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THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Some of my fondest childhood memories are of my dad leading my three sisters and me in song as we made the hour-long drive to visit my grandparents every other weekend. Granted, our silly car songs don't qualify as "singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs," as Paul advised the Colossians, but I do think they reveal that my dad took to heart Paul's advice about family and faith. Paul writes that in putting on holiness, kindness, gentleness, and forgiving one another, we "put on love, that is, the bond of perfection." Whatever we do, in word or deed, we ought to do in the name of the Lord Jesus. Fathers, mothers, and children are to love one another, seeking and choosing the good for one another, and helping each other along life's journey - on long car trips as well as in a lifetime of situations. On this feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we honor their perfect holiness and love, and pray that God may continue to perfect us in holiness and love within our own families, that we may bear good fruit for the Kingdom.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Three Days? Mary and Joseph couldn't find Jesus for three days! Any parent who has had a child missing for a few seconds understands the anxiety Mary and Joseph experienced in three long days of searching for Jesus. In the end, though, all is well - they find him, and the peace of Christ casts out their fears. It is a remarkable scene: Jesus' parents are *astonished* to see him teaching in the temple, and Jesus is curious as to why they were looking for him - did they not know where he would be? This event marks a sort of milestone in their lives together, as Jesus has hinted at his future public ministry, and his parents have experienced that first bit of soul-piercing that Mary will later fully undergo. For each of them, love is what directed their actions. Joseph and Mary put aside everything to search for their son; Jesus put aside everything to serve his Father; and they joined together in humble obedience to God's will for them. The Holy Family models a way of living for us to imitate, and to witness to others in that imitation.

SERVE/STUDY

Perhaps you have some down time in this coming week between Christmas and New Year's. As a family, choose an activity that allows you to think outside yourselves and serve others. Or make a plan to read the Scripture for each day of the upcoming week; everyone can choose a favorite verse to memorize each day. You may be surprised how often these verses enter your mind throughout the week.

December 26, 2021 ~ The Holy Family Sunday

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

(CHECK MASS INTENTIONS FOR UPDATES)

Weekend: Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Holy Spirit
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Christ The King
	9:00 a.m.	Holy Spirit
	11:00 a.m.	Christ The King
Weekday: Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Spirit
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Spirit
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Christ The King
Friday	8:30 a.m.	Christ The King

To arrange for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office. Parents who want the sacrament of Baptism for their child should contact the office for information about preparation and to schedule the Baptism. Couples planning to marry should contact the parish at least seven months before their anticipated wedding date.

OFFICE HOURS

Parish Center Office Hours:

CTK Campus 812-476-3061
Mon-Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Holy Spirit Church Office:
812-477-1738

PARISH STAFF 812-476-3061

Pastor: Fr. Benny Chacko
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HS Campus Liaison: Diana Dewig
Assistant Bookkeeper: Anne Pampuch
Music Director: Elizabeth Casteel
Youth Minister: Joe Paul Hayden
Parish Secretary: Diana Braun

ANNUNCIATION SCHOOL AT:

Christ The King-School Office 812-476-1792
CTK Principal: Matthew Moore

Holy Spirit-School Office 812-477-9082
HS Principal: David Memmer



WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

Tues. 12/28 HS	8:30 am	Tommy Fairchild
Wed. 12/29 HS	8:30 am	Natalina Dall'Olmó
Thu. 12/30 CTK	8:30 am	John Hegeman
Fri. 12/31 HS	4:00 pm	Edna Jones
Sat. 1/1 HS	4:00 pm	Herman & Louise Muehlbauer
Sun. 1/2 CTK	7:30 am	Natalina Dall'Olmó
	9:00 am	Cory Schaum
	11:00 am	Margaret B Corcoran

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS

The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God will be celebrated at 4 p.m. at Holy Spirit Church. We will not have a morning Mass on Friday, Dec. 31. We will not have a Saturday morning Mass on Jan. 1.

ADORATION ON WEDNESDAY

Please join us for an hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.** Come to this night of adoration because we all need to encounter Jesus. Our hearts are made for Him and will be restless until it knows Him.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tuesday at 8:00 a.m. at Holy Spirit Church
Friday at 8:00 a.m. at Christ the King Church
Saturday at 3:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Church

FR. BENNY IN INDIA

Fr. Benny will be going to India to visit his parents and family. He will be leaving on Dec. 28 and returning in late January. **We will be celebrating all of our weekday School Masses and our regular weekend Masses.** Please pray for his safe travels and safe return to us in January.



MESSAGE FROM FR. BENNY

My sisters and brothers,

Merry Christmas to you! This was my first Christmas with you, and I just want to thank you for making it very special for me. May the infant Jesus continue to bless you and your families with his peace and happiness.

This weekend, the first Sunday after Christmas, we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph. This feast seeks to portray the Holy Family of Nazareth as the "true model of family life" from whom our families can draw inspiration and know where to find help and comfort.

"The Christian family is the first cell of the whole Church. It is the place where we begin the journey toward holiness and become more fully human. The Holy Family is an icon of the domestic Church, which is called to pray together. The family is the first school of prayer where, from their infancy, children learn to perceive God thanks to the teaching and example of their parents" (Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI's address on the life of the Holy Family in Nazareth, December 28, 2011).

My beloved parents, please bring your children to church every Sunday to attend Mass and teach them to know their Catholic faith.

Have a wonderful Christmas season!

Jesus loves you,
Fr. Benny



PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS!

If you are visiting and would like more information about Annunciation Parish, Annunciation Catholic School, or about joining our Parish family, please contact the Parish Office, 812-476-3061 or visit www.AnnunciationEvv.org.



JOY FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

We had a lively bunch for our December JOY Fellowship Luncheon on Thurs., Dec. 16. The core team planned and executed the dinner of lasagna and salad with plenty of pie for dessert! The Parish Center was beautifully decorated for the holiday! We prayed together, ate and played a rousing game of name that song. Keep an eye out for the next JOY Fellowship luncheon and plan on joining us!



QUILT DONATION

A parishioner made this quilt and will donate it to us for our spring get-together. The raffle will take place on May 1.



PICKLEBALL GALA

The pickleball group met for their annual "Gala." They will be back in action on Tuesday.

GET INVOLVED!

Looking for a new or additional way to be involved in the life of your parish family?

Opportunities include:

Call us if you want Communion in your home.

Call the Parish Center 812-476-3061.

HANDY HELPERS

A needed service that serves a greater purpose.

Is your home in need of painting, aggregate sealing or other repair? Then call Handy Helpers Home Repair at 812-217-3537. Handy Helpers is a social enterprise job training program operated by Catholic Charities.

This program offers quality repair and maintenance services, under the direction of a licensed General Contractor, at a competitive price, while providing opportunities for job training and valuable work experience for our technicians. Call 812-217-3537 for a quote or to learn more about this important program!

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS

If you are over 70 ½, consider making charitable donations from your IRA using a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). You can transfer up to \$100,000 per year to an eligible charity. This would be a great way to grow the parish endowments, help with a special project, or pay your weekly giving in one lump sum. While a QCD does not generate a charitable deduction, you do not have to report the income. This is a great option for people to still get a tax benefit even though they are not able to itemize deductions.

Charitable deduction rules can be very complicated, and you should work with your tax advisor to ensure you are maximizing the tax benefit of any donation.

MARCH FOR LIFE 2022

The March for Life will take place in Washington D.C. on Jan. 20-23, 2022 and Indianapolis, IN on Jan. 24, 2022.

EVENING JANITOR POSITION

Good Shepherd Catholic Church & School currently has an opening for a part-time janitor, Monday-Friday working 29 hours per week, approx. 6 hours per day. Evening shift, starting around 3:15 p.m. Please call the school office if interested at 812-476-4477.

PROJECT RACHEL

Project Rachel is a healing ministry of the Catholic Church that helps women and men whose lives have been touched by abortion. This pain can often increase during the holidays but you do not have to carry this alone. It is time to heal. The call is confidential 812-483-7812.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week of December 26, 2021

Tu-12/28	8:00 am	Confession	HS
Tu-12/28	6:00 pm	Pickleball	CTKS
We-12/29	5:30 pm	Adoration	CTK
Th-12/30	8:00 am	Confession	CTK
Fr-12/31	4:00 pm	New Years Eve Mass	HS
Sa-1/1	3:00 pm	Confession	HS

CTK=Christ the King Church; HS=Holy Spirit Church;
PC=Parish Center at CTK; GR=Gathering Room at Holy Spirit;
MR=Meeting Room at Holy Spirit; CTKS=Christ the King School;
HSS=Holy Spirit School; CTKR=Christ the King Rectory;
HSO=Holy Spirit Office; HSR=Holy Spirit Rectory;
HSG=Holy Spirit Garden; OC=Off Campus; V=Virtual

WHAT IS A DEACON?

Deacons are Servants of the Word: As a servant to the Word, deacons proclaim the gospel, instruct the faithful, and evangelize by word and deed.

Deacons are Servants of the Sacramental Life of the Church. As a servant of the sacramental life of the church, deacons preside at baptisms, assist at the Eucharist, bring the Eucharist to the sick and suffering, witness marriages, bury the dead, and preside at Benediction.

Deacons are Servants of Charity As a servant of charity, deacons report the needs of the community to the Church and bring its support and assistance to those in need. For example: Feed the hungry, visit the sick, comfort the mourning and care for one another in our brokenness.

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

Are You Being Called to the Vocation of the Permanent Diaconate? The Diocese is recruiting a new Permanent Deacon Formation Class. "Deacons are ordained...at the service (*diakonia*) of the people of God in communion with the Bishop and his priests - St. John Paul II.

Deacons are ordained into the Ministry of Service in three areas: 1) Word 2) Sacrament and 3) Charity. Bishop Siegel would like for there to be representation from all around the diocese, especially areas where there is a lack of deacons. Informational Meetings are being scheduled for the discernment period. Saturday January 8th at the Evansville Diocesan Catholic Center, 4200 N. Kentucky Ave, Evansville, IN 47711. Candidates must be at least 35 years old and not be older than 65 years of age at their Ordination in the summer of 2026. - Talk to your Wife - Talk to your Pastor - Contact Deacon John McMullen for more details. jmcmullen@evdio.org or call 812-476-3061.

December 26, 2021

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Week of December 26, 2021

- 12/27** Desiree Eddington, Ashley Gray, Jeff Ossenberg, Jennifer Rhoutsong, Hayden Sailing
- 12/28** John Allega, Tim Bell, Matthew Blume, Lynn Flittner, Natalie Roth, Olivia Seibert, Pauline Wassmer
- 12/29** Donald Minton, Abigail Mullins
- 12/30** Myah Samples, William Talbert
- 12/31** Patricia Borst, Catalina Escobar Sanchez, Carrie Falkenstein, Ariana Furr, Abigail Martin
- 1/1** Art Eberhard, Quesnel Jean
- 1/2** Chelsea Ancona, James Ancona, Camille Bollinger, Tim Coslett, Christopher Kerner, Madison Thomas, Christine Vieck

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed Dec. 27—31. We will reopen on Monday January 3.



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

FRI. DEC 31
SAT. JAN 1
SUN. JAN 2

Servers

- HS 4:00 pm Javian Shepard, Michael Fulkerson
- HS 4:00 pm Mitchell Bryant, Miles Bryant
- CTK 7:30 am Arley Licea, Karla Licea
- HS 9:00 am Zachary Stinson, Caleb Stinson
- CTK 11:00 am James Gilberg, Mandy Vollmer

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- HS 4:00 pm Kathy Beck
- HS 4:00 pm Greg Ford
- CTK 7:30 am Susie Brackett, Kailin Singer
- HS 9:00 am Kristy Davidson
- CTK 11:00 am Diana Braun, Judy Flittner

Lectors

- HS 4:00 pm Debbie Oliver
- HS 4:00 pm Don Roberts
- CTK 7:30 am Mary Biever
- HS 9:00 am Jim Ware
- CTK 11:00 am Mary Grace McMullen

Ushers & Greeters

- HS 4:00 pm Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer
- HS 4:00 pm Linda Powell, Ron Powell
- CTK 7:30 am Glen Stover, Tom Stone
- HS 9:00 am Maury Reising, Kevin Reising
- CTK 11:00 am Tony Flittner, John Speis, Ken Wempe

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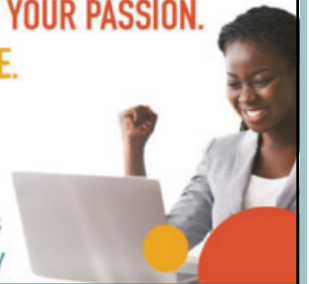
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