

January 6, 2019

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Sacramental Ministers: Father John Geis and Father William Turner.

Saturday **Mass:** 4:00 PM
Sunday **Mass:** 10:00 AM

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**
Saturday: 3:30-3:45 PM
Sunday: 9:30-9:45 AM

Sunday **Mass:** 8:00 AM

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**
Sunday: 7:30-7:45

Saturday **Mass:** 6:00 PM
Sunday **Mass:** 12:00 noon

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**
Saturday: 5:30-5:45PM
Sunday: 11:30-11:45 AM

Sacrament of Baptism is scheduled by appointment.
Please call the parish office about sacramental preparation and to schedule your celebration.

Preparation for the Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months.
Call the parish office before setting the date for your wedding.

Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request.

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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Lessons in Wise Faith

"The Magi teach us true faith," said Martin Luther. Given the obstacles they encountered, we would understand if they had given up altogether!

First, the travelers were "off the mark," coming to Jerusalem to seek a newborn king in a "royal palace." Then, directed to Bethlehem, the wise men found a sight "so utterly out of keeping with a king" - a poor young woman and child, in a "poor hut" - that one might expect them to head straight home. "But with a great, strong and full faith they...follow the word of the prophet and the witness of the star in all purity of heart," bowing to worship and honor the Savior. (Martin Luther)

SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

Paul essentially tells the Ephesians and us, "The people you look down on and consider different .. well, guess what, God does not see them that way. Maybe you should not either."

As if anyone is considering naming a future son "Herod." Unlikely. The very name is tainted. Yet at the time, many people would have been thrilled to be in his inner circle, never mind that he was a power-hungry thug without a conscience. Today's Herods are gang leaders, bullies and those who misuse others under the guise of loving them.



FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

"Go and Search Diligently for the Child."

Look!

Look up,

O Jerusalem!

**Here comes the world
running to stay in your light.
We are the sparkling and the dim,
the king and the beggars,
the many immigrants
and the border
agent.**

**Please,
shine your light
on every one of us.**

**Like wise men we search for truth and love.
Let us find you. In the flight of the geese,
the look of love on a father's face;
find you, find you everywhere.**

**O sun,
chase away our dark.
Glow and grow
within
us.**

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CONNECTIONS

In the overture to the 1970 rock opera, "Jesus Christ Superstar," we hear Judas questioning: Why would you choose such a backward time in such a strange land?"

During Epiphany this year, we celebrate the discovery of the "superstar" and the coming of the Magi from distant lands. They are bearing gifts for Jesus.

Today, we offer our own gifts to our Superstar Creator: Directions are found in Matthew's dusty 2,000 year-old Gospel which invites us to return to that time and that strange land. There, we can rediscover the star of purpose in our lives. Can we resolve to follow Jesus? Can we make the gift as workers in the kingdom of God?

SANTUARY LIGHT The Sanctuary Light burns from January 6 through January 12 for Phil Wittich.



Mass for the Intentions  *for the Week*

- Saturday, January 5, 6:00 PM**
+ Arthur Hardebeck
- Sunday, January 6, 12:00 Noon**
+ Leonard Anthony Lakomek
- Saturday, January 12, 6:00 PM**
+ Emily Mathes
- Sunday, January 13, 12:00 Noon**
+ Jerry Zurline

Saturday, January 12, 6:00 PM

- Coordinator:** Ron Miller
- Lector:** John Holzer
- Greeters:** Steve Mathes/Ron Miller
- Servers:** Samantha Colyer
- Wine:** John & Teresa Kappes
- Sunday January 13, 12:00 Noon**
- Coordinator:** Jeff Greiwe
- Lector:** Jane O’Grady
- Greeters:** Jill Jansing, Jeff Greiwe
- Servers:** Aaron Greiwe/Peyton Owens
- Wine:** Jill Jansing/Jessica Gorman



STEWARDSHIP The three

kings in today’s Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?



PARISH SUPPORT

December 23, 24, 30	
Sunday Collection	\$ 2,795.00
Christmas	1,571.00
Sunday Collection	1,910.00
Immaculate Conception	140.00
Capital Improvement	10.00
Retirement for Religious	10.00
Christmas Flowers	20.00
Votive Candles	61.00

“Thank you for your Gifts!”

WORDS OF GRATITUDE Fr. John, Fr. Bill and I express our gratitude to you for your many gifts, cards and prayers this Christmas season. Your goodness reflects the abundant love of God to us! We are grateful.

CONFERENCE Sister Shirley will be attending a two-day conference in Indianapolis on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The topic of this convention is "Framing a Catholic Response: Sexual Identity." The Archbishop has encouraged all pastoral leaders to attend.



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| Linda Bear | Joe Kelly |
| Drew Willa | Tammy Meister |
| Urban Johannigman | Simon C Allison |
| Susan Huff | Peggy Lewis |
| Pat Grieshop | M/M/ Tom Murray |
| Evelyn Nimeskern | Kelly Spiller |
| Henry Peters | Katie Smith |
| Donnie Hoffrogge | Mary Bruns |
| Glenna Ward | Brenda Wetzler |
| Amy Castner | Natalie Brown |
| Todd Castner | Madeline Ronaldson |
| Katie Warner | Maesha Meister |
| Gerald Hermesch | Pat Schuman |
| Gary Payne | Joe Pesec |
| Molly Ronaldson | |
| Phyllis Hellmich | |
| Mike Raney | |

COFFEE TALK: "STAYING SAFE AND SECURE IN VIOLENT TIMES"

State Patrolman - Kyle Black - Wednesday, January 9, 7:00 PM - St. Maurice Parish Hall
PLEASE NOTE: All Church Greeters and Mass Coordinators are asked and expected to attend this session, if at all possible.

PARISH MEETINGS Parish Council Meeting Tuesday, **January 29**, 6:30 PM
Finance Meeting Tuesday, February 5, 6:00 PM.

CLASSES FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Elementary – January 9, Class (no meal)

January 6, 2019 Local News & Events



Wednesday, January 9, 7:00 PM
"Safe and Secure"
Speaker - Kyle Black
**All Talks Held
at St Maurice**

Knights of Columbus
Chili Supper – Jan 19
After 6:00 PM Mass at
St John Church
Free Will Donation



Deanery & Beyond Events



March for Life, Washington DC – January 18
The World's Largest Pro Life Event

Indianapolis Events for January 22, 2019

Right to Life of Indianapolis LIFE RALLY, 11 AM, Indiana Convention Center

Solemn Observance of Roe vs Wade Mass, 12:00 Noon, St John the Evangelist, 126 W Georgia St
Indianapolis with Archbishop Thompson and Bishop Doherty

Memorial Service for the Unborn 12:00 PM Indiana Convention Center

Rally 2:30 PM South Steps of Indiana State House

Vigil for Life & March for Life 2019 – January 21, 2019, 7PM to 9PM, St John the Evangelist
Catholic Church, 126 W Georgia St, Indianapolis IN Eucharistic Adoration and a night of Pray and
Worship with Audrey Assad.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING Class will be held Sunday, January 7, 9AM to 12:00 noon at St. Louis,
Batesville in the Deanery Resource Center. Fee is \$40 for books and materials. Call 812/212-4951 to
register.

UPCOMING 2019 PRE-CANA DATES (317)236-1521

January 11-12, 2019: St Barnabas, Indianapolis

March 1-2, 2019: St Michael's, Indianapolis

April 27, 2019: Nashville IN, St Agnes

February 22-23, 2019: Batesville, All Saints

April 12-13, 2019: Batesville, Oldenburg



What if each Catholic prayed for ten minutes
and read five pages of a great book every day?
What if every Catholic did one thing each week

to intentionally share God's message with others? Come and discover how four life-changing habits can
point you towards discovering incredible possibilities for your life. You will leave the event with a
personal plan to help you become the best version of yourself. Please join Dynamic Catholic and speaker
Dominick Albano

Friday, January 18, 2019 - 6:30 pm - St Mary Parish, Greensburg, IN

Visit DynamicCatholic.com/events or call 859.980.7900 for tickets.



FEBRUARY 23TH, 2019 The Catholic Men's Conference is
coming up. Just 30 minutes northwest of Cincinnati and one hour
south of Indianapolis. LIKE and FOLLOW us for updates:

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visit www.e6catholicmensconference.com for more information.