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Terrence Wagner

****New** PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

7:30am - 3:30pm Monday - Thursday

7:30am - 12:00pm Friday*

Bulletin Deadline: Monday 10 am

* Closed during the summer months

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:30 pm

Sunday.....8:00,*10:30 am

Mon.....8:00 am

Tue.....8:00 am

Wed.....8:00 am

Thu.....8:00 am

Fri.....8:00 am

First Saturday8:00 am

*Rosary before 10:30 am Mass

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration

Our St. John Paul II Adoration Chapel is open for perpetual adoration.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3-4 pm or by appointment

Baptism

Parents wishing to have their child receive the Sacrament of Baptism are asked to contact the parish office at 815.284.7719 to arrange a time for Baptism preparation.

Matrimony

Arrangements are to be made by calling parish office six (6) months in advance.

Vocations

For those men and women who are exploring the possibility of a Call from God to serve the church, you may speak to our pastor or you may contact the Vocation Office of the Rockford Diocese at 815.399.4300.

Mission Statement

We are a Church of disciples who worship together, listen to the voice of God, and strengthened by the grace we receive in the sacraments, strive to become saints by saying "Yes" to God's Will in all things.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Dec 27	8:00 a.m.	† Sally Stover <i>Bill Stover</i>
Tue	Dec 28	8:00 a.m.	† Barbara Haub <i>Larry & Kathy Yocum</i>
Wed	Dec 29	8:00 a.m.	Glorianna Rainbolt <i>Gary & Jean Gornik</i>
Thu	Dec 30	8:00 a.m.	† Pat Nusbaum <i>Mike & Diana Sharboneau</i>
Fri	Dec 31	8:00 a.m.	† Col. Edward Rock <i>Sue Weitzel</i>
Sat	Jan 1	9:00 a.m.	† Sr. Philip Mary (Mary Anne) Reilly <i>Anne Lahey</i>
		4:30 p.m.	† Barbara Higgs <i>Lu Burke</i> † James, Eva & Theresa Gugerty <i>Lucy Burke</i>
Sun	Jan 2	8:00 a.m.	† Mary, Bud & Boys <i>MaryLynn Davison</i> † Sybil Hill <i>Susan Meany & David Dempsey</i>
		10:30 a.m.	Pro Populo

Church Sanctuary Candle - Adoration Chapel Candles
 The week of December 26-January 1
SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIALS
 The Souls in Purgatory
ADORATION CHAPEL MEMORIALS
 Baby Boy Donavon by Wanda & Gary Haub

PLEASE PRAY FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

Our People in Active Duty:

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CHURCH CLEANING – TEAM 4

Mary Grubic, Cyndee & Joe Stencil,
 Sheryl & Jerry Petrasko, Deb & Curt Phillips,
 Toni & Mike Williar

LITURGICAL ROLES

January 1 Solemnity of Mary			
	9:00 AM		
Servers	N A		
	NA		
	NA		
Cantor	TBA		
Lector	M Frankfother		
EM	Deacon		
EM Choir	J Devine		
Gift Bearers	NA		
Greeters			
Usher	L McLaughlin M McLaughlin		
January 1/2 The Epiphany of the Lord			
	4:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Servers	NA	NA	R Welty
	NA	NA	D Welty
	NA	NA	A Rodriguez-McNiece
Cantor	L Dyba	P Balayti	J Sagel
Lector	J Foust	M Slain	A Welty
EM: Go up at end of Communion Invitation before Priest receives.			
EM	K Robery	Deacon	Deacon
EM Choir	D Roop	R Jahn	S Gallant
GIFT BEARERS: Please let the ushers know you have arrived and go for gifts as soon as petitions are done.			
Gift Bearers	Usher Select	NA	Usher Select
Greeters		J Reglin	
USHERS: Please remember to seal bag and sign binder. Do not bring collection up during consecration.			
Usher	D Lenox	M Appelquist	J McCoy
	D Near	M Didier	J McCoy
	J Roop	G Gornik	L Lally
		J Reglin	C Dinges

OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

2021	Budget	12/12
\$12000		
\$11000		
\$10000	\$10096	
\$9000		E-Giving \$1896
\$8000		
\$7000		\$7646
\$6000		

❖ St. Mary School - \$560

December 26, 2021

(Holy Family)

The first reading today provides a challenging guideline for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52
 Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
 Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

A Vocation View:

Jesus grew in wisdom, age, and grace in the midst of his family.

How is your family growing in the midst of these challenging times?

Seek out God's grace. (Luke 2:41-52)

† Respect Life!

PRAYER FOR LIFE

For all families:

That as the domestic Church, they may pursue holiness, pass on the faith, and persevere in love.



WORD OF LIFE

“Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, ‘in every situation, Joseph declared his own ‘fiat’ (PC 3). His ‘yes’ to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph’s devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.”

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WEEKLY OBSERVANCES

Observances for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: The Holy Family
 Monday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
 Tuesday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
 Wednesday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
 Friday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve
 Saturday: New Year's Day; Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace
 Next Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church



December 26 - Holy Family:

Today is the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, and so we can celebrate that we all belong to the holy family of God which makes us brothers and sisters to each other.

At Christmas this year, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring the joy and hope to our “brothers and sisters” who are poor by assisting families, providing food, gifts, and funds for utility and rent bills. Thank you!

Thank you for your SVDP donations: \$ 889

PRO-LIFE AD

Plans are underway to once again memorialize the devastating anniversary of Roe v Wade with a Pro-Life ad in the Telegraph on January 22nd. All fellow pro-lifers are invited to join us in making this statement for LIFE. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation and the printing of exactly how you would like your name to appear in the ad. Envelopes will be in the pews this week-end.

Save the Date!

The Catholic Education Scholarship Committee and Dixon Knights of Columbus present a **Knight of Wine and Beer Tasting and Silent Auction.**

Where: Dixon KayCee Club, 506 W, 3rd St., Dixon

Date: Saturday January 15th, 2022

Time: 6-9pm

Admission: \$20

Includes 10 sample tickets plus Hor d'oeuvres. Proceeds sends kids to St. Anne and St Mary Schools. Tickets available from Brother Knights or call Gary at 994-1368.



Prayer Chain for Special Prayer Intentions

To have your special prayer intention added to the prayer chain please call **Gerri Twardowski 815-994-5239**



Thank you to those who contributed to the beautiful
Christmas Flowers, remembering those we love.

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In Thanksgiving for:

St. Patrick Church
Our Dear Priest, Fr. Evans
Dale Rhodes
John & Betty Curnutte
Gene & Donna Goy
Father Evans
Blessings

In Honor Of:

Mary Ann Koenig



From the desk of Fr. Evans

Dear Brother/Sister in Christ,
May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen you this week!
This is a crazy weekend, isn't it! Yesterday, Jesus was born. Today, we have two feast days overlapping. The one that get's overshadowed this year is the first-ever martyrdom. St. Stephen was killed for preaching the Name of Jesus Christ. He died praying for the conversion of those who killed him. One of them was Saul of Tarsus, who, in answer to Stephen's prayer, became St. Paul.
God is an infinite and eternal Three Person party! He wanted to show us how to form our own party. So, He created the family. And not only did He create the family; He entered a family of His own, the Holy Family. That is what we celebrate today. To celebrate this feast, gather your family together around the nativity scene and recite the "P.S." prayer below.
Families, however, are not without their difficulty. The Evil One does all he can to destroy the family. This is nothing new. Back in the Garden, he was the author of the first-ever marital dispute. At the time of our Lord, he scratched the pride of a feeble, earthly "King," who, to protect his kingdom, had to kill every male child. Tuesday, we commemorate Herod's Massacre of the Innocents. But are we any more civilized today? As one born after 1973, I am a survivor. I have countless friends who did not survive the modern massacre of the innocents. Potential doctors, statesmen, priests, religious, humanitarians, and peace-keepers have all been killed by this evil. What if they had been allowed to live? Sad thought. But, as our Jewish brethren say, it is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness. Recite the "PPS" prayer below, to light that candle. And remember, Christmas is the season of a joy deeper than any sorrow. The waves rock back and forth, the ship moves, but the anchor remains fully grounded and stable.
Until next week, know that I remain,

Yours in the newborn Heart of Christ,
Fr. Evans

PS: Act of Consecration to the Holy Family. O Jesus, our most loving Redeemer, Who came to enlighten the world with Your teaching and example, and willed to spend most of Your life in humility and subjection to Mary and Joseph in the poor home of Nazareth, making holy the Family that was to be an example for all Christian families, graciously receive our family as we dedicate and consecrate ourselves to You this day. Protect us, guard us and establish amongst us Your holy fear, true peace and unity in Christian love: in order that by living according to the divine pattern of Your family, we may be able, all of us without exception, to attain to eternal happiness. *** O Mary, dear Mother of Jesus and Mother of us, by your kind prayers make this humble offering acceptable in the sight of Jesus, and obtain for us His graces and blessings. *** O Saint Joseph, most holy Guardian of Jesus and Mary, help us by your prayers in all our spiritual and temporal needs; that so we may be enabled to praise our divine Savior Jesus, together with Mary and you, for all eternity. Amen.

PPS: Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the pre-born child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. (Ven. Fulton Sheen)

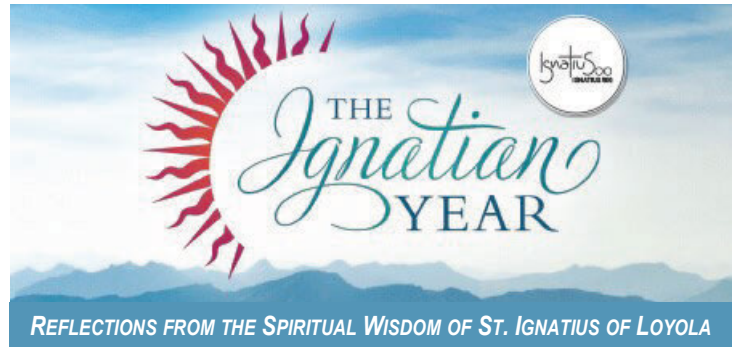
Contact Information - Fr. Evans

Schedules his own appointments
email him directly at ...
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Save the date!

Light of the World
EVANGELIZATION PROCESS
February 25-28, 2022



Prayer for Detachment

I beg of you, my Lord, to remove anything which separates me from you, and you from me.

Remove anything that makes me unworthy of your sight., your control, your rephension; of your speech and conversations of your benevolence and love.

Cast from me every evil that stands in the way of my seeing you hearing, tasting, savoring, and touching you; fearing and being mindful of you; knowing, trusting, loving, and possessing you; being conscious of your presence and, as far as may be, enjoying you. This is what I ask for myself and earnestly desire from you. Amen.

St. Peter Faber, SJ, in Herts on Fire, Michael Harter, SJ

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

—James 4:8

*Pray the prayer for detachment again slowly.
What are the things that impede your walk with Christ?*

Holiday Office Hours

The parish office will be closed
Dec. 27th, Dec. 31st & Jan. 3rd



Charitable Contributions

Just a reminder that the end of the fiscal year is approaching. Any donations or charitable contributions that you wish to make to the parish and will want to claim as a tax deduction for the year 2021 should be in the parish office December 30th.

Thank you for your continued support!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December

27 - Monday Parish Office Closed
Loaves & Fishes 5 pm

31-Friday Parish Office Closed
New Year's Eve

January

1 - Saturday New Year's Day - Mass at 9:00am
3 - Monday Parish Office Closed



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