

# Welcome to St. John the Evangelist Parish

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	Jan. 24th
3:30 p.m.	Rich Kluesner, Rick Hagerty, John Lannan, Barbara Ash
<b>Sunday</b>	Jan. 25th
8:00 a.m.	Michael Andrew Zinkan
10:00 a.m.	Patrick Arvin
4:00 p.m.	Michael Elliott, Jr., Carolyn Buxton, Juanita Taylor, Sidney & Alma Padgett
<b>Monday</b>	Jan. 26th
12(Noon)	Patrick Mullen (at St. John)
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jan. 27th
6:00 p.m.	For The People
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jan. 28th
5:00 p.m.	Pete Chiello
<b>Thursday</b>	Jan. 29th
12(Noon)	Lee Jones
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	<b>The Lights Are On</b>
<b>Friday</b>	Jan. 30th
12(Noon)	Christine Rahman
<b>Saturday</b>	Jan. 31st
5:00 p.m.	Rick Hagerty, Gil Toy, Jason Bradley, Special Intention
<b>Sunday</b>	Feb. 1st
8:00 a.m.	Rose Fenol
10:00 a.m.	Donald Nolan
4:00 p.m.	Vonda Elliott, Carolyn Buxton, Waynette Pankey, Patrick Arvin

## Ministers for SACRISTANS Jan. 24th/Jan. 25th, 2026

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.	Lucy Rahman, Joseph Rahman, Isaac Lagree, Abigail Meyer
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: Rita Poirier SD: Volunteers
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.	Lynn Bateman
4:00 p.m.	Volunteer

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

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

5:00 p.m.	James Hager
8:00 a.m.	Lynn Hawkins, Bruce Hawkins
10:00 a.m.	Bill Boyd

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR THIS WEEK

<b>Monday:</b>	No Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph
<b>Thursday: 9am - 6pm</b>	Eucharistic Adoration at St. John

## From Our Pastor

### My dear friends in Christ,

On Friday, January 23rd, I celebrated the Funeral Mass of Oliver Michael "Mike" Davis along with his family and friends. Mike loved his family and many animals. His passion for Indy cars and racing was at the heart of his life. He will be greatly missed. May he rest in peace. Amen.

In his *motu proprio*, Pope Francis declared that "the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the word of God." He states that this time of year we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity. Different families will discover a path to celebrate this Sunday with a degree of dignity. We are called "to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the risen Lord" not just for this Sunday, but for this year and for our lives.

**Hope & Healing** is a grief support group for moms who have experienced pregnancy and infant loss. The second meeting will be Jan. 27th, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., in the upper level of the parish center. Meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. There is no cost to attend. For further information, you may contact Jade Arvin (812-709-8039) or Rosie Bridges (812-295-6619). **Remember you are not alone.**

**"The Lights Are On"** will be on Thursday, January 29th, starting at 6:00 p.m. It will last until 9:00 p.m. or until the last confession is heard.

Monday, February 2nd, is the **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord** (formally known as Candlemass), and we will have the blessing of candles. Feel free to bring candles with you to Mass that day to have them blessed for personal and family use.

Also, Tuesday, February 3rd, is the **Feast of St. Blaise**. We will have the blessing of the throats at the Masses next weekend as well as the Mass at St. John on February 3rd. This is the formula blessing:

**Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.**

It is time to renew your subscription to *The Message* which is our diocesan weekly newspaper. I would encourage you to do so because The Message is the official communication from Bishop Siegel. It is a good way to be current with the various events in the diocese, our county, and the Universal Church. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to keep in touch with the pulse of our faith.

**May our Lord bless and keep you,**

**Father Walker**

**Ministers for Jan. 31st/Feb. 1st, 2026****SACRISTANS**

5:00 p.m. Mike Luzwick  
 8:00 a.m. Volunteer  
 10:00 a.m. Noel Harty

**SERVERS:**

5:00 p.m. Natalie Willoughby, Riley Kuntz, Reid Johnson  
 8:00 a.m. Curtis Merkley, Alex Merkley  
 10:00 a.m. Kamila Wilson, Karmen Wilson,  
 Kendall Wilson, Kamden Wilson  
 4:00 p.m. Elena Lyon, Remington Bell

**GREETERS:**

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

**READERS:**

5:00 p.m. Elaine Wade  
 8:00 a.m. Betty Huelsman  
 10:00 a.m. Andy Ringwald  
 4:00 p.m. Volunteer

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

5:00 p.m. Angie Zins  
 8:00 a.m. Linda Wickman, Tom Peter  
 10:00 a.m. Gayle Strange

**Sunday Collection Jan. 17th/18th 2026**  
**St. John 158 Envelopes \$11,297.00**  
**Vigil Light Money \$66.00**

**Save the Date**

**No Altar Society Meeting in February.**  
**Hope & Healing Meeting** - Jan 27th, 6:30pm  
**Instructions** - Jan. 27th, 7pm  
**The Lights Are On** - Jan. 29th, 6:00pm - 9:00pm  
**Women's WELCOME Meeting (St. Martin)** - Jan. 31st, 9am-11am  
**Feast of the Presentation of the Lord** - Feb. 2nd  
**K of C 3rd Degree Meeting** - Feb. 2nd, 7pm  
**Feast of St. Blaise** - Feb. 3rd  
**Men's WELCOME Meeting** - Feb. 4th, 6:30pm  
**WELCOME Soup & Dessert Fundraiser**  
 - Feb. 14th/15th, after all Masses  
**Savio at St. Martin Hall** - Feb. 15th, 6pm  
**Ash Wednesday Masses** - Feb. 18th, 8:00am, 12(Noon), 5:00pm  
**K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting** - Feb. 18th, 7pm  
**Pastoral Council Meeting** - Feb. 19th, 6pm  
**K of C 4th Degree Meeting** - Feb. 23rd, 7pm



**Saturday Confessions**  
**Jan. 31st: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
**or by appointment**

**WOMEN'S WELCOME TEAM 2026**

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|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| • Krista Sims     | • Carlye Fisher   | • Dee Dee Street    |
| • Delores Padgett | • Rita Wagler     | • Mindy Rose        |
| • Courtney Taylor | • Shirley Jeffers | • Brittany Ackerman |
| • Annette Taylor  | • Suzettea Jones  | • Olivia Wininger   |
| • Karla Eckerle   |                   |                     |

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

**- 2 Corinthians 5: 17**

The group met on Saturday, Jan. 17th, and the Spirit was at work. "Friends in Christ" means good things are being planned at St. John Parish! Mark your calendars for the 2nd Annual Women's WELCOME Soup & Dessert Fundraiser will be after each Mass on Feb. 14th/15th. Details soon!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH NEWS**

With the predicted incoming snow, I want to remind parents that if school is cancelled, religion class will also be cancelled. While there is a chance we will not gather as a group, that does not mean that the children need to miss a Catholic lesson for the week. Parents, I challenge you to take the opportunity to teach your children about our faith. Remember that you are their chief catechists, and they rely on you to help grow in their knowledge of the faith.

As we continue with our second semester, please remember to continue praying for our students. We have an incredible group of young people, and our love, support, and prayers go a long way for those experiencing spiritual growth.

(akahle@evdio.org or 812-639-3923)

**Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal:** \$153,181.00  
**Pledges and Raffle Profit:** \$145,720.00  
**Our remaining portion of the Appeal:** \$ 7,461.00

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 3RD AND 4TH DEGREE FATHER/SON/GUEST MASS AND BREAKFAST**

The Father/Son/Guest Breakfast will be held on **Sunday, March 8th**, beginning with **Mass at 10am** offered for all deceased members of the K of C. Breakfast will follow in the **Lower Level of the St. John Center**. Any father(s)/son(s)/guest(s) from the parish do not need to be a member of the K of C to attend. Sign-up sheets are located in the K of C Clubroom and at the main entrance of St. John Church. The deadline is **Saturday, Feb. 28th**, so please sign up as soon as possible. This event is sponsored by the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Father Joseph Gerdon Assembly 1813.

**FUNERAL MEAL COMMITTEE**

The funeral meal committee is need of a few more volunteers to bring side dishes and desserts for the funeral meals. If you can help, please contact:

- Barb Gregory: 812-295-6544
- Leah Tolbert: 812-295-6094
- Vernita Williams: 812-631-3967

**THE MESSAGE**

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**MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS**

"The month of January is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus. After the Blessed Virgin Mary conceived by the Holy Spirit, the angel Gabriel appeared to St. Joseph and told him that the Child's name should be called Jesus, meaning "God Saves." According to Jewish law, on the 8th day after his birth a male child was to be circumcised, receive his name, and become a full member of God's covenant people. According to the old Roman liturgical calendar, the Feast of the Circumcision of Jesus was celebrated on January 1st, eight days after Christmas, the same day that He was given His sacred name. Currently we celebrate the Solemnity of the Mother of God on January 1st and honor the Holy Name of Jesus on January 3rd. For Catholics, Jesus' sacred name is the object of a special devotion symbolized by the monogram "IHS," (sometimes called a Christogram), which is the first three letters of the Greek spelling of His name."

**- The Catholic Company**

**January 1:**

Tenlee Mathias  
Ameila Mudd  
Peggy Padgett  
Tracy Smith  
Adam Wittmer

**January 2:**

Stacey Bowling  
Richard Colvin  
Casey Hamilton  
Nickolis Milligan  
Kallin Trambaugh

**January 3:**

Jule Beltz  
Abigail Letterman  
Jerry Padgett  
Alecia Wagner

**January 4:**

Hallie Bratton  
Trista Strange  
Tylen Williams

**January 5:**

Brianna Eckerle  
Linda Hagerty  
Bob Miller  
Bruce Rahman  
Madelyn Smith  
Sebastian Toy  
Vanessa Willoughby

**January 6:**

Daniel Lents  
Theo Johnson  
Magdalene Mattingly  
Macy McAtee  
Stephanie Norris  
Reuben Ritchey  
Jackie Swanson  
Bob Toy  
Jace Toy

**January 7:**

Michael Gates  
Mike Guy  
Cheri Kebert  
Richard Lemmon  
Michael Strange  
Brian Walker

**January 9:**

Wendy Colglazier  
Andrew Kluesner  
Madonna Mathies  
Steven Mattingly  
Nancy Meyer  
Paula Ringwald

**January 10:**

Brooklyn Carrico  
Brax Inman  
Connie Padgett  
Tina Dalrymple

**January 11:**

Jennifer Williams

**January 13:**

Alice Boyd  
Suzettea Jones  
James Niemeyer  
Elaine Wade

**January 14:**

James Bratton  
Michele Erler  
Kai Harmon  
Willow Graber  
Haley Ann Hager  
Emily Thomas

**January 15:**

Grace Arvin  
Linda Jones  
Crystal Moore  
Delores Padgett  
Elijah Wininger

**January 16:**

Richard Asbell  
Sue Carrico  
Beverly Miller  
Douglas Strange

**January 17:**

Joan Dunning  
Lynn Gee  
John Lents

**January 18:**

Sue David  
Mary Lou Harding  
Jessica Parker  
Terry Street  
Hailey Thomas

# ***January Birthdays of St. John the Evangelist Parish***

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## **January 19:**

Greg Bechtel

## **January 20:**

Craig Burch  
Brayden Horsting  
Ryan Johnson  
Nicholas Toy

## **January 21:**

Donna Lottes  
Kylie Murray  
Miranda Rehl

## **January 22:**

Kevin Mathies  
Carol Saul

## **January 23:**

Ada Hager  
Ryan Templin  
Eula Traylor  
Jeff Truelove  
Larry Wininger

## **January 24:**

JoAnn Anderson  
Agnes Cooper  
Kathy Fromme  
Jo Ann Greenwell  
Kaylin Harris  
Maddie Strange  
Adam Wallace

## **January 25:**

Kevin Downey  
Brenda Lythgoe

## **January 26:**

Deborah Bledsoe  
Richard Bowling  
Terry Craney  
Emily Johnson  
Alan Toy

## **January 27:**

Parker Ackerman  
James Hager  
Dave Milligan  
Emma Letterman  
Whitney Pendleton  
Jocelyn Strange

## **January 28:**

Meryn Erler  
Leela Franklin

## **January 29:**

Cole Bartley  
Lorissa Burch  
Renee Burch  
Sharon Fiabane  
Linda Green  
Brenda Jones  
Britton Nonte  
Marsha Street

## **January 30:**

Lyrika Franklin  
Christopher Hogan  
Natalie Willoughby

## **January 31:**

Rick Bauer  
Tyler Bratton  
Alan Erler  
Stephanie Nolan  
Jill Wininger  
Ted Yarnell