anniversary of Death)	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
12:30 p.m.	Joy (just older youth)	St. Boniface Parish Center and Shelter House: Room 103
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Richard "Rick" Lee Demuth	St. Meinrad Catholic Church

The Gospel for All



Family

Corner

2nd Sunday of Advent • December 10, 2023 • Jesus Is Good News

Sunday Readings: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

Weekly Discussion Questions

For the Parish Bulletin

Life Question: Who are the prophets among us? Gospel Question: What paths have opened for you in your life where you could see none?

LIFE AND GOSPEL QUESTIONS BY AGE LEVEL

Awaken (Adults and Teens)

Gospel Question: Who have been forerunners to your faith: family members, teachers, friends, saints?

Visions (Grades 7-9)

Life Question: What roads run through your life? Gospel Question: What is the work of a prophet?

Venture (Grades 4-6)

Life Question: Why is making the first move important in forgiving?

Gospel Question: How is straightening up a friendship like making a straight road for God?

Good News (Grades 2-3)

Life Question: How can you tell people are getting ready for Christmas?

Gospel Question: How can we share with people the way Saint Nicholas does?

Promise (Grades K-1)

Life Question: How am I growing and changing? Gospel Question: How can I grow as a follower of Jesus?

Seeds (Preschool)

Life Question: How does Juan Diego honor Mary? Gospel Question: What stories do you know about Jesus?

> Scan the QR code to stay up to date with the F3 student calendar **.**



About the Gospel

John the Baptist baptized with water as a symbol that the people were leaving their old, sinful ways behind. He was preparing them for when Jesus would baptize them with the Holy Spirit and change them forever by his sacrifice on the Cross.

Visit www.usccb.org/bible/readings to read this Sunday's Scripture.

In Church

If you are tempted to talk during Mass, remain silent and focus on preparing your heart for God.

Question of the Week

How does your family prepare for Christmas?

Family Prayer

Lord, please help us to prepare not only for Christmas celebrations, but also for your arrival in our hearts. Amen.

Acerca del Evangelio

Juan Bautista bautizó con agua como símbolo de que la gente estaba dejando atrás sus viejos caminos del pecado. Los estaba preparando para cuando Jesús los bautizara con el Espíritu Santo y los cambiara para siempre por medio de su sacrificio en la Cruz.

Visita www.usccb.org/bible/lecturas para leer las lecturas de este domingo.

En la iglesia

Si te tienta hablar durante la Misa, permanece en silencio y enfócate en preparar tu corazón para Dios.

Pregunta de la semana



¿Cómo se prepara tu familia para la Navidad?

Oración en familia

Señor, ayúdanos a prepararnos no solo para las celebraciones de Navidad, sino también para tu llegada a nuestro corazón. Amén.



Week of December 10, 2023



The Spirituality of Advent

Dr. Tim Gray discusses the spirituality of Advent and the joy of waiting for Christ.



The incredible true story of Our Lady of Guadalupe | Chris Stefanick Show

Check out this episode of the Chris Stefanick Show to learn the amazing story Our Lady of Guadalupe.



Yakhal/Hope | Advent: Word Studies | The Bible Project

In the Bible people who have hope are very different from optimists! In this video, we'll explore how biblical hope looks to God's character alone as a basis for trusting that the future will be better than the present.

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Mass Intentions



If you wish to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass – for the living or the deceased or for prayerful remembrance of anniversaries, birthdays, and other special intentions appropriate to the celebration of the Eucharist – you can request a Mass Intention. The suggested donation is \$10 per Mass. Make your check payable to Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church or

St. Meinrad Catholic Church and mail to: Custodian of Mass Intentions, Parish Office, PO Box 8, Saint Meinrad, IN 47577-0008. A check for Mass Intentions cannot include any other funds, such as a gift to the parish. For more information or to request a Mass Intention online, visit sbcatholic.church/mass-intentions/.

Join Us in the Ministry of Prayer Prayer requests received on the Prayer Line



*Updated December 5, 2023 * Names listed for 30 days, unless otherwise requested.*

Donnie C, health and healing; John S, preparing for surgery; Anna Rose L, health and healing; Charlene H and Larry H, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, health and healing; Martha R. S, health and healing, Christ the King Parish; Don Alan S, health and healing, St. Francis of Assisi Parish; Cooper J and his parents/caregivers, St.

Paul Parish, health and healing; Maggie R, St. Mary's Parish, health and healing.

Leave a message on the prayer line

- Use the search box on the homepage, enter PRAYER WALL to submit an online request
- Call 812-357-6063 or scan the QR Code

The Pope's Monthly Intention for December 2023: For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

James 'Jim' John Seger Jr. of Mariah Hill parish dies on December 2



Please pray for the repose of the soul of James "Jim" John Seger Jr., 81, of Mary Help of Christians Church, who died peacefully in the Lord on Saturday, December 2, 2023. Father of Joyce (Kenny) Hoppenjans of St. Boniface Parish. Services are in the care of Becher Funeral Home, Ferdinand, IN. Expressions of sympathy: Mr. and Mrs.

Kenny Hoppenjans, 17023 N Fulda Shortcut Rd, Ferdinand, IN 47532-7556.

Announcements

December 'Wish List' for area families for North Spencer Community Action Center



The December "Wish List" for North Spencer Community Action Center is dry pasta and canned beans.

When delivering items, please use the handicap entrance at each church and place the items in the container marked North Spencer Community Action Center at the Marian Altar. Parish churches are open daily from dawn to

dusk. NSCAC will distribute these items to local individuals or families in need.

To learn more about North Spencer Community Action Center, contact Ms. Bobbi Fromme, NSCAC Director, at 812-937-2796 or visit <u>northspencercac.com</u>. For more information, contact <u>Ms. Sue Kloeck</u>, Service and Outreach Commission Chair, at 812-357-5572.

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December 'Wish List' for families for Catholic Charities Tell City



The December "Wish List" for Catholic Charities Tell City is: toilet paper and paper towels. When delivering items, please use the handicap entrance at each church and place the items in the container marked Catholic Charities at the Marian Altar.

Parish churches are open daily from dawn to dusk. Catholic Charities in Tell

City will distribute these items to local individuals or families in need. To learn more about Martin's Cloak Food Pantry, a work of Catholic Charities in Tell City, contact Ms. Ramona Gehlhausen, Coordinator, at 812-309-1256 or visit archindy.org/cc/tellcity/. For more information, contact Ms. Sue Kloeck, Service and Outreach Commission Chair, at 812-357-5572.

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St. Boniface Ladies Sodality Plans Christmas Celebration December 10



St. Boniface Ladies Sodality is hosting a Christmas Celebration and Dinner for all women of the parish on Sunday, December 10, 2023, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Parish Center Room 103. This event is open to Ladies Sodality members and all women of the parish

members and all women of the parish to gather to celebrate the season and encourage new member participation.

More details: sbcatholic.church/news/.

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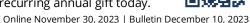
Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal Will Be December 10



Join our brothers and sisters throughout the Archdiocese of Indianapolis on Sunday, December 10, 2023, by supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious Annual Appeal. Please offer your prayerful, vocal and financial support.

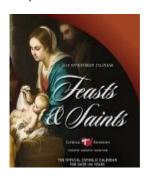
An envelope for the appeal is included in the monthly envelope

packet. Please make sure your check is made payable to the parish church, marking in the memo RFR Annual Appeal (4030.400). Scan the QR code to make a one-time or recurring annual gift today.





Copies of the 2024 Catholic Extension calendar are now available



at several locations: Monte Cassino Shrine, Saint Meinrad Archabbey Guest House and Retreat Center and in pews at St. Meinrad Catholic Church in St. Meinrad and Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church in Fulda.

Parishioners who are caregivers of homebound parishioners are encouraged to pick up a calendar for them.

The calendar, called "Feasts and Saints,"

is a spectacular visual journey through our liturgical year, using art and images to celebrate the major feasts and beloved saints (new and old) of Roman Catholicism.

Catholic Extension connects poor and remote Catholic communities with essential financial support, educational partnerships, and infrastructure. It is the only producer of Catholic calendars that gives 100% of the proceeds to help fund grants that benefit poor mission dioceses where faith is thriving, but the resources are scarce.

Two ad spots are available if you or your business would be interested in sponsoring next year's calendar. Each business-card-size ad is \$750. Deadline is March 1, 2024. For more information, contact Ms. Tina Boehm, Finance and Resource Coordinator, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Wednesday at finance@myparishfamily.church or 812-357-6050.

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Advent Penance Services Scheduled

Advent penance services will be held at the following days and times (all times are Central):

Sunday, December 10, St. Paul Catholic Church, Tell City, 2 p.m. Sunday, December 10, Christ the King Parish, Ferdinand, 3 p.m. Wednesday, December 13, Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church,



Fulda, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13, St. Joseph Church, Jasper, 6 p.m.

Sunday, December 17, St. Joseph Church, Dale, 5 p.m.

Wednesday, December 20, St. Joseph Church, Jasper, 6 p.m.

Confessions also are available weekly at

these times and locations: Wednesday, 3:30 - 4 p.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church and Saturday, 11:15 a.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church, and 3:15 - 3:45 p.m. at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church.

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Grant Doyle Serving as FOCUS Missionary in Nebraska



Grant Doyle, a member of St. Meinrad Parish, is a first-year FOCUS missionary. He is serving students at Doane University in Crete, Nebraska. His parents are Rex and Carolyn Doyle of St. Meinrad Parish.

To learn about Grant's work and to support him, click on the newsletters at this web page: sbcatholic.church/focus.

You can email <u>Grant</u> or send mail to: Mr. Grant Doyle

9505 W Denton Rd. Denton, NE 68339

Learn more about FOCUS at www.focus.org.

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Join Us for Cor Men's Prayer Group Beginning December 6



A new men's prayer group called Cor (Latin for "heart") will meet weekly, beginning Wednesday, December 6, 2023. Cor is a program of the Knights of Columbus, intended "to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity."

All men are welcome to attend. The evening begins with Holy Hour from 3 to 4 p.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church, with confession at 3:30 p.m. and Mass at 4:15 p.m. The 45-minute prayer meeting will begin after Mass in the Parish Office, Rooms F. G.

Men from surrounding parishes are welcome to attend. The hope is that other parishes will begin their own Cor groups in Lent 2024. For more information, email <u>Vic Ippoliti</u> or call 812-455-6568.

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Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule Announced



St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish announce the Mass schedule for Christmas and New Year's. *All times are Central Time*.

On Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24, Mass will be celebrated at 3:30 p.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church and at 6 p.m. at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church.

On Christmas Day, Monday, December 25, Mass will be celebrated at midnight at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church. Hymns and carols will be sung 30 minutes before Mass at the parish churches on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Individuals 65 years or older who are immune compromised or have pre-existing health concerns, or families with children who are immune compromised, are encouraged to join us virtually at www.sbcatholic.church/live and www.smcatholic.church/live. Once again, St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish are the proud and principal sponsors of the Christmas Eve presentation of the Handel's Messiah on WITZ, Sunday, December 24, 2023, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. CT.

Through the generosity of our parish family, we share our blessing with others as we share this evening with others, especially the sick, homebound and infirm throughout the tristate area, as we remember and celebrate the birth of Messiah.

The Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (January 1) will be celebrated Sunday, December 31, at 4 p.m. at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church, with the patriotic rosary beginning before Mass at 3:15 p.m.

On New Year's Day, Monday, January 1, Mass will be celebrated for the Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God, at 8:30 a.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church.

Parishioners, friends and neighbors using online giving, use the Quick Links at www.sbcatholic.church/christmas and www.smcatholic.church/christmas to make a one-time or recurring gift using debit cards, credit cards, or eChecks (ACH). Please make sure your check is made payable to the parish church, clearly marking in the memo: Christmas Offering (4010.400).

Parish churches are open daily from dawn to dusk.

The parish office will be closed December 25 - January 2. To view the weekly bulletin, parish news, and community events visit www.sbcatholic.church/news or www.smcatholic.church/news.

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with a chair behind the confessor for those who prefer not to go face-to-face. You may be feeling or thinking: It has been a long time since my last confession. Or I have forgotten how the sacrament works or what to do! Click/tap these resources to learn more about why Catholics go to confession.

Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession

A Guide To Confession

Sacraments 101: Penance (why we confess)

There will be no formal closing to the service, and younger students can be picked up at the usual entrance at the regular time. For a complete list of local Advent penance services, see the item on Page 9.

Calendars and Blue Books: We have ordered more copies of *The Little Blue Book for Advent and Christmas Seasons*, as well as the Advent book for kids. The 2024 calendar, "Faith and Saints" is also available to pick up in the usual places in the churches. I encourage you to take one home and perhaps bring one to a homebound parishioner or neighbor.

We are seeking two sponsors (\$750 each) for next year's calendar.

If you or your business is interested, please contact <u>Tina Boehm</u> in the Parish Office at 812-357-6050.

I continue to be grateful to those who are contacting me to help build back the many ministries we have in our parishes. I have been gradually inviting people to consider becoming involved in a ministry, so that we have, to use a sports term, a "strong bench" to fill in as people travel or take care of other commitments.

Looking Ahead: I would like to encourage each of you, as you consider New Year's resolutions, to make a spiritual resolution for next year. Perhaps there is a gift or talent you can share with your parish as you move into the coming year.

Be assured of my continued prayers as we celebrate the season of Advent. As we ask God's blessing upon our families, let us continue to be mindful and generous to those in need. May our hearts be open to the gift and mystery God has revealed, bringing salvation as promised through Emmanuel.

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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

If you require a priest due to severe illness or death at any time, call the archabbey switchboard at 812-357-6611.

Be prepared to leave a message with the attendant, including your name, location and contact information. Father Anthony or the priest on call will respond as soon as possible.

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Celebration Singers Will Give Christmas Concert on December 10

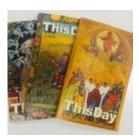


The Celebration Singers will present a free one-hour Christmas concert on Sunday, December 10, 2023, at 1 p.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church. Selections will include both sacred and secular Christmas music. Everyone is invited to attend.

The all-volunteer community choir features approximately 60 singers from Dubois, Spencer and Pike counties. More information about the choir is available at celebrationsingers.org/ and on Facebook at facebook.com/ TheCelebrationSingers or call 812-827-1974.

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Monthly Prayer Books Available in Churches December 12



Complimentary copies of the January 2024 edition of *Give Us This Day: Daily Prayer for Today's Catholics* will be available, compliments of the Evangelization Commission, beginning on the second Tuesday of each month, at the courtesy tables near the churches' entrances.

Give Us This Day is a great resource to enhance your daily prayer and Catholic faith. Books include daily Mass readings, highlights from the saint of the day, as well as inspiring stories, art, and writings from contemporary men and women.

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Christine 'Chris' Rahman of St. John Evangelist Parish in Loogootee, IN, Dies on November 26, 2023



In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Christine "Chris" (Knoblock) Rahman, age 44, of St. John the Evangelist Parish, who died peacefully in the Lord on Sunday, November 26, 2023, surrounded by her family in Loogootee, Indiana.

Daughter-in-law of Frank and Mary

(Schaeffer) Rahman of St. Boniface

Parish. Services are in the care of <u>Blake Funeral Home</u>, Loogootee, Indiana.

Expressions of sympathy: Mr. Bruce Rahman and Family, 13278 Mount Calvary Rd, Loogootee, IN 47553-4609; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rahman, 9231 E County Road 1500 N, Santa Claus, IN 47579-9754.

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Parish Youth Group (CYO) Holding Sock Drive Through December 16



Our parish youth group (CYO) will be hosting a holiday sock drive now through December 16. Socks must be new and can be any size. The socks will be donated to Catholic Charities in Tell City and the North Spencer Community Action Center. A "CYO Holiday Sock Drive" collection box is located at both parish churches at the Marian altar.

Parish churches are open daily from dawn to dusk. For questions or more information, contact <u>Jessica Fischer</u>, Evangelization and Faith Formation Coordinator at 812-357-6065.

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New Assistive Hearing Devices Available at Parishes



Do you have a problem hearing at Mass? Is it difficult to make out the words of the homily? For those who need hearing assistance at Mass, St. Boniface and St. Meinrad parishes provide Listen audio devices.

The newest version is rechargeable and features a smaller receiver. An assistive listening system transmits audio directly from the source to the listener's ear without amplifying ambient noise.

If you have an older assistive listening device and wish to trade it in for the newer version, please contact <u>Dione Jarboe</u>, Administrative Coordinator, at the Parish Office at 812-357-6051. There is no charge for the device. Also, new earpieces for older devices are available at the parish church from the sacristan.

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Bereavement Luncheon Volunteers Appreciated



I would like to thank all the wonderful ladies who help at the bereavement luncheons at St. Boniface Parish. They help by setting up the meal, welcoming the families, serving the meal, and cleaning up the kitchen, serving area and dining room. You are fantastic! A special thanks to Jackie Waninger for teaching me how to do the job.

Anyone who would like to donate some time to help at the bereavement luncheons would be much appreciated. You can contact me at 812-719-4222.

Mary Wagner

Bereavement Lunch Coordinator

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Make Your End-of-Year Giving Plans

Still Time for #GivingTuesday



#GivingTuesday is a worldwide day dedicated to giving back and celebrating generosity.

Built on the gratitude felt during the Thanksgiving holiday and following the consumer-centered events of Black Friday and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday takes place on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving – this

year the date is Tuesday, November 28, 2023.

To learn more, visit https://sbcatholic.church/giving-Tuesday/.

or https://smcatholic.church/giving-Tuesday/.

(1898) Organ ID#3845 (4852.500)

- Endowment for Conservation and Repair of Bells and Bellframes (4852.600)
- General Fund (4040.400)

St. Meinrad Parish EIN# 35-6029952

- Sunday and Holy Day (4010.400)
- Endowment for Cemetery Care and Maintenance (4852.100)
- Endowment for Church Care and Maintenance (4852.200)
- Endowment for Pastoral Ministries and General Operations (4852.300)
- Parish Activities Center Building Fund (4900.400)
- General Fund (4040.400)

Year-End Gift Planning for Individuals Age 73 and Above

As you make plans to purchase gifts for your loved one this Christmas, please remember your parish in your planning. Check with your financial advisor to see how this might affect you even without a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). A qualified certified distribution (QCD) remains a great way to make a tax-free gift to your parish or other qualified 501(c)(3) organizations, including the established local funds (managed by the Catholic Community Foundation and the Community Foundation Alliance of Perry and Spencer Counties).

Beginning in 2023, the age for taking a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) begins at 73.

In recent years, some parishioners have adopted this practice to meet their annual stewardship obligations – a yearly tax-free gift to support parish ministries, programs and activities. Some, too, have taken their QCD to designate it as a perpetual gift to one or more parish endowments - to support the ongoing and future pastoral ministries, long-term care of the church building or cemetery.

For more information or a confidential conversation about QCD, contact Tina Boehm, Finance Coordinator, St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish, at 812-357-6050.

Information to share with your financial advisor for Qualified Certified Distribution (QCD).

Chart of Accounts for Restricted Gifts

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- Sunday and Holy Day (4010.400)
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- Endowment for Pastoral Ministries and General Operations (4852.300)
- Endowment for Perpetual Care of the Giesecke Pipe Organ

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With online giving in Realm®, you can make one-time or recurring gifts using debit cards, credit cards, or eChecks (ACH).

All gifts made online immediately show up in your giving history, along with any other online, text, or offline contributions.

Whether a new or lifetime parishioner, a friend or neighbor or an area business that supports the mission and ministry of St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish in Spencer County, Indiana, Realm Online Giving 24/7 and Realm Mobile Giving will work for all your giving needs.

With Realm Mobile Giving, giving is never out of reach. Parishioners can give online with their mobile phones by signing into Realm from their mobile browser. Realm also takes

advantage of mobile phone cameras. iPhone users can save time by scanning a credit card to quickly enter their payment method.

It's easy to get started. Scan the QR and click on the link under "Quick Links."

If you need help, please contact Tina Boehm, Finance and Resource Coordinator, at 812-357-6050, for a confidential conversation.



Your parish brings you the light of Christ.

Please help keep the light shining by giving through your parish's online program or app.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule	Saturday, December 9 at 4 p.m. Vigil Mass for Sunday	Sunday, December 10 at 6 a.m. Mass for Sunday	Sunday, December 10 at 8:30 a.m. Mass for Sunday			
Ministry Scheduler Pro	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	St. Meinrad Catholic Church			
Porter	Ryan Hildenbrand	Paul Gerlach	Christopher Kern			
Sacristan	Samantha Haefling	Sharon Gerlach	Amanda Kern Keith Kern			
Bell Ringer (Five minutes before Mass, three assigned liturgical ministers peal bells for 2 minutes.)	NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #1 NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #2 Ryan Hildenbrand - Tower Bell #3	NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #1 Clara Tempel - Tower Bell #2 NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #3				
Livestream for Rosary	NOT FILLED		Sally Gravatte			
Rosary Leader (Use handheld mic #1, mic with a stand located to the left of the Blessed Virgin Mary Altar.)	Carol J. Waninger		Sally Gravatte			
Livestream for Mass	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED			
Liturgical Musician	NOT FILLED - Cantor NOT FILLED - Organist	NOT FILLED - Cantor NOT FILLED - Organist	NOT FILLED - Cantor NOT FILLED - Organist			
Hospitality (Greeters)	Mark Hildenbrand - Main Door Peggy Hildenbrand - Main Door NOT FILLED - North Door	NOT FILLED - Main Door NOT FILLED - Post-Mass	Diane Flaherty - Main Door Marlin Flaherty - Main Door NOT FILLED - South Door NOT FILLED - Post-Mass			
F3 (family faith formation) Program	NOT FILLED - Children's Liturgy of the Word - Catechist NOT FILLED - Children's Liturgy of the Word - Catechist		NOT FILLED - Children's Liturgy of the Word - Catechist NOT FILLED - Children's Liturgy of the Word - Catechist			
Priest	Father Anthony Vinson, OSB - Principal Celebrant	Father Anthony Vinson, OSB - Principal Celebrant	Father Anthony Vinson, OSB - Principal Celebrant NOT FILLED - Concelebrant			
Deacon	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED			
Acolyte of the Altar	Wyatt Gudorf	Michael Blalock	Ben Ebert			
Acolyte of the Word	Maddie Gudorf	Emerson Schaefer	Bo Weyer			
Crucifer (Cross Bearer)	Parker Gudorf	Beckett Kress	Clay Weyer			
Candle Bearer	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Liam Kress NOT FILLED	Carly Kern Ty Weyer			
Proclamation of the Word	Carol J. Waninger - First Reading Michelle Blalock - Second Reading Pam Davis - Prayer of the Faithful	Lily Hubert - First Reading Kerry Snyder - Second Reading Faith Schaefer - Prayer of the Faithful	Tyler Scherzer - First Reading Teresa Ippoliti - Second Reading Carol Schwoeppe - Prayer of the Faithful			
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Signal Bell at the Consecration (At the time of the Epiclesis, when the acolytes kneel at the altar, ring the tower bell until the acolytes again stand following the faithful proclamation of the mystery of faith.)	Ryan Hildenbrand - Bell #3	NOT FILLED - Bell #3				
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Courtney Blalock - Paten Jenny Kunkler - Paten Karen Peters - Paten Pam Davis - Chalice Wyatt Gudorf - Chalice Amanda Gudorf - Chalice Michael Gudorf - Chalice Jenny Kunkler - Pyx (loft) Amanda Gudorf - Chalice (loft)	Braxton Schaefer - Paten Alison Collignon - Chalice Faith Schaefer - Chalice Braxton Schaefer - Pyx (loft) Alison Collignon - Chalice (loft)	Mary L. Denning - Paten David Fromme - Paten Jerry Sitzman - Paten Ben Ebert - Chalice Jessica Fischer - Chalice Kathy Ruxer - Chalice Carol Schwoeppe - Chalice Mary L. Denning - Pyx (loft) Martha Sitzman - Chalice (loft)			
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Hospitality (Post-Mass)	Renae Harper Adele Harper Joe Harper	NOT FILLED	T FILLED			
Angelus Bell (Post-Mass)	Ryan Hildenbrand - Bell #1	NOT FILLED - Bell #1				

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Member-at-Large (SM)

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Facilities and Grounds (SB) Neil Collignon
Facilities and Grounds (SM) Jerry Sitzman

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Finance (SB) Shannon Tuley

Finance (SM) Pam Davis June 30, 2024

Heritage, Fundraising and Marketing (SB)

vacant (chair elected next scheduled meeting)

Heritage, Fundraising and Marketing (SM)

vacant (chair elected next scheduled meeting)

Pastoral Ministries and Activities

vacant (chair elected next scheduled meeting)

Strategic Planning and Stewardship (SB)

vacant (chair elected next scheduled meeting)

Strategic Planning and Stewardship (SM)

vacant (chair elected next scheduled meeting)

Service and Outreach Sue Kloeck June 30, 2024 **Worship** *vacant* (chair elected next scheduled meeting

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Bereavement Luncheon Ministry (SB)

Mary Wagner, coordinator 812- 357-2002 (h)

Bereavement Luncheon Ministry (SM)

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Cemetery Commission (SM)

Brian Greulich, chair 812-608-0756 (m)

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Make a Perpetual Gift Today!

Ensure that cemetery care and maintenance will continue in perpetuity.

- Become an 1847 Society Member
- Become an 1861 Society Member

Make a gift or view the interactive map of the cemetery online at: www.sbcatholic.church/1847 or www.smcatholic.church/1861

AREA AGENCIES

Catholic Charities Tell City

Sister Michele Intravia, OSU 812-547-0903 (o)

Knights of Columbus #5599 (SM)

Mr. Rodney Vaal 812-357-7514 (h)

Martin's Cloak Food Pantry

Mrs. Ramona Gehlhausen 812-309-1256 (m)

COMMISSION SPOTLIGHT



Heritage, Fundraising and Marketing Commissions

History literally lines the walls in St. Boniface and St. Meinrad parishes. Within these liturgical spaces, our families have worshipped for generations. We have welcomed newcomers of various backgrounds and handed on our faith, even as it was handed down to us from our ancestors in the faith. Our story is part of who we are, and we must not forget it, but must share it with the Church universal.

Our Heritage, Fundraising and Marketing Commissions serve as the keepers of our story; they are in charge of continuing to build the narrative of our story, drawing attention to it through a variety of new and old media, and discerning and discovering resources and relationships that better enable us to keep our heritage strong and our facilities sturdy, so we can transmit our story to our children and our children's children.

The men and women of this commission animate the annual celebrations of our parishes, patronal saints and their feast days: St. Boniface and St. Meinrad.

Commission chairpersons are selected from among its commission members and serve on the pastoral council for one three-year term. They are eligible to be renominated for an additional one-year term. Commission terms begin in July and end in June.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

ST. BONIFACE PARISH

ST. MEINRAD PARISH

	PARISH CENSUS	
	FY 2023-2024	
178	# of Households	211
408	# of Souls	435
	MASS COUNTS	
In-Person	December 3, 2023	Livestream
90/ 360*	4 p.m.	16
59/ 360*	6 a.m.	15
142/ 430*	8:30 a.m.	13
* church capacity		
	FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP	
	November 27-December 3, 2023	
\$305	Online Giving	\$745
\$1,075	Offertory	\$2,717

Dear Padre,

Do Catholics have to marry in the Church? If a couple decides to marry outside of the Church, are they still allowed to receive Communion and other sacraments?

Catholics are obligated to follow the laws of the Church, including those laws regarding marriage. If a Catholic marries outside the Church, meaning that they did not follow Church law, then they may not receive the other sacraments until their marriage has been witnessed by the Church.

A wedding is a sacred ceremony for the couple, but it is also a ceremony for the Church. The Christian community is called



upon to witness the ceremony, with the bishop, priest, or deacon called upon to bless the union in the name of the Church. The Church can dispense from the form, that is, the place of the wedding, for good cause, and does so when necessary. When a dispensation from the law is granted, then the person has followed the marriage laws of the Church and is free to receive the sacraments.

A wedding is a sacred ceremony in which a sacrament is conferred. While the park may be pretty or the church down the street may be bigger, neither is a sufficient reason to ignore marriage law and marry outside the Church.

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' Scrupulous Anonymous free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit ScrupulousAnonymous.org.

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December 11 Advent Weekday Is 35:1-10 Lk 5:17-26

TUESDAY

December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

WEDNESDAY

December 13 St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr Is 40:25-31 Mt 11:28-30

THURSDAY

December 14 St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church Is 41:13-20 Mt 11:11-15

FRIDAY

December 15 Advent Weekday Is 48:17-19 Mt 11:16-19

SATURDAY

December 16 Advent Weekday Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Mt 17:9a, 10-13

SUNDAY

December 17 Third Sunday of Advent Is 61:1-2a, 10 - 111 Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

In the Bible [conversion] means, first and foremost, to change direction and orientation; and thus also to change one's way of thinking. In the moral and spiritual life, to convert means to turn oneself from evil to good, from sin to love of God. And this is what the Baptist was teaching.

ANGELUS, ROME, DECEMBER 6, 2020



Listed on National Register of Historic Places
Parish Founded 1847
www.sbcatholic.church



ST. MEINRAD CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Founded 1861 www.smcatholic.church

St. Boniface Parish (#076) Statement of Functional Activities

St. Meinrad Parish (#137)
Statement of Functional Activities
September 2023

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MTD Dudget		Annual Budget		% of Annual	Accounts	MTD Rudget		Annual Budget		% of Annual
(2023)	(2023)	(2023-2024)		Budget Used (2023-2024)	Accounts	(2023)	(2023)	(2023-2024)		Budget Used (2023-2024)
					Income					
					Parish Ordinary Income					
\$9,391.67	\$6,676.00	\$112,700.00	\$19,807.00	17.57 %	Sunday and Holy Day Gifts	\$14,700.00		\$176,400.00	\$33,966.00	19.26 %
\$3,204.15	\$1,506.25	\$38,450.00	\$6,005.25	15.62 %	Contributions	\$2,949.98	\$2,701.75	\$35,400.00	\$6,671.75	18.85 %
			4617.00	12 20 0/	Other	\$365.01	\$120.00	\$4,380.00	\$300.00	6.85 %
\$416.68	\$385.00	\$5,000.00	\$615.00 \$100.00	12.30 % 1.16 %	Family Faith Formation Auxiliary Services	\$1,258.34	\$750.00	\$15,100.00	\$2,250.00	14.90 %
\$716.68 \$1,133.36	\$100.00 \$485.00	\$8,600.00 \$13,600.00	\$715.00	5.26 %	Total Other	\$1,623.35		\$19,480.00	\$2,550.00	13.09 %
\$0.00	\$495.83	\$0.00	\$1,353.90	0.00 %	Interest and Investment	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$879.15	0.00 %
\$13,729.18	\$9,163.08	\$164,750.00	\$27,881.15	16.92 %	Total Parish Ordinary Income	\$19,273.33	\$15,237.19	\$231,280.00	\$44,066.90	19.05 %
					Parish Extraordinary Income				#0.00	0.00.0/
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#0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	0.00 %	Capital Campaign Gifts Grants	\$0.00 \$0.00			\$0.00	0.00 %
\$0.00 \$266.67	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$20.00	0.62 %	Gifts (restricted)	\$312.50			\$0.00	0.00 %
\$0.00	\$744.00	\$0.00	\$819.00	0.02 %	Mission Collections	\$0.00			\$1,050.50	0.00 %
\$266.67	\$744.00	\$0.00	\$839.00	26.22 %	Total Parish Extraordinary Income	\$312.50			\$1,115.50	29.75 %
\$875.00	\$104.47	\$10,500.00	\$1,736.41	16.54 %	Cemetery	\$958.34	\$185.00	\$11,500.00	\$2,182.00	18.97 %
\$0.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$355.00	0.00 %	Endowment	\$0.00	\$565.00	\$0.00	\$1,650.00	0.00 %
				50 (50)	Fundraising	#4.041.67	622 (82 50	£48 500 00	£20.782.50	61 41 0/
\$4,583.34	\$0.00	\$55,000.00	\$43,817.15		Annual Picnic	\$4,041.67 \$93.42			\$29,783.50 \$0.00	61.41 % 0.00 %
\$1,558.34 \$6,141.68	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$18,700.00 \$73,700.00	\$0.00 \$43,817.15	0.00 % 59.45 %	Miscellaneous Total Fundraising	\$4,135.09	\$22,682,50	THE RESERVE THE PARTY OF THE PA	\$29,783.50	WINDS OF THE PERSON NAMED IN THE PERSON NAMED
\$0,141.00	\$0.00	\$75,700.00	\$45,017.15	37.43 /0	Mass Intentions	41,100.0	022,002.00	010,021.00	023,700,00	
\$183.33	\$50.00	\$2,200.00	\$190.00	8.64 %	Mass Intentions	\$258.33	\$10.00	\$3,100.00	\$370.00	11.94 %
\$183.33	\$50.00	\$2,200.00	\$190.00	8.64 %	Total Mass Intentions	\$258.33			\$370.00	11.94 %
\$21,195.86	\$10,181.55	\$251,150.00	\$74,818.71	29.42 %	Total Income	\$24,937.59	\$39,585.19	\$299,251.00	\$79,167.90	26.46 %
					Expenses					
					Parish Ordinary Expense					
					Salaries and Payroll Tax					
					Salaries and Wages					
\$4,308.34	\$3,003.55	\$51,700.00	\$8,969.59		Staff	\$5,970.83	\$4,337.76		\$13,198.84	18.42 %
\$362.50	\$0.00	\$4,350.00	\$160.04	3.68 %	Resource Coordinators	\$416.67			\$160.07	3.20 %
\$4,670.84 \$995.84	\$3,003.55 \$771.14	\$56,050.00 \$11,950.00	\$9,129.63 \$2,230.47	16.29 % 18.67 %	Total Salaries and Wages	\$6,387.50 \$1,235.84	\$4,337.76 \$1,047.77	The same of the same of the same	\$13,358.91 \$3,077.95	17.43 % 20.75 %
\$83.34	\$20.36	\$1,000.00	\$2,230.47		Payroll Tax Training and Ongoing Formation	\$83.34			\$3,077.93	
\$5,750.02	\$3,795.05	\$69,000.00	\$11,380.46		Total Salaries and Payroll Tax	\$7,706.68			\$16,457.22	
\$1,358.92	\$1,323.67	\$16,307.00	\$3,971.01	24.35 %	Assessments & Support Services	\$2,003.83		\$24,046.00	\$5,874.21	24.43 %
\$83.33	\$48.51	\$1,000.00	\$167.72	16.77 %	Service Fees	\$83.33	\$147.50	\$1,000.00	\$262.85	
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2.31	0.00 %	Charitable Gift Distributions	\$0.00			\$0.46	
\$1,770.85	\$836.19	\$21,250.00	\$3,018.23	14.20 %	Administrative and Supplies	\$2,131.68		and the second s	\$3,385.03	13.23 %
\$2,062.53	\$965.39	\$24,750.00	\$3,642.76 \$5,314.35	14.72 % 26.17 %	Facilities and Grounds	\$1,870.84		\$22,450.00 \$13,885.00	\$3,105.26 \$3,454.83	13.83 % 24.88 %
\$1,692.00 \$1,509.58	\$1,771.45 \$1,276.82	\$20,304.00 \$18,115.00	\$3,401.43	18.78 %	Property Insurance * Utilities *	\$1,157.08 \$1,682.08	\$1,151.61 \$1,503.58		\$3,434.83	19.48 %
\$575.00	\$1,488.57	\$6,900.00	\$2,483.55		Family Faith Formation	\$596.65			\$2,691.43	
\$2,479.16	\$570.46	\$29,750.00	\$3,396.05		Ministries and Programs	\$2,787.50	\$644.98		\$4,615.94	
\$458.34	\$86.35	\$5,500.00	\$2,511.10	45.66 %	Other	\$416.67	\$86.37	\$5,000.00	\$276.56	5.53 %
\$17,739.73	\$12,162.46	\$212,876.00	\$39,288.97	18.46 %		\$20,436.34	\$14,105.66	\$245,236.00	\$44,054.98	17.96 %
					Parish Extraordinary Expense	40.00	40.00	40.00	#0.00	0.00.0/
\$524.77	\$524.78	\$6,297.30	\$1,574.35	25.00 %	Capital Campaign Project Depreciation	\$0.00 \$526.25			\$0.00 \$1,885.83	
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0,297.30	\$0.00		Mission Collections	\$0.00			\$0.00	
\$524.77	\$524.78	\$6,297.30	\$1,574.35	25.00 %	Total Parish Extraordinary Expense	\$526.25			\$1,885.83	
\$575.00	\$610.00	\$6,900.00	\$1,900.55	27.54 %	Cemetery	\$1,766.66	\$2,925.00	\$21,200.00	\$10,947.00	51.64 %
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %
\$1,800.00	\$1,268.91	\$21,600.00	\$20,836.96	96.47 %		\$1,708.33	\$5,826.95	\$20,500.00	\$6,136.45	29.93 %
\$266.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00 %	Miscellaneous					
\$208.33	\$130.00	\$2,500.00	\$360.00	14.40 %	Mass Intentions Mass Stipends	\$333.33	\$175.00	\$4,000.00	\$500.00	12.50 %
\$208.33	\$130.00	\$2,500.00	\$360.00	14.40 %	Total Mass Intentions	\$333.33			\$500.00	
\$21,114.50	\$14,696.15	\$2,500.00	\$63,960.83		Total Expenses	\$24,770.91		\$297,251.00	\$63,524.26	
\$81.36	(\$4,514.60)	\$976.70	\$10,857.88		Net Total					