

Welcome to St. John the Evangelist Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Aug. 15th

12(Noon)

5:00 p.m.

Joan Haag
Jason Bradley, Becky Bullock
Peggy Guinn, Rod Carrico

Sunday

Aug. 16th

8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

John J. Zins
Sharon Fields, Ethan Fields,
Delbert Fields, Donald & Juanita Taylor
Vonda Elliott

Monday

Aug. 17th

12(Noon)

Patrick Arvin (at St. Martin)

Tuesday

Aug. 18th

7:00 p.m.

Lindsay Roby

Wednesday

Aug. 19th

7:00 p.m.

For The People

Thursday

Aug. 20th

9:00 a.m.

George "Peanut" Raney

Friday

Aug. 21st

9:00 a.m.

Loretta Withem

Saturday

Aug. 22nd

5:00 p.m.

Eleanor Smith

Sunday

Aug. 23rd

8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Mike Summers
Stephen Seals, Mary Lou Lockhart
Joan Haag, Donald & Juanita Taylor
Michael Elliott, Jr., Mike Davis,
Lee Jones, Patrick Arvin

Ministers for SACRISTANS

Aug. 15th/Aug. 16th, 2026

5:00 p.m.

Mike Luzwick

8:00 a.m.

Volunteer

10:00 a.m.

Noel Harty

SERVERS:

5:00 p.m.

Natalie Willoughby, Volunteers

8:00 a.m.

Brendan Green, Eli Winger

10:00 a.m.

Karmen Wilson, Kendall Wilson, Kamden Wilson

4:00 p.m.

Elena Lyon, Remington Bell

GREETERS:

5:00 p.m.

FD: Anne Marie Crays
SD: Volunteers

8:00 a.m.

FD: Greg/Dottie Potts
SD: Annette Taylor

10:00 a.m.

FD: Brenda Mathias
SD: Faye Holland, Volunteer

READERS:

5:00 p.m.

Elaine Wade

8:00 a.m.

Judy Kluesner

10:00 a.m.

Volunteer

4:00 p.m.

Volunteer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

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

5:00 p.m.

Janet Matthews

8:00 a.m.

Rita Divine, Bernie Smith

10:00 a.m.

Brenda Mathias

From Our Pastor

My dear friends in Christ,

Many thanks to the members of the Women's WELCOME team who spoke very well at each Mass last weekend. The Women's and Men's WELCOME teams consist of faithful members of the parish who help each other grow in their faith in the Lord. I highly recommend any adult member of the parish to attend the respective team weekend in September.

Yesterday, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother, body and soul, into Heaven. We believe that at the end of our Blessed Mother's life, she fell asleep and was taken to Heaven body and soul with no corruption allowed to touch her body. Our Blessed Mother was set aside by Almighty God, at the moment of her conception to become the Mother of our Savior. She was born without Original Sin; and remained sinless for her entire life. Not having had Original Sin on her soul, she did not suffer the results of Original Sin, which is death and the tendency toward sin, called concupiscence.

It has been a constant teaching of the Church that our Lady was a virgin at the birth of Jesus and remained a virgin for her entire life. We honor her because what she has already achieved we hope to gain at the end of the world when our glorified bodies will be re-united with our souls. We believe that Mary from her place in Heaven intercedes for all of us. Her desire is that we turn toward her Son, go to Mass, take advantage of the grace that we receive from the sacraments, and eventually join her in Heaven to behold the face of God.

Please notice that our Mass on Wednesday, August 19th will be at 7:00 p.m.

We will have our "The Lights Are On" on Monday, August 31st, starting at 6:00 p.m. It will last until 9:00 p.m. or until the last confession is heard.

We will have our 2026 St. John the Evangelist Catholic Parish Raffle at the Fall Festival on Sunday, September 27, 2026. This year we will have eight winners who will each receive a cash prize. Every family has been mailed 6 tickets. If you wish, you can pick up a return envelope in the back of the church. We are asking each family to buy or sell 6 raffle tickets for the raffle. If you sell all of your tickets, you may ask for more by calling Adam at the rectory. The proceeds from our raffle will be used to lower the amount for each family to contribute to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, formerly known as the Catholic Parish Campaign.

Also, are you interested in joining the Catholic Church or do you know anyone who has shown interest? Please call my cell phone or the rectory.

May our Lord bless and keep you,
Father Walker

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR THIS WEEK

Everyday, 7am – 7pm:

Eucharistic Chapel at St. Joseph

Thursday, 9am – 6pm:

Eucharistic Adoration at St. John

Ministers for Aug. 22nd/Aug. 23rd, 2026**SACRISTANS**

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

SERVERS:

5:00 p.m. Keaton Smith, Volunteer
 8:00 a.m. Curtis Merkley, Alex Merkley, Eli Winger
 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: Joni Parker-Burch
 SD: Volunteers
 8:00 a.m. FD: Joseph/Elizabeth Park
 SD: Rita Poirier
 10:00 a.m. FD: Angie Zins
 SD: Gayle Strange, Volunteer

READERS:

5:00 p.m. Kenny Inman
 8:00 a.m. Bruce Hawkins
 10:00 a.m. Tom Walker
 4:00 p.m. Volunteer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 p.m. Elaine Wade
 8:00 a.m. Annette Taylor, Jerry Lubbehusen
 10:00 a.m. Andy Ringwald

Sunday Collection Aug. 8th/Aug. 9th, 2026

St. John 159 Envelopes \$8,387.00
 Vigil Light Money \$48.00

Save the Date

K of C 3rd Degree Meeting – Aug. 17th, 7pm
Men's WELCOME Meeting (St. Martin) – Aug. 19th, 6:30 pm
K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting – Aug. 19th, 7pm
Pastoral Council Meeting – Aug. 20th, 6pm
K of C 4th Degree Meeting – Aug. 24th, 7pm
Hope & Healing Meeting (St. Martin) - Aug. 25th, 6:30pm
Women's WELCOME Meeting (St. Martin) – Aug. 29th, 9am
34th Annual St. Martin Hog Roast - Aug. 30th, 10am - 1:30pm
Savio (St. Martin) - Aug. 30th, 6pm - 8pm
The Lights Are On - Aug. 31st, 6pm - 9pm
Women's WELCOME Weekend (St. Martin) - Sept. 12th/13th
Altar Society Meeting (St. Martin) – Sept. 14th, 6:30pm
Men's WELCOME Weekend (St. Martin) - Sept. 19th/20th
St. John Fall Festival (St. Martin) - Sept. 27th, 1pm - 4pm

**Saturday Confessions**

August 22nd: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 or by appointment

ANNUAL MATHIAS FAMOUS CHICKEN DINNER

“You’ve tried all the rest, now try the best!”

John and Mitch Mathias are preparing their famous chicken dinners as a fundraiser for the Martin County Cancer Patient Services. The fundraiser will be at the **Loogootee VFW Post 9395** on **Saturday, August 22nd** from **4pm - 7pm**. Dine-In or Carry-Out is available. Each meal is \$20 and comes with two pieces of chicken, baked beans, potato salad or slaw, and a roll. Donations are welcome!

34TH ANNUAL ST. MARTIN HOG ROAST

August 30th

10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

St. Martin Hall

Desserts can be dropped off anytime on **Saturday, July 29th**. If you would like to volunteer, call Pam Borjon at 812-631-7366.

We hope to see everyone there!

WELCOME

Habakkuk 1: 12 - 2:4 “How long must He wait?” He sees unjust people exploiting the poor and getting away with murder! “Why does God not act?” He laments, “What is taking God so long?”

If we think things are taking a long time, imagine how God must feel! He has been waiting for us to bring the Gospel message to the ends of the earth for 2,000 years! Still, half the world's population still do not believe in God! God must be wondering, “How long, O my people?”

The Lord does not delay, but we, His people, are masters of delay. We have all kinds of excuses for not carrying out His wishes. We have wasted enough time. Let us spend the rest of our lives living for the Kingdom of God!

Women| 9/12-9/13

Men| 9/19-9/20

WELCOME Mass - September 12th at 8 p.m. at St. Martin Church
 - This Mass will be for all women and men of the parish who have attended Christ Renews His Parish or a WELCOME weekend retreat.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH NEWS**

Classes for students entering grades K - 4 will begin on Monday, Oct. 5th. Classes are typically at the St. John Center from 3:45 - 4:45pm, but the start may look different this year. Due to repairs at the Center, we might kick off the year at St. Martin Hall. This solution will be temporary until we can return to St. John, and it may require some extra teamwork to transport the children. However, we are confident that we will make the most out of whatever has to happen!

Classes for students entering grade 5 - 12 will start on Wednesday, Oct. 7th from 6:45 - 8pm at the St. Martin Hall. A meal will be provided each evening beginning at 6pm. To register, please find the link with the QR code. Please reach out to me, Ashton, if you have any questions. All students should be registered this year, regardless of previous participation. (akahle@evdio.org or 812-639-3923)

**DIocese of EVANSVILLE MISSION**

We, the Catholics of the Diocese of Evansville, are committed to continuing the mission Jesus entrusted to all the baptized to joyfully proclaim the Gospel, serve those in need, and form disciples by inviting everyone to:

- Encounter Christ more profoundly, particularly in Word and Sacrament
- Deepen our relationship with Christ and the Church
- Engage intentionally as witnesses and missionary disciples in our communities

RIGHT TO LIFE BANQUET

Daviess-Pike and Martin County Right to Life Groups have announced that Lucas Miles, a Senior Board Member of Turning Point USA, will be the Speaker at the Right to Life Banquet on Thursday, Oct. 1st, 6:30 p.m. at the Simon J. Graber Building off the Odon/Cannelburg road, south of Odon. Ticket sales are underway, and you can call 812-486-3658 to get yours today. Each ticket is \$30 for adults and \$15 for high school and college students. The banquet is a fundraiser for the area Right to Life Groups, and also benefits First-Choice Solutions in Washington.

The Speaker, Lucas Miles, is the Senior Director of Turning Point USA, serving under Charlie Kirk. Lucas Miles is a passionate pro-life advocate, recognized as one of the leading pro-life speakers in America. He is a trusted voice in the American church, consistently engaging with pressing issues surrounding theology, politics, and culture.

August 1:

Kenny Inman
Inger Johnson
Brad Wade

August 2:

Bronson Holt
Michael Jones
Troy Smith
Jenner Strange
Miranda Taylor

August 3:

Norbert Burch
Gracelyn Bryer
Conner Combess
Faye Holland
Holly Mathias

August 4:

Jim Chandler
Dan Christmas
Jonathan Krzesniak
Ethan Mathies
William Nonte
Sophia Toy
Taylor Truelove
Summer Wade

August 5:

Karen Mathias
Kelli Mathies

August 6:

Abbigail Bradley
Callie Browder
Rick Johnson
Justin Killion

August 7:

Stacy Berry
Kay Matthews
Brady Lents

August 8:

Cary Bledsoe
Tanner Fuhs
Meghan Mathies
Charles Padgett
Jeanette Templin

August 9:

Megan Sullivan
Bryant Eckerle
Jeffery Farrell
Jeff Hyllested
Nicholas Spurgeon
Waylee Wagoner
Rhett Whitney

August 10:

Therese Arvin
Jessie Bell
Carol Brock
Toni Browder
Benjamin Burch
Matthew Sward

August 11:

Jim Eckerle
Noah Fromme
Mike Mangin
Samantha Nelson
Kristi Thomas

August 12:

Steve Arvin
Keith Greenwell
Linda Hawkins
Edith Rehl

August 13:

Bob Bradley
Diana Dages
Jane Ann Davis
Abbey Fuhrman
Kristin Lottes
Michael Slaven
Rita Wagler

August 14:

Steven Nolan
Todd Wittmer
Scott Woods

August 15:

William B. Ellis
Jordan Guinn

August 16:

Michael Arvin
Phyllis Arvin
Doug Bradley
Mila Marks
Mary Merkel

August 17:

Wesson Copeland
Tonya Mathis
Marley McAtee
Olivia Wininger

August Birthdays of St. John the Evangelist Parish

August 18:

Marilyn Burch
Caden Chandler
Tylan Norris
Wayne Ritchey
Jeffrey Wagler

August 19:

Gary Burch
Mary Jane Lengacher
Clayton Miller
Bob VanHoy
Jean Walker

August 20:

Nicole Ader
Avrie Brown
Denise Craney
Donna Flynn
Jeff Giles
Aaron Mudd
Steve Schnaus
Jody Seals
David Southard

August 21:

Megan Crays
Gary Cunningham
Tina Nolley
Kent Summers
Paul Truelove

August 22:

Robert Dages
John Mathias
Mary Ann Smith
Mary Ann Vance

August 23:

Tye Collins
William McAtee
Jenna Parsons
Clayton Shake
Paul Weisheit
Elijah Wittmer

August 24:

Eric Ackerman
Kimberly Bowling
Brendan Green
Karin Hodges
Sharon Michaels
Julie Peterson

August 25:

Colin Nelson
Scott Ruckriegel
Carol Strange
Leslie VanHoy

August 26:

Larry Gates
Jennifer Ridgway
Doris Sexton
Krista Sims
Chad Wade
Judith Walker
Kathy Wittmer

August 27:

Judd Bledsoe
Jason Browder
Eugene Burch
Abbigail Nonte
Justine Tedrow
Wynter Wagoner
Cohen Walton

August 28:

Skip Ackerman
Kennedy Collins
Alison Krzesniak
Tierlan Norris

August 29:

Rob Blackwell
Earl Boyd
Jim Doyle
Michael Luzwick
Tracie McAtee
Luke Nonte
Phillip Norris
Paul Strange
Sarah Wagler

August 30:

Ashton Summers

August 31:

Becky Divine
Phyllis Lemmon