

Welcome to St. John the Evangelist Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday		Mar. 23rd
5:00 p.m.	Frank & Alice Matthews, Becky Bullock, Kevin Matthews	
Sunday	Palm Sunday	Mar. 24th
8:00 a.m.	Mary C. Byrer	
10:00 a.m.	Ruth & Earl Mills, James Decker, Margaret Walton	
2:00 p.m.	Way of the Cross	
4:00 p.m.	Vonda Elliot	
Monday		Mar. 25th
5:00 p.m.	Penny Toy (at St. Joseph)	
5:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph	
Tuesday		Mar. 26th
5:30 p.m. (CDT)	Chrism Mass - St. Benedict Cathedral	
Wednesday		Mar. 27th
9:00 a.m.	For The People	
1:30 p.m.	Nursing Home Mass - Marilyn Walker Smith	
5:00 p.m.	The Lights On	
Thursday	Holy Thursday	Mar. 28th
6:00 p.m.	Francie (Cissell) Leonard	
-----	No Eucharistic Adoration at St. John	
Friday	Good Friday	Mar. 29th
3:00 p.m.	Way of the Cross	
6:00 p.m.	Solemn Service of the Passion of the Lord	
After Service	Confessions	
Saturday	Easter Vigil	Mar. 30th
8:00 p.m.	See Insert	
Sunday	Easter	Mar. 31st
7:30 a.m.	See Insert	
10:00 a.m.	See Insert	
4:00 p.m.	See Insert	

Ministers for SACRISTANS Mar. 23rd/Mar. 24th, 2024

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

SERVERS:

5:00 p.m.	Brady Lents, Natalie Willoughby
8:00 a.m.	Dax Lee, Curtis Merkley, Alex Merkley
10:00 a.m.	Josie Mathies, Mason Mathies, Elin Wade
4:00 p.m.	Volunteers

GREETERS:

5:00 p.m.	FD: Elsie Horsting SD: Volunteers
8:00 a.m.	FD: John/Diane Vaupel SD: Rita Poirier
10:00 a.m.	FD: Faye Holland SD: Brenda Mathias, Volunteer

READERS:

5:00 p.m.	Francie Doyle
8:00 a.m.	Judy Kluesner
10:00 a.m.	Andy Ringwald

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 p.m.	James Hager
8:00 a.m.	Lynn Hawkins
10:00 a.m.	Stephanie McAtee

We will not have Eucharistic Adoration at St. John Church on Holy Thursday, March 29th.

Divine Mercy Novena booklets can be found at the doors of the St. John church. The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** will be recited 15 minutes before each Divine Mercy weekend Mass.



**From
Our
Pastor**

My dear friends in Christ,

It is my great joy to announce that we will bring six new members into the Catholic faith and into our parish at the Easter Vigil service at 8 p.m. Rosie Bridges, Chassidy Collins, and Lucas Harmon will be baptized. Meagan Holder, Travis Inman, and Dean Sullivan will make their Profession of Faith. Michael Holzmeyer will be brought into the Church at a Mass during the Easter season. We have been meeting each week since the fall and have become very close. They are a tremendous addition to our faith community.

Thank you to the following parishioners who oversaw the St. John Cemetery clean-up: Rick & Becky Bauer, Rose Bradley, Stacey Bowling, Nancy Consley, Jeff Kidwell, Tom & Stephanie McAtee, and Martin Zins. A special thank you to the following students who helped with the clean-up: Oliver Cotterman, Loxley Cotterman, Bailey Esch, Noah Esch, Brendan Green, Noah Hager, Breck McAtee, and Matthew Vaal.

Thank you to Tom and Stephanie McAtee for donating \$4,000.00 which makes up the remaining portion pledged to the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Their ongoing generosity and support are greatly appreciated.

This Sunday is Palm Sunday which begins the solemn observance of Holy Week. Let us take advantage of our Holy Week services. We will have the Way of the Cross at 2:00 pm today.

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 26th, 5:30 PM CDT, at St. Benedict Cathedral. At this Mass, the holy oils used throughout the year are blessed and consecrated by Bishop Siegel. The priests of the diocese make a public renewal of their priestly promises to serve Christ and the Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available prior to the Mass. All are invited to attend and pray together as a diocese.

“The Lights On” is a time for confession on Wednesday, March 27th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. or till the last confession is heard.

We enter into the Easter Triduum with the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 6:00 p.m. when our Lord gave us the Holy Eucharist and the Priesthood, followed on Good Friday with Way of the Cross at 3:00 p.m., and then the Solemn Service of the Passion of the Lord at 6:00 pm.

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

Abstinence means we do not eat meat. Fasting means that we eat only one full meal on the fast day. Two other light meals are permitted, but eating between meals is not allowed.

The Easter Vigil will be celebrated at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday. The Easter Sunrise Mass at 7:30 a.m. (St. John Cemetery) will be followed by the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. John. Our Easter egg hunt will be after the 10:00 Mass. There will also be an afternoon Easter Mass at 4:00 p.m.

Please join us for this grace filled week as we celebrate our Lord's death and Resurrection and the new life he made possible.

Way of the Cross

The Lights On

Sunday

Friday

Wednesday

Mar. 24th, 2 p.m.

Mar. 29th, 3 p.m.

Mar. 27th, 5 p.m.

May the Lord bless and keep you,

Father Walker

Ministers for Mar. 30th/Mar. 31st, 2024

SACRISTANS

8:00 p.m. Brady Lents
7:30 a.m. Dax Lee
10:00 a.m. Noel Harty

SERVERS:

8:00 p.m. Alex Guinn, Isaac Lagree, Noah Esch
7:30 a.m. Dax Lee, Isaac Lagree
10:00 a.m. Noah Esch, Declan Todd, Kendall Wilson
4:00 p.m. TBD

GREETERS:

8:00 p.m. FD: Rachel Doyle
SD: Linda Bledsoe, Volunteer
7:30 a.m. FD: Chris Bratton
SD: Tom/Chris Peter
10:00 a.m. FD: Denny Smith
SD: Gayle Strange, Volunteer

READERS:

8:00 p.m. Elaine Wade
7:30 a.m. Betty Huelsman
10:00 a.m. Kay Summers

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

8:00 p.m. Janet Matthews, Dayne Holder
7:30 a.m. Donna Ader
10:00 a.m. Tom McAtee

Save the Date

- K of C 4th Degree Meeting** - Mar. 25th, 7pm
- Chrism Mass at St. Benedict** - Mar. 26th, 6:30pm EDT
- Grief Share Meeting** - Mar. 27th, 5pm
- The Lights On** - Mar. 27th, 5pm
- Holy Thursday Mass** - Mar. 28th, 6pm
- Holy Land Collection** - Mar. 29th
- Celebration of the Passion of the Lord** - Mar. 29th, 6pm
- Easter Vigil Mass** - Mar. 30th, 8pm
- Easter Masses** - Mar. 31st, 7:30am, 10am, & 4pm
- Alter Society Meeting - No April Meeting**
- K of C 3rd Degree Meeting** - Apr. 1st, 7pm
- Rogation Mass** - All Mass Times on April 13th & 14th
- First Communion Practice** - Apr. 14th, 11am
- K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting** - Apr. 17th, 7 pm
- Parish Council Meeting** - Apr. 18th, 6pm
- Women's WELCOME Meeting** - Apr. 20th, 9am
- First Communion** - Apr. 21st, 10am Mass

Sunday Collection Mar. 16th/Mar. 17th, 2024

St. John 175 envelopes \$8,147.00



Confessions

Mar 29th: After the Solemn Service of the Passion of the Lord
Or by appointment

Men's WELCOME Weekend

I recently attended the men's Welcome Retreat at St. Joseph Church in Jasper. It was a very powerful experience. After hearing all of the talks, I realized that we all carry a cross, some much heavier than others. It became very clear to me that we cannot carry our cross alone; we need Jesus to help us. As was indicated in several of the talks, in many cases Jesus helps us by putting other Christian brothers and sisters into our life to help us carry our cross. If you ever have an opportunity to attend a Welcome weekend, I strongly recommend that you attend; you will be glad you did. - **Denny Smith**

St. Martin Cemetery Cleanup

Mowing season will soon begin at St. Martin Cemetery. Flowers and other memorial items on the ground that hinder mowing must be removed. Also, Christmas decorations should be removed. Please check the burial sites of your loved ones to ensure any flowers or other memorial items are properly positioned on the monument or its base and attached such that they are not easily dislocated by the wind.

Easter Mass Intentions - There is not a limit for the Mass intentions which are allowed for Easter. Therefore, we may have multiple intentions listed for each of the Easter Masses. If you would like a Mass offered for your deceased loved one, please call the parish office at **812-295-2225** and speak to **Adam**.

Religious Education & Youth News with Jackie FAITH FORMATION

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Many thanks to Martin Zins and Rose Bradley for their help in supervising our 8 young people who helped to clean St. John Cemetery last Saturday! Without them, our youth would not have been able to help at all. Our youth volunteers were Oliver Cotterman, Loxley Cotterman, Bailey Esch, Noah Esch, Brendan Green, Noah Hager, Breck McAtee, and Matthew Vaal. How kind of you all to give your Saturday morning time to provide a beautiful resting place for our deceased loved ones!

Additionally, we are thankful for the willingness of Bethany Tinkle to lead the efforts for the parish Easter Egg Hunt that will take place after the 10am Mass. I simply cannot be in two places at once and Bethany's efforts will allow this event to be available for our little parishioners! Many thanks! May all of our Loogootee students enjoy their week of Spring Break! I hope to see you at the Holy week and Easter Masses!

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Tax season is a good time to review one's finances and plan for any charitable donations for 2024. A number of parishioners take advantage of the opportunities that the IRS offers for tax free donations, such as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (available if you are 70 & ½ or older) or a transfer of stocks, bonds, or mutual funds. Also, consider the church or a number of charitable organizations in one's will as another good way to practice virtue of stewardship of God's gifts.

Shabby Chic Tea Party Fundraiser

The Loogootee Methodist Church will have a fundraiser on April 27th from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. Tickets that are only purchased ahead are \$25/ticket. If you would like to attend, you may contact Linda Knight at 812-583-3692 or Robin Hart at 812-295-6739. All proceeds benefit the patients of Martin County Cancer Patient Services.

Starting on **March 29th at 9 a.m.**, the **Martin County Cancer Patient Services** will have an online Facebook auction. The auction ends on **April 3rd at 9 p.m.** If you win, you may pick up what you bought on **April 6th, 10 am - 12 (noon)** at the Loogootee Library at 504 Park St. **Cash or Check Only!**

March Birthdays of St. John the Evangelist Parish

March 1st:

Nick Bechtel
Beth Mathies
Joe Matthews

March 2nd:

Jonathan Cropp
Michael Geiersvach
Shirley Jeffers
Atlye Wilz

March 3rd:

Whitney Eller
Mary Ritchey
Travis Summers

March 4th:

Sharon Geiersvach
JD Graves
Hudson Letterman
Breck McAtee
Donald Ritchey
Briggs Templin
Melinda Walker

March 5th:

Steven Crays

March 6th:

Nicholas Arvin
Mark Fields
Alexander Guinn
Katie Sims
Andrea Vaupel

March 7th:

Kalea Letherman
Joshua Kush

March 8th:

Jamie Browder
Carol Crays
Jessica Downey
Evan Hager
Jeremy Holland
Nancy Jones
Isaiah Winger

March 9th:

Mark Bauer
Jennifer Morris

March 10th:

Gary Burriss
Jonathan Hager
Leah Lottes
James Tompkins
Megan Shake
Keaton Smith

March 11th:

Stephen Bradley
Luc Burch
James Salmon

March 12th:

Ben Blackwell
Josh Hager
Tammy Ritchey
Ange Salmon
Anna Sward

March 13th:

Hailey Heshelman
John Lythgoe
Gil Toy
Donna Van Winkle

March 14th:

Matthew Green
Darin Holder
Cash Inman
Sarah Todd
Charles Toy

March 15th:

Won Niemeyer
Brittany Walker

March 16th:

Gabriel Shinn
Clayton Thoms

March Birthdays of St. John the Evangelist Parish

March 17th:

Patrick Arvin
Allison Graber
Barbara Holder
Patrick Holland
Curtis Johnson
Aaron Lents
Rick Taylor

March 18th:

Madison Esch
Wilcher Hayes

March 19th:

Karla Eckerle
Allen Henninger
Eva Ringwald
Daniell Summers
Amy Todd
Emmaline Toy

March 20th:

David Sutton
Donald Traylor

March 21st:

Jamison Hennette
Tara Lengacher

March 22nd:

William Arvin
Austin Bradley
Jennifer Inman
Margaret Krzesniak

March 23rd:

Max Blackwell
Pamela Clark
Cami Crays
Julia Sutton

March 24th:

Adalyn Arvin
Ashlee Arvin
Allison Braun
Rita Elliot
Will Lyon
April Sutton

March 25th:

Terry Bradley
Mary Bowling
Chrislynn Holland
Shelly Ringwald
DeeDee Street

March 26th:

Norman Bratton
Tyra Fuhs
Mary Jane Hovis
Lucas O'Connor

March 27th:

John Arvin
Rose Bradley
Jacquelin Esch
Gabriel Nolley

March 28th:

Gene Colvin
Ronald Daugherty
Waynessa Franklin
Connie Norris
John Strange

March 29th:

Kensleigh Carrico

March 30th:

Elliane Anderson
Mary J. Bradley
Deidre Bechtel
Kolbi Jeffers
Robert Woods

March 31st:

Lisa Taylor
Harper Tinkle