SW NEWTON & BENTON COUNTY PASTORATE

A Pastorate of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

FEBRUARY 13, 2022 – SIXTH 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 SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

MONDAY 2/14
6:00PM, Kentland † L&D of the Garing & Datzman Families by Barb Garing
7:00AM, Oxford † Marlena Thomas by Michelle Roscoe

TUESDAY 2/15
8:00AM, Kentland † Stephanie Reynolds
8:15AM, Fowler † David Farrell by Weaver Popcorn

WEDNESDAY 2/16
8:00AM,Otterbein † John Eder Family
8:15AM, Fowler † Kent Gwilliam by Larry Schluttenhofer

THURSDAY 2/17
8:00AM, Earl Park † Velma Gagnon
6:00PM, Dunnington † Anna Kult by the Family

FRIDAY 2/18
8:15AM, Fowler † Bernard Gick by Velda Deno
6:00PM, Kentland † Florence Nagele

SATURDAY 2/19
5:00PM, Earl Park † Jerry Kline
5:30PM, Oxford † Catherine Leuck by Rick & Susie Gretencord

SUNDAY 2/20
7:30AM, Oxford † For the Pastorate
8:00AM, Fowler † Janet Gretencord by Pamela & Ricky Peercy
9:00AM, Kentland † Steve Murphy
9:30AM, Otterbein † For the Darold & Alice Robinson Family by Don Robinson, Kay Schurr & Ken Robinson

Reconciliation

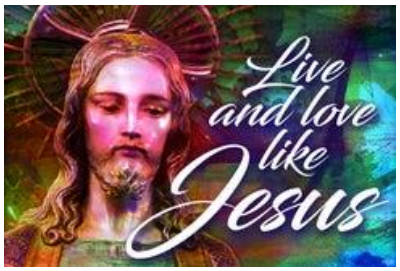
Saturday
St. John's Earl Park: 4:00PM-4:45PM
St. Patrick, Oxford: 4:30PM-5:15PM
Or by appointment

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.

Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

Ps. 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6



WEEKLY OFFERINGS – INCLUDES ONLINE GIVING
Sacred Heart of Jesus
$3,297.00

Saint Charles
$1,784.00

Saint John the Baptist
$ 990.00

Saint Joseph
$1,276.00

Saint Mary's
$ 95.00

Saint Patrick
$1,145.00

WOULD YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST?
2/14 – Rev. William Holbrook
2/15 – Rev. P. Keith Hosey
2/16 – Rev. Paul Hudson
2/17 – Rev. David Huemmer
2/18 – Rev. Kevin Hurley
2/19 – Rev. Josh Janko
2/20 – Rev. Matthew Kalu

† A Note from Father Weisenberger †

Dear Parishioners,

I am going to mention several items in this space today. First, we had a very good meeting about our pastorate planning on January 30. The over 70 parishioners present provided many ideas which the Pastorate Pastoral Council will be pursuing. Unfortunately our first scheduled follow-up meeting got snowed out. I will keep you informed as we proceed. Thanks to everyone for taking part. Second, March 2 is Ash Wednesday the beginning of Lent. We are hoping to have a ceremony of burning the old palms with our Sacred Heart School children on Tuesday, March 1. I invite you to bring your old palms to church by Sunday, February 27. There will be a table in each church where you can place your old palms. Third, Fr. Peter and I need to go to a meeting in Kokomo on Monday, February 14. Because of that Masses on February 14 will be at 7AM in Oxford and 6PM in Kentland.

Fr. Richard Weisenberger

Bridget Schlebecker † Evangelization Director

THE MASS: WHY DO WE…?

What is the Gloria?

The *Gloria* is an ancient text. It is often referred to as the ***Angelic Hymn.*** We may recall the nativity story in Luke:2 when the angels exclaim: "*Glory to God in the highest."* We can also find numerous passages throughout the sacred scriptures that offer praise and glory to God.

The Gloria immediately follows the Penitential Rite. How fitting, that after receiving forgiveness we exclaim "Glory to God…we praise you! We bless you! We adore you! We glorify you! We give you thanks for your great glory!" What better reason to offer God our praise and thankfulness? (This is a prayer that doesn't have to be saved for Sundays…what better way to start your day than to tell of God's glory and ask His forgiveness?)

The *Gloria* is generally sung or recited on Sundays, solemnities, and feasts outside Advent and Lent.

What is the Collect?

The **Collect** is often referred to as the Opening Prayer. It closes the Introductory Rites. The priest begins with "Let us pray…" and allows for a brief pause. This is a time for us to call to mind our individual needs. These silent prayers are then "**collected**" into a common purpose for Mass. The wording of the **Collect** follows a YOU, WHO, DO, THROUGH formula, which often reflects the theme of the readings.

YOU: naming God the Father, to whom the prayer is always addressed;
WHO: naming the goodness that God has done for us;
DO: naming our petition to God, asking our needs for that day;
THROUGH: asking our petition through Jesus Christ in union with the Holy Spirit.

Listen closely the next time you hear the priest begin this prayer, and see if you can follow this formula.

PROCLAIMERS of the WORD

I am excited to announce that the pastorate will be offering a workshop for all Proclaimers of the Word. This is designed to provide you with a brief historic and theological background on the ministry, as well as, practical applications for you to utilize in your ministry. So to accommodate various schedules, the workshop will be offered at two different locations and times:

Sunday, February 20th	**Monday, February 21st**
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
St. Patrick Hall	Sacred Heart School, Room 6

I am requesting an RSVP so to have the necessary packets available for distribution. So, please let me know which workshop you will be attending OR if you are unable to attend either workshop, please let me know. You may reach me, Bridget Schlebecker, at bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org or call the parish office.

Bridget Schlebecker † Evangelization Director (Cont.)

SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUPS

Lent is quickly approaching. If you would be interested in participating in a small faith sharing group, please contact Bridget Schlebecker, the Director of Evangelization at bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org or call the pastorate office at 765-884-1818

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

As the pastorate begins to plan for the season of Lent, we are seeking anyone who might be interested in leading the Stations of the Cross at their parish. We will assist in determining the times and places, as well as, provide the necessary training. Please contact Bridget Schlebecker, the Director of Evangelization at bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org or call the pastorate office at 765-884-1818

PASTORATE EVANGELIZATION TEAM

The Evangelization Team will have it's orientation meeting at St. Patrick's on Thursday, February 10, at 6:30 p.m. If you have not volunteered, but feel called to serve in this ministry, please contact Bridget Schlebecker, the Director of Evangelization at bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org or call the pastorate office at 765-884-1818

LOVE YOU

February is National Cancer Prevention Month and National Heart Month. Remember to have routine checkups and screenings. The Institute of Health reminds us of the top five recommendations to lessen the odds and lower our risk:

Exercise regularly
Maintain a healthy weight
Eat healthy foods
Quit or never start smoking
Limit alcohol use

PASTORATE † SWNEWTONBENTONCOPASTORATE.ORG

Please pray for the repose soul of Mike Molter and Tish Ringle.

Thank you to everyone who attended the pastorate meeting on January 30. Many great ideas were suggested for the future of the pastorate! More to come!

Next meeting to discuss upcoming scriptures with Fr. Weisenberger will be February 13 at St. Joseph's Rectory from 10:15-11:15 AM (CST). All are welcome to attend. Please bring a copy of the Sunday Readings with you.

BINGO – Life Teen is offering a community Bingo for families and singles February 13, 2022 2-4pm at Sacred Heart Gym. We hope to see you there.

PRAYERS NEEDED – Nineteen (19) Mexico Missioners will leave February 12th, for a week, to build five (5) houses. Then seven (7) will remain for another week to build 2 more houses, returning February 26th. Please take a sombrero (or 2) and pray for that person to have a safe, productive and spiritual experience. All prayers are greatly appreciated.

Knights Scholarship Application – The General de Lafayette Assembly 4th Degree Knight of Columbus will once again be awarding a $2000 scholarship to two High School Seniors in the Assembly area. (Assembly area includes Otterbein and Oxford). As most of you are aware the 4th degree has been supporting the youth of our assembly area for many years by awarding thousands of dollars in scholarships. You may call the pastorate office at (765) 385-2587 for an application form. The application form will need to be sent as well as an essay as outlined in the application. Both of these items need to be postmarked by March 18, 2022 to the address on the application. The 4th degree have been holding multiple fund raising efforts over the years in order to support our local youth. We are honored to be able to award these scholarships in order to assist the youth in their future endeavors.

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

† In Our Parishes †

SACRED HEART OF JESUS † 107 East Main Street, Fowler

LITURGICAL MINISTER: February 20, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Kent Brouillette, **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 klslavens@yahoo.com. We would love to have you!

SAINT CHARLES † 108 North Meadow Street, Otterbein

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: February 20, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Deb Wallpe**, ALTAR SERVERS** – WD Gentry, Bennett Senesac, **GREETER** – Dan Rhoades, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST** – Linda Rhoades

Tithe next Sunday, February 20 will go to Catholic School Tuition Assistance.

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: February 19, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Clarice Benner, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Ava Snodgrass, **ALTAR SERVERS –** Brennan and William Snodgrass**, GREETERS – Joe & Martha Salla (Month of Feb.)**

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: February 20, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Henry Senefelder, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Charles Haldeman

GREETER FOR FEBRUARY: Mary Thibaut

February is here so let's give a cheer to our talented flower designers, Deb McKinley & Verna Marcum. Thank you for the lovely flower arrangements.

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

Pray the Rosary

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: February 19, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Kevin Becker**, SERVERS** –Lexie Richey, **GREETER** – Larry Richey, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST** – Margot Gobel

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: February 20, **PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD** – Barb Richardson, **GREETER** – Tim Muller, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST** – Sue Wallpe

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Church Cleaning volunteer this week: Barb Richardson

Sewing Day Thursday, February 17 at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall. Bring something to share for lunch. **All** are welcome to attend.

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

Sacred Heart is in need of a long term sub in 6th grade. The position is currently open and would last through the end of the school year. Please contact Kristy Gross at 765-884-0710 or kgross@fowlersacredheart.org if interested.

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 help15 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**

Encourage, Educate, Empower

RETURN TO ME WITH ALL YOUR HEART

Ash Wednesday
March 2

8:00 AM St. Charles, Otterbein

12:15 PM Sacred Heart, Fowler

7:00 PM St. Patrick, Oxford

7:00 PM (CST) St Joseph, Kentland

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday - April 10

SATURDAY ANTICIPATED

5:00 PM St. John the Baptist, Earl Park

5:30 PM St. Patrick's, Oxford

SUNDAY

7:30 AM St. Patrick, Oxford

8:00 AM Sacred Heart, Fowler

9:00 AM (CST) St. Joseph, Kentland

9:30 AM St. Charles, Otterbein

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

7:00 PM Monday, **March 28** St. Charles, Otterbein

7:00 PM Tuesday, **March 29** St. Patrick, Oxford

7:00 PM Tuesday, **April 5** St. Joseph, Kentland

1:00 PM Wednesday, **April 13** Sacred Heart, Fowler

EASTER SUNDAY
April 17

7:30 AM St. Patrick, Oxford

8:00 AM Sacred Heart, Fowler

9:00 AM (CST) St. Joseph, Kentland

9:30 AM St. Charles, Otterbein

HOLY TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday – April 14

Saturday, April

7:00 PM Sacred Heart, Fowler

Good Friday – April 15

3:00 PM (CST) St. Joseph, Kentland

3:00 PM St. Patrick, Oxford

7:00 PM St. Charles, Otterbein

7:00 PM Sacred Heart, Fowler

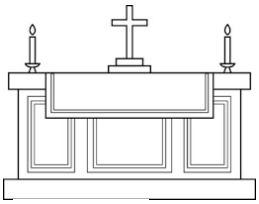
Easter Vigil – April 16

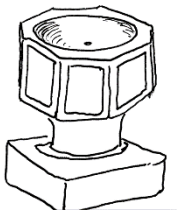
9:00 PM Sacred Heart, Fowler

MASS…DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT IS?

Draw a line from the word to its item.

Then see if you can find all of these things in the church.





Priest

Candle

Procession Cross

Roman Missal

Tabernacle

Chalice

Hymnal

Altar

Paten

Statue

Ambo

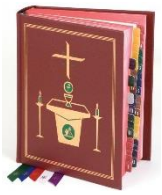
Baptismal font

Organ

Sanctuary lamp

Chalice

Server



BONUS QUESTION: What color was your priest wearing today at Mass ? _____