

Welcome to St. John the Evangelist Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday		Dec. 21st
5:00 p.m.	Peggy Guinn, Becky Bullock, Bob & Bernice Bullock	
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Advent	Dec. 22nd
8:00 a.m.	Jason Bradley, Jan Marie Templin, Ray & Thresia Lehr Family	
10:00 a.m.	Wilma Bateman	
4:00 p.m.	Vonda Elliott	
Monday		Dec. 23rd
12(Noon)	Raymond McCann (at St. Joseph)	
1:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph	
Tuesday	Christmas Eve	Dec. 24th
4:00 p.m.	*See Program*	
Midnight Mass	*See Program*	
Wednesday	Christmas	Dec. 25th
8:00 a.m.	* See Program*	
10:00 a.m.	* See Program*	
4:00 p.m.	* See Program*	
Thursday		Dec. 26th
9:00 a.m.	For The People	
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration at St. John	
Friday		Dec. 27th
9:00 a.m.	Christine Rahman	
1:30 p.m.	Nursing Home Mass - Donald Taylor	
Saturday		Dec. 28th
5:00 p.m.	Rich Kluesner, Ryan Burris Clara Bradley, Frank & Alice Matthews	
Sunday		Dec. 29th
8:00 a.m.	Janice Wahl	
10:00 a.m.	Josephine Hawkins	
4:00 p.m.	Michael Elliott, Jr., Vonda Elliott, Gary Bullock, Deceased Members of the George & Clara Padgett Family	
Ministers for SACRISTANS	Dec. 21st/Dec. 22nd, 2024	
5:00 p.m.	Mike Luzwick	
8:00 a.m.	Volunteer	
10:00 a.m.	Noel Harty	
SERVERS:		
5:00 p.m.	Noah Esch, Natalie Willoughby	
8:00 a.m.	Curtis Merkley, Alex Merkley	
10:00 a.m.	Josie Mathies, Mason Mathies, Elin Wade	
4:00 p.m.	Elena Lyon, Remington Bell	
GREETERS:		
5:00 p.m.	FD: Joni Parker-Burch SD: Volunteers	
8:00 a.m.	FD: John/Diane Vaupel SD: Rita Poirier	
10:00 a.m.	FD: Denny Smith SD: Gayle Strange, Volunteer	
READERS:		
5:00 p.m.	Mike Luzwick	
8:00 a.m.	John Vaupel	
10:00 a.m.	Lynn Bateman	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:		
5:00 p.m.	Mike Luzwick	
8:00 a.m.	Jerry Lubbehusen	
10:00 a.m.	Stephanie McAtee	



From Our Pastor

My dear friends in Christ,

And the Word became flesh
and made his dwelling among us,
and we saw his glory,
the glory as of the Father's only Son,
full of grace and truth. - John

Christ is always closer than we imagine. The reality of Christmas - God with us - is happening every day if we pay attention. A Blessed Christmas to all of you!! You and your families are being remembered in my Masses of Christmas.

We stand in awe of the spectacular decorations in the church. I am most thankful to our church decorators: Peggy & Charlie Lyon, Donna & Royden Graber, and Linda Wickman. Also, a special thank you to Tom McAtee and his committee which consists of: Stephanie McAtee, Mark Jeffers, John Walker, Skip Ackerman, and Allen Voegerl for our beautiful nativity. All of us are appreciative for their time, talent and generous spirit!

We have mailed our Christmas cards featuring a number of our children. If you have not received a card, please let us know and we will send one as soon as possible.

Please note the Mass schedule for Christmas. We will have the Children's Mass on Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m. Midnight Mass will be at midnight and then on Christmas Day, our Masses will be at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 in the afternoon.

The Feast of the Holy Innocents is on Saturday, December 28th. We remember the children who were lost in death through miscarriage, stillbirth, and abortion. We want to reach out as a parish and support our hurting families.

**May the Lord bless and keep you,
Father Walker**

Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal:	\$152,103.00
Pledges and Raffle Profit:	\$139,500.00
Our remaining portion of the Appeal:	\$12,603.00

Ministers for SACRISTANS Dec. 28th/Dec. 29th, 2024

5:00 p.m. Rachel Doyle
8:00 a.m. Dax Lee
10:00 a.m. Noel Harty

SERVERS:

5:00 p.m. Matthew Vaal, Keaton Smith
8:00 a.m. Dax Lee, Brendan Green
10:00 a.m. Lucy Rahman, Isaac Lagree
4:00 p.m. Grayson Kluesner, Liam Kluesner

GREETERS:

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

READERS:

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 p.m. Janet Matthews
8:00 a.m. Tom Peter
10:00 a.m. Tom McAtee

Save the Date

No K of C 4th Degree Meeting in December.
No K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting in December.
Pastoral Council Meeting - Dec. 19th, 6pm
Christmas Eve Children's Mass - Dec. 24th, 4pm
Midnight Mass - Dec. 25th, 12am (Midnight)
Christmas Day Masses - Dec. 25th, 8am, 10am, & 4pm
Altar Server Dinner - Dec. 30th, 5pm
New Year's Eve Mass - Dec. 31st, 4pm
Solemnity of Mary Mass - Jan. 1st, 10am & 4pm
No Altar Society Meeting in January.

Sunday Collection Dec. 14th/Dec. 15th, 2024

St. John 185 envelopes \$8,763.00
Retirement Fund for Religious Collection \$225.00



No Confessions on Dec. 28th
Please call this week
for an appointment.

If you would like to send a Christmas card to Fr. Erbacher and Fr. Kiesel, you may find their respective address below. God bless all of our retired priests! - Fr. Walker

Fr. Joseph F. Erbacher Fr. Leo Kiesel
1236 Lincoln Ave. The Villages at Oak Ridge
Evansville, IN 47714 1694 Troy Road - Room 201
Washington, IN 47501

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

ALTAR SERVER DINNER

This Monday, Dec. 30th, we will have a special dinner to honor our Altar Servers at Los Bravos at 5:00 p.m. The parish is so blessed to have such dedicated & prayerful altar servers. You will need transportation to and from the restaurant. We hope to see you this Sunday.

- Father Walker

PARISH DIRECTORIES

Many parish directories have yet to be picked up by the parishioners who had their pictures taken or submitted. These directories are available at the back of the church. We also have some extras if you would like to purchase a directory. Each one is only \$10.

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. The last day to contact Adam will be Monday, December 23rd at 12(Noon). The Mass Intention and Flowers program will be available at each entrance of the church, starting on Christmas Eve.

Fourth Sunday of Advent Prayer

O Wisdom, holy Word of God,
Jesus Christ,
all things are in your hands,
come and show us the way to salvation

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH NEWS

It is the fourth weekend of Advent. The last purple candle represents "love." As you prepare for the busyness of Christmas celebrations, be sure to reflect on God's unconditional love for each of you. How incredible that our God loves us so much that Jesus, the perfect example of love, was sent to us as a baby-just like you and I once were.

Our students have been focusing on the true meaning of Christmas, and they demonstrate a contagious joy for the upcoming holiday. Let them serve as a reminder of what Christmas is all about. Religion classes have paused for Christmas break. Monday classes will resume on January 6th, and Wednesday classes will resume January 8th.

St. John is blessed with amazing servers who set an example for their peers. Take a minute to show some gratitude to the servers after Mass sometime; they play such a special role in our parish. To show some appreciation, all servers are invited to the Server Appreciation Dinner. It will be held at Los Bravos on Monday, December 30th at 5:00 p.m. Please let Ashton know if you plan to attend.

akahle@evdio.org or 812-639-3923

MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Chosen before time to be the Mother of God Incarnate, Jesus Christ, God created Mary perfect and full of grace, preserving her from the stain of Original Sin. Mary Immaculate is the most beautiful fruit of the work of redemption accomplished by her Son, thereby making her the perfect model of holiness for all Christians.

- The Catholic Company

December Birthdays of St. John the Evangelist Parish

December 1:

Brooks Ackerman
Ron Boyd
Christina Bratton
Corey Jacobs
Audrey Robinson
Jalen Wildman
Jordan Wildman

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

December 12:

Lynn Bateman
Noel Harty
Thomas Michaels
Lori Wininger

December 14:

Liam Kluesner
Roger Slaven
Kay Summers

December 15:

Kevin Lents
Katherine Love
Charles 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 Birthdays of St. John the Evangelist Parish

December 19:

Olivia Findlay
Grace Foddrill
Susie Hager
Meagan Holder
Martin Lannan
Mary Lannan
Sharon Sims

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:

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

December 31:

Vera Helderman
Julie Lagree
Garrett Williams