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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 11:00 am & 6:30pm

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Thursday 6:30pm
Friday 9:00am
1st Saturday Noon

Reconciliation Schedule:

Thursday 5:30—6:15pm
1st Saturday 11:00-11:45am

Healthy At Worship

Masks are required for all unvaccinated persons at Mass and other parish functions. During religious education, masks are required for all. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation does not apply to those who are sick, caring for the sick or have a serious health risk.

Mass Ministry Schedule for December 18th & 19th

	Saturday, 4pm	Sunday, 11am	Sunday, 6:30pm
Sacristan	Karen Willette	Allison Sympson	Diane Hagan
Server/Acolyte	Tyson DuPuis Boomer Kipper	Jacob Reynolds Rylee Reynolds	Volunteer Needed
Lector	Paul Walker (1)	Diana Gagne (1) Mary Jones (2)	Chris Mattingly (1)
Eucharistic Min.	Mary Cecil	Steven Tolliver	Taylor Gagne (Sub-requested)
Gift Bearers	Volunteer Needed	Julia Sympson	Volunteer Needed
Media	Cheryl Hutchins	Megan Reynolds	Ted Hagan

*If you will be unable to serve **please** find a sub and change the online schedule.

**If you are at mass and we are in need of a volunteer PLEASE let Father or the Sacristan know prior to the beginning of mass.

December 19, 2021
4th Sunday of Advent

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Parish Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs. 8:30am-4:00pm

Bulletin Submission Deadline:
Noon Wednesday

Meetings, Events & Happenings This Week

- Exercise Class..... Wed. 5:00-5:45pm
- Men's Prayer Group Thur. 5:30am
- Yoga Classes Thur. 8:30-9:30am
- Parish Office Closed Friday Dec. 24th thru Jan. 3rd.

"Blessed are you who believed
that what was spoken to you
by the Lord would be fulfilled."

- Luke 1:45



The Witness of Mary and Joseph

As we enter into the fourth week of Advent, we are given our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph to reflect upon. Though our Blessed Mother was perfect, and St. Joseph was a deeply virtuous man, they were both still fully human and would have walked through Mary's pregnancy and Jesus' birth with every human emotion and experience.

St. Joseph was faced with an extraordinary mystery as he discovered his wife was pregnant. He knew her to be a woman of exceptional virtue and holiness and had to reconcile that with her surprising pregnancy. Even after the angel appeared to him in a dream he would have had questions arise in his mind as he faced this situation. Our Blessed Mother was also invited by God to face her pregnancy in faith. Her response was perfect, "Let it be done to me according to your word." She could not explain nor understand what was happening but, nonetheless, she knew deep in her soul that God was in charge leading all to His glory.

Both Mary and Joseph are wonderful models of faith and obedience. They were obedient to the will of God despite the fact that the will of God drew them into an incredible and unfathomable mystery. They were first-hand witnesses to the salvation of the world and to the greatest act ever known. And they both embraced this mystery and accepted it in faith.

Reflect, today, upon your own invitations from God to embrace the mysteries of life. God's ways are often more than we can comprehend and figure out. Mary and Joseph give us the witness of how we are to handle every mystery God invites us to participate in. Say "Yes" to the will of God just as this holy couple did.

Dearest Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, pray for me that I may have the faith you both lived. When questions arise in my heart, help me to respond generously to God as you did. May I trust in all that God has spoken in imitation of each one of you. Jesus, I trust in You.

Christmas Mass Ministry Schedule

	Christmas Eve, 4pm	Midnight Mass	Christmas Day, 11am
Sacristan	Carol Johnson & Karen Willette	Diane Hagan	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Server/Acolyte	Dianne Cosgrove VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Jay Schmidt VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Dianne Cosgrove
Lector	Cathy Newton (1) Krista Foster (2)	Sharon Cecil (1) VOLUNTEER NEEDED(2)	Catherine Bragaw (1) VOLUNTEER NEEDED (2)
Eucharistic Min.	Sharon Wathen Mary Cecil Pat Birge Isabelle Denton	JuneBug Head VOLUNTEER NEEDED	VOLUNTEER NEEDED VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Gift Bearers	Bill & Sabra Mattingly	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Media	Cheryl Hutchins	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Special Collection for the Diocese of Owensboro:

Archbishop Kurtz has invited parishes to take up a special collection this weekend for the Diocese of Owensboro. Donations will respond to immediate emergency humanitarian needs and will aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts as well as in any pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church.

Checks should be made payable to the Archdiocese of Louisville with the notation "2021 Owensboro Relief" written in the memo line and mailed to:

Archdiocese of Louisville
ATTN: 2021 Owensboro Relief
3940 Poplar Level Road
Louisville, KY 40213-1463

Please keep all those affected by the recent devastation in your prayers.

Weekend Collection

Last Week's Collection

\$ 5,306.00

Needed to make budget

\$ 6,100.00/weekend

Online Collections

\$ 250.00

Year to Date Collections

\$ 125,467.83

Annual Budgeted

\$305,000.00

On-line Giving Arrives at St. Thomas



Scan the above QR code with your mobile device.

Online giving is a safe and secure way to support St. Thomas. It is the digital equivalent of dropping your gift in the collection basket. Setting up weekly or monthly recurring gifts is a great way to make supporting St. Thomas easy and automatic. Use the form to enter your gift amount, payment details, and contact information, then click "Submit Payment." Gifts can be made by debit/credit card or by electronic check (EFT).

For common questions please go to our website:

www.saintthomasbardstown.org/give

Sanctuary Candle Burns in Honor of

Wheeler & Richie Families



Christmas Floral Donations

In Loving Memory of...

Liz Calton & George Bragaw
The Mudd & Osborne Family
Henry McLendon
Ed & Annie Wheatley
The Boone & Vittitow Families
Joshua Michael Pettit

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 18, 2021

People of St. Thomas & St. Monica

Sunday, December 19, 2021

Luther, Ann, Virginia & Charlotte Gilpin
Ann S. Hurst

Thursday, December 23, 2021

David Kronk

Friday, December 24, 2021

Saturday, December 25, 2021

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Remembered in Prayer

Those currently in need of ongoing prayer



David Abner
Eddie Auberry
Kevin Ballard
Gina Blanford
Jimmy Brady
Iona Bryan
Mark Brunhammer
Phillip Burba
Jodie Childers
John & Judy Cissell
Bertie Clark
Joseph & Karen Clark
Cory & Family
Bill Cosgrove
Claudia DuPuis
Carolyn Green
Brent Greenwell
Ryan Greenwell
Elana Shain Gutierrez
Paula Gutierrez
Libby Hagan
Stephanie Holbert
Nina Jackson
Frank Jones
Donna Kamuf
Joe Bert King
Even Kulsveen
Martha Kulsveen
Sharon Lashley
Ashley Lawrence*
Martha Leake
Ann Lewis
Rocky McKenna
Diane McCauley
Martha Mahoney
Susan Mahoney
Louise Hagan Abou Nader
Patsy (Greenwell) Newberry
Marlene Norman
James N. Norris
Frances O'Bryan
Michael O'Bryan
Remington O'Dell
Bill Osborne
Genny Rose. Sr.
Dennis Rust
Bill Smith
Debbie Smith
Ricky Smith
Keith Spalding
Chester Sowards
Natalie Stone
Ronnie Willett
Tom Wheatley
Leo Zurkuhlen, Jr.
Homebound
Mary Greenwell

**New to list*

Pray for Us!

Special Intentions:

- For improved eyesight for my son in-law and me.
- For Ryan Greenwell's healing.
- Better health for both of us and thanks to our children for being our caretakers.

Christmas Eve Dec. 24th & Christmas Dec. 25th Mass Intentions

Friday, December 24, 2021

- ✠ Bernadette Hagan
- ✠ Norman "Tink" Stump
- ✠ Carmelita Espinoza, RGS
- ✠ Gerald Avis
- ✠ Joseph Richard Salsman
- ✠ L/D Members of the Ballard & Wimpsett Families
- ✠ Mike Downs & Roger Downs ✠
- ✠ Norbert & Roberta Rivard
- ✠ Deceased Members of the Thibault & Rivard Families
- ✠ Jim & Juanita Hagan
- ✠ Living/Deceased Members of Cissell & Hagan Families

Saturday, December 25, 2021

- ✠ Leroy Hobbs
- ✠ Rosaline & Robert Roby
- ✠ JW & Isabella Buckman
- ✠ Emma, Em, Glen, Roger Ballard
JB Boone
- ✠ Luther, Ann, Virginia & Charlotte Gilpin
- ✠ Francis Gerald Donahue
- ✠ Josh Pettit
- ✠ Joe Moore
- ✠ Joseph William Spalding & Helen Spalding Green
- ✠ Gladys Corder & Deceased Member of the Family
- ✠ Kristin Spalding
- ✠ Deceased Members of the Donahue & Fogle Families

Second Collection **NEXT** Weekend

2021 Catholic Charities of Louisville

Our parish will conduct the annual collection for Catholic Charities of Louisville next weekend. Your generosity helps to fund many vital ministries and social services, including:

- The Sister Visitor Center and Father Jack Jones Food Pantries.
- Migration and Refugee Services, which will assist hundreds of Afghan evacuees and other refugees this year.
- The Bakhita Empowerment Initiative combating human trafficking.
- The Ombudsmen who serve thousands of residents in long term care homes.
- Community gardeners with Common Earth Gardens and those seeking job skills and employment assistance through Common Table.

Thank you for your gifts to this collection for Catholic Charities of Louisville.

2022 Collection Envelopes & Calendars



Parishioner collection envelopes are available in Saint Teresa Hall.

The 2022 Calendars are available on the credenzas in church.

Room in the Inn @ St. Thomas

RITI would like to gratefully thank the Bourbon City & Beyond Taxi Service for providing free rides, on Monday nights, to bring our guests here to St. Thomas. This act of generosity not only helps our guests, but saves our Parish a great deal of money. Thank you so very much Bourbon City & Beyond Taxi Service (502-349-5001). Need a ride? Call Bourbon City & Beyond!!!!

Knights of Columbus, Council 1290

The Bardstown Knights of Columbus, Council 1290, will be sponsoring their annual Free Throw Shooting Contest on Sunday January 16th, 2022, at 1:00 PM at the Bethlehem High School Gymnasium in Bardstown. Masks will be required.

The contest is open to ALL boys & girls, ages nine through fourteen. Winners will receive a Championship tee shirt and will advance to Regional and State competition.

There is no entry fee involved and you can register at the door after 12:15 PM. Contact 502-331-9223 in case of inclement weather or if you have questions.



A "Crash Course" Introduction to Theology of the Body

Available for the first time in our area Family Renewal Project will offer a Retreat-Style Crash Course on January 14-15, 2022, at

Holy Family Parish as an introduction to Theology of the Body and a solid understanding of God's plan for humanity. The course is for every "body" who desires to become fully alive -- young, old; single, married; clergy & religious [under age 18 with parental discretion]! The consolidated crash course is the solution for those who are not able to attend consecutive weeks due to work, family obligations, travel distance, etc.

For more info & to register go to: FamilyRenewalProject.com/Events or email: info@familyrenewalproject.com

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Religious Education & RCIA

Religious Ed News

RE will be on Winter Break on the following Sundays:
December 19th ❄ December 26th ❄ January 2nd

RCIA News

RCIA will be on Christmas Break on the following Wednesdays:
December 22nd ❄ December 29th

Deck the Halls

Calling all Youth Group Members Past/ Present & Families. Join us Monday, 12/20 @ 9am to decorate St Thomas for Christmas. Pizza Lunch. RSVP (for pizza count) stthomasformation@gmail.com.

A Call For Workers!



Annual Men's Club Service Project

The Men's Club is seeking help from the Parish in the form of volunteers to help with their annual Hands Across America project. If you are able to help on Wednesday, December 22nd at 9am please join the Men's Club at the Nelson County Fairgrounds. Many hands make light work!! Thank you in advance!



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