

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, Joan Norden.....609-3950
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 Folds416-2244

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

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Judy Egolf..... 705-4577

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Music Director

Beth Konger.....693-2724

SVDP Food Pantry

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PARISH WEBSITES: stjohnboscochurubusco.org & iccege.org



“Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.” - Lk 14:27

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From the Pastor's Desk

Fellow pilgrims, it is difficult to understand the thoughts and wisdom of God for we read: "...as high as the heavens are above the earth, so high is my ways and thoughts above yours" (Isa 55:8-9). Yet, the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom (Ps 11:10; Prov 4:7; 9:10). This wisdom is life (Jn 6:63), for it makes a complete sense of life as the first reading tells us (Wis 9:13-17). For instance, it does not make any sense in the human parlance to deny oneself, to renounce one's family and possessions and other things precious to us, and then carry a cross after the manner of Jesus (Lk 14:25-27). Or like Paul asking Philemon to take back Onesimus, his former slave, who stole from him, not just as a slave but now as a brother (Philem 10-17). But this is God's wisdom that makes sense of our lives as Christians who have to calculate the cost of discipleship and see all we have as gifts of God, which we should be grateful for and which we should not try to possess as ends in themselves unless we want to end up in misery.

Now, we must note that the word 'to hate,' which Jesus used (Lk 14:26), means 'love less' in Aramaic. So, he meant that we have to love God above all else and 'love less' the things of the world. This makes us free to carry on our mission as Christians, for when we want a dear thing, we must give up some dear things for: "...those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples" (Lk 14:33). Also, Jesus is teaching us about our sometimes unhealthy attachment to people, things and ideas, which prevents and obstructs us from being disciples of Christ. A Christian needs to be free and open to the demand of the gospel, which may be against our usual comfort zone and inclinations; hence the radical nature of Christianity that demands that we set what we love free in love. As it is, when we are unhealthily attached to someone or somebody or some ideas, it removes our freedom and prevents the development of our full potential as human beings and as Christians; whereas a healthy attachment would promote this growth. Paul set Onesimus free for him to reach his full potential as a Christian (Phlm 12-16).

Now, we are at the end of summer having just celebrated the Labor Day weekend, and we are glad that you were able to have pleasant vacations, traveling to places of interest to see wonderful sceneries, and to be with friends and family. Hopefully, it was a great time for you to enjoy the whole dynamics and varieties that life and various places and seasons offer us. So, as we heartily welcome you back to base, we express our gratitude to God for his journey mercies, for his protection, for his blessings and for the fun times you had with your families these summer months, and we pray that as we have entered the last quarter of the year, the -ember months, that we are energized to put into practice the good things we have gotten on our travels to make life better for others in our parishes, our families and our communities, especially as this weekend's readings urge us to practice radical Christianity.

Finally, this Sunday is Ege Chicken Dinner. Everyone is encouraged to attend with family and friends for a wonderful and fun-filled fellowship and good food. It is also a way to practice our radical Christianity by giving time to others and to our parish in realizing our goal of maintaining our church and parish. God bless.

Fr. Francis

Prayer Requests

- Please keep all of our parishioners, family members, and those in the community undergoing treatment for cancer in your prayers. Also pray for their caregivers and families.



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Fall Flea Market

The Rosary Society is having their annual Fall Flea Market on Saturday, September 28th, from approximately 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. This is the same date as the town-wide garage sale event. Each space is \$5.00. Bring your own tables. This is a great time to do some clearing out before winter and make a little cash, too! Also — don't forget to bring a covered dish to share for lunch!!

Adult Convert Classes

Have you been thinking about joining the Catholic Church? Are you a baptized Catholic, but have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation? Would you like to know more about Catholicism, but you're not sure where to start? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then maybe RCIA is for you. RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and considering membership in the Catholic Church. If you are interested, sign-up on the sheet posted on the church bulletin board where you will also find some informational flyers. Questions? Call/email Laura Stout (cell) 260-466-1976 or (email) LauraStout05@gmail.com. Classes will be held on Monday nights in the Rectory Classroom from 7-8pm starting September 30th.

Weekly Collection

ST. JOHN BOSCO:

- Regular Collection \$4,801.65
- Communications 10.00
- Votive 248.00
- SVDP Food Pantry 1,107.73
- Online Giving 1,125.00

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:

- Regular Collection \$1,602.00
- Online Giving 865.00



Mass Intentions for the Week

September 9, 2019

St. John Bosco

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| Monday | 8:00 am | Leo Garlitz |
| Wednesday | 7:00 pm | Gary Kemp |
| Friday | 8:00 am | Tom Stoodly |
| Saturday | 5:00 pm | Rita Muldoon |
| Sunday | 7:00 am | Catherine Wappes |
| | 10:30 am | Mary Wisniewski & Mary Didion |

Immaculate Conception

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| Tuesday | 8:00 am | For the People |
| Thursday | 8:00 am | Robert, Ruth & Mike Mack |
| Saturday | 7:00 pm | Clarence & Mildred Konger |
| Sunday | 8:30 am | Kate Gebhart |

Schedule for September 15

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| 8:30 am | Immaculate Conception |
| <i>Servers</i> | Logan Holzinger, Brooklyn & Corbin Konger |
| <i>Lector</i> | Rodney Stayner |
| <i>Special Ministers</i> | Chris Felger, Mike Ott, Robert & Linda Plant |
| <i>Ushers</i> | Kevin & Brady Crick |
| 10:30 am | St. John Bosco |
| <i>Servers</i> | Madison Fischer, Maddie & Nathan Davis |
| <i>Lector</i> | Craig Humphries |
| <i>Special Ministers</i> | Todd Brinker, Deb Humphries, Pete & Lisa Costin |
| <i>Ushers</i> | Randy Schreiber & Brian McComb |
| <i>Homebound</i> | Scott Raber |

Parish Activities



ST. JOHN BOSCO

THE BIBLE STUDY GROUP will meet on Monday, September 9th, in the church basement immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

ROSARY MEETING — Tuesday, September 10th, at 6:30 p.m.

SPARC MEETING — Wednesday, September 11th, at 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES will begin on Sunday, September 15th, at 9:00 a.m.

FALL FLEA MARKET — Saturday, September 28th, from 9:00—3:00 pm.

CHILI & HOT DOG SUPPER — Saturday, October 19th, immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Bake sale, too!!

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES begin Sunday, September 15th, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

ROSARY MEETING — Tuesday, September 17th, at 6:30 p.m.

Religious Ed News

St. John's Religious Ed Classes will begin on Sunday, September 15th, at 9:00 a.m. for preschool (ages 3-6) thru 8th grade. If you haven't returned your registration forms yet, they are available in the back of the church and may be completed and placed in the collection during any Mass.

Immaculate Conception's Religious Ed Classes will also begin on Sunday, September 15th, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass for preschool (ages 4-5) through High School. Please fill out an enrollment form if you are new to our program or *have a change of information from last year*. Drop forms in the collection basket or give to Judy Egolf.

THE DEADLINE TO ORDER YOUR MUMS IS THIS WEEKEND. Don't let this good deal get away! Order forms are in the back of the church.

News From Around the Area

A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT RETREAT will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in the Cathedra Hall Lower Level (which is handicapped accessible). Sessions will run on 7 consecutive Wednesdays beginning on September 11 through October 23 from 6:30—8:00 p.m. The Retreat is designed to open each person to a greater awareness of the workings of the Holy Spirit in their life. There is a suggested \$5 donation for materials. Please call 260-385-5717 for registration and questions. All are welcome!!

WOMEN'S EVENING — Friday, September 20th, 5:30—9:30 pm, at the Deacon Joe Community Center, 315 S. Line St., Columbia City. The women of St. Paul of the Cross invite you to join us for a women's evening. We will share a meal, fellowship, discussion and quiet time to nourish your heart and soul. Our discussion topic will be *Guided by God*. Please extend the invitation to your friends. Young women in high school are also invited. Women do not need to be Catholic to attend. Register online at september2019womensevening.eventbrite.com or email

womenofsaintpaul@gmail.com. Free will donation appreciated for meal.

MEET THE AUTHOR — Kathryn Whitaker at St. Patrick's in Arcola on Thursday, October 3rd, from 7-9 pm, or Friday, October 4th, from 9:30-11 am (children welcome on Friday morning). Kathryn Whitaker is a popular Catholic author, blogger, speaker, who shares what it's like raising a raucous Catholic family. Whitaker shares her journey and challenges you to understand that you, too, can live a life of authenticity with joy-filled purpose, love, and faith. Her sassy way will make you laugh and cry while encouraging you to be honest about mistakes in every area of your life, embrace them, and find a way to let God redeem it all.

WCCOA SENIOR HEALTH FAIR — Friday, October 4th, 10:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m. at the 4H Center, 680 W. Squawbuck Rd., Columbia City. Free admission and parking. Free lunch & dessert. Free screenings: flu shots, pneumonia shots, fall risk assessments, balance testing, hearing screening, blood pressure checks. Free Ag Museum tours, service and product provider booths. Lots of valuable information. Door prizes!

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