

INDEPENDENCE DAY

GOD BLESS AMERICA



FROM OUR SEMINARIAN

"Who are you?"

... can be asked in many different ways, mostly depending on one's inflection. Indignation. Rage. Awe. Disgust. Joy. Curiosity. Fear. You get the picture. This question is so multifaceted and one with which we all seem to be heavily preoccupied. Look around today, and you'll notice this question is the driving force behind a great deal of things, especially marketing. "X person has *this* car", "X person eats *this* food". "X person goes on *this* cruise", "X person wears *these* clothes." On and on the list goes. Marketing focuses on identity because it sells. It sells because we are all overwhelmingly concerned about who we are and who we're perceived to be. The market capitalizes on it. It's a very human question at its heart so we naturally want to know.

As Catholics, we know our identities as beloved sons and daughters of God the Father. Do you really believe that is your identity? Does your life reflect that reality? I don't mean you need to wear Jesus-camp t-shirts on the street corners and only preach hellfire and brimstone; I'd argue that's not an authentic Catholic witness either. But are the fruits of the Spirit (charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faith, modesty, self-control, and chastity) present in your life? Are you inflamed with a deep, passionate love for the Eucharist? Do you have a consistent prayer life (aka do you talk to Jesus)? Do you read scripture regularly, even just the daily Gospel? Do you pray the rosary, even just a decade? Friends, this isn't the life of a "super-Catholic" (whatever that even means) this is what the average, basic life of a Catholic should look like. You should be doing these things.

Our world is so desperately in need of Jesus and His Love and Truth. The craziness of the world we see today is a cry for help. It's an expression of our deepest human desires trying to be fulfilled in the wrong ways. Is your life a witness to Jesus and His power to save, or does it encourage people to continue wallowing in their darkness? We need intentional disciples. We need men and women on fire for Christ. We need families that witness to the Truth and Beauty of the Faith. They're not far off in some hill country either. They're in the pew next to us. They're our family members. They're our neighbors. We are these Catholics. We are these families. We are the laborers we keep asking the Lord to send out for His harvest. ***That*** is our identity. ***That*** is who we are. ***That*** is our mission. Now, let's get to work!

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

~Luke 10:2

Seminarian Vince

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CCD NEWS

SAVE THE DATE: CCD classes will be starting early next year. First CCD class will be **Sunday, August 18**. Please fill out a registration form NOW.

HEARING ACCESSIBILITY DEVICES

St. Mary's has Hearing Accessibility Devices available for use during Mass, stop in the Sacristy before Mass and see Fr. Bob if you are in need of assistance... he's happy to hook you up!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is currently seeking candidates for the position of Associate Superintendent of Catholic Schools to assist with the formation of 13,000 students in 39 elementary school and 4 high schools in Northern Indiana. Catholic Schools are a ministry of the Church, and this position works with the Superintendent of Catholic Schools to ensure the integration of faith and life, reverence for truth, growth in virtue, formation in Christian discipleship, and commitment to prayer. Applicants must be practicing Catholics with a working knowledge on Church Doctrine and Law and must hold an Indiana School Administrator/Superintendent's License and a minimum of 5 years experience. www.diocesefwsb.org/Job-Openings

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Do YOU want to make a difference in the life of a Catholic school student? Donate to the SGO (Scholarship Granting Organization) and be the difference maker in the life of a child! The SGO provides financial aid to qualifying families and it provides a tax credit to the donor! Tax credits include a 50% state tax rebate and 25% federal deduction off the remaining amount of the donation. Learn more about the SGO at the website www.sgonei.org. Just click on the tab at the top "About the SGO" or donate today by clicking on the large blue button found on the homepage. As a donor, you can select one of the 43 diocesan schools to give to OR you can give to the unrestricted funds which can help all of our schools. Consider making a donation today!



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EVENTS**WORSHIP AND PRAYER IN OUR PARISH****BLOOD DRIVE SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Tuesday, July 9 | 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm
St. Mary's Catholic Church - Annunciation Hall

Please call 1- 800 - RED CROSS or go to redcrossblood.org
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 to schedule your blood donation appointment.

**HIDDEN TREASURES SALE**

Friday, July 12 & Saturday, July 13 | 9:00am - 2:00pm
Sponsored by the Altar Rosary Society

Please start gathering your "treasures" to donate to our sale. We cannot accept them until the week before the sale! Thank you!

*Reminder: No clothes, or larger pieces of furniture, or appliances. Only Treasures: toys, books, décor, jewelry, etc.

FREE SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

12:20pm - 1:20pm | Monday - Friday | through August 2, 2019
Condon Park - Bristol

FREE Summer Food Service Program serving lunch for kids ages 18 and under! All locations will be **closed July 1st-5th.**

Sponsored by Elkhart Community Schools

ST. HEDWIG HOLY NAME SOCIETY

September 8, 2019 | Raffle

The St. Hedwig Holy Name Society is sponsoring its annual raffle (Indiana License 149392) for two Notre Dame Football season tickets. Donations of \$2.00 per chance, 3 for \$5.00, or 7 for \$10.00. For more information, contact the rectory of St. Hedwig: Phone: (574) 287-8932 or email: stspatrick-hedwig@att.net

BLESSED SOLANUS CASEY FEAST DAY - OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, July 30th | 2:00-5:00pm
St. Felix Catholic Center
1280 Hitzfield Street - Huntington, IN

1:30pm - Meditation with Music
 2:00pm - Reflection by Fr. Stephen Colchin
 2:30pm - Meditation with Music
 3:00pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet
 3:15pm - Patriotic Rosary
 4:00pm - Video: Heroic Journey

6:00-8:00pm

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church
860 Cherry Street - Huntington, IN

6:00pm - Adoration & Confession
 7:00pm - Blessed Solanus Feast Day Mass

SCHEDULE OF MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 6

4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, JULY 8

9:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 9

9:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

9:00 a. m.

THURSDAY, JULY 11

9:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 12

9:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 13

9:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 13

4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 14

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

VIGIL: 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

+ Doris Rody

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

+ For the People

+ Joyce Chapman

WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Intentions of Bonnie Kloska

ST. AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG

+ Bea Everly

+ Rex Greenawalt

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+ Thomas York

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+ Geraldine M. Rafinski

WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

+ Mark Powell

ST. HENRY

+ Geraldine M. Rafinski

VIGIL: 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

+ Robert Gottuso

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

+ Kathy Brown

For the People

**PAPAL INTENTION FOR JULY**

The Integrity of Justice: That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

THE ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is a quiet space for Eucharistic adoration: meditate, read, pray, or simply sit with Jesus.

The Adoration Chapel is open from 2:00pm on Sundays through Midnight on Thursdays. People willing to spend an hour in Adoration keeping watch over Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament are always needed.

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