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MASSES: SAT EVENING 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MORNING 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.
TU, WED, FRI: 8:00 A.M.
THURSDAY: 6:00 P.M.
ADORATION: FRIDAYS, 8:30 A.M.-7:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
TUES, WEDS, FRI: 7:30-7:45 A.M.
THURSDAY: 5:00-5:45 P.M.
SATURDAY: 3:45-4:45 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS: TUES-FRI 8:30-NOON & 1:00-4:00
CLOSED ON MONDAYS

WELCOME! WE EXTEND OUR HANDS AND HEARTS TO ALL WHO CELEBRATE WITH US, WHETHER LONGTIME RESIDENT OR NEWLY ARRIVED IN THE PARISH. WE THANK GOD THAT YOU ARE WITH US

The Week Ahead

Saturday, January 15, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Lector: Melanie Bechtold

Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Rupp, Janelle Schmitt

Acolytes: Sam Bechtold, Lukus Schmitt

Ministers of Hospitality: Chris & Sam Bechtold

Sunday, January 16, 2022

8:00 a.m.

Lector: Melinda Woll

Eucharistic Ministers: Becky Beery, Laura Rumschlag

Acolytes: Bailey Shidler, volunteer

Ministers of Hospitality: Bonnie & Tony Crowe

Sunday, January 9, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Lector: Don Neff

Eucharistic Ministers: Tonia Weigold, Joe Cochran

Acolytes: Keagan Born & Carson Duncan

Ministers of Hospitality: Volunteers

Collections for January 2, 2020

Offering Envelopes	\$ 2,710.00
Loose	352.00
Repair	165.00
Candles	22.00
Religious Ed	122.00
Total in pew	\$ 3,371.00

Online Collections (December 27-January 2)

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 3,185.00
Repair	737.00
Religious Ed	15.00
Total in pew	\$3,887.00



January 8-9 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) † Linda Muratori

8:00 a.m. (Sun.) † Dick Miller

10:30 a.m. (Sun.) † Parishioners

(rosary ½ hour before each Mass)

(Adoration one hour before Saturday Mass and Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass)

January 10 Monday: First Week in Ordinary Time
No Mass

January 11 Tuesday: Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Jim Brady

January 12 Wednesday: Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Justin Hinen

January 13 Thursday: Weekday

5:00 p.m. † First Thursday Memorial

January 14 Friday: Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Ray & Rose Fearnow

January 15/16 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 15th 5:00 p.m.: † Parishioners

Confession: 3:45-4:45

8:00 a.m.: † Trent Mowrey & Bud Meyer

10:30 a.m. : † George & Virginia Haggengjos

(rosary ½ hour before each Mass)

Adoration: 8:30 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!!!



This year's Parish Picnic will be Sunday August 14th, 2022 from 4-8 p.m. at Paige's Crossing. Please mark your calendars.

WOMEN'S EVENING

"Living your Faith" will be presented by Erin Shidler on Friday, January 14, 2022 from 6-9 p.m. in the Deacon Joe Zickgraf Community Center. Mark your calendars and sign-up in the Narthex.

MENS BIBLE STUDY

Men of the parish are invited to the monthly Men's Bible Study this Sunday at 6 p.m. in the sofa room. Come and bring a friend.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022

**The Baptism of the Lord
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22**

He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit. (Luke 3:16)

Now that’s a promise worth remembering: Jesus wants to baptize us with His own Holy Spirit! But what does this mean?

Let’s look first at Jesus’ experience of the Spirit. Luke tells us that at Jesus’ baptism, “the Holy Spirit descended upon” Him (3:22). On that day, Jesus received the Spirit in a new way—a gift from God that would empower Him and set Him on the path of ministry, service, and ultimately death and resurrection. Though Jesus was already fully God, the Spirit of God still came upon Him.

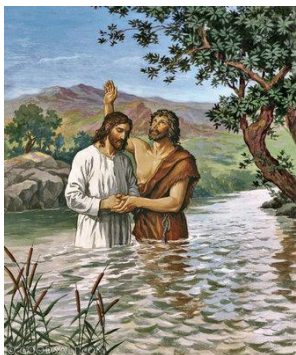
Luke includes a small but important detail in his account. As the Spirit descended on Him, the Father called out, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased” (Luke 3:22, emphasis added). He spoke directly to Jesus. He told Him how delighted he was in His Son’s obedience, humility, and trust in Him. Baptized, or immersed, in water, Jesus was also immersed in the Holy Spirit that day.

When you were baptized, the Holy Spirit came upon you, and God claimed you as his beloved child as well. He entered into a new, unbreakable relationship with you, and you became a new creation in Christ (*see Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1279*)

But God doesn’t want to fill you with his Spirit only at your baptism. He wants to baptize you—immerse you—in his Spirit again and again so that you can be filled with His love and equipped for the work God has for you. Again and again, He wants to tell you, “You are my beloved child. I love you. I am pleased to have you in my family.”

Even if it has been decades since you were baptized, God still wants to fill you with His Spirit. So don’t be afraid to ask for more: more of His love and more of his power in your life.

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All those 55 years of age and older are invited to our monthly “Young at Heart” gathering on Tuesday, January 18th. We will celebrate Mass together at 10:30 followed by a catered lunch, fellowship and card games. Please sign up in the narthex.

BLOOD DRIVE

The next Knights of Columbus Blood drive is this Sunday, January 9, 2022 from 8 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the church hall. Donors from our last drive in November are eligible to donate again. If you have never donated, please consider donating for the first time. Individuals sixteen years of age and older are eligible to donate. Your forty minutes of time could save the lives of three people.

The Red Cross would like **ALL** donors to sign-up online. Please sign-up online @redcross.org or use the Blood Donor App. Get the free Blood Donor App by texting BLOODAPP to 90999. This will make signing up and filling out your rapid pass the day of your donation very simple.

Pick up an information card at the posting in the Narthex. If you have any questions or need help, please feel free to call John Herrmann @ 260-229-5499. Donation times have been filling up just before our drives, so sign up now to get your preferred time slot.

Right to Life of North-Central Indiana Prayer Service

There will be a Right to Life Prayer Service on Saturday, January 22, 2022 at the Whitley County Courthouse. The program will begin at noon and consists of a brief message, testimony, prayers by several individuals, standing on the sidewalk with signs, and praying until 1:00 p.m. If the weather is too bad to be held outside, the program will be held at our Deacon Joe Zickgraf Community Center.



Please check out our pavilion which is now complete after many hours of hard work. Thanks to Mike, Rob and all of the volunteers and scouts that help make this a reality. Thanks also to parishioner, John Gilles for the continuing art work he is doing in our Narthex. John also painted the crucifix in our Community Center. Thank you for sharing your time and talent. The confessional has now been refurbished by Fr. Jose’s friends in Goshen and will be ready for confessions. Thanks to all involved. We are blessed with many gifted parishioners and are grateful for them sharing their time and talent.

