

December 26, 2021 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Our Week

The weekly bulletin of
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church
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THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: Sat. 5:00 pm
Sun. 7:30 & 9:30 am
Weekday: Wednesday–Friday 7:30 am
First Saturday: 7:30 am
Holy Day: Vigil 6:00 pm
Day 7:30 am
Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
Saturday afternoon: 4:00–4:45 pm
Sunday morning: 7:00–7:20 am
9:00–9:20 am

BAPTISM

Contact the pastor for an appointment and preparation.

MARRIAGE

Notify the pastor six months in advance of proposed wedding date. Must be 19 years of age or one year out of high school.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Submitted "in writing" to the parish office or hwurth@comcast.net "no later than noon Monday."

The Parish of St. John the Evangelist warmly greets all participants of this celebration. However, please be reminded of the warning of the Bible: In order not to consume undeservingly the bread of the Eucharist, which is the Body of Christ "let each man examine himself" (1 Cor. 11-28). Therefore, only those who are members of the Catholic Church, and those who know themselves to be free of mortal (grave) sins, may take Holy Communion.

NEWS & NOTES

“God, Bless America”

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Thank you for your ministry!
The schedule for JANUARY can be found on the table in the narthex.
You may access online on our parish website as well.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

***Gift cards are always helpful!**

Canned fruit, jelly, soups, instant rice, canned Ravioli.

PADUCAH

COOPERATIVE MINISTRY

Soup, crackers, instant potatoes, Canned goods, spaghetti, p'nut butter

****Emergency supplies are low****

Please be generous!

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PARISH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

GRATITUDE

“Today, a Savior has been born. Let us rejoice and be glad!”

—This has certainly been a most unusual and difficult year for many of us. I would like to say thank you, the parishioners of St John, for you continued prayers, support, and generosity during these past weeks, months and two years of this epidemic. Thank you for the many cards and gifts received in the past weeks leading to this Christmas season.

—A special thanks to the St John Choir for the beautiful Christmas music and to the Arts and Environment and their helpers for the joyful Christmas decorating. Blessed Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year—2022!

NOTE FOR COLLECTIONS

Collections for Sunday and Holy Days will continue to be placed in the basket at the entrance of church.

TREASURES OF THE SAINTS

The Church asks us to understand that Christ, who came once in the flesh, is prepared to come again. When we remove all obstacles to his presence he will come, at any hour and moment, to dwell spiritually in our hearts, bring with him the riches of his grace. —*St Charles Borromeo*

LETTERS\CARDS TO SEMINARIANS

—We have 6 seminarians studying for the priesthood for the Diocese of Owensboro this year. Each month we will select a seminarian from December to May where we will ask you to send them a letter of prayers, well wishes and encouragement.

—In January let's send **Christopher Kight** letters, notes or cards. Christopher is in 3rd year of Theology and typically at the end is 3rd year of Theology (Spring of 2022) one is ordained as a Transitional Deacon.

*So extra prayers for Christopher this year is important.

Christopher Kight, 200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad, IN 47577

ST JOHN SUNSHINE SUPPORT GROUP

We will resume in January. Date to be announced.

ST JOHN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. John Knights of Columbus Bingo is back on Thursday January 6th, 2022. Free meal for those who buy a Bingo card, smoke free, doors open at 4pm, food starts at 5:30 pm. L I C#ORG 0389.

2021 RESOURCE DIRECTORY

****2021 Resource Directory** is available on table in back of church and office for all who need information for Clothing and Goods, Education, Employment, Health, Housing, Legal Services and Pregnancy Crisis Center in McCracken County. Compiled by Diocese of Owensboro Catholic Charities. If you need more to give to people call Susan at the Diocese (270.683.1545).

OUR SPIRITUAL ADOPTED BABIES

Please remember to pray daily for the protection of your Spiritually Adopted Baby. Remember to mark your calendar that on **Sunday, January 2, 2022**, The Feast of the Epiphany, we are planning a **BABY SHOWER** after the 9:30 am Mass. **Bring your baby gifts to this shower unwrapped** (if unable to attend please free to drop-off your gift in the cafeteria). We know these **BABY SHOWER GIFTS** will be used in the local area thru the services of **HOPE UNLIMITED**.

Cont'd PARISH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

THE WISDOM OF BISHOP FULTON SHEEN

We are living in perilous times when the hearts and souls of men are sorely tired. Never before has the future been so utterly unpredictable; we are not so much in a period of transition with belief in progress to push us on, rather we seem to be entering the realm of the unknown, joylessly, disillusioned, and without hope. The whole world seems to be in a state of spiritual widowhood, possessed of the hollowing devastation of one who set out on life's course joyously in intimate comradeship with another, and then is the belief of that companion forever.

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you Parishioners for the sacrifices and financial support that you have shared with us here at St. John's this past year, 2021. Your financial contributions have helped us to continue the mission of Jesus in and through His Church for our area, as well as, keep the lights on and the heat and air going too. With the pandemic still keeping its effects among us, everyone has been a bit stressed. Even here at the office we have struggled to make things work as best we can, considering that our Sunday Contributions are down for a second year in a row. Our hope is in Jesus, that always watches over us, and in our parishioners, who always share their treasures. Thank you again for your generosity to St. John's and your prayers for the salvation of all of us!!!

A POSSIBLE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

The Old Testament Book of Sirach gives us a somewhat straight forward advice: "Never repeat a conversation and you will lose nothing at all. With friend or foe do not report it, and unless it would be a sin for you, do not disclose it" (Sirach 19:7-8). We know that the words of Sirach are true and that talking about other people behind their backs is not only harmful to our own spiritual life but also to the person about whom we are speaking. Nevertheless, this command is still very hard to follow. Why is it that we like to talk about other people, often negatively? Perhaps it is a way of making ourselves look better, or a way of complaining, or even a way of appearing "in the know," that is, to appear to be someone who has privileged information. We should examine our conscience before we speak about other people. As Sirach recommends, unless it would be worse to remain silent. Sirach even pokes a little fun at us for finding this task difficult: "Be brave! It will not make you burst!" (Sir 19:10). Following StPaul, let us be ashamed of gossip but not of the Gospel (2Tim. 1:8). SO.....How often do you find yourself in conversations about people who are not present?

WHEN WE VISIT THE MANGER

When we visit the manger, whether under the Christmas tree or in our heart, let the Baby Jesus shine brightly giving sinful souls a brand-new start! It's because of this tiny newborn—The Son of God divine, that salvation now can be a reality for the Lord's so full of mercy and kind! When we visit the manger beneath our glitter-filled Christmas tree, recall what all God's Son has done to set sin-captive spirits light and free. As Christmas has arrived, the excitement escalates with surprises and boxes and bows, peek in your heart for a moment and see the true reason this holiday glows! So when we visit the manger where woolly sheep Mary and Joseph abide may we pause and be thankful to God our Father for eternal life and the wee Babe snuggled inside. *Linda C. Grazulis*

STEWARDSHIP (Time, Talent, Treasure)

"Let all Your works give You thanks, O' Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You," says the Psalmist. Stewardship is this "attitude of gratitude" of the many gifts God has given us. Amen!

Weekly Collection: December 12th

To be announced need weekend

Adults	\$6,861.83
Loose	471.00
Children (3)	3.00
Total	\$7,335.83

Christmas Flowers\$50.00

Special Collections898.00

Tornado victims3,555.00

****Weekly Collection needed to meet**

Compassionate Friends of W KY

No meeting due to Covid-19 guidelines.

Daughters of Isabella

First Tuesday of each month,
6:30 pm at the KC Hall, Jefferson St



Seniors Day Out

No meeting due to Covid-19 guidelines.

St John Homemakers Club

To be announced.

St John K of C

KC meets twice per month, first, &
third Wed, 7:00 pm, St. John KC Hall.



Safe Environment

Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: Common Wealth Attorney (270.575.7402). _McCracken Co Sherriff department (270.444.4719); or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (1.877.597. 2331). _To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church or call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator on the confidential phone line: (270.852.8380) or Susan Montalvo-Gesser/Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish) (270.880.8360). _The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available this parish (on the bookshelf in back of the church), in the parish office, also on the web www.owensborodiocese.org/safe.

***If you are working with children (parish and school activities involving the presence of children) or the elderly you must have the safe environment training and background check. *More information: call the parish office at (270.554.3810) or go: online www.owensborodiocese.org.**

Prayer Requests

**** Please help keep our prayer list up to date.****

**** To add or remove a name please notify the Parish Office.**

Jeanne Abell, Bill Ballard, Charles Ballard, Lennyn Barks, Tom Beckman, Vayda Bollenbecker, Isaac Brown, Deacon Bill Clark, Philip Elder, Jimmy Englert, Roger Englert, Danny Felts, Michael Felts, Dave Goewert, Corey Grace, Georgette Braun-Guyon, Riley Haas, Shepard Haas, Faye Hayden, Brian Hurlburt, Rachael Jaramillo, Darla Martin, Marie Mombteau, Stan Napier, Zoey Partin, BeBe Phillips, Tim Romaine, Carrick Roof, Shelia Roof, David Roper, Francis/Dorothy Scheer, Sr Mary Therese Seitz (CP), Catherine Sutton, Tommy Sutton, Carolyn Thompson, Virginia Vessels, Charlie Waldrige, Kelly Walker, Louis Willett, Marvin Willett, Edith Wurth, Michael Wurth, Rose Marie Wurth, Roy Younker



****PLEASE: Be considerate, notify the Parish Office upon admission of a family member into any hospital or nursing home. Fr. Fogle would be happy to visit and bring communion.**

However, Fr. Fogle and\or the parish have no way of knowing unless a family member contacts the parish office. By law these facilities are not allowed to release the names of patients.

Prayers for our Shut-Ins

Mary Lee Anderson, Zelta Counts, Bennie/Doris Durbin, Tommy\Helen Ellington, Bernadette Englert, Dorothy Kaufman, Judy Poat, Kerry Simmons, Jim Wilson, Hilda Wurth.

Our Military

Air Force: SSGT Luca Giordano, Capt Luke Nimmo, TSGT Brandon Wurth, MSGT Jessica R. Wurth

Army: MSG Jennifer Alvey, LT Col Josh Grace, SGT First Class William Hendrickson, SSGT Doug McCreerey, SPEC 4 Liam Mahler, PFC Benjamin Reams, SGT Charles Dewayne Stephens, Major Mark A Wurth

Navy: Commander Billie June Farrell, Commander Paul Farrell, OS1 Richard Lyons, ITSA Jacob A Roof



PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Lord, hold our troops In your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us. Bless them
and their families for the selfless acts they
perform for us in our time of need. And give
us peace. I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our
Lord and Savior. Amen!

Our Liturgical Worship

Monday, December 27 • St John, Apostle\Evangelist
7:30 am: NO MASS
Tuesday, December 28 • The Holy Innocents\Martyrs
7:30 am: NO MASS
Wednesday, December 29 • Fifth Day within the Octave
7:30 am: NO MASS of the Nativity of the Lord
Thursday, December 30 • Sixth Day within the Octave
7:30 am: Tornado Victims of the Nativity of the Lord
Friday, December 31 • Seventh Day within the Octave
7:30 am: † Larry Courtney of the Nativity of the Lord
Saturday, January 1 • The Epiphany of the Lord
7:30 am: † Fr Ben Luther
5:00 pm: Tony Wurth Family L[D
Sunday, January 2 • The Epiphany of the Lord
7:30 am: † Thelma Kaufman
9:30 am: Parishioners

Weekly Ministries: January 2nd

Lectors

5:00 pm Tracey Courtney
7:30 am Paul Humm
9:30 am April Dunn

Servers

5:00 pm N\A
7:30 am Thomas Humm
9:30 am Cole Shoulta, Zach Dunn

Ushers

5:00 pm John Drury, Stacey Courtney
7:30 am Bruce Tincher, Kenny Wurth
9:30 am Bryan Hayden, Darin French

Greeters

5:00 pm Hazel Wurth, Tonya Wurth
7:30 am Earl Kaufman, Ruth Kaufman
9:30 am Peggy Dean, Emily Goehman

**PLEASE: CONTINUE TO FOLLOW YOUR
MINISTRY SCHEDULE PROVIDED PER: Gwen**

JANUARY LINENS: Doris Trussell
(Pick-up linens each Monday)

JANUARY VOTIVE: Kathleen Webster

ST JOHN HOMEMAKERS MEETING

Second Wednesday of each month
6:30 pm - St John Cafeteria

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA MEETING

First Tuesday of each month
6:30 pm at the KC Hall, Jefferson St

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