

St. John Bosco Catholic Church

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***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

Sacrament of Baptism

Usually Saturday mornings. Call the office to arrange.

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.

Homebound:

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

Prayer Line:

alinivill@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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Bulletin submissions

are due to the parish office
by 10:00am on Tuesday.
Email to
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“BULLETIN”.



2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*“Every valley shall be filled
and every mountain and hill shall
be made low.*

*The winding roads shall be
made straight,
and the rough ways made
smooth,
and all flesh shall see the
salvation of God.”*

- Lk 3:5-6

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT • DECEMBER 8, 2024

Fasting Builds on Prayer

The second candle of Advent represents fasting. We look at what we can do in order to separate ourselves from those things that we may enjoy too much of. For example, maybe we decide that we will not have any desserts from now until Christmas so that way, I can enjoy the spiritual sweetness of Christmas along with the baked good sweetness of Christmas on Christmas Day. Or maybe I say no to desserts during the week. Or maybe it is reducing my TV or internet usage each day so as to make more room for God in my life. We choose something to fast from the second Week of Advent in order to free a part of us to spend more time with God that week. We say no to a desire of the flesh in order to say yes to God. This allows us to have more time to spend with God in prayer, and to see that He satisfies our desires, not the things of the world. So, this week, examine yourself and see what you can fast from, what you can detach yourself from, in order to become attached to God. That way, you will have room in your heart to welcome the Christ Child on Christmas Day!

Mary is a great example for us to follow in this guidance, and we celebrate her on Monday December 9 for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, which is a Holy Day of Obligation (it was moved this year because it fell on a Sunday). Thus, we ask Mary to assist us to make room in our heart, and in our lives, to welcome Christ to dwell within us.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Keeton Lockwood

Mass Intentions for the week of December 9, 2024

*Monday	8:00 am	Deacon James Fitzpatrick
Wednesday	5:30 pm	George Frazier
Friday	8:00 am	Leo Garlitz
Saturday	4:00 pm	Joe Malcolm
Sunday	7:00 am	Bob & Mary Ann Riecke
Sunday	10:30 am	For the People of St John Bosco and Immaculate Conception Parishes

*HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Monday is a Holy Day of Obligation for the Immaculate Conception of Mary. Masses will be at 8:00 am at St. John Bosco and at 6:00pm at Immaculate Conception.

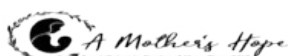
It may not be possible to have intentions reserved for weekend Masses only. However, every effort will be made to accommodate your wishes. Mass Intentions can be requested for anyone living or deceased. Mass Intention Envelopes can be found in the back of church. Suggested stipend is \$10.

Stewardship of Treasure

	11-24-24	12-1-24
Regular Collection:	\$3,189.56	\$3,864.00
Online Collection:	\$1,783.50	\$1,922.00
Human Development	\$ 139.00	\$ 30.00
A Mother's Hope	\$ 10.00	
Total Giving	\$5,122.06	\$5,816.00



There will be a Special Diocesan Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious this weekend, December 7 & 8. Please be as generous as you are able.



The next collection for A Mother's Hope will be the weekend of December 15th.

Schedule for Weekend of December 15, 2024

Saturday 4:00 pm

Servers	Volunteers
Readers	Paul Mills Teri Queitsch
Extraordinary Minister	Barb Campbell
Ushers	Sam Ashton Volunteer

Sunday 7:00 am

Servers	Volunteers
Readers	Joe Ensign Erin Ensign
Ushers	Joe Folds Volunteer

10:30 am

Servers	Cash, Gabby & Weston Vernon
Readers	Jenn Stresemann Sammy Krider
Extraordinary Minister	Steven Prchlik
Ushers	Brian & Colt McComb

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Fridays through the end of the year. It will also be closed December 23rd—December 28th and December 31st—January 1st. Please keep these dates in mind when conducting parish business. Thank you.

Activities at St. John Bosco

ROSARY—1st Tuesday of every month @ 6:30pm, in Bosco Hall.

K OF C—1st Wednesday of every month @ 6:30pm, in Bosco Hall.

KINGDOM BUILDERS—2nd Monday of every month @ 7pm, in the church. Please note that beginning January 2025, Kingdom Builders will be meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

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.

ST. JOHN BOSCO FESTIVAL OF GIVING

The Festival of Giving gifts are DUE NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH. If you have questions, please call Tanya Young at 260-693-2969.

PARISH COUNCIL

One of the roles of the Parish Council is to be another point of contact for any parishioner who may have any ideas, suggestions or concerns that they would like to bring to the attention of the Council and Father Keeton. The Parish Council members' names are posted on the bulletin board in the entry of the church. Please reach out to them if needed and they will bring your comments and ideas to the council meetings to be discussed. Thank you.

MONEY COUNTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for a few parishioners to help with the counting of the weekly collection. We currently have four teams, and are in need of one additional team, and substitutes. Each team consists of three people who are committed to counting the weekend collection once per month on a set schedule. We currently count after the 10:30am Mass; however, if there is an interest in counting on Monday mornings instead of Sunday, we will create a team for Monday mornings. There must be at least 3 people, and a sub, interested and available for Mondays in order for us to create that team. The substitutes would fill in when a regularly scheduled person is not able to do his or her ministry for their assigned week. Those interested will receive training through a few hands on training sessions, and the trainer will be present the first few times you count so that if you have any questions, they will be there to assist. If you are interested in helping in this ministry, please call or email the parish office to be placed on the training list. Your name, phone number and email address are needed to stay in contact with you. If you have questions, please contact Kim in the parish office. Training is projected to start in January.

Calling all Christmas decorators... If you want to help hang garlands, set up trees or add a little sparkle to our beautiful church this Advent season, please join me after Mass on 12/15 and again on 12/22. Many helping hands make this a fun task. Stay the whole time or for just a little while. No experience required, just shared love for making our church shine with the light of the season. If you have questions, please reach out to Cher Fischer 260.445.6184.

KINGDOM BUILDERS CELEBRATION

Kingdom Builders will be having their Celebration Party on Friday, January 17th, at 7:00pm in the church basement. It will be an evening filled with fun, snacks and fellowship.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at the altar are in memory of Jim and Phyllis Bianski. If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers, please fill out an envelope that is on the table in the gathering space and place it in the collection basket. You may sponsor them for a special occasion or to simply beautify the altar. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.



Christmas Mass Schedule Christmas Eve

St. John Bosco 4:00pm

Immaculate Conception 6:00pm

Midnight Mass

St. John Bosco 12:00am

Christmas Morning

Immaculate Conception 8:30am

St. John Bosco 10:30am

***Confessions and Adoration will not be**
available on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day*





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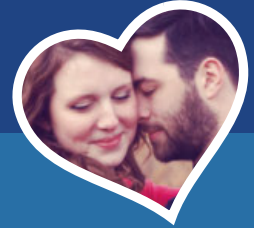
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