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Sacrament Preparation

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact Cece Graham at 765-288-5308 or via email at CGraham@parish.dol-in.org to begin the paperwork and class registration process. Parents must be registered parishioners for at least three months.

RCIA & Inquiry to the Catholic Faith

Interested in the Catholic Faith? Contact Jason Hart at jhart@parish.dol-in.org or by phone at (765) 288-9223.

Marriage Preparation

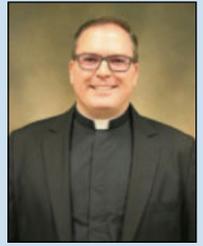
Marriage preparation must begin at least six months before the marriage date. Marriage preparation may begin at St. Francis even if the marriage is celebrated elsewhere. Call the parish office at (765) 288-6180 to schedule an initial meeting with a priest.

Ministry to the Sick

If you or a loved one would like Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion, contact the parish office at (765) 288-6180.

A Note from Fr. Underwood

I found this article in the Catholic Telegraph Magazine and thought you would enjoy it...



Father Eric Underwood

CATHOLIC AT HOME: PREPARE FOR A MORE SOULFUL THANKSGIVING By: Katie Sciba

We go around the table every year: “I’m grateful for my family and friends,” somebody says. “I’m grateful for pie,” one child pipes up. Thinking ahead to my turn, I want to voice something that’s heartfelt and unique, but, most years, I realize that I’ve done little reflection on the details of my life that would yield the solid answer I’m looking for. Similar to waking joyfully on Christmas morning, I want to experience Thanksgiving with a deep, peaceful gratitude grounded in recognizing God’s presence and blessings. To aim for the same, take small steps toward living simply and generosity while taking actual record of what gives you joy.

LIVE SIMPLY: St. Therese prayed, “Jesus, help me to simplify my life by learning what you want me to be, and becoming that person.” Living simply is much more focused on the soul than it is material possessions. God has blessed every one of us with gifts, passions and charisms. Recognizing what they are, then maintaining a lifestyle to nurture them is living simply.

For example, you might be a person who thrills in hosting and get-togethers, so having an abundance of plates, table cloths and space in your home would be “simple” for you. God put desires for adventurous homeschooling in my heart, so we have a good vehicle for our travels and we budget toward experiences. Our possessions and schedules should lean into who God created us to be as individuals and as families. What lights a spark in you? In your kids? Ask the Lord to reveal it to you, and live accordingly.

BE GENEROUS: I began pursuing a simpler life more than 10 years ago, the fruits of which our family saw immediately. An expecting mama bent on nesting, I wanted to rid our house of excess to make way for our third child. I could have sold our extra stuff, but with a due date looming, I rushed to give it away and stumbled upon generosity completely by accident.

Our family had been on the receiving end of others’ generosity countless times, but having the chance to do the same was a gift equal in proportion. My husband and I parted with small stuff at first – clothes the kids outgrew, home decor and books and we saw how much people appreciated receiving them. To put it simply, we saw more clearly how very important people are and that detaching from things we didn’t need could make us channels of God’s generosity. Eventually, Andrew and I had opportunities to give in bigger ways, and because we had been practicing, we could do so with joy.

NUMBER YOUR BLESSINGS: G.K. Chesterton said, “Gratitude is the mother of all virtues,” so cultivating thankfulness within ourselves is a surefire way to holiness. In 2004, I spotted a book called 14,000 Things to be Happy About at a bookstore. Flipping through, I realized that it didn’t apply to me specifically, so I bought a notebook instead and decided to write my own. Try this yourself!

Use a notebook, or make a spreadsheet. Have your kids start their own, as well, to encourage gratitude in their hearts. In noting the things that bring us joy – from the aroma of coffee to learning a baby is on the way – we open our eyes to the ways the Lord upholds us. In times of faith, my “happy list” has only made my smile wider; in darkness, I see how God buoys my heart.

Gratitude is a lifestyle, not a one-time event. It takes slow, small, steady steps to redirect our hearts, lives and families to see how present the Lord is – steps that lead to authentic thanksgiving and deep, soulful peace.

Liturgical Minister Schedule for Sat./Sun. November 27/28, 2021

Date & Time	Sacristan	EMHC	Reader	Greeter	Server
Sat. 11/27 4:30 pm	Anne Bennett	Alicia Luksus	Kevin Luksus	Anne Lacey	Volunteer
Sun. 11/28 9:00 am	Kianre Eouanzoui	Maria Kparambeti	Greg Holzer	Kim Burkholder	B./X. Pinkerton
Sun. 11/28 11:15 am	Nina Reber	Angela Saval	Bob Green	Irma Rodriguez	J. McKay
Sun. 11/28 8:00 pm	Scheduled by Campus Minister				

St. Francis News & Happenings

Altar Server Training at St. Francis



All children age 3rd grade & older who have received their 1st Communion are invited to Altar Server Training on Sunday, December 5, after 9 am Mass. If your child has ever considered serving, please join us! Contact Tara Edmondson at tedmondson@parish.dol-in.org if you have questions.

SAINT ALERT!! HAVE YOU SEEN US?

Barbara, Cecilia, Lucy, William, and Teresa of Sienna were last seen



hanging in our Narthex in November of 2020. They are about six feet tall, sewn or glued on natural color burlap, and wearing brightly colored robes, capes, and togas (similar to those in the photo). If you have any information as to their location, PLEASE contact the Church office or Lenny Baierwaller so they can take their place among our Saints. All leads held in confidence.

Advent in Muncie Catholic!



Advent
MUNCIE CATHOLIC OPPORTUNITIES

Advent Wreath Making & Dinner
St. Mary | 11/23 6:00-7:30
St. Lawrence | 11/27 5:30-7:00

St. Nicholas Night & Dinner
St. Francis | 12/3 6:00-7:30

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED TO MAKE THESE EVENINGS A SUCCESS!

Registration required, please contact cwolferteparish.dol-in.org or scan the QR code. \$10 donation suggested for each household.



WHAT IS A MISSION?

A mission is a mini retreat designed for busy people; an opportunity to step back a bit, to slow down and simply reconnect our life with God; a time of spiritual refreshment and invigoration. Something we all need!



Parish Mission

November 28-30
6:30 PM
St. Mary Parish

Fr. Ron Hoye, CM

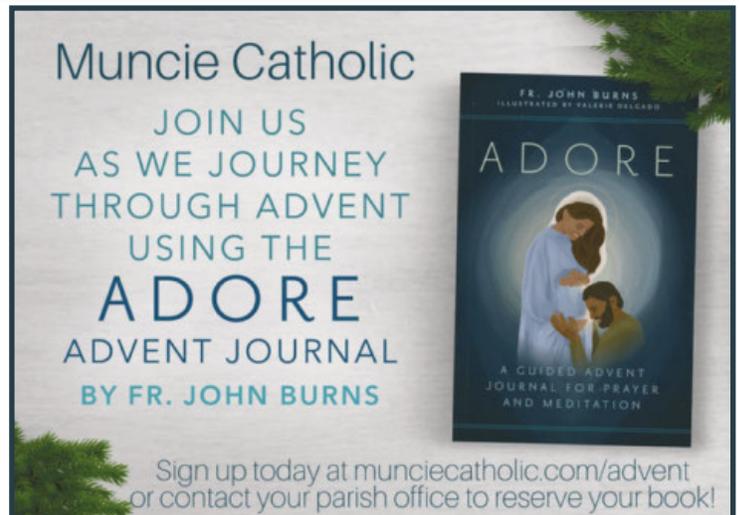
WHO IS A MISSION FOR? Mission if for everyone. It surprises a lot of people how much younger people really enjoy mission. The mission experience is one of story, laughter, reflection and prayer. It is designed to draw us into a deeper relationship with Jesus-- and have a good time doing it. It is an excellent opportunity for anyone struggling in or questioning their faith. For anyone who desires a spiritual boost or spark- that's just what a parish mission is all about!

HOW LONG IS IT? Here's the best part- it's 50 minutes. We recognize that people are busy and so it won't go on and on every evening. That is a promise. By the time you leave home for mission every evening to the time you get back- it will be under an hour. A time frame that accommodates even the busiest of schedules.

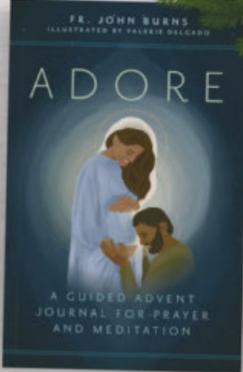
St. Mary Mission - Eucharistic Adoration

The Forty Hours Devotion is an opportunity to gather as a community before the Blessed Sacrament and to pray before the Lord in solemn adoration. It gives us time to deepen our appreciation of the importance of the mystery of the

Eucharist in our lives. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed over a period of three days so that the faithful are given the opportunity to assemble in prayer before the exposed Blessed Sacrament. **Please scan the QR code or call your parish office to sign up.**



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JOIN US
AS WE JOURNEY
THROUGH ADVENT
USING THE
ADORE
ADVENT JOURNAL
BY FR. JOHN BURNS



Sign up today at munciecatholic.com/advent or contact your parish office to reserve your book!

Please join us for a four-week Advent study based on the book *Adore* by Fr. John Burns. The book takes a relatable theme each week—vigilance, preparation, nearness, and Emmanuel—to help you let go of the annual rush of the season and reclaim the sacred sense of longing and joyful hope at the heart of Advent. Participants may study individually, with a spouse, as a family, with a friend, or with their current Bible Study group! Sign up today at munciecatholic.com/advent or contact your parish office to reserve your book! We are asking for a \$5 donation for books.

Moms of school age kids - Our first **Muncie Catholic Moms Night** will be Thursday Nov 18th in Noll Hall from 7-9, head to this link to register munciecatholic.flocknote.com/signup/73780.

From here we will introduce our **Advent Mom's Study**. We will offer Tuesday mornings from 9-10:30am on St. Mary Campus (Nov 30, Dec 7, 14, 21) and Thursday evenings from 7-8:30pm (Dec 2, 9, 16, 23) on St. Mary Campus. Babysitting will be available at the morning meeting only. Please reach out to Christine with any questions cwolfert@parish.dol-in.org or 765-288-6180 and to register for the book study. *Adore* books will be available at Moms Night and in the Parish Offices!

Eucharistic Adoration - **"We can rush right through Advent without even realizing four weeks have gone by. But we are called to not be so busy, and adoration requires that."** Take time this Advent to attend our Pastorate Eucharistic Adoration. Each Sunday of Advent, Muncie Catholic will offer 2 hours of Adoration from 3-5pm (December 5th @ St. Mary, 12th @ St. Francis, & 19th @ St. Lawrence). During each Adoration, Fr. Underwood, Fr. DeCarlo, or Father Coady will talk about that weeks readings & reflections and help us prepare for the upcoming week of Advent. **"People say Adoration is the most peaceful time in their week and the most peaceful time in their day,"**

Muncie Pastorate Opportunities, Meetings & Ministries



The **Secular Franciscans** will meet on **Wednesday, November 24, at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Elizabeth House** on the St. Mary campus. Anyone interested in learning about St. Francis of Assisi and his spiritual tradition is welcome to attend our meetings. For more

information, contact Sharon Roberts at sroberts@bsu.edu or 765-286-5278.

Bell's of St. Mary Bazaar

Thank you to everyone who helped and attended the Bell's of St. Mary Bazaar! A special thank you to Emily Ziarko for all of her hard work in leading the Bazaar planning. This year's raffle winners are :

\$500.00 - Judy Botkin, \$300.00 - Mark DiFabio, \$200 - Maryilyn Doyle **CONGRATULATIONS!!**

Total profit and delegation of funds will be forthcoming and we are looking forward to continuing our mission of building community within our Pastorate,

Sunday Religious Education Update

Last weekend our pre-k through 7th grade classes worked on an amazing service project for Muncie Mission. Starting off with a talk from Father DeCarlo, the children headed to their classrooms and decorated over 200 bags that will be used by the Mission to deliver fresh fruit to our local homebound neighbors during the holidays. The kids were able to draw pictures, add scriptures, prayers etc.! So thankful the Muncie Mission thought of our group for this project!



MUNCIE Catholic

Job
Openings

St. Michael Catholic School Job Openings

Full-time 4th grade teacher to begin immediately.

Interested candidates should send a resume and letter of interest to Dr. Peg Dispenzieri, Superintendent, at pdispenzieri@dol-in.org.

PT Preschool / Early Elementary School Aide

Position available immediately

Primary duties are to assist teachers in the day-to-day classroom activities.

Typical hours would be 9:30 – 2:30 Mon – Fri

PT School Nurse

Position available immediately

Primary duties would be to receive, store, inventory and administer prescription medication to students
Manage required medical records and other related administrative functions

Typical hours would be 9:00 – 1:00 Mon-Fri

PT Lunchroom Aide

Position available Jan 3, 2022

Primary duties are to assist with serving meals and monitoring students during the lunch period

Typical hours would be 10:30 – 1:00 Mon-Fri

Please send resumes to Phil McPherson at pmcpherson@parish.dol-in.org

St. Michael Catholic School is in desperate need of **substitute teachers**. Qualified candidates must have completed two years of college and be able to pass a background check and Diocesan Safe and Sacred protocols.

Interested parties should contact Alison Quirk at apquirk@stmichaelmuncie.org.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish and Newman Center Full Time Maintenance

Position available immediately

Primary duties include the routine maintenance of the buildings and grounds.

Grounds maintenance include: mowing, edging, basic landscaping, assist with snow removal, etc

Building maintenance include preventative and general maintenance activities: changing filters, replacing bulbs/batteries, event set-up and minor repairs.

Duties also include supervision of contractors and vendors.

This position will also collaborate with and support maintenance activities within the Muncie Pastorate.

Please send resumes to Phil McPherson at pmcpherson@parish.dol-in.org

Weekly Schedule & Mass Intentions

All are welcome at our student-lead Masses & Adoration!

Mon 11/22	5:00 pm	Confessions
	5:30 pm	Mass: +David Hofheinz
	8:00 pm	BSU Student Adoration & Confessions
Tues 11/23	9:00 am	NO Coffee & Donuts - Meeting in Parish Hall (BYOC+D) - All are welcome!
	5:00 pm	Confessions
	5:30 pm	Mass: Int. for Lee & Lawless Families
	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Advent wreath making at St. Mary - Registration Required - See pg 3
Wed 11/24	5-5:30 pm	Confessions
	5:30 pm	Mass: +Susan Land
	6:15 pm	NO Newman Night - Thanksgiving Break
	7:00 pm	RCIA - St. Lawrence, St. Agnes Hall
Thur 11/25	NO Mass at St. Francis - 9:00 am Mass at St. Lawrence Happy Thanksgiving	
Fri 11/26	Parish Office Closed No Mass	
Sat 11/27	3:30-4 pm	Confessions
	4:30 pm	Mass: +Ken Heinen
Sun 11/28	9:00 am	Mass: Int. for Pam Forgille
	10:00 - 11:00 am	NO Religious Education Pre-K through 7th grade SFA Campus
	11:15 am	Mass: For the Parish
	8:00 pm	BSU Student Mass: +Debbie Brannick

Pray For Those Who Serve

Please keep Navy Lieutenant Commander Andy Baierwalter, Lt. Colonel Scott McCarthy, Navy Hospitalman Noel Holzer, Staff Sgt Nathan Bolka, Sergeant Keegan Nuñez, Captain Jon VanPixerter, Lieutenant Bailey Windell, Airmen Luis Lepe, Lance Corporal Brandon Patz, Air Force Sgt. Francisco Rodriguez and all Armed Forces Personnel in your prayers, particularly those of our extended Parish family.



If you have a loved one serving, please let us know so we can keep them in our prayers.



STAY
CONNECTED!

Bulletin E-Mail Information

Please send all bulletin requests/updates to
SFABulletin@parish.dol-in.org
All bulletin requests must be in by noon on Friday.

*St. Francis
Children's
Choir*

PRACTICE TIMES:
SUN, DEC 19TH | 10-11AM
FRI, DEC 24TH | 3:30-4:00PM

PERFORMANCE:
FRIDAY, DEC 24TH 4:15PM
before our Christmas Eve Mass

More info to come!
Contact Christine with any questions!

Thanksgiving Prayer

From U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
Lord, we thank you
for the goodness of our people
and for the spirit of justice
that fills this nation.
We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the
land and the challenge of the cities.
We thank you for our work and our rest,
for one another, and for our homes.
We thank you, Lord:
accept our thanksgiving on this day.
We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Time, Talent & Treasure

Online Giving

Not digital yet...scan this QR code to make your weekly donations on-line! If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at tedmondson@parish.dol-in.org.



Weekly Stewardship Report	Nov. 14, 2021	Year-to-Date
Budgeted Weekly	\$8,654.00	\$164,426.00
Weekly Collection <small>*Includes online gifts</small>	\$4,999.85	\$170,554.75
Over/Short	-\$3,654.15	\$6,128.75

Prayer for our Diocesan Priests

O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, live in (name of priest) act in him, speak in and through him. Think your thoughts in his mind, love through his heart. Give him your own dispositions and feeling. Teach, lead, and guide him always. Correct, enlighten, and expand his thoughts and behavior. Possess his soul, take over his entire personality and life. Replace him with Yourself, incline him to constant adoration and thanksgiving, pray in and through him. Let him live in You and keep him in this intimate union always. O Mary, Immaculate Conception, Mother of Jesus and Mother of priests, pray and intercede for (...). Amen.

11/21 Joshua Janko
11/22 Matthew Kalu
11/23 Samuel Kalu
11/24 Peter Logsdon

11/25 Gustavo Lopez
11/26 Jeffrey Martin
11/27 Adam Mauman
11/28 Thomas McDermott

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