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MASS SCHEDULE

TUE: 6:00 PM at St. Maurice
WED: 8:00 AM at St. John
THUR: 6:00 PM at IC
FRI: 8:00 AM at St. John
SAT: 8:00 AM at St. John
(Holy Hour One Hour Prior to All Masses Listed Above.)

SATURDAY VIGIL

4:00 PM at St. Maurice
5:00 PM at St. John

SUNDAY OBLIGATION

7:30 AM at St. John
9:00 AM at IC
10:00 AM at St. Maurice

ADORATION EVERY FRIDAY

9:00 AM-12:00 PM at St. Maurice
12:00 PM-3:00 PM at IC
3:00 PM-6:00 PM at St. John

ROSARY

Mondays 10:30 AM
at Immaculate Conception

CONFESSION TIMES

ST. JOHN: Friday 3:00-4:00 PM
Saturday 4:45 PM
IC: Thursday 5:10 PM-5:25 PM
After Sunday Mass
ST. MAURICE: 15 minutes before
weekend Masses

Mass/Services Schedule Apr 5 thru Apr 20

Saturday, April 5 – 8AM mass will be at Immaculate Conception and not St John.

**April 11 – Adoration 3:00 PM ~ Stations 5:30 PM
Penance Service 6:00 PM**

**April 17 ~ Holy Thursday 5:00 PM
April 18 ~ Good Friday 3:00 PM
April 19 ~ Holy Saturday 8:00 PM
April 20 ~ Easter Sunday 10:30 AM**

Holy Thursday – We need 12 Apostles to volunteer to participate in the feet washing during the Holy Thursday Service. Please sign up as you leave church.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StJohnOsgood/>
Website: www.StJohnCatholicChurchOsgood.com

+ **Baptism** is scheduled by appointment. Call your parish office for information about sacramental preparation.

+ The Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months of preparation. Call your parish office before setting your wedding date.

+ The Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request. Please call your parish office to schedule a visit.

April 6 ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent



“They said this to test him.” They thought that any answer Jesus would provide would anger his audience.

“Do Not Sin Any More”

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

At first reading of today’s gospel, one might think that those who brought the adulterous woman to Jesus were concerned about observance of the law. Halfway through the story, this error is corrected: “They said this to test him” (John 8:6). They thought any answer he would provide would anger his audience. If he directed them to stone her, his teaching about mercy and forgiveness would sound hollow, and people would turn away from him. If he spoke against stoning, he would appear to be setting himself above the law, which required that particular punishment for adultery. They must have thought they had Jesus cornered.

Not to be undone by them, Jesus traced his finger on the ground. Was he listing the sins of the woman’s accusers? Was he using silence to make them feel uncomfortable? Was he choosing his words carefully? Was he simply doodling? We don’t know. But his words cut to the core: “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her” (John 8:7). Who would dare step forward to execute the sentence? They left, beginning with the elders, because the custom was to throw the stones according to age—eldest first.

Had Jesus undermined his teaching about mercy and forgiveness? No. Had he denigrated the law? No. Did he leave the woman with the impression that her sin was not serious? No. He left her with an admonition: I will not condemn you to death, but you have to change your life. †

Bringing Home the Word

Walking with Pope Francis in the

Sacred Heart ~ 30 Days of Reflections & Prayers ~ Week 9 ~ How Jesus Works....Still!



Jesus shows that God is closeness, compassion and tender love.

Pope Francis points out that if we look at the gospels, it is clear that Jesus never worked at a distance from people. Rather, he always approached them on a very personal level, not judging or condemning, but always reaching out with the deepest understanding and love. This is how we are to follow his example—by being ready to love our neighbor, whomever that might be, to be always open to the encounter with another. It can be hard to reach out so openly, but Christ, through the Spirit, will give us the grace.

Ponder: When have I shied away from encounters with others? How might I open myself more freely?

Wisdom from Catholic Update

From “Lent Day by Day: Seeing the Face of God in Others” by Rev. Paul Turner

When we see a crowd of people, we see just that—a crowd. But God sees each person. I invite you to look at others the way God sees them. When people state a real concern, we need to be ready to reply. When they talk long, we have to listen slow. Throughout this Lent, in addition to practicing sacrifice and prayer, it is customary to practice charity. If we seek the face of God, we can find it in many people.



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God’s Gifts To Us

“...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ...” (PHILIPPIANS 3:8)

Bulletin Reflection: In today’s Gospel we hear the story of the woman caught in adultery.

Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Hospitality: We are all sinners in need of mercy. We are called to bring other sinners to experience God’s mercy as well. This week invite a friend with you to go to confession.

General Intercession: That we may not be so quick to condemn. **We pray to the Lord...**

Lord Jesus, so that we may see others as you see them, even those we find difficult, we pray— Lord, let us be like you. The Redemptorists



Stations of the Cross April 11

Friday’s Adoration 3-6 PM

Stations of the Cross 5:30PM

Penance Service 6-8 PM



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April 13 ~ Palm Sunday

Jesus' suffering and death is a mystery of our faith. Holy Week offers us an opportunity to reflect on this mystery.

He Cannot Save Himself

Some of us might wonder, as did many of the bystanders on the way to Calvary, why Jesus allowed matters to reach the point they did. We might ask: *He saved others; why didn't he save himself?* Jesus certainly had the power. He demonstrated it often as he traveled the villages and countryside of Israel. Through the centuries, theologians have turned that question over and over, upside down, and inside out. Hadn't he done enough to reveal his identity?

Every answer offered has thrown a bit of light on the question. Still, no answer has adequately resolved the issue. The question of Jesus' suffering and death is a mystery of our faith. Holy Week offers us an opportunity to reflect on this mystery, to discover something that might deepen that faith and transform our lives—if only a bit.

For example, the goal of Jesus' ministry was the establishment of the reign of God. Everything he said and did pointed to this goal. He never faltered, never backed down in the face of opposition. He was steadfast in his commitment to what he believed was God's will for him, regardless of the price he might have to pay. And pay a tremendous price he did. Jesus' faithfulness to God's will is a model for us. We have responsibilities, some of which might make significant demands of us. Do we hold fast, or do we look for a way out? Holy Week calls us to follow him in his commitment. †

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA Bringing Home the Word



Walking with Pope Francis in the

Sacred Heart ~ 30 Days of Reflections & Prayers ~ Week 10 ~ Opening Up To Encounter Christ

Jesus will always find a way to be present in your life, so that you can encounter Him.

Jesus did not stop reaching out to others after his passion, death and resurrection. Indeed, Pope Francis assures us that Jesus is still with us, seeking us out all the time. Letting him into our hearts is a daunting task for us. But this is something that Jesus is ready and wanting to do for us and in us. In fact, as Pope Francis asserts, Jesus has been waiting to shine his light through us, to guide us toward doing what he has called us to do. We just need to respond.

Ponder ~ Have I been open to God's call?

Pray ~ God of love and goodness, make me fearless in wanting to follow you and keep me moving in the right direction.



April 18 ~ Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land

Each year the Holy Father asks every Catholic parish to take up the collection to support and aid

the Christian community in the Holy Land. Not only does this collection support the work of the Franciscans in maintaining the sacred shrines but also supports the daily needs of the people who live in the Holy Land. I urge you to please be as generous as you can.

Wisdom from Catholic Update

From "Mary at the Foot of the Cross: A Role Model for Peace" by Fr. Michael Rennie

How can we find peace in a world that appears so hopelessly unpeaceful? When wars and violence seem to flare up all around us, when society seems to be increasingly hostile, when our relationships are seemingly more difficult to maintain, and when our own souls are roiled by turmoil? Peace isn't achieved by conquering the world or by fighting violence with violence. Rather, if we want peace, we should make our way to the foot of the cross. Here, we will join Mary. Here, we kneel with our Mother Mary and gaze upon the source of all our peace. Christ is the only one who can heal our conflicted hearts and our broken world.

- How can I unite my suffering, my crosses, with the cross of Jesus?
- How can suffering be in itself a prayer?



April 27 ~ Catholic Home Missions

Appeal Your generosity to the annual Catholic Home Missions Appeal provides the financial help to sustain core pastoral services and mission of

mercy that spread the Gospel of Jesus right here in the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal this year.



Knights of Columbus Council 1461
Meet the 4th Monday of each month 7 PM
Hall in Batesville ~ 926 Delaware Rd



Parish Support

March 23	\$ 2,431.00
March 30	2,829.00
Church in Africa	487.00
Catholic Relief Services	546.00

MASS Intentions

Mass Intentions Available. Please stop in the parish office, mail, call or drop in the collection basket to have a Mass said for your loved ones. Mass stipends are \$10

Sat	Apr 05 5:00 PM	~ For the Parish
Sun	Apr 06 7:30 AM	✠ Cletus & Rosella Holzer
Wed	Apr 09 8:00 AM	~ Rita Gigerich
Fri	Apr 11 8:00 AM	✠ Paul Fullenkamp
Sat	Apr 12 8:00 AM	~Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Apr 12 5:00 PM	✠ Ruth Cord Purdum

Palm Sunday

	Apr 13 7:30 AM	✠ Bill & Eddie Purdy
Wed	Apr 16 8:00 AM	~ Jacob Miller

Holy Thursday

Apr 17 5:00 PM ~Fr Binu & All Priests

Good Friday Services (no mass)

Apr 18 3:00 PM

Holy Saturday

Apr 19 8:00 PM ✠ Philip Joseph Simon

Easter Sunday

Apr 20 10:30 AM ✠ John & Lou Miller

PENANCE SERVICE REMINDER 6-8 PM

April 9 – St Maurice April 11 – St John
April 10 – Immaculate Conception

EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE April 17-20

Holy Thursday	5PM St John
	6PM St Maurice
	7PM Immaculate Conception

Good Friday

3:00 PM	St Maurice & St John
5:00 PM	Immaculate Conception

Holy Saturday

6:00 PM	St Maurice	Easter Sunday	8:30 AM Immaculate Concep
8:00 PM	St John		10:00 AM St Maurice
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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	<u>April 12</u>	<u>Apr 13</u>
Coordinator	Kris Taylor	Ted Wissel
Greeter	Stratton Family	Jill Jansing
Lector	Gary P/John H	Jessica G/Jill J
Eucharist	Bob Green	Jessica Gorman
Wine	Kris T/Ron E	Bill M/Roger M
	<u>Holy Thursday</u>	<u>Good Friday</u>
Coordinator	Ron Miller	MaryAnn W
Greeter	Rosie C/Felie C	Steve Mathes
Lector	John Holzer	Sharon V/Melissa G
Eucharist	Ron Ebinger	Jessica Gorman
Wine	Bill M/Roger M	
	<u>Holy Saturday</u>	<u>Easter Sunday</u>
Coordinator	Kris Taylor	Sharon Voegeli
Greeter	Stratton Family	Bob Voegeli
Lector	Jessica G/Gary P	Melissa Grable
Eucharist	Jill Jansing	Ron Miller
Wine	Kris T/Susan B	Bill M/John K

St John Annual Rummage Sale

May 1, 2 3

Now is the time to begin cleaning out any usable items to donate to our Rummage Sale. We accept clothes, kitchen items, books, shoes, etc. Contact Rosie Calhoun (812-621-1389) or Sharon Voegeli (513-505-8884) to drop off items or if you need assistance to move larger items. Please do not leave items outside the church.



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We wish to thank Gary Payne for sharing with us the **Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.** More information will be presented over the next few weeks. See the small altar as your leave church on the votive candle side with information.

We wish to welcome the **Matthew Boll family** to St John's parish. Their son Arthur was baptized last weekend.

Did you know we have a suggestion box? You can find this on top of the bookcase in the vestibule. It is for suggestions related to the renovation or any other ideas.

We will be hosting a **parish mission** the last weekend of April which includes Divine Mercy Sunday. The mission will take place **Monday, April 28 through Wednesday, April 30.**

Please Remember in Prayer:

Mary K Chambers	Elliott Elkins	Stanley Green	Robert Hillenburg	Margaret Jarvis
Larry Kendall	Mark Meister	Paul Graf	Amy Graham	Diane Menchhofer
Dolores Simon	Peggy Wagner	Teresita Noah	Tom Noah	Pavi Pathak Family
Active Service Deployment - Ben Zigan & Aaron Greiwe		Melanie Givan	Keith Jarvis	Bernita Baurley
			Ken Colyer	Candy Reidenbach