





# Striving to be One Church, One Family in Christ



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

hey were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

# COLLECTION - 12/20/2021 (DELAY IN POSTING DUE TO EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES)

Envelopes & Electronic	
Loose	\$925.00
Students (K - 12)	\$
Total Collection	

### From Parish Council & Finance Committee

We are going to be publishing the target collection amount needed to meet our budget every month. The number will vary monthly based on factors including historical giving, number of Sundays in the month, Christmas, and Easter.

Last month (November), we needed \$50,800.00 to meet our budget. Our actual collection for last month was \$50,650.93 Thank you!

The target collection amount needed to meet our budget for the month of November is \$74,000.00. Please do what you can to help us reach the target. St. Ferdinand

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### **BULLETIN DEADLINE INFO.**

Bulletin deadlines are Monday at 12 Noon. Anything brought in after this time will be put on the following week.

Inserts will no longer be put in the bulletin, only a small article should be submitted.

Email items to Joan Lange @ jlange@evdio.org, or drop off items at the Spiritual Life Center.



INTENTIONS FOR JAN. 3 - JAN 9 ALL MASSES AT ST. FERDINAND WILL BE

#### LIVESTREAMED.

Monday, January 3 No Mass

# TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

6:00 PM Mass at St. Ferdinand Anthony & Irene Durcholz

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

6:00 PM Mass at St. Ferdinand Patricia Durcholz

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

7:30 AM Mass at St. Ferdinand Memorial Mass for Fred Leinenbach

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

7:30 AM Mass at St. Ferdinand Roman Luebbehusen

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

5:00 PM Mass at St. Ferdinand Cecelia, Paul & Norb Luebbehusen Joe & Grace Wilmes Donna J. Towles

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

7:30 AM MASS AT ST. FERDINAND CHRISTIAN MOTHERS 10:00 AM MASS AT ST. FERDINAND MICHAEL KNIES DONALD LASKOWSKI

PLEASE NOTE: WHEN THERE IS A FUNERAL, THE WEEKDAY MASS WILL BE CANCELLED FOR THAT DAY.

WHEN ATTENDING A FUNERAL MASS AT ST. FERDINAND, PLEASE BE COURTEOUS AND DO NOT PARK ON THE NORTH SIDE PARKING LOT NEXT TO CHURCH. THIS IS RESERVED FOR THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY AND FUNERAL VEHICLES.

Christ the King Parish has 2 Endowments at the Diocese. To make a donation contact the Endowment Office at the Diocese 1-800-637-1731.

- St. Henry Cemetery
- Chapel of Our Sorrowful Mother

### EVENTS OF THE WEEK: JAN. 2 - JAN 9 SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

8:15AM CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD 10:00 AM ADULT CHOIR WILL BE SINGING 3:00 PM YOUTH GROUP AT TRETTER CENTER

### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 4**

3:00 PM Tretter Time for 6th Grade 9:00 AM Bible Study "The Bible Timeline" 7:00 PM Bile Study "The Bible Timeline"

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

7:00 PM High School Religion "Goals Week I" 7:00 PM Adult Choir practice

# THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

6:00 PM CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

5:00 PM MAUREEN'S GROUP WILL BE SINGING

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

10:00 AM BLUME GIRLS WILL BE SINGING 10:00 AM CONFIRMATION RITUAL OF WELCOME

### **Emergencies: In need of Anointing**

Call the Parish Office at 812-367-1212 If outside of normal business hours Dial the extension 130 Leave a voicemail detailing the situation, name, and phone number. The voicemail will be forwarded to Father's cell phone.

Christ the King Parish has 4 endowments with the Dubois County Community Foundation. To make a donation send a check to Dubois County Community Foundation P O Box 269 Jasper, IN 47547 or go the their website dccommunityfoundation.org/ourendowments.

- St. Ferdinand Church Endowment
- Charles E Sherman Church Cemetery Endowment
- St. Henry Cemetery Preservation Fund
- St. Ferdinand Cemetery Endowment

Dear Parishioners in Christ,

From the Pastor's Desk It was Christmas Eve, during the days of the depression of the 1930's. Della and James, a newly married couple, were very poor. They loved each other dearly, but money was hard to come by. In fact, as Christmas approached, they were unhappy because they had no money to buy presents for each other. They had two possessions that they valued deeply: James had a gold watch which had belonged to his father, and Della had long and beautiful golden-brown hair. Della knew that James' watch had

no matching chain--only a worn-out leather strap. A matching chain would be an ideal gift for her husband, but she lacked the money to buy it.

As she stood before the mirror, her eyes fell on her long brown tresses. She was very proud of her beautiful hair, but she knew what she had to do. She faltered a moment, but nothing could stand in the way of love. She hastened to the "hair-dealers," sold her hair for twenty dollars, and went round shop after shop, hunting for the ideal gift. At last she found it: a platinum chain for her husband's watch. She was very happy and proud of the gift. She knew James would love it, the fruit of her sacrifice.

James came in, beaming with love, proud of the gift he had bought for Della. He knew she would be very happy with the gift. But when he saw her, his face fell. She knew he was angry at what she had done. She tried to console him by saying that her hair would grow fast, and soon it would be as beautiful as before. That is when he gave her his gift. It was an expensive set of combs, with gem-studded rims. She had always wanted them for her hair! She was very happy, but with a tinge of sadness. She knew it would be some time before she could use the precious gift.

Then, with tears in her eyes, she presented him with the gift she had bought. As he looked at the beautiful chain, he said with a sigh: "I guess our gifts will have to wait for some time. The combs were very expensive; I had to sell my watch to buy the combs!" These were the perfect gifts: gifts of sacrificial love. Both James and Della were very happy for, like the Magi, they had discovered LOVE through self sacrifice. God bless you!

Yours faithfully in Christ,

Fr. Fathony





Joan Verkamp February 13, 1924 - December 17, 2021

- We are in need of a chairperson and volunteers to host our parish Meals to Heal Program.
- We are looking for individuals to chair and host this year's Soup and Stations program during lent.
- Our Health Ministry is in need of committee people to help administer to our parish members

#### **Funeral Lunch Ministry**

Christ the King Parish is wanting to resume funeral meals.

Please call the parish office if you are a member of St. Ferdinand Campus Funeral Ministry and are willing to continue helping with the funeral meals or if you are wanting to be a new member of the committee.

If you have any questions concerning the St. Henry Luncheon Committee, please call Eileen Hochgesang.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR PARISH....

The children from Holy Trinity School brought the parish some treats and songs to say thank you for supporting the school!! What a fun surprise!!!!



#### Important Note to all Christ the King Parish Members;

Our Holy Father Pope Francis has put into place a special three year parish membership listening and participation program for all world Catholics, called a Synodal Church Communion Participation and Mission activity. This activity will involve every church in the diocese to call upon the guidance of the Holy Spirit and to listen to the faith experiences of their people. This is not a discussion on abstract concepts or ideas; it is not an analysis of our programs and policies; we want to know how you, the people of our diocese, are encountering God: how you have seen God working in your lives and how you have been changed.

To accommodate this request from Pope Francis, the Evansville Diocese will be hosting several Synodality listening activities throughout our diocese. The East Deanery session will be held on February 28th in the St. Anthony Parish Center at St. Anthony, IN.

Although this meeting is not until February 28, 2022, we wish to inform you now so that you can prepare your thoughts for input into this activity.

For a more complete explanation of this activity, please read the front page article in the November copy the Message entitled "A Time to Listen", the plan for the Synod and Synodality or view it on line.



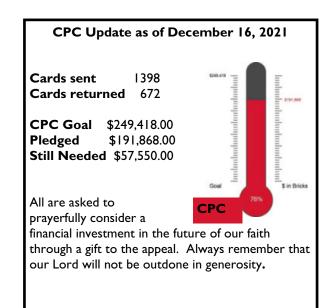
Liturgical Ministers ~ Jan 8 & 9						
	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Lectors	SACRISTANS	Ushers	Servers	
1/8 5:00 PM (SF)	Diane J. Begle Linda Weyer Barb Welp	Gloria Rahman Karen Kippenbrock	Anna Hoppenjans	Gene Welp John Knust Ed Rahman Alex Brahm	Bryce Memmer Paige Memmer	
1/9 7:30 Ам (SF)	Sara Kessens Tom Kessens Eileen Hochgesang	Greg Steckler	Tom & Sara Kessens	Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer	Heith Steckler Marie Tempel	
1/9 10:00 AM (SF)	Julie Lindauer Alyssa Heeke Connie Werner	Robert Alvis Andrea Hoelscher	Mike & Judy Lindauer	George Schipp Mike Hoppenjans Volunteer Volunteer	Leo Alvis Ashlyn Dilger Hattie Dilger	

### SAVE THE DATE

All participants of past CRHP (Christ Renews His Parish) weekends are invited to a Saturday renewal event. Put a reminder on your calendar. It will be held on February 12, 2022 from 8:00 - 12:00. Hope to see you there.

- The Finance Committee is looking to add additional members to the committee. The committee meets 10 times a year on the third Thursday of the month. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office.

- We are also needing more members for the Worship Committee. The next meeting will be January 13th at 7 PM—you are welcome to just show up. If questions, call the parish office. The St. Joseph Sodality is looking for officers for 2022. Please contact Mike at 812-661-8994 or <u>msteffe@psci.net</u> for more detail.



#### 2022 COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Collection envelopes for 2022 are in the Spiritual Life Center. Please pick your set of envelopes up as soon as possible. Rosary Leaders prior to Sunday 7:30 AM is in need of more people, if you are interested in helping with this service, please contact Terri Hollinden at 812-295-6637.



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

If you or someone you know needs financial assistance, please call the parish office at 812-367-1212.



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The Knights of Columbus will pray the rosary on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 PM in the SLC Chapel. All are welcome.

### RECONCILIATION

Weekly reconciliation will be offered as follows:



- St. Ferdinand Church every Saturday at 4 PM in the confessional in the back of church.
- Sunday at St. Ferdinand Church 7:00 AM 7:25 AM



### **QUILTING ~ SF** Mondays ~ 6:30 PM

Wednesdays ~ 12 noon - 4 :30 PM

## **Mass Intentions**

To Schedule a Mass, please contact the Parish Office at 812-367 -1212, or stop by the office. Due to the numerous Masses that are requested during the year, the following is the policy:

- We will only schedule 6 months at a time (ex: in January, we will schedule Masses for February, March, April, May, June and July in February, it will be March, April and May, June, July & August, etc.)
- Only 3 Masses per person per year
- On Weekends ~ 3 intentions per Mass
- Weekdays ~ I per Mass

If you cannot call or stop by the office during regular business hours, you can drop it in the collection. But, please be sure to include ALL of the following:

- Name for the intention
- Your name and contact phone number
- Day of the week or specific dates and/or time you prefer (Mass at SH or SF)

### BAPTISMS

Christ the King Parish invites you to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of your child. Please call 812-367-1212 to register for the session, set up a Baptismal date or with any questions. We will do baptism prep every first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM as needed.

### WEDDINGS

When planning your wedding, checking for church availability should be your first step. Contact Jane at the Parish Office to reserve your special day. After the date is okay'd with Fr. Anthony and the non-refundable deposit has been received, the date will then be put into the books. Approximately 6 months before the wedding, contact the office to set a time to start marriage preparation sessions. Information concerning weddings is on our website at www.christthekingdc.org

### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have any Prayer requests that you would like to have on this listing, please contact the Parish Office, 812-367-1212.



### TAX STATEMENTS

Anyone who would like to receive a **2021 End of the Year Tax Statement** for tax purposes should please write their envelope number, name and address on the clipboards at the entrances of church Statements will be sent out in January only to those requesting one

### Readings for the week of January 2, 2021 The Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday:	ls 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
Monday:	I Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	l Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	I Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	I Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	l Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12 -16
Saturday:	I Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/ Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/ Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, ls 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk :15-16, 21-22



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**January 2, 5:00-6:00 PM:** EST Organ Dedication Concert An Organ Dedication Concert presented by Rodney Barbour, concert organist from Cincinnati, Ohio will be at Precious Blood Catholic Church. This will be a free concert open to the public. Doors will open at 4:00 p.m. (Makeup date will be January 9 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. EST. All are welcome!

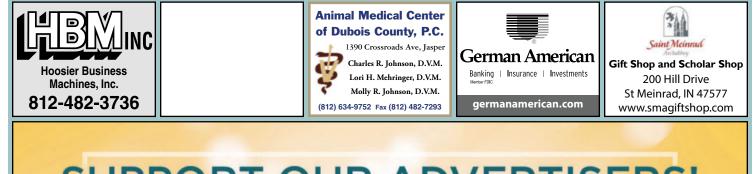
**Tuesday, January 11**<sup>1</sup> Holy Trinity Catholic School Registration for Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> grade families. Registration for current Preschool and Prekindergarten families will begin on **Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**. These families may register at our Central Campus beginning at 7:00AM on the given day. Registration for Preschool and Prekindergarten will then be open to new families on **Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup>** at 5:00PM in the Central Campus office. All registrations must be completed in person. In order to register, the following items must be submitted at time of registration: registration form, non-refundable registration fee, and August tuition payment. All new students need to submit a copy of their birth certificate and a copy of their baptismal certificate (if applicable). For class options, please call the Central Campus office at 812-482-4461.

### Qualified Charitable Distributions to the Parish

If you are over 70  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 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.





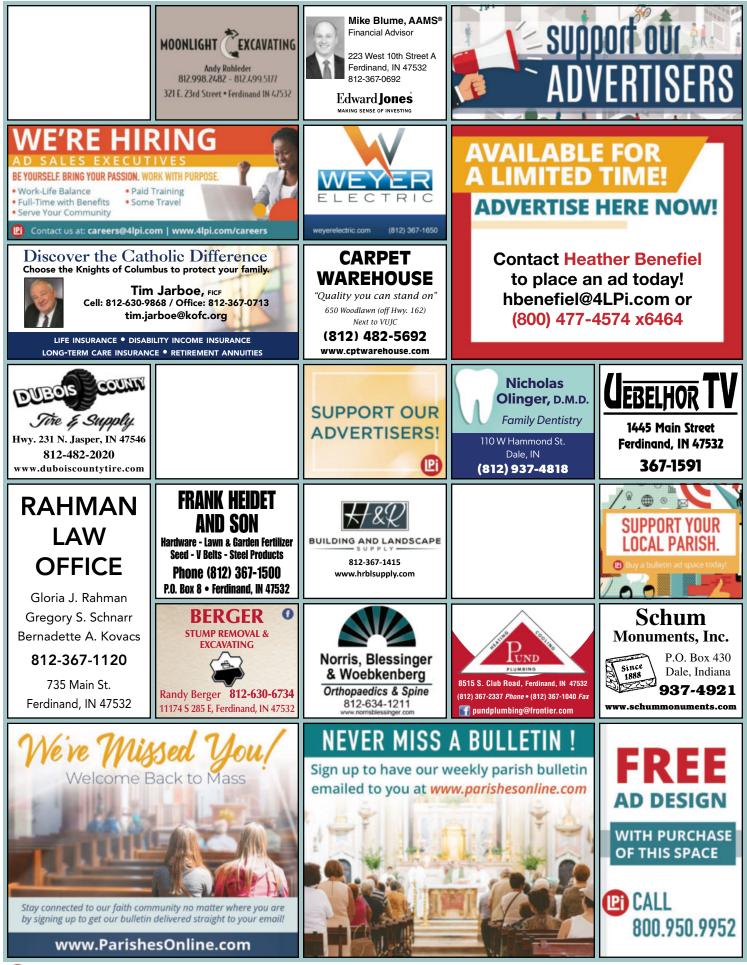
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