Sacrament of Baptism Usually Saturday mornings. Call the office to arrange.

# Sacrament of Matrimony Call the office at lea

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.

#### Homebound:

Anyone in the Churubusco or Huntertown area who would like communion brought to them, please call the Parish Office.

Prayer Line: alinvill@gmail.com

Religious Ed. Classes: Sundays 9-10:15am, from Sept.-Apr. Alicia Raber drestjohnbosco@gmail.com

**Ege Cemetery:**John Konger—693-3790
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# St. John Bosco Catholic Church

220 N Main Street, Churubusco, IN 46723 Rev. Keeton Lockwood—Pastor pastoricjb@gmail.com

#### Parish Office

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Parish Website: stjohnboscochurubusco.org Kim Kiracofe—Secretary (Mon-Fri 8 am-2 pm)

\*Attending parish functions is consent to use your image on our social media platforms.

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 7:00 am 10:30 am

#### Weekday

Wednesday 5:30 pm (Adoration at 4:30 pm; Rosary at 5:00 pm) Friday 8:00 am (Rosary at 7:30 am)

Adoration every Thursday 3:00 pm-10:00 pm

#### **Confession Schedule**

Wednesday 4:30—5:15 pm Saturday 3:00—3:30 pm



# 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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# **Ephphatha**

"My brothers and sisters, show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ." St. Jame opens with these words to us today as we listen to his letter. He reminds us that we are all to serve Christ. And who is Christ? Christ is every person who we encounter, including the stranger who joins us in church, no matter what their appearance is like. St. James will go on to explain to us to not focus solely on the people who "look the part", but to treat everyone equally, whether they be well dressed, or not so well dressed. Jesus will remind us about this elsewhere in the Gospel when He says (paraphrasing) 'what good is to to hold a party / celebration and only invite those who you know will invite you back? Who will repay the favor. Do not the pagans do the same?' Thus, we are called to treat everyone as Christ does. We see that in His ministry how He sought out the poor, the blind, the crippled, and the outcast. We also see this lived out in Mother Theresa's ministry in ministering to Jesus in the "distressing disguise of the poor." You all welcomed me with open arms into your parish to be your new pastor, even though you did not know me. Thus, we should do the same for the stranger because that interaction may compel them to convert their heart because a stranger welcomed them and treated them with kindness. Ephphatha - "Be opened" - may our hearts be opened to welcoming the stranger and loving a new person in our midst so that way, our community will grow by the love that we give to others.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Keeton Lockwood

## Mass Intentions for the week of September 9, 2024

Wednesday	5:30 pm	Denise Ramsey & Family
Friday	8:00 am	Garlitz & Breunlin Families
Saturday	4:00 pm	George Frazier
Sunday	7:00 am	Lynn Snyder
Sunday	10:30 am	Joe Malcolm
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<sup>\*</sup>It may not be possible to have intentions reserved for weekend Masses only. However, every effort will be made to accommodate your wishes. Mass Intentions can be requested for anyone living or deceased. We are scheduling Masses for 2025. Mass Intention Envelopes can be found in the back of church. Suggested stipend is \$10.

# Stewardship of Treasure

Regular Collection: \$3,187.20 Online Collection: \$3,244.75 **Total Giving** \$6,431.95



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## DIOCESAN SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a Diocesan collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign this weekend September 7 & 8th. Please be prepared to support this Diocesan collection.

#### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed until Wednesday, September 11th. The office will reopen on Thursday, September 12th at 8:00am.

## Schedule for Week of September 15, 2024

Saturday 4:00 p	om	
Servers	Volunteers	
Readers	Sandi Guffey Dennis Campbell	
Extraordinary Minister	Bonnie Miller	
Ushers Sunday 7:00 an	Daniel E Ryan & Volunteer	
Servers	Henry, Michael & Simon Warner	
Readers	Michelle Geller Teresa Warner	
Ushers 10:30 am ———	Paul Warner & Volunteer	
Servers	Cash, Gabby & Weston Vernon	
Readers	Charlie Schortgen Cindy Schreiber	
Extraordinary Minister	Randy Schreiber	

Brian & Colt McComb

## Activities at St. John Bosco

ROSARY—Ist Tuesday of every month @ 6:30pm, in Bosco Hall. Pie Night, Tuesday, Sept 3rd at 6pm. If you are interested in learning to make pies, bring 8 cups of fruit and a rolling pin.

KOFC—Ist Wednesday of every month @ 6:30pm, in Bosco Hall.

KINGDOM BUILDERS—2nd Monday of every month @ 7pm, in the church . NEXT MEETING—Sept 9th @7pm.

SPARC—2nd Tuesday of every month @ 6pm, in Bosco Hall.

BOSCO BRUNCH BUNCH—2nd Friday of every month @ 10:30am. in Bosco Hall.

QUILT CLUB—3rd Thursday of the month @ 10am, in Bosco Hall.

CHILDREN'S ADORATION HOUR—Thursdays @ 2-3pm, in the church.

BIBLE STUDY—Friday mornings after Mass in Bosco Hall.

FOOD COLLECTION—Place items in the box located under the St. Joseph Statue in the front of church.

#### MASS TIME CHANGE

Due to the Priests meeting on Wednesday, September 18th, the Mass time at St. John Bosco will be at 8:00am. Also, we will not have Adoration, Confession or any meetings on that day.

## Parish Council Meeting Notes

- 1. Parish Council voted to take up a regular monthly second col lection for A Mother's Hope. This will begin in September.
- 2. Altar Server training was a success. Many new servers have joined the group.
- 3. We will have a parish clean-up day to focus on a couple of rooms on our campus in preparation for the city-wide clean-up day.
- 4. The office phone lines are being updated.
- 5. We will have a retreat for our parish on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, from 9am-noon. The theme will be Advent.
- 6. We are working on a new Parish Website.
- 7. There will be a financial summary of 2023-2024 that will be placed into the bulletin in September.

# THANK YOU FOR THE BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS!!

We want to thank one of our parishioners for the lovely flowers that decorate the altar this weekend.

### News From Around the Area

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, EGE CHICKEN DINNER—Sunday, September 8th @12pm. Come and enjoy a delicious homemade dinner complete with all the sides and dessert! There will be children and adult games and the Country Store to enjoy.





The live flowers at the altar is to symbolize the life of Christ. We will begin offering parishioners an opportunity to help sponsor the live altar flowers to beautify the church. The flowers can be purchased in memory of your loved one or for a special celebration. We will be getting envelopes to put your donation in the collection basket until then, you can use a plain envelope. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

We are looking for a coordinator for this ministry. The coordinator will be responsible to order, pick up and place the flowers on the altar regularly. If interested, please contact the parish office.

#### A MOTHER'S HOPE

A Mother's Hope is a 50lc3 organization that operates a house that provides care and support for up to eight expectant mothers through the first year of their child's life. They offer medical care, training and assistance to equip new mothers with life skills that will help in raising their child but also success in the workplace. We will be taking a regular special collection on the third Sunday of the month beginning this month. Envelopes will soon be added to your envelope packet and A Mother's Hope is an option if you do online giving.



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