

**Sacrament of Baptism**  
Usually during or after a Sunday Liturgy. Call the office to arrange a date and time.

**Sacrament of Matrimony**  
Must participate in Diocesan Preparation Program. Call the office six months before setting date. One of the parties must be a registered practicing Catholic member of this parish.

**Sacrament of the Sick**  
Please keep us informed of the sick and shut-ins especially when there is serious illness.

**Moving Parishioners**  
Please notify office of any change in address.

**Religious Ed. Classes**  
**St. John Bosco**  
Classes are from 9:00—10:15 am Sunday from Sept. through Apr.  
**Immaculate Conception**  
Immediately following the 8:30 am Sunday Liturgy from Sept.—Apr.

**Rosary Society**  
**St. John Bosco**  
2nd Tuesday—6:30 pm  
**Immaculate Conception**  
3rd Tuesday—6:30 pm

**Holy Name Society**  
2nd Sunday — 6:30 pm

**Prayer Line**  
Call Parish Office  
693-9578

**Homebound Communion:**  
At Ege: Call Jeryl Marshall at 693-6365.  
At St. John's: Call Scott Raber at 403-2624

**SVDP FOOD PANTRY:**  
Wed. 3:30-5:00 pm

**EGE CEMETERY:**  
John Konger—693-3790  
Ryan Konger—693-0694

# St. John & Immaculate Bosco Conception Catholic Church

Churubusco, Indiana

## Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 7:00 & 10:30 am

## Weekday

Monday & Friday 8:00 am  
Wednesday 7:00 pm  
1st Saturday 8:00 am

## Holydays

Eve 7:00 pm  
Day 8:00 am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat. 4:15-4:45 pm; after Friday am Mass

## Parish Ministry Team

### Religious Education

Director, Donna Macino.....693-3332  
Assistant, Deb Humphries.....693-9609

**Music Director**, Steve Palmer.....438-8710

### SVDP Food Pantry

.....693-9578

### Marriage Preparation

Darrin & Kelly Geiger.....615-0978

### Custodian

Toni Folds .....416-2244

Ege, Indiana

## Mass Schedule

Saturday..... 7:00 pm  
Sunday ..... 8:30 am

## Weekday

Tuesday & Thursday ..... 8:00 am

## Holydays

Evening ..... 7:00 pm

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday 8:15 am; after Thursday am Mass

## Parish Ministry Team

### Religious Education Coordinator

Judy Egolf..... 705-4577  
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### Music Director

Beth Konger.....693-2724

### SVDP Food Pantry

Francis Bianski.....693-3937

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## From the Pastor's Desk

Fellow pilgrims, as the word of God usually does, the readings call us to the life on a higher plane over and above the usual tit-for-tat. This is the life of love, kindness and forgiveness. Of course, we are accustomed to these values already, but today's readings emphasize them again by giving them a great and high urgency, as the important values that promote human relationship, growth, peace and progress. For instance, in the first reading, Saul, who had been very wicked towards David after he defeated Goliath and gained the respect of the people, went after David to kill him, but he fell into the hands of David who spared him out of respect for God (1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23). Thus, David's love of God translated into his love for his fellow man and he was able to treat Saul kindly and he did not repay him with the evil measure Saul planned for him.

Jesus also emphasized those values today (Lk 6:27-38). He called his followers to live by a higher law and standard: the same higher law of love, kindness and forgiveness. Now, we must note that when we are compassionate and merciful, we are actually living out our identity, for we are made in the image and likeness of God (Gen 1:27), who is kind and merciful (Ps 103:8). As the second reading puts it, just as the first Adam, we live the natural life of the flesh. We, like the second Adam who we now follow, must also live the spiritual life of the spirit. Hence, as we bear the image of the earthly one we are to bear also the image of the heavenly one (1 Cor 15:45-49). Jesus equally stated it in the gospel, emphasizing that those who show love, kindness and forgiveness are children of God. He said: "Love your enemies and do good to them. . . you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful" (Lk 6:35-36).

Now, it must be acknowledged that these values are not easy standards to live by. However, we know that by the grace of God a lot of people are turning to live out those values today. I believe that it will help when Christians guard against the attitude of self-righteousness and the thinking that everyone must be like them; for when Jesus said that we should treat others as we would like them to treat us, it includes the recognition of others' personal make-up and needs, and to treat them accordingly. So, as we look forward to the coming Lenten season, let us pray that it will be a great season for us to grow in the values of authentic love, unalloyed kindness and sincere forgiveness towards all.

Let me take a moment to appreciate the SPARC men of our two parishes who attended last Saturday's Rekindle the Fire Diocesan Men's Conference in South Bend. We know that you made sacrifices to be able to attend the conference. Our prayer and hope is that the discussions, talks, lessons, sacramental reconciliation and Eucharistic celebration you participated in, as well as the fellowship you experienced, will continue to renew you so that you continue to manifest the image of the Father, especially in loving and forgiving others as the readings exhort us. Finally, while coming to next weekend's Masses, remember to return to the Church the palms from last year Palm Sunday. God bless!

*Fr. Francis*

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray for a woman who is recovering from surgery with serious health problems.
- Please pray for a parishioner's granddaughter, Courtney, who has cerebral palsy and is hospitalized in ICU with several very serious health problems.



# Mardi Gras

**Saturday**

**March 2nd**

**St. John's Basement  
immediately following  
the 5 pm Mass.**

**Beer & Wine Tasting**

**Appetizers**

**Silent Auction**

**LIVE Auction**

**Lots of great items!!**

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**See You There!!**

## Lenten Radio Challenge

Redeemer Radio has issued the Lent Radio Challenge! Visit [LentRadio.com](http://LentRadio.com) and join us for 40 days of Redeemer Radio! Sign up at [LentRadio.com](http://LentRadio.com) and join the diocese-wide challenge to reset all your presets to Redeemer Radio 106.3 FM throughout all of Lent! We'll send a daily e-boost to your inbox, providing you with local, faithful inspiration as we journey with Jesus into the desert. Sign up at: [LentRadio.com](http://LentRadio.com).

## Attention Ege Parishioners

We will be collecting paper towels, Kleenex and bar soap for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry through the end of March. There is a box in the back of church for your donations. We appreciate your help!

## Children's SVDP Pantry Offering

The Religious Education students at St. John Bosco will be bringing in items for the Food Pantry for Sunday, March 3rd. Please bring your items to class with you. Thank you!!

## Mass Intentions for the Week

February 25, 2019

### St. John Bosco

Monday	8:00 am	Leo Garlitz
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Henschen & Greene Families
Friday*	8:00 am	Jim & Donna Martin
Saturday	8:00 am	For the People
Saturday	5:00 pm	John Brase
Sunday	7:00 am	Ed & Jean Ryan
	10:30 am	Bob & Agnes Schortgen

\*FIRST FRIDAY — Mass, Benediction, Reconciliation, & Holy Hour

### Immaculate Conception

Tuesday	8:00 am	Friends
Thursday	8:00 am	Phyllis Riecke
Saturday	7:00 pm	Dave & Sue Brady
Sunday	8:30 am	Kate Gebhart

## Schedule for March 3

**8:30 am** Immaculate Conception  
*Servers* Brooklyn Konger, Loan Holzinger, Jack Huelsenbeck & Logan Jacquay

*Lector* Joe Eichman

*Special Ministers* Jeryl Marshall, Matt & Jill Marshall

*Ushers* Jimmy Schenher & Paul Sade

**10:30 am** St. John Bosco  
*Servers* Keegan McComb, Audrey, Gabby & Nick Orth

*Lector* Deb Humphries

*Special Ministers* Todd Brinker, Toni Folds, Darrin & Kelly Geiger

*Ushers* Joe Folds & Doug Fischer

*Homebound* Gerard Muegerl

## Parish Activities



### ST. JOHN BOSCO

**THE BIBLE STUDY GROUP** will meet on Monday, February 25th, at 8:30 a.m. in the church basement.

**SPARC MEETING** — Wednesday, February 27th, at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement.

**MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION** — Saturday, March 2nd, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Join us for a beer and wine tasting and hors d'oeuvres, silent auction, LIVE auction and more!!

**CHILDREN'S FOOD OFFERING** — Sunday, March 3rd. Please bring your items to Religious Education Class.

**SECOND GRADE PARENTS' MEETING** — Sunday, March 3rd, at 11:30 a.m. in the back of church.

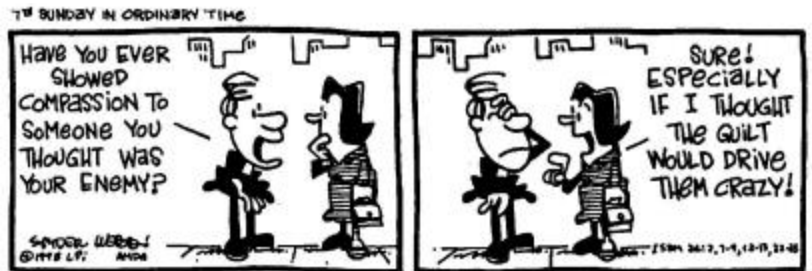
### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

**HOLY NAME MEETING** — Attention all men of the parish — the Holy Name Society has the responsibility of maintaining the buildings and grounds of the parish. Our meetings are held the second Sunday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please make every effort to attend the meetings. Refreshments are served and it is a time for good fellowship.

**THE ROSARY** will be led by the second grade class on Sunday, March 3rd, at 9:40. Everyone is invited to attend.

**RECONCILIATION** for the 2nd grade class will be after Mass on Sunday, March 10th.

**ROSARY MEETING** — Tuesday, March 19th, at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement.



## News From Around the Area

**THE DIOCESE OF FORT WAYNE-SOUTH BEND** is currently seeking candidates for the position of Superintendent of Catholic Schools. Catholic Schools are a ministry of the Church, and this position works with the Bishop and the Secretary for Catholic Education to ensure the integration of faith and life, reverence for truth, growth in virtue, formation in Christian discipleship, and commitment to prayer. The superintendent oversees the formation of 13,000 students in 39 elementary schools and 4 high schools in Northern Indiana. For more information and to apply, please visit the diocesan careers webpage at [www.diocesefwsb.org/Current-Job-Postings](http://www.diocesefwsb.org/Current-Job-Postings).

**ST. PATRICK CHURCH ARCOLA** will have an all you can eat fish fry on Friday, March 8th, from 4:00–7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All you can eat fish, potato salad, coleslaw, applesauce and dessert. Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches available for kids. Adults \$10.00, Seniors 60+ \$9.00, child (5-10 yrs) \$5.00, children 4 and under free. Drive thru and carry outs available.

**MERCY & MARY RETREAT** — March 8-9 at St. Pius X Catholic Church,

52553 Fir Road, Granger, IN. Experience the time of Mercy! This retreat includes: 5 conferences with Fr. Gaitley; Coffee/donuts; Lunch with the Marian Missionaries; Retreat Mass & Divine Mercy Chaplet; Adoration & Benediction; Personal Testimonies; Book signing with Fr. Gaitley; and more! Special rate of \$49.95. Register Now at [events.MarianMissionaries.org](http://events.MarianMissionaries.org). For more information, call 413-944-8500 Extension 10. Hosted by the Marian Missionaries in partnership with the Diocese and Redeemer Radio.

**COME AND SEE THE SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE** — Where is God calling you? Are you a single, Catholic woman between the ages of 18 and 42? The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, invite you to a Come and See Retreat. The retreat begins at 7 p.m., April 12, and concludes at 2 p.m., April 14. Explore where God is calling you. Learn what life is like as a Sister of Providence. Meet the newest sisters in the Congregation. Get to know more about foundress Saint Mother Theodore Guerin, and spend time in prayer and reflection. Register online at [ComeandSee.SistersofProvidence.org](http://ComeandSee.SistersofProvidence.org) or contact Sister Editha Ben at 812-230-4771 or [eben@spsmw.org](mailto:eben@spsmw.org).



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