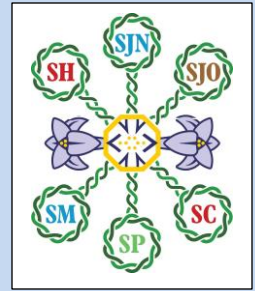


SW NEWTON & BENTON COUNTY PASTORATE

A Pastorate of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana



JANUARY 23, 2022 – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sacred Heart of Jesus

107 East Main Street, Fowler

Saint Charles

108 North Meadow Street, Otterbein

Saint John the Baptist

205 South Chestnut Street, Earl Park

Saint Joseph

409 East Allen Street, Kentland

Saint Mary's

2961 S Indiana 71, Ambia

Saint Patrick

504 South Michigan Street, Oxford

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New Parishioners and Guests

We welcome all who are celebrating with us this weekend. If you are new to the pastorate, please contact the office so we may greet you properly.



MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

MONDAY 1/24

8:00AM, Kentland † Adak & Kyrstin by Marlene Balensiefer

8:00AM, Oxford † Beverly Kennedy by Martin Kennedy

TUESDAY 1/25

8:00AM, Kentland † Rita Molter by Kathie Molter

8:15AM, Fowler † Kay Hardebeck by Jim Hardebeck

WEDNESDAY 1/26

8:00AM, Otterbein † Ione & Elmo Mills Family by Cleone Logan

8:15AM, Fowler † Mike Windler by Judy Goodman

THURSDAY 1/27

8:00AM, Earl Park † Betty Hasser

6:00PM, Dunnington † Ann Scherer by Bob & Gail Scherer

FRIDAY 1/28

8:15AM, Fowler † James Gretencord by Martha Gretencord

6:00PM, Kentland † Robert & Dorothy Bower by Ann Huber

SATURDAY 1/29

5:00PM, Earl Park † For the Pastorate

5:30PM, Oxford † Don Blankman by Ed Schroeder

SUNDAY 1/30

7:30AM, Oxford † Ray Muller by William & Judy Modesitt

8:00AM, Fowler † Gene Balensiefer by Beth & Mike Owens

9:00AM, Kentland † Rob Hays by Robert & Joan Hays

9:30AM, Otterbein † Jeff Glotzbach by Dan & Paula Westfall

Reconciliation

Saturday

St. John's Earl Park: 4:00PM-4:45PM

St. Patrick, Oxford: 4:30PM-5:15PM

Or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Congratulations on the newest member of your family! Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to contact the Pastorate Main Office to make an appointment for pre-baptismal instruction.

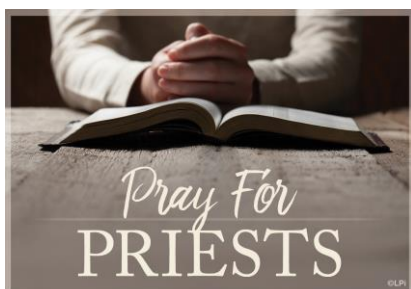
SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage. Couples must contact the Pastorate Main Office at least six months before the proposed wedding date.



**Your words, Lord, are Spirit
and life.**

Ps. 19:8, 9, 10, 15



**WEEKLY OFFERINGS –
INCLUDES ONLINE GIVING
Sacred Heart of Jesus
\$2,179.00**

**Saint Charles
\$1,794.00**

**Saint John the Baptist
\$ 698.00**

**Saint Joseph
\$1,245.00**

**Saint Mary's
\$ 300.00**

**Saint Patrick
\$1,908.00**



WOULD YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST?

1/24 – Rev. Andrew DeKeyser

1/25 – Rev. Brian Doerr

1/26 – Rev. Richard Doerr

1/27 – Very Rev. Andrew Dudzinski

1/28 – Rev. Brian Dudzinski

1/29 – Very Rev. Theodore Dudzinski

1/30 – Rev. Daniel Duff

† A Note from Father Weisenberger †

Dear Parishioners,

Wednesday, February 2, is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. We remember Mary and Joseph bringing Jesus to the temple 40 days after His birth. This feast especially emphasizes the reality that Christ is the light of the world. Therefore the Presentation is closely associated with candles and is sometimes referred to as Candlemasday. The Mass at Sacred Heart that day will begin with a blessing of candles. There will be a table near the center door of the church on which you may place candles before Mass begins if you have candles which you would like to have blessed. You would take these candles back home after Mass. As we celebrate the Presentation let us give thanks that the light of Christ shines in the darkness of the world and the dark does not overcome it. (John 1:5).

Fr. Richard Weisenberger

Bridget Schlebecker † Evangelization Director

THE MASS: **WHY DO WE...?**

During the Entrance, why do the priest and other ministers genuflect or bow to the altar?

The altar, around which the Church is gathered in the celebration of the Eucharist, represents the two aspects of the same mystery: the altar of the sacrifice and the table of the Lord. (CCC 1383)

First, the altar is a symbol of Christ, the “living stone.”

A preface used during the Easter season states, “By the oblation of his Body, he brought the sacrifices of old to fulfillment in the reality of the cross and, by commending himself to you (Father) for our salvation, showed himself the Priest, *the altar*, and the Lamb of sacrifice.”

Second, the altar is “...the table of the Lord to which the People of God are called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist” (GIRM 296). Christ is the source and center of our celebration and assembly.

Finally, the priest kisses the altar as an expression of veneration and reverence. (GIRM 49)

It also signifies the union between Christ, the bridegroom and the Church, his bride.

What do the abbreviations CCC and GIRM represent?

CCC – Catechism of the Catholic Church

https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM

GIRM – General Instruction of the Roman Missal

https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/ccdds/documents/rc_con_ccdds_doc_20030317_ordinamento-messale_en.html

What is the difference between “church” with a lower-case “c” and “Church” with an upper case “C”?

When referring to the building we use the lower-case form of church. When referring to a universal body of Christian believers we use the formal noun “Church.”

WANTED: EVANGELIZATION TEAM

Are you passionate about your faith?

Do you want to help in the mission of the Church?

Do you envision activities that involve members of the community?

Do you see potential in others?

If you answered yes to these questions, the Evangelization Team is for you! We are currently in the process of developing a core group of volunteers to assist in the evangelization goals of the Pastorate. If you would like to take a more active role in this exciting endeavor, please contact Bridget Schlebecker, Director of Evangelization @ bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org

PASTORATE PASTORAL COUNCIL/LEADERSHIP TEAM PLANNING MEETING – 1/30/21, 1-3PM EST TO BE HELD IN SACRED HEART SCHOOL GYM.

ADORATION – We are looking for adorers. We have times opened for 12:00 – 1:00pm, 7:00 – 8:00pm AND 8:00 – 9:00pm. If you are interested please call Jan Goetz 884-1818.

Knights of Columbus Looking for New Members - For additional K of C member information, please go to <https://www.kofc.org/en/index.html>

Reminder: The Benton Community Food and Service Co-op suggested items for the month of January is laundry detergent.

Sacred Heart sewing ladies have added more quilts to our display in Glotzbach Pharmacy. All Quilts are \$20 including the Christmas quilts. Stop in and check them out!



† In Our Parishes †

SACRED HEART OF JESUS † 107 East Main Street, Fowler

LITURGICAL MINISTER: January 30, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Kevin Puetz, **ALTAR SERVERS**

STEEPLE – Work remains to be done. The window was removed so that the workers could get access to the job. Once work is complete, the wood will be replaced with a window.

ST. ANNE ROSARY & ALTAR SOCIETY – Would like to invite the women of Sacred Heart to join! Our goal is to grow our organization so that we may continue being a resource in the success of our church and school, now, and for years to come. For more details please visit the **pastorate website** @ swnewtonbentoncopastorate.org. You may also contact Katie Slavens @ 765-714-9410 or kislavens@yahoo.com. We would love to have you!



SAINT CHARLES † 108 North Meadow Street, Otterbein

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: January 30, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Deb Wallpe, **ALTAR SERVERS** – Bennett Senesac, Johnny Regich, **GREETER** – Randy Schluttenhofer, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST** – Betsy Satchell

Tithe next Sunday, January 30 will go to Hope Springs Safe House, Attica.

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST † 205 South Chestnut Street, Earl Park

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: January, 29 **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Henry Senefelder, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Anne Snodgrass, **ALTAR SERVERS** – Brennan and William Snodgrass, **GREETERS** – Terry & Ava Snodgrass

Altar Servers – If there are any school age children who would like to assist at Mass and become a server, please contact Father Weisenberger. Adults are encouraged to help out when youth servers are not available.



SAINT JOSEPH † 409 East Allen Street, Kentland

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: January 30, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Karen Piegza, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Nancy Prue

GREETER FOR JANUARY: Darrell Bertrand

Next Finance Council Meeting: January 31, 2022



ST. MARY'S † 2961 S. St. Rd. 71, Ambia

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Weimer “Butch” Sondgerath who passed away January 8, 2022

Thank You - The family of Butch Sondgerath would like to thank Father Vanderkolk for the Funeral Mass as well as Father Gross and Father Klemme for their participation. Also to the women of St. Mary's Rosary Society that kindly helped in any way with the delicious dinner they served! We especially appreciated Carrie Buck for generously offering her services to head it up and Joan Sondgeroth for setting up the tables and chairs and all the lovely winter decorations. A special thank you to ALL the workers and everyone that donated food, notably those ladies from other parishes that volunteered to work and donate food. The family appreciates the many prayers, cards, memorials, words of support, and comfort you provided us during the loss of our loved one. God's blessings to each and every one of you!

SAINT PATRICK'S † 502 S. Michigan St., Oxford

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: January 29, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Keith Glotzbach, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST** – Sherry Fischer

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: January 30, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Kathy Budreau, **GREETER** – Tim Muller, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST** – Monica Lohmuller

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Church Cleaning volunteer this week: Barb Richardson

The cleaning schedule for 2022 is posted on the bulletin board in the back of church. If you are willing to clean please sign up. Your help is appreciated.

SACRED HEART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL † 607 North Washington Ave., Fowler

Sacred Heart is hosting an Open House for Preschool/Prek as well as Kindergarten-6th grade students on Sunday, January 23 from 1:00-2:30. Please join us to enroll your child for the 2022-2023 school year. For more information, contact Kristy Gross at kgross@fowlersacredheart.org or 765-884-0710.

Sacred Heart School is in need of a band teacher to teach beginning band for two 45 minute sessions per week. If you are interested in either position, please contact Kristy Gross at 884-0710 or kgross@fowlersacredheart.org

WAYS TO SUPPORT SACRED HEART ELEMENTARY

Donate to the Institute for Quality Education. Funds donated are used to help offset the tuition costs for Sacred Heart students. This school year, donations were able to help 15 students with their tuition costs. Individuals or businesses that donate can receive tax credits equal to 50% of the amount donated. Visit <https://www.i4qed.org/sgo/donors> for more information. Thank you to our many donors who give throughout the year!

Coke Lids-We are collecting the lids from Coke products. There is a code on the lid that we will enter to earn some money for the school. Lids can be dropped off at the school office.

Amazon Smile: Did you know that you can donate to Sacred Heart Elementary through Amazon Smile? Register:

Sacred Heart Elementary as your charity and we will receive 0.5% of your purchase total. Here is our link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-1015552>

Box Tops for Education: The Box Tops for Education Program has gone digital! Most products no longer have a Box Top to cut out, but a picture telling you it is a Box Top item. To submit your Box Tops, you will need to download the new Box Top app and "scan" (take a picture) of your receipt to the app. Let us know if you have questions. **Donations:** Donations can be mailed to: Sacred Heart School – 607 North Washington Avenue, Fowler, IN 47944

<https://www.sacredheartschoolfowler.org/>

#SHWhereFriendsBecomeFamily

SACRED HEART PLAYGROUND



If you would like to donate to the playground fund, mail a check to:

Sacred Heart Elementary
607 N Washington Avenue
Fowler, IN 47944

OR leave an envelope in the collection basket after mass noted
PLAYGROUND FUND.



WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!