

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

Sacrament of Matrimony
Call the office at least six months before setting date.

Sacrament of the Sick
Please keep us informed of the sick and homebound especially when there is serious illness.

Religious Ed. Classes:

St. John Bosco
9:00–10:15 am Sunday from Sept.-Apr.

Immaculate Conception
9:40 am 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

Homebound Communion:

At Ege:
Call Jeryl Marshall at 693-6365.

At St. John Bosco:
Call the Parish Office

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
(Adoration at 7:00 am; Rosary at 7:30 am)
Wednesday 6:00 pm
(Adoration at 5:00 pm; Rosary at 5:30 pm)

Confession Schedule

Sat. 4:15-4:45 pm;
Wed. 5-5:30pm

Religious Education Coordinator

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Music Director

Steve Palmer 438-8710

Ege, Indiana

Mass Schedule

Saturday 7:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am

Weekday

Tuesday 9:00 am
(Adoration at 8:00am, Rosary 8:30 am)
Thursday 6:00 pm
(Adoration at 5:00 pm; Rosary 5:30 pm)

Confession Schedule

Thurs. 5-5:30pm

Religious Education Coordinator

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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Merry Christmas and Feast of the Holy Family!

Saint Athanasius said: "The Son of God became so that man might become God." This Christmas season we are invited to marvel that God created the Human person with the capacity for God to become a man Himself. And let's marvel that the Light of Christ that comes to us in Christmas actually elevates us and puts us on God's level as His children.

The Sunday after Christmas is always the Feast of the Holy Family. This Christmastime, I would encourage all mothers and fathers to discuss with each other about regularizing prayer in the home so that the family might become holy. May our families be mini-holy families; mini-churches. In each family, may the father image Saint Joseph and the mother image the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the children be like little Christs.

May Christmas Light flood our lives — personally, family, and in our parish.

Peace and Joy,
Fr. Drew

December 26, 2021

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

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Prayer Requests

- Please pray for a parishioner going through some intense physical rehabilitation for successful outcome.
- Please pray for our parishioners undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Please pray for those who are separated from their families this year at Christmas.



Job Opening

Saint John Bosco Parish in Churubusco, Indiana, is seeking to hire a part time secretary/bookkeeper for 21 hours per week. Flexible schedule. Interested candidates should apply online at diocesefwsb.org/careers.



Mass Intentions for the Week

December 27, 2021

St. John Bosco

Monday	8:00 am	Ceil Tomlins
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Thomas Koch
Friday	4:00 pm	Paul & Connie Dice
Saturday	5:00 pm	Kiley Reed
Sunday	7:00 am	For the People of the Parish
	10:30 am	James Brown

Immaculate Conception

Tuesday	9:00 am	Poor Souls
Thursday	6:00 pm	Shirley Rosswurm
Friday	5:30 pm	Denise Ramsey & Family
Saturday	7:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	8:30 am	Amanda Bianski Espy

Schedule for January 2

8:30 am	Immaculate Conception
Servers	Graham Smith, Mary & Kate Griffiths
Readers	Dena Eichman & Veronica Eichman
Special Ministers	Jeryl Marshall
Ushers	Ryan & Nathan Konger

10:30 am	St. John Bosco
Servers	Caitlyn Newmark, Greyson & Avery Goble
Readers	Ceil Parker & Alicia Raber
Special Ministers	Pete Costin
Ushers	Randy Schreiber & Brian McComb

Parish Activities



ST. JOHN BOSCO

THE BIBLE STUDY GROUP will not meet on Friday, December 31st, because of the holidays. We will resume on Friday, January 7th. New members are always welcome.

RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES will not meet on Sunday, December 26th, and will resume on Sunday, January 2nd.

ROSARY MEETING — Tuesday, January 11th, at 6:30 pm in the church basement.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING — Wednesday, January 12th, at 6:30 pm in the church basement.

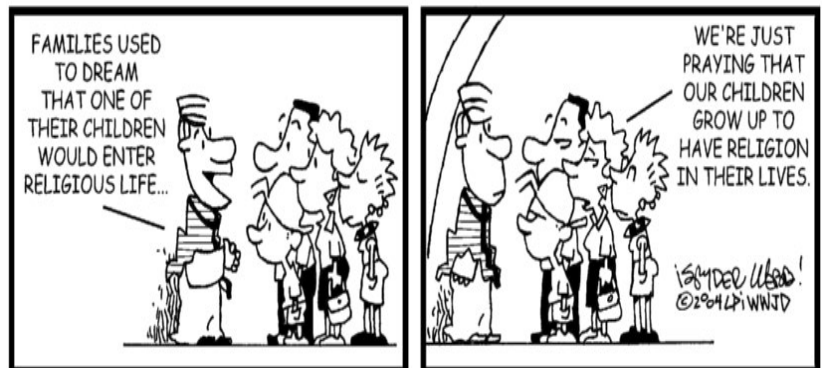
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES will not meet on Sunday, December 26th, and will resume on Sunday, January 2nd.

HOLY NAME MEETING — Sunday, January 9th, at 6:30 pm in the church basement.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING — Thursday, January 13th, at 6:30 pm in the church basement.

HOLY FAMILY



News From Around the Area

CUPERTINO CLASSIC — The priests and seminarians of the diocese prepare to face off once again in the annual Cupertino Classic Basketball Game for Vocations on December 27th. This event is free and open to the public. Tipoff is at 6:30 pm at the University of Saint Francis Hutzell Athletic Center, 2701 Spring Street in Fort Wayne. Mass will take place prior to game time in the St. Francis chapel at 3:45 pm, with adoration following until 6:00 pm. Come celebrate the vocation to Christ's priesthood and gather as a diocesan community.

BISHOP DWENGER HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI APPRECIATION NIGHT — January 7, 2022. BD & CC Alumni, join your fellow alumni and friends to support the Saints' Varsity Basketball teams on Friday, January 7. The Saints will take on the Carroll Chargers — Girls at 6:00pm and Boys at 7:30pm in the BDHS Main Gym. Please visit bishopdwenger.com for more information.

MARCH FOR LIFE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN — The Diocesan March for Life pilgrimage for students grades 9-12 is January

20-23, 2022. Tentative schedule includes the National March for Life on Friday, January 21, and a Diocesan Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades on Saturday, January 22. Join hundreds of students and adult leaders from our diocese as we pray and march for the protection of human life! Learn more and register at diocesefwsb.org/march-for-life.

DIOCESAN MUSEUM PRESENTS — The Diocesan Museum in Fort Wayne is a treasure trove of religious artifacts that brings to life the history of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. From December to January, the museum presents a feature exhibit: Christmas Altar Pictures. Come and see the beauty and creativity in this exhibit featuring photos of more than 30 diocesan church altars decorated for the sacred season. Other Christmas-related artifacts are also on display. Located at 1103 S. Calhoun St., next to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, the museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, and by appointment. Free parking is available in any cathedral lot.



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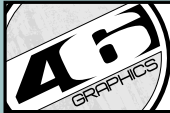
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