

# Welcome to St. John the Evangelist Parish

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>First Saturday</b>	Dec. 6th
1:00 p.m.	Frank Rahman	
5:00 p.m.	Becky Bullock, Peggy Quinn, 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,	
4:00 p.m.	Ethan Fields, Donald Nolan	
	Vonda Elliott	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Dec. 8th
9:00 a.m.	Juanita Taylor	
3:45 p.m.	Sister Thomas Aquinas McCabe	
6:30 p.m.	Vicky Doyle	
<b>Tuesday</b>		Dec. 9th
6:00 p.m.	Barb Stevens	
<b>Wednesday</b>		Dec. 10th
9:00 a.m.	For The People	
<b>Thursday</b>		Dec. 11th
9:00 a.m.	Bob Van Winkle	
1:30p.m.	<b>Nursing Home Mass - Patrick Arvin</b>	
<b>Friday</b>		Dec. 12th
9:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Bob & Vivian Little Family	
<b>6pm - 9pm</b>	<b>The Lights Are On</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>		Dec. 13th
5:00 p.m.	Lee Jones, Harry & Bridget Bowling, Gil Toy, Deceased Members of the Jerome & Francis Matthews Family	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>	Dec. 14th
8:00 a.m.	Ed Fegan	
10:00 a.m.	Donald Nolan	
4:00 p.m.	Michael Elliott, Jr., Rick Hagerty, Donna Hyde, Carolyn Jean Bell	
<b>Ministers for SACRISTANS</b>		<b>Dec. 6th/Dec. 7th, 2025</b>
5:00 p.m.	Mike Luzwick	
8:00 a.m.	Volunteer	
10:00 a.m.	Angie Zins	
<b>SERVERS:</b>		
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	
<b>GREETERS:</b>		
5:00 p.m.	FD: Anne Marie Crays	
	SD: Volunteers	
8:00 a.m.	FD: Joseph Park	
	SD: Volunteers	
10:00 a.m.	FD: Brenda Mathias	
	SD: Faye Holland, Volunteer	
<b>READERS:</b>		
5:00 p.m.	Elaine Wade	
8:00 a.m.	Jerry Lubbehusen	
10:00 a.m.	Andrea Bauer	
4:00 p.m.	Volunteer	
<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS:</b>		
Two Ministers needed - 1 assigned / 1 Volunteer if Deacon is not present		
5:00 p.m.	Janet Matthews	
8:00 a.m.	Donna Ader, Tom Peter	
10:00 a.m.	Lynn Bateman	

## From Our Pastor

My dear friends in Christ,

Today (Saturday), I concelebrated with Bishop Siegel and my fellow priests of the diocese at St. Benedict Cathedral for the opening Mass of the Encounter Hope day of recollection. As you know, this was a jubilee year event, which focused on the building of Christ-centered families. This event was preceded Friday night with a Bilingual Holy Hour. During this season of Advent, we pray as we open our minds and hearts to become one with Christ.

We welcome Blest Art as they share some insights at our weekend Masses. Please consider visiting their displays in the upper level of the Center this Saturday and Sunday. Sales of their artwork help Christian families who live in the Holy Land which is so important at this time!

Our Loogootee Christmas Stroll will be from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Sunday (December 7th), 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.

A very special thank you to Jim Ader and all of the volunteers who helped make the St. Nick Meal, Saturday, a tremendous success this year. It is moving to see our parishioners provide meals for so many during the Advent season, which certainly speaks of their charity!

As we continue through Advent, we give thanks to the response of Our Blessed Mother to Archangel Gabriel, "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.

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****Dec. 13th/Dec. 14th, 2025**

5:00 p.m. Susan Ackerman  
8:00 a.m. Dax Lee  
10:00 a.m. Angie Zins

**SERVERS:**

5:00 p.m. Keaton Smith, Volunteers  
8:00 a.m. Dax Lee, Brendan Green  
10:00 a.m. Kamila Wilson, Karmen Wilson,  
Kendall Wilson, Kamden Wilson  
4:00 p.m. Grayson Kluesner, Liam Kluesner, Hattie Kluesner

**GREETERS:**

5:00 p.m. FD: Joni Parker-Burch  
SD: Volunteers  
8:00 a.m. FD: Annette Taylor  
SD: Greg/Dottie Potts  
10:00 a.m. FD: Angie Zins  
SD: Gayle Strange

**READERS:**

5:00 p.m. Kenny Inman  
8:00 a.m. Tom Peter  
10:00 a.m. Andy Ringwald  
4:00 p.m. Volunteer

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

5:00 p.m. Elaine Wade  
8:00 a.m. Betty Huelsman, Linda Wickman  
10:00 a.m. Greg Bateman

**Sunday Collection Nov. 29th/Nov. 30th, 2025**

St. John 158 Envelopes **\$9,839.60**  
Vigil Light Money **\$32.00**

**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****Blest Art - Dec. 6th & Dec. 7th****Men's Club Meeting - Cancelled****Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses**

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

**Instructions - Dec. 9th, 7:00pm****The Lights Are On #1 - Dec. 12th, 6pm - 9pm****Christmas Toy Store - Dec. 13th****Living Nativity - Dec. 14th, 6:30pm - 8:30pm****Praise Choir Practice - Dec. 14th, 6:30pm - 7:30pm****Pastoral Council Meeting - Dec. 18th, 6pm****The Lights Are On #2 - Dec. 19th, 6pm - 9pm****EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR THIS WEEK****Thursday: 9am - 6pm      Eucharistic Adoration at St. John****ADVENT CANDLES**

As we spiritually prepare for the birth of our Lord Jesus, let us reflect on the Advent candles, their names, and their representation. The first, second, and fourth candles are purple, whereas the third candle is pink, representing joy.

**First Week of Advent - Prophecy Candle - Hope****Second Week of Advent - Bethlehem Candle - Peace****Third Week of Advent - The Shepherds and Their Joy Candle - Joy****Fourth Week of Advent - The Angels' Candle - Love****- Fr. Walker****SECOND WEEK PRAYER****(December 7th)**

O king of all nations,  
Jesus Christ  
Only joy of every heart,  
Come and save your people.



**Saturday Confessions**  
**Dec. 13th: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
**or by appointment**

**Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal:****\$153,181.00****Pledges and Raffle Profit:****\$131,320.00****Our remaining portion of the Appeal:****\$ 21,861.00****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 this weekend 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!

**CHRISTMAS MASS INTENTIONS & FLOWERS**

If you would like a Mass and/or flowers offered for your deceased loved one, please call Adam at 812-295-2225 to make arrangements. If you already have made a Mass Intention and would like to switch to a different day/time, you may call Adam to do so. The Mass times are:

**Children's Christmas Eve Mass:** 4pm**Christmas Midnight and Day Masses:** Midnight, 8am, 10am, 4pm**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH NEWS**

It is the second weekend of Advent. The second candle represents "peace." Be sure to light the second candle on your Advent wreath, and challenge yourself to do something to promote peace. This could be something like volunteering to those in need, sharing acts of kindness, and going to confession. Thank you to the K of C Ladies Auxiliary for their act of kindness by donating a meal to our Wednesday students!

The town parade is on Sunday, and it is not too late to sign up to be on the float. Please contact Ashton if your child would like to participate. We are planning to do the Living Nativity on Sunday, Dec. 14th from 6:30-8:30pm. For this to be possible, we need some youth volunteers to fill the roles. We will have shift of 30 minutes to avoid being in the cold too long. Please reach out to sign up. (akahale@evdio.org or 812-639-3923)

**Safe Environment Program - Diocese of Evansville  
Diocesan Report and Inform Policy**

Children are the most important gifts God has entrusted to us. The Diocese of Evansville is committed to safeguarding minors, who are persons under eighteen (18) years of age. Immediately report the suspected abuse or neglect of a minor to the Department of Child Services (DCS) or to a local law enforcement agency. • State of Indiana DCS Hotline: 1-800-800-5556 • Local law enforcement: 9-1-1 \* \* \* \* \* \* If a bishop has (a) performed sexual acts with a minor or a vulnerable person; (b) forced someone to perform or to submit to sexual acts through violence, threat, or abuse of authority; (c) produced, exhibited, possessed, or distributed child pornography, including by electronic means, or recruited or induced a minor or vulnerable person to participate in pornographic exhibitions; or (d) executed actions or omissions intended to interfere with or avoid a civil or Church (canonical) investigation into allegations of sexual abuse committed by a cleric or religious: after reporting to DCS or to a local law enforcement agency, inform the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting service, which is a third-party reporting service for gathering and relaying such reports to the appropriate Church authorities. • Make a report online at [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org) or call 1-800-276-1562 \* \* \* \* \* If the sexual abuse of a minor involves a priest, deacon, candidate for ordination, pastoral minister, administrator, staff person, or volunteer: after reporting to DCS or to a local law enforcement agency, inform the diocesan victim assistance coordinator. • Toll-free: 866-200-3004 • Local: 812-490-9565 \* \* \* \* \* \* The sexual abuse of a minor also includes: • A vulnerable person is any person in a state of infirmity, physical or mental deficiency, or deprivation of personal liberty which, in fact, even occasionally limits their ability to understand or to want or otherwise resist the offense. • Child pornography, which is any representation of a minor, regardless of the means used, involved in explicit sexual activities, whether real or simulated, and any representation of sexual organs of minors for primarily sexual purposes.

**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 Winingar

**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 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