

# Welcome to St. John the Evangelist Parish

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>		Nov. 29th
5:00 p.m.	Connie McAtee, Robert Blackwell, Richard Green, Buck & Afra Green	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	Nov. 30th
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	
<b>Monday</b>		Dec. 1st
12(Noon)	Deceased Members of the Bob & Vivian Little Family (at St. Mary)	
<b>Tuesday</b>		Dec. 2nd
6:00 p.m.	Barbara Stevens	
<b>Wednesday</b>		Dec. 3rd
9:00 a.m.	For The People	
<b>Thursday</b>		Dec. 4th
9:00 a.m.	Waynette Pankey	
1:30p.m.	Nursing Home Mass - Jeanne Parsons	
<b>Friday</b>		Dec. 5th
9:00 a.m.	Juanita Taylor	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>First Saturday</b>	Dec. 6th
12(Noon)	Frank Rahman	
5:00 p.m.	Becky Bullock, Peggy Guinn, Ann Burch, Deceased Members of the Sam & Dolah Lannan Family	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>	Dec. 7th
8:00 a.m.	Zelda Upton	
10:00 a.m.	Delbert Fields, Sharon Fields, Ethan Fields, Donald Nolan	
4:00 p.m.	Vonda Elliott	

## Ministers for Nov. 29th/Nov. 30th, 2025

### 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

### EUCCHARISTIC 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

## 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 maidservant 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

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR THIS WEEK

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

**Ministers for SACRISTANS Dec. 6th/Dec. 7th, 2025**

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!

**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 Zenthoefer, and Fr. Tyler Tenbarger, 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](http://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](mailto: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***

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### **December 20:**

Maddelyn Dalrymple  
Isaac Lagree  
Aimee Luzwick  
Emily Sutton  
Gina Toy

### **December 21:**

Mitch Jeffers  
James Sullivan  
Makenzie VanHoy

### **December 22:**

Mattie Milligan

### **December 23:**

Aaron Dant  
Barb Hyllested

### **December 24:**

Dola Francyne Fegan

### **December 25:**

Jessie Carter  
Falicia Hollaway  
Marilyn Horsting  
Amy Williams

### **December 26:**

Cathy Arvin  
Marty Arvin  
Patrick Wagler  
Rosie Wininger

### **December 27:**

Andrew Burch  
Maverick Hager  
Luke Jones

### **December 28:**

Megan Miller  
Kristine Southard

### **December 29:**

Marie Hawkins  
Mary Sue Sterling  
Sandy Woods

### **December 30:**

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

### **December 31:**

Vera Helderman  
Julie Lagree  
Garrett Williams