

Welcome to St. John the Evangelist Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Connie McAtee, Robert Blackwell,
Richard Green, Buck & Afra Green

Nov. 29th

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Michael Andrew Zinkan
10:00 a.m. Donald Nolan
4:00 p.m. Michael Elliott, Jr., Rick Hagerty,
John Lannan, Patrick Arvin

Monday

12(Noon) Deceased Members of the
Bob & Vivian Little Family (at St. Mary)

Dec. 1st

Tuesday

6:00 p.m. Barbara Stevens

Dec. 2nd

Wednesday

9:00 a.m. For The People

Dec. 3rd

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Waynette Pankey
1:30p.m. Nursing Home Mass - Jeanne Parsons

Dec. 4th

Friday

9:00 a.m. Juanita Taylor

Dec. 5th

Saturday

12(Noon) First Saturday

Dec. 6th

5:00 p.m. Frank Rahman
Becky Bullock, Peggy Guinn, Ann Burch,
Deceased Members of the
Sam & Dolah Lannan Family

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Second Sunday of Advent

Dec. 7th

10:00 a.m. Zelda Upton
Delbert Fields, Sharon Fields,
Ethan Fields, Donald Nolan

4:00 p.m. Vonda Elliott

Nov. 29th/Nov. 30th, 2025

Ministers for SACRISTANS

5:00 p.m. Susan Ackerman
8:00 a.m. Dax Lee
10:00 a.m. Noel Harty

SERVERS:

5:00 p.m. Keaton Smith, Volunteers
8:00 a.m. Dax Lee, Brendan Green
10:00 a.m. Josie Mathies, Mason Mathies, Elin Wade
4:00 p.m. Grayson Kluesner, Liam Kluesner, Hattie Kluesner

GREETERS:

5:00 p.m. FD: Elsie Horsting
SD: Volunteers
8:00 a.m. FD: Chris Bratton
SD: Jerry/Betty Huelsman
10:00 a.m. FD: Jeff/Micky Crew
SD: Dan/Barbara Gregory

READERS:

5:00 p.m. Francis Doyle
8:00 a.m. Greg Potts
10:00 a.m. Tom Walker
4:00 p.m. Volunteer

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS:

Two Ministers needed - 1 assigned / 1 Volunteer if Deacon is not present

5:00 p.m. Angie Zins
8:00 a.m. Bruce Hawkins, Lynn Hawkins
10:00 a.m. Andy Ringwald

EUCARISTIC ADORATION FOR THIS WEEK

Monday: 11am - 12(Noon) Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary
Thursday: 9am - 6pm Eucharistic Adoration at St. John

From Our Pastor

My dear friends in Christ,

Today, our Loogootee community will have the Christmas Tree Lighting from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. around the square. There will be pictures with Santa, many food and craft vendors, and, of course, the lighting of the Christmas tree. I encourage you to attend this community event.

Please consider in your holiday plans to visit Blest Art as they will be at the St. John Parish Center on Dec. 6th and 7th. Sales of their artwork helps Christian families who live in the Holy Land to survive.

Our Loogootee Christmas Stroll will be Sunday, December 7th from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. as well as the Festival of Lights Parade, which will start at 6:00 p.m. The theme this year is "Dashing Through Loogootee." Again, St. John will have a float in the parade. Hope to see you there!

Opportunities for Reconciliation in the Confessional The Lights Are On

To help us spiritually to prepare for Christmas, we will have two times on Friday, December 12th from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and Friday, December 19th from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Also, there will be opportunities for private Confessions on First Saturday, December 6th, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., the other Saturdays of Advent from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. or by calling Father for an appointment.

We have 4 well-kept cemeteries. Let us do our very best to maintain this tradition. At the doors of the church, you will find envelopes with the cemetery name, for your donation.

As we begin Advent, we reflect on the response of Our Blessed Mother to the angel, "I am the maid servant of the Lord; let it be done to me according to your word." Praying the Rosary is an opportunity for us to reflect on our Lord's life, death, and Resurrection and the important role our Blessed Mother has in salvation history. Along with the memories of our departed love ones, we always remember them through our prayers - especially the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

If you have not received an envelope from the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please contact Adam at the rectory. Thank you for those who have responded! Your generosity is very much appreciated and your support is certainly needed!

May our Lord bless and keep you,

Father Walker

**Ministers for
SACRISTANS**

5:00 p.m. Mike Luzwick
8:00 a.m. Volunteer
10:00 a.m. Angie Zins

SERVERS:

5:00 p.m. Natalie Willoughby, Riley Kuntz, Reid Johnson
8:00 a.m. Curtis Merkley, Alex Merkley
10:00 a.m. Lucy Rahman, Joseph Rahman,
Isaac Lagree, Abigail Meyer
4:00 p.m. Elena Lyon, Remington Bell

GREETERS:

5:00 p.m. FD: Anne Marie Crays
SD: Volunteers
8:00 a.m. FD: Bruce/Lynn Hawkins
SD: Joseph Park
10:00 a.m. FD: Brenda Mathias
SD: Faye Holland, Volunteer

READERS:

5:00 p.m. Elaine Wade
8:00 a.m. Jerry Lubbehusen
10:00 a.m. Andrea Bauer
4:00 p.m. Volunteer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 p.m. Janet Matthews
8:00 a.m. Donna Ader, Tom Peter
10:00 a.m. Lynn Bateman

Sunday Collection Nov. 22nd/Nov. 23rd, 2025

St. John 165 Envelopes	\$9,801.00
Vigil Light Money	\$270.00

Save the Date

No Altar Society Meeting in December.

No K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting in December.

No K of C 4th Degree Meeting in December

Advent Family Fun Day - Nov. 30th, After 10am Mass

K of C 3rd Degree Meeting - Dec. 1st, 7pm

Instructions - Dec. 2nd, 7:00pm

St. John Youth Night at St. Martin - Dec. 5th, 5pm - 6:30pm

Salvation Army Bell Ringing - Dec. 6th

Encounter Hope at St. Benedict Cathedral - Dec. 6th, 8am-4pm CST

Blest Art - Dec. 6th & Dec. 7th

Men's Club Meeting - Dec. 7th, 5pm

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses

- Dec. 8th, 9am; 3:45pm; 6:30pm

The Lights Are On #1 - Dec. 12th, 6pm - 9pm

Christmas Toy Store - Dec. 13th

Living Nativity - Dec. 14th, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Pastoral Council Meeting - Dec. 18th, 6pm

The Lights Are On #2 - Dec. 19th, 6pm - 9pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Would you like to spend an hour with Jesus each Thursday from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m? Please call Adam at the rectory if interested.

BLEST ART

Blest Art will be visiting your parish on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Our mission is to support those families in the Holy Land. When Blest Art visits your parish, we will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art.

Please visit our display at your parish on Saturday, December 6th and Sunday, December 7th after each Mass. Your purchase will make a difference in the lives of many Christian families.

We gladly accept cash, checks, and all major credit cards. Please note that we do not ask for, nor do we accept, any donations.

Thank you in advance for your purchase when we come to visit!

Dec. 6th/Dec. 7th, 2025

Saturday Confessions

**Dec. 6th: 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
or by appointment**

Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal:

\$153,181.00

Pledges and Raffle Profit:

\$128,020.00

Our remaining portion of the Appeal:

\$ 25,161.00

ENCOUNTER HOPE

You may recall seeing an invitation from Bishop Siegel in *The Message* about an upcoming event called "Encounter Hope: Building Christ-Center Families" or maybe this is your first time hearing about it. Either way, this event is focused on Hope and building up our families . . . at every stage. It will be held on Saturday, December 6th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Central time) at St. Benedict Cathedral and Reitz Memorial High School. It will start with Mass and the rest of the day there will be presentations at Memorial High School.

This day is for everyone who cares about family - parents, grandparents, single and married adults, priests, religious, and all who want to strengthen faith and family life.

You will hear from national speakers Bobby & Jackie Angle and Mike Hart, as well as our Fr. Alex Zenthofer, and Fr. Tyler Tenbarge, with talks that cover the Eucharist, making family time fruitful and navigating the challenges of supporting families today.

Lunch will be provided, or you can dine on your own during the 90-minute lunch break.

The cost is \$50 per person, but scholarships are available. You can register at www.evdio.org/encounter. It should be a great event, and I hope you will make the time to attend.

- Bishop Siegel

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH NEWS

It is the first weekend of Advent. The first candle represents "hope." There are many special things you can do as a family to celebrate. You can read some bible verses together focused on hope (Isaiah 40:31, Romans 8:24-25, Jeremiah 29:11); this could be a great time to research how to pray Lectio Divina. You can share stories of hope, perform acts of kindness, listen to hopeful music, and pray for hope. You can also display your own Advent wreath and light the first candle. If you do not have an Advent wreath, join us for Advent Family Fun Day, and you can create your own!

We are looking for some help and participation from kids from the following events. Please consider joining in on the fun.

- **Advent Family Fun Night:** Sun. 11/30; 11am - 1pm at St. John Center, Lower Level
- **Salvation Army Bell Ringing:** 12/6
- **Youth Night:** Fri. 12/5; 5pm - 6:30pm at St. Martin
- Serve food at the **St. Nick Meal:** Sat. 12/6; 9am - 11am at St. John Center, Lower Level
- **Loogootee Christmas Parade:** Sun. 12/7; 6pm
- **Christmas Toy Store Set-Up:** Fri. 12/12; 5 - 6:30pm

If you or your child(ren) are interested in helping with any of these events, please contact Ashton. akahle@evdio.org or 812-639-3923)

ST. NICHOLAS MEAL

Saturday, Dec. 6th, St. John the Evangelist Parish will be having their annual carry-out meal for anyone who would like a special Christmas gift. If you have received a meal in the past, you will be contacted by phone. If you or anyone you know would like to receive a meal, please contact one of the following parishioners to add your name to our list:

The Parish Office: 812-295-2225

St. Mary Shoals area - Annette Taylor: 812-709-0857

St. Joseph Bramble area - Betty Huelsman: 812-636-4465

St. Martin Whitfield area - Jim Ader: 812-296-0231

Loogootee area - Donna Ader: 812-296-0226

Desserts are needed to complement the meal. If you can help this need, please deliver to St. John Center, Lower Level, before 9:00 a.m., Saturday, December 6th.

December 1:

Brooks Ackerman
Ron Boyd
Christina Bratton
Corey Jacobs
Audrey Robinson
Jalen Wildman
Jordan Wilman

December 2:

Gayle Berry
Adam Graber
William Hunt
Brenda Mathies
David Ramsey
Matthew Vaal
Anderson Williams

December 3:

Ann Ackerman
Michael Wade

December 4:

Lisa Arvin
Rex Arvin
Scott Arvin
Savannah Harmon
Bobbi Sue Nonte

December 5:

Jake Blackwell
William Boyd
Noah Hager
Lonnie Hawkins
Tim Miller
James Vance

December 6:

Jake Carrico
Justin Clark
Donna Strange

December 7:

Ryan Letherman
Lathen Letterman
Josie Mathies
Chris Mattingly
Rachel Robinson
Caleb Sward

December 8:

Kevin Bateman
Ann Holland

December 9:

Marie Sue Jones
Brogan Parker
Nancy Smith

December 10:

Nicholas Bowling
Timothy Dant
Isabella Hager
Chelsea Lannan

December 11:

Debbie Christmas
Shirley Fellers
Susan Jacobs
Joseph Park

December 12:

Lynn Bateman
Noel Harty
Thomas Michaels
Lori Wininger

December 14:

Liam Kluesner
Roger Slaven
Kay Summers

December 15:

Kevin Lents
Katherine Love
Charlies Rasico
Whitney Wagoner

December 16:

Charles Bridgewater
Michael Coulter
Kyle Wade

December 17:

Talan Hayes
Dean Sullivan
Georgette Sutton
Seth Taylor

December 18:

Jared Lee
Ryan Mathias
Brooklyn Summers

December 19:

Olivia Findlay
Grace Foddrill
Susie Hager
Meagan Holder
Martin Lannan
Mary Lannan
Sharon Sims

December Birthdays of St. John the Evangelist Parish

December 20:

Maddelyn Dalrymple
Isaac Lagree
Aimee Luzwick
Emily Sutton
Gina Toy

December 27:

Andrew Burch
Maverick Hager
Luke Jones

December 21:

Mitch Jeffers
James Sullivan
Makenzie VanHoy

December 28:

Megan Miller
Kristine Southard

December 22:

Mattie Milligan

December 29:

Marie Hawkins
Mary Sue Sterling
Sandy Woods

December 23:

Aaron Dant
Barb Hyllested

December 30:

Luke Callison
Erika Fellers
Amber Furhman
Melissa Hedrick
Landon Marks
Clint Williams
Julie Wittmer

December 24:

Dola Francyne Fegan

December 25:

Jessie Carter
Falicia Hollaway
Marilyn Horsting
Amy Williams

December 31:

Vera Heldermaan
Julie Lagree
Garrett Williams

December 26:

Cathy Arvin
Marty Arvin
Patrick Wagler
Rosie Wininger