

January 2, 2021

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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

MASS SCHEDULE

(January 1 – January 9, 2022)

St. John the Apostle

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Grace Dauby
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	For the People
	9:15 a.m.	+ Alice Noblitt
Monday	8:30 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Special Intention
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	All Priests
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Marie Oowney Hochgesang
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	For the People
	9:15 a.m.	+Alice Noblitt

Latin Mass 1st Saturdays at 7:30 am Blessed Mother's Intention

St. Jude the Apostle

Sunday	11:00am	+ Bob McClure
Wednesday	6:00pm	+ Wayne Stanfield
Thursday	9:00am	+ Francesca Flores

Pray the Rosary

St. John Parish: 30 minutes before every Mass
St. Jude Parish: Sundays at 10:15 a.m.

Sacraments

Baptism: Contact Parish Office

Reconciliation:

St. John: Saturday 4:30 p.m., 30 minutes before all other Masses, or by appointment.

St. Jude: Sunday after Mass, 30 minutes before Wednesday Mass, or by appointment

Marriage: Contact Parish Office.

(The Church requires 6 months preparation)

Anointing of the Sick:

Contact Parish Office if hospitalized, suffering acute or long-term illness, serious injury, or surgery.

Life-threatening call Fr. Dennis at (812) 578-8596

Holy Orders:

Interest in priesthood or religious life, contact Archdiocesan Vocations Office: (800) 382-9836.



St. John the Apostle

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY :

WHEN: This coming Saturday, January 8 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Where: In the gym

What: Dinner and drinks will be provided, please bring a side and/or dessert. There will also be trivia for adults and games/movie for the kids.

WHO: You! Please come and enjoy the festivities.

WHY RSVP: So we know how much dinner to order! Contact Grace.lechner05@gmail.com or 502-595-7441.

Feel free to VOLUNTEER to help during/after this event!! See you on Saturday!



Note: Christmas isn't over until the Fellowship Committee says it is.

House Blessing Prayer

God who is Three, God who is One,
Give blessing to the house that is here.
Bless it from roof to floor,
from wall to wall, from end to end.
May your Spirit alone dwell within these walls,
To bring joy and laughter to all who enter here.
We call upon the Sacred Three
To save, to shield and surround this home.
The circle of God around it,
The peace of Christ within it,
The life of the Spirit above it,
this day, this night and every night.
May the Triune God be the guardian of this place.
Peace be here in the name of the God of love,
Welcome be here in the name of the Christ of peace,
Joy be here in the name of the Spirit of life.
God who is One, God who is Three,
Bring light for the day and rest for the night.
We call upon the Sacred Three
To welcome, guide and nurture all who enter here,
The circle of God around friend and stranger,
The peace of Christ within guest and host,
The life of the Spirit above all who stand at the door,
this day, this night and evermore.

Adapted from a blessing in Celtic Daily Prayer.



"20 + C + M + B + 22". The numbers refer to the calendar year (20 and 22, for this year); the crosses stand for Christ; and the letters have a two-fold significance: C, M and B are the initials for the traditional names of the Magi (Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar), as well as an abbreviation of the Latin blessing *Christus mansionem benedicat*, which means, *May Christ bless this house*. Taken together, this inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless our homes and stay with those who dwell in them throughout the entire year.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK



Sunday, January 2, 2022

10:30 am Apologetics

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

6:00 pm Religious Education RESUMES with Adoration until 7:15

6:00 pm RCIA

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

6:00 pm—7:30pm King's Men

Saturday, January 8, 2022

6:00 pm—Parish Christmas Party

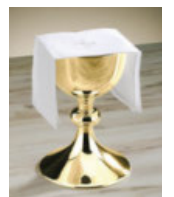
ALL ARE WELCOME—PLEASE COME AND ENJOY A FUN EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP

The Church Calendars

are in. You may pick one up for your family in the narthex (back of church.)



The Altar Linen Committee is in need of volunteers to take a month during the year to clean our towels, purificators, and corporals. This does not include the larger linens such as the altar clothes. This is not a time consuming task, and will be such a blessing for the parish. If you are able to take a month, please contact Jane Reinhart at (812) 876-2840 and leave a message or you may call the office. Thank you for this consideration.



PARISH TITHING

December 5, 2021 Offering (63) \$3,718.

Budgeted YTD (23 week) \$140,779.

Actual YTD (23 week) \$130,951.

Budget YTD: **-\$9,828.** God bless you!

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Actor Jim Caviezel (Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ) and Raymond Arroyo (EWTN/ FOX News) are coming to Cincinnati April 2, 2022 to speak.

Raymond Arroyo
Jim Caviezel
Bishop John C. Iffert
Coach Luke Fickell (Invited Speaker)

On Friday, Dec. 11st, at least six states - Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, Mississippi and Tennessee – were hit by tornadoes causing casualties and mass destruction. The Catholic Charities USA Disaster Operations team is on the ground assisting the dioceses and local Catholic Charities agencies as they begin to assess the damage and assist the survivors. To donate go to: [\(catholiccharities.us\)](http://CCU-SA Disaster Relief - Campaign (catholiccharities.us)) or mail: Catholic Charities USA, 2050 Ballenger Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314



DAILY READINGS

MONDAY

January 3, 2022

Holy Name of Jesus

1 Jn 3: 22—4: 6

Mt 4: 12-17, 23-25

TUESDAY

January 4

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

1 Jn 4: 7-10

Mk: 6: 34-44

Wednesday

January 5

St. John Neumann, Bishop

1 Jn 4: 11-18

Mk 6: 45-52

THURSDAY

January 6

St. André Bessette, Religious

1 Jn 4: 19—5: 4

Lk 4: 14-22

FRIDAY

January 7

St. Raymond of Penafort, Priest

1 Jn 5: 5-13

Lk 5: 12-16

SATURDAY

January 8

1 Jn 5: 14-21

Jn 3: 22-30

SUNDAY

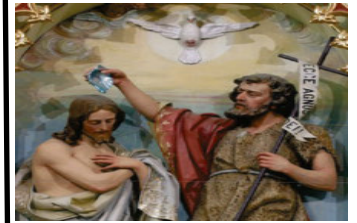
January 9

Baptism of the Lord

Is 40: 1-5, 9-11

Ti 2: 11-14, 3: 4-7

Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22



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How to Become a Member of St. John or St. Jude ..

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Registration forms may be put in the collection basket or given to the office.

There is Power in Your Prayers!

Let's pray for: Suzanne Sullivan, Rosemary & Jon Lowe, Sue Hawthorne, Betty Garst, Charlotte Sweet, Shirley Schooley, Velma Carie, Loretta and Art Sims, Dolores McClure, Sidney Sullivan, Stephanie Worland, John Worland, Jeff Taber, Jimmy Withem, Adele Williams, Paul Heerdink, Sandy Lively, Chris Craney's father, Pat Kollman, Teresa Lookatch, Ellen Ross, Marilyn McDaniel, Ana Mildred Freeman, Fr. Paul Dede, and a very **Special Intention**. Let us remember all the sick in our prayers. You may also go to: prayer@sjabloomington.org to request prayers. To be put on St. Jude's prayer list email the office at stjudespencer@sbcglobal.net or smariasullivan304@att.net

Pro-Life and Justice Commission

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Did you know?

As yet another year is rapidly drawing to a close, I find myself once again drawn to the mystery of time. It certainly does seem to be on our minds a lot. Sometimes we'll talk about "having all the time in the world" or we'll tell someone, "Take your time." However, most often, we simply don't seem to have enough of it. "I don't have time." "I'm running out of time," or "Time's up." It is a paradox.

Time is God's gift to us. When God created the heavens and the earth, He created Time, and we live our lives in this mystery we call "Time." For thousands and thousands of years, men and women have lived lives which have been ordered by the rising and setting of the sun, by the passage of days, weeks, months, and years, generation after generation.

When we stop to think about the billions and billions of people who have lived and died on this earth since the beginning of time, our individual lives can seem quite insignificant and meaningless - except for one powerful fact. Each and every one of us, every human being ever born on this earth, is known and loved by God. That is inconceivable to us. As the Psalmist wrote in Psalm 139, "*Lord, you have probed me, you know me: you know when I sit and stand; you understand my thoughts from afar. My travels and my rest you mark; with all my ways you are familiar. Even before a word is on my tongue, Lord, you know it all. Behind and before you encircle me. Such knowledge is beyond me. Too lofty for me to reach.*"

Tell me more...

As I grow older, I find that I am much more aware that the years of my life are passing too quickly. I find myself drawn to Psalm 90 which speaks so eloquently about the shortness of our lives, verses that are increasingly poignant. Yet I find comfort in these words.

*O Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to the next.
Before the mountains were born*

*or the earth or the world brought forth,
you are God, without beginning or end.*

*You turn men back to dust
and say: "Go back, sons of men."
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night.*

*You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades....
Our life is over like a sign.
Our span is seventy years
or eighty for those who are strong....*

*Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
For the years when we knew misfortune.*

*Show forth your work to your servants;
Let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favor of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands,
give success to the work of our hands.*

Life is this wonderful gift that God has given us, but it comes with an expiration date. Although our souls are immortal, our bodies are not. So as we look back at the year that's ending, grateful for the blessings we experienced, let us look ahead to the new year. Once again, it will pass by too quickly, but it too will be filled with lots of wonderful memories and experiences, and likely, a few trials.

Remember...we are on a pilgrimage. Embrace the journey!



**I wish you all many blessings
in 2022!**

Denise Sawyer, January 2, 2022
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ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00 am – 11:00



Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, (Joseph Ratzinger) is 94 years old and wrote a beautiful Christmas letter to Jesus as a child. He wrote the letter at age seven in 1934. According to Italian website [Korazym](http://www.korazym.it), the letter was found in 2012 during his childhood home's restoration in Bavaria, which was transformed into a museum dedicated to the former pontiff.

"Dear Baby Jesus, soon you will come down to earth. You will bring joy to children. You'll bring joy to me too. I would like the "Volks-Schott," a green chasuble for mass and a Sacred Heart of Jesus. I'll always be good." Joseph Ratzinger Christmas 1934.

The young Ratzinger requested the Volks-Schott missal, which helped him fall in love with the liturgy. He also requested "a green chasuble," because he played a "parish priest's game" with his brother.

"As boys, my two brothers loved to act out the Sunday service," Pope Benedict's sister Maria Ratzinger said in 1991. "We celebrated mass and we had chasubles made by the mother's seamstress just for us," Pope Benedict's brother, Msgr. Georg Ratzinger told Inside the Vatican. "One time, in turn, we were the minister or the altar boy." Lastly, the young Benedict requested the Sacred Heart of Jesus because of his family's devotion to Him.

A family prayer to be like Pope Benedict XVI, and to give even play time to the Lord. You may enjoy this website: <https://www.ncregister.com/blog/5-best-videos-of-kids-playing-mass> Especially check out #5, too funny!



Meditation

"Augustine drew out the meaning of the manger using an idea that at first seems almost shocking, but on closer examination contains a profound truth. The manger is the place where animals find their food. But now, lying in the manger, is he who called himself the true bread come down from heaven, the true nourishment that we need in order to be fully ourselves. This is the food that gives us true life, eternal life. Thus the manger becomes a reference to the table of God, to which we are invited so as to receive the bread of God. From the poverty of Jesus' birth emerges the miracle in which man's redemption is mysteriously accomplished." — Pope Benedict XVI

Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus, Monday, January 3

O sweet Name of Jesus, holy above all names in heaven and on earth, and to which every knee, both of men and of angels in heaven, on earth and in hell bends.



Prayers for Mary Vargo's son, Jeffrey who passed away December 17th. May the Good God of us all, take Jeffrey into His kingdom, and may he give Mary strength and healing.



St. Jude the Apostle Stewardship

God Bless Your Generosity!



December 19, 2021

Regular Collection.....	\$ 756.
The Immaculate Conception.....	40.
Angel Jar.....	1.
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Religious Retirement Fund.....	40.
Religious Education.....	30.

December 26, 2021

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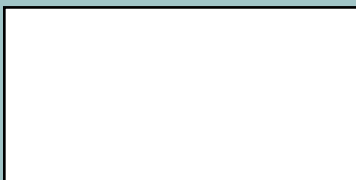
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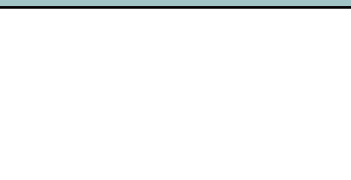




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