



## CELEBRATE THE LORD’S DAY MASSES:

### LITURGY SCHEDULE July 31, 2022 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **Monday, Aug. 1, at St. John’s**

10:00a.m...Rose Stroup

#### **Tuesday, Aug. 2**

5:30p.m...No Mass

#### **Wednesday, Aug. 3, at St. John’s**

12:00noon...Marion & Ruth Ann Clawson

#### **Thursday, Aug. 4 at St. Mary’s**

5:30p.m...Phil Crouch

#### **Friday, Aug. 5 at Holy Family**

9:00a.m...Marie Ray

#### **Saturday, Aug. 6**

5:00p.m...Parishioners of St. Mary’s, St. John’s,  
and Holy Family at St. Mary’s

6:30p.m...Grace Walter at St. John’s

#### **Sunday, Aug. 7**

9:00a.m...Bud Rees at St. John’s

11:00a.m...Edgar Poe at Holy Family

## PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR JULY:

### Elderly

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

***If you wish to put someone on the prayer chain,  
please contact Janice Jackson at 348-1521.***

## Pastor's Message

As we get ready for back to school, here is the scripture and prayer from the Book of Blessings for a successful and holy school year for our students, teachers, administrators, families, and school employees and volunteers.

In Christ,

Fr. Hurley

Titus 2:11-15

*For the grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of the great God and of our savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good. Say these things. Exhort and correct with all authority. Let no one look down on you.*

Blessing:

God our Father, you call people to hear your word and be taught by the example of Christ your Son.

Bless this new school year. Give holiness and wisdom to the teachers.

Give prudence and the blessing of good example to our parents.

Give open hearts and minds to our children as all together we strive to do your will in our lives.  
Amen

Marion Lions Club 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Old Folks Day

“Weathering the Storms of Life:

August 4, 2022

Amvets 705 W 37<sup>th</sup> St., Marion

Registration: 10-11am, Program: 11-12noon

Music by David Craun, DJ

Guest Speaker: Randy Ollis, Wish TV

Prayer & Song: “Anchored”

Lunch: 12-1pm

Over age 70—Free; Under age 70--\$7.00

Recognition of Veterans, Prizes, Fun!

All are invited!

## KUDOS TO ALL FROM VBS

A special thank you to our awesome volunteers, including our high school teens, everyone who donated items for Vacation Bible School, and the families that participated...our numbers grew from last year...how exciting for our program! Thank you all for helping inspire our youth!!

## READY FOR RELIGIOUS ED?

Letters were mailed Friday for religious ed registration.

Registration Sunday, August 14

Classes Begin, Sunday, August 21

Grades Pre3-12, No Cost for RE

We are currently looking for at least one religious ed instructor for Holy Family at the jr. high level, and one for St. John's for the preschool class. Are you being called to share your faith with our youth? Contact Fr. Hurley, Diana in the office or Christina Christman.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR:

**Tuesday, Aug. 2:** Women’s Bible Study 9-11am at St. John’s

**Wednesday, Aug. 3:** Rosary 4pm at Holy Family  
Finance Council 6pm at Holy Family

**Thursday, Aug. 4:** Adoration & Reconciliation 5-5:25pm at St. Mary’s

Pastoral Council 6:15pm at St. John’s  
**Friday, Aug. 5:** Reconciliation 8:30am at Holy Family

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am-9pm at Holy Family

Pool Party for Re 7-9pm at Hartford City Pool  
**Saturday, Aug. 6:** Reconciliation 4-4:30pm at St. Mary’s

**Sunday, Aug. 7:** Reconciliation 8-8:45am at St. John’s

Rosary 4pm at Holy Family

K of C Picnic 12noon at Shields

## \$5 BAG SALE IS BACK AT NTY

Still going on...Visit the New-To-You Shop at St. John’s and fill a paper bag full of clothes for just \$5. Other items are at bargain prices, but clothes items count towards the bag sale. Visit us on Thursday 11-5, Friday and Saturday 11-2 for your bargain shopping!

# S O L T

We welcome Fr. Lawrence Tucker who is visiting from Laredo, Texas.

He represents the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity-SOLT, who are Disciples of Jesus through Mary, living in Marian-Trinitarian communion, serving on ecclesial family teams in the areas of deepest apostolic need.

A second donation basket will be available for your donations. If you will be contributing via a check, please make the check payable to one of our parishes rather than the mission. Thank you!



Congratulations to Stephen Weick and Abby Haines who received the Sacrament of Marriage last weekend at Holy Family. Let us offer prayers for a lifetime of happiness to the newlyweds.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

**Aug. 1:** [St. Alphonsus Liguori, bishop & doctor of the Church] Jer 28: 1-17; Mt 14: 13-21

**Aug. 2:** [St. Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, priest] Jer 30: 1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14: 22-26

**Aug. 3:** Jer 31: 1-7; M 15: 21-28

**Aug. 4:** [St. John Vianney, priest] Jer 31: 31-34; Mt 16: 13-23

**Aug. 5:** [The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major] Na 2: 1, 3; 3: 1-3, 6-7; Mt 16: 24-28

**Aug. 6:** [The Transfiguration of the Lord] Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1: 16-19

**Aug. 7:** Wis 18: 6-9; Heb 11: 1-2, 8-19; Lk 12: 32-48

## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

**Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament on August 5, begins after 9 AM Mass with closing at 9 PM to be held at Holy Family Church, Gas City.

**Heavenly Father, we’re so grateful You had compassion on us! Help us extend your overflowing compassion to others.**



#### K OF C ANNUAL PICNIC

Sunday, August 7, 2022, noon to ??  
Home of John & Karen Shields  
All Knights, widows of Knights, and Prospective Knights are invited along with their families.  
Meat and drinks will be provided.  
Bring a covered dish to share, lawn chairs, swimming/fishing gear.

#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

##### St. Mary's

Sunday Collection: \$775.00

Needed Weekly: \$887.87

##### St. John's

Sunday Collection: \$2,937.00

Food Pantry: \$100.00

Building Fund: \$100.00

Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

##### Holy Family

Sunday Collection: \$1,375.00

Votive: \$64.00

Food Pantry: \$50.00

Needed Weekly: \$2,238.00

*Seeing Jesus transfigured made Peter want to do something to mark the event. But the Voice from the cloud said clearly that the first task of those who recognize Jesus as Lord is to listen to Jesus—and then act!*



Calling all Religious Education families and staff!! Our pastorate is having a "Back to School" Pool Party on Friday, August 5 from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM at the Hartford City Memorial Pool. This is free of charge and open to all religious education families from preschool through high school and our staff and their families from all three parishes! Come for a swimtastic time!!



#### Save the date---Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pastorate-wide Picnic

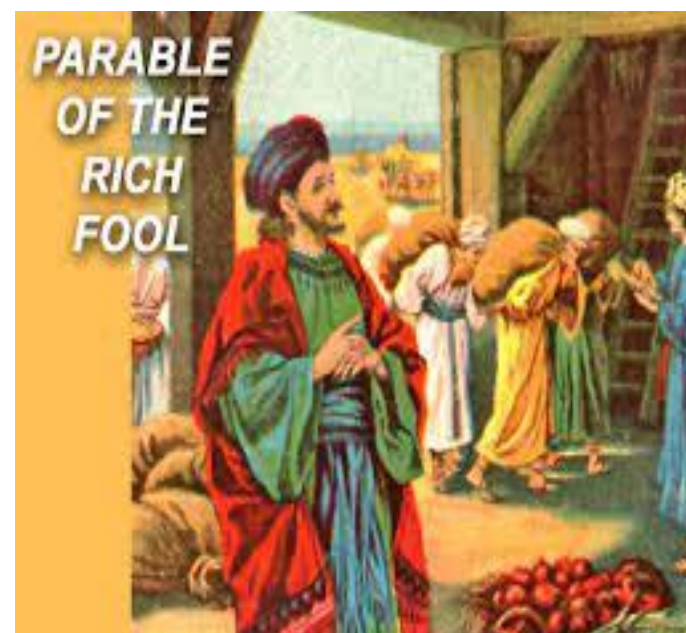
MASS beginning at 10:30am  
Picnic lunch immediately following.  
To be held at Gas City Park  
Meat, drinks, table service provided  
Bring a covered dish to share and lawn chairs.  
Fun, Fellowship, Games for All. Rosary early after.

#### GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

**ECC 1:2, 2:21-23; PS 90:3-6, 12-13, 17; COL 3: 1-5, 9-11; LK 12:13-21**

Today's Gospel passage comes as a pat on the back from Heaven for all of us striving to live a stewardship way of life. It reminds us why we live the way we do and why we make the choices we make. Let's face it, if we truly embrace this way of life, there will be people who find our choices — based on serving God and others — downright foolish. But let's see what God thinks. Spoiler alert: turns out Christian stewards are not the fools!

In this passage, Jesus makes it clear that life is not about "stuff" as he tells the parable of the wealthy businessman who thought he had everything figured out. The man had such an abundance of stuff that he didn't have room to store it all. So, thinking of earthly things and not on what is above, he decided to build a bigger place to store all that stuff. Patting himself on the back, he thought about what good times he would have in the years ahead. But Jesus tells us that day would turn out to be the man's last day on the earth. And he had spent it thinking only of himself. How foolish! Don't be ashamed of living differently from the people around you. Be confident as you set priorities based on what is above. You are wise in God's eyes, Christian steward. And you will be rich in what matters most.



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#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass. May God continue to bless you and your new little one.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as:  
St. Mary, 5-5:30pm each Thursday; 4-4:30pm each Saturday  
St. John, 8-8:45am each Sunday prior to Mass  
Holy Family, 12noon-1pm each Sunday; 8:30-8:55am each Friday.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage. Please contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

#### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Hurley is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

#### RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sessions for children and youth (grades K-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

## St. Mary, Dunkirk St. John the Evangelist, Hartford City Holy Family, Gas City

A Pastorate of  
The Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

**Pastor, Fr. Kevin Hurley**

#### PARISH OFFICES

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##### Holy Family, Gas City

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#### PARISH REGISTRATION

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

#### RCIA

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information