

April 11 & 18, 2021
St. John the Baptist Church, Osgood

The Catholic Communities of Osgood and Napoleon, Indiana

St. John the Baptist Church

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MASS: Saturday 6:00 PM

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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.



THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021

Lover of Poverty

Joseph could count on nothing in this world to be his stay. Neither his trade nor property were employed in his first years as father of the Divine child. He had to abandon all that was his and provide for them in whatever way was possible as they were on pilgrimage to Bethlehem, to Egypt, and finally to Nazareth.

Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday

April 11

His Mercy Endures Forever

On this feast of Divine Mercy, today's responsorial psalm repeats three times, "His mercy endures forever." In the gospel reading Jesus embodies the mercy of God, drawing near to those who had abandoned him in his greatest suffering with the words, "Peace be with you." Jesus does not rebuke the disciples for their lack of faith or wait for them to seek him out. Instead, he passes through the doors they had locked out of fear and greets them as friends. For their part we are told, "The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord."

Where is God calling you to extend mercy to others?



Sunday Readings

Acts 4:32-35

With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus and great favor was accorded them all.

1 John 5:1-6

Whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith.

John 20:19-31

Jesus said, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

We wish our faith were stronger but, the truth is, we need to be constantly turning to God for his mercy.

Reflection Question:

- Do I find security in the love of another in a healthy way? Is it the fruit of giving and not possessing?
- Is my strongest foundation in the love and mercy of Jesus?

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Prayer

In today's Gospel, Jesus appears to all of the Apostles (with the exception of Thomas).

Thomas doubted the appearance of Jesus to the other Apostles. It was simply too much for him to believe without seeing. When you pray, do you pray with a firm belief and trust that our prayers are being heard by God?

For those who are struggling with their faith.

We pray to the Lord....

PRAYER Risen Lord, you fulfilled your promise by rising from the dead. Help me to practice what I preach.

*From Hopeful Meditations for
Every Day of Easter throughout Pentecost.
Rev Warren J Savage & Mary Ann McSweeney*

A Word from Pope Francis

The disciples had abandoned the Lord at his passion and felt guilty. But meeting them Jesus did not give a long sermon. To them, who were wounded within, he shows his own wounds. Thomas can now touch them and know of Jesus' love and how much Jesus had suffered for him, even though he had abandoned him.

*Divine Mercy Sunday
April 19, 2020*



Third Sunday of Easter - April 18

“Truth!”

“We bear witness to God’s raising of Jesus from the dead.” A witness experiences facts and tells the truth. Jesus explained the law, the prophets, and the Psalms. Today truth demands that it be preached to all the nations that those who repent are forgiven. Credibility differs: some are trustworthy, others are not. Becoming credible witnesses takes practice. Today you witness the Paschal Mystery. How do you proclaim Christ Jesus? *Be a credible witness!*

Sunday Readings

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from death; of this we are witness.

1 John 2:1-5a

Whoever says, “I know him, but does not obey his commandments, is a liar.”

Luke 24:35-48

Jesus asked them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them.

*We need to acknowledge our wounds
and not bury or hide them.*

Then we need to admit our need for healing.

Bulletin Reflections

- Is there an area of my heart and life where I need Jesus’ healing?
- Am I confident in God’s power to raise me up out of my weakness?

PRAYER

Risen Lord, your resurrection revealed to the world the hope and promise of new life. Help me to be faithful, hopeful, and a loving presence to all people.

*From Mindful Meditations for Every Day
of Easter through Pentecost.*

Rev Warren J Savage & Mary Ann McSweeney

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Hospitality

As Christians, we know the joy and love of being followers of Jesus Christ. Share that joy with other this week. Reach out to an old friend to check in on them or do something extra special for a loved one.

For those who haven’t been to confession in years, that they may feel confident and humble enough to return soon.

We pray to the Lord....



SPIRIT OF LOVE,
DESCEND UPON THEM!

Samantha Coyler

Olivia Kavanaugh

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YOUTH
UPON RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF
CONFIRMATION APRIL 24!**

Mass Intentions  For the Month
April

April 10

Ruth Cord Purdum

April 17

Emily Mathes

April 24

Phil Wittich

PARISH SUPPORT

March 27 \$ 1,846.00

April 3 \$ 1,740.00

Good Friday \$ 605.00

Easter \$ 745.00

Capital Improv \$ 5.00

Home Missions \$ 20.00

Easter Flowers \$ 40.00

May Our Resurrected Christ Bless You!



**RE⁺LIGIOUS
EDUCATION⁺**

Pre-School through Grade 5

Wednesday, April 14 & 21

Junior High/High School

Classes on Sunday April 11 & 18, 8:30AM

CONFIRMATION CLASS Candidates will meet on Sunday, April 11 to discuss the topic of The Trinity. On April 18 they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation which they will receive on Saturday, April 24, 11:00 AM.

ST JOHN LADIES SPRING 2021 RUMMAGE SALE We will be planning our Rummage Sale for Thursday, May 6, Friday, May 7 and Saturday, May 8. If you have any good, clean, useable items you would like to donate, please contact Lois Lunsford for information on dropping it off. **Do not leave items outside the church.** Lois Lunsford – 812-756-1787. Thank you!

FINANCE MEETING Members of the Finance Committee will meet on **Tuesday, April 27, 6:00 PM.** Thank you for your understanding in having to change this date so many times.

PARISH COUNCIL Members of the Parish Council will meet on the following **Tuesday, May 4, 6:00 PM.** Please make every effort to attend. Thank you.

Prayer Requests

Amy Castner	Randal Simon	Becky Ogle
Paul Fullenkamp	Carol Holzer	Todd Castner
Dottie Fullenkamp	Jeff Haaft	Kim Castner
Katie Spreckelson	Lois Lunsford	Glenna Ward

For additions contact Sharon.
Call or text: 513-505-8884

Roe V. Wade- The Untold Story

Greendale Cinemas on April 24 at 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Cost will be \$10 (a portion of that will be used as a fundraiser for the Pregnancy Care Center of SE Indiana in Lawrenceburg). Purchase tickets in advance (online or in person at Greendale Cinema) to reserve your seats. Space is limited. You may purchase your tickets the day of the show, but seats are not guaranteed. Tinyurl.com/roemovietickets.

THANK YOU A word of thanks to all who helped decorate the church so beautifully for the Feast of Easter and all the Sundays of Easter! Alleluia! And thanks to our Mass Coordinators for their assistance during Holy Week.

A Special Thanks to Rob & Dorothy Pulfer for the lovely hurricane glass candle holders.



The Knights of Columbus are putting on their annual Golf Outing for the benefit of the Pregnancy Care Center S.E. IN again this year on May 10th. This is a combined event with the Lawrenceburg and Bright Councils. If you have any questions you can reach me (Jeff Weber) at (812) 221 1193.

CEMETERY The mowing season will most likely have begun as you read this bulletin. Please see that items are not placed anywhere in the grassy area of the plot of your loved one. You are also asked to clean up around your family site. Anything left unattended or unsightly will be disposed of. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

WHEN GOD GIGGLES More churches lately have been resurrecting the early church tradition of celebrating the second Sunday of Easter as Holy Humor Sunday, affirming the season's joy. Here are a few of "God's Giggles."

- Easter is a time when it's perfectly safe to put all your eggs in one basket.
- Knock Knock. *Who's there?* Hatch. *Hatch who?* God bless you.
- What should you do after eating so many Easter treats? *Eggs-ercise!*
- Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg joke? *It might crack up!*
- An irate subscriber called the newspaper, demanding to know where her Sunday paper was. "Ma'am," said the employee, "today is Saturday. The Sunday paper isn't delivered until Sunday." After a brief pause, the caller spoke with a ray of recognition: "So that's why no one was in church today."

Clarity Pregnancy Services/Testing Clinic

Training Please contact 812-378-4114 for details! Clarity's vision is a culture where every human life is valued and celebrated as a gift from God. This vision drives all that we do.

Ministry Orientation – Monday April 19, 6 to 9PM - Memorial Baptist Church, Columbus. Contact 866-510-5067

Learn about the history, mission and vision as well as the various volunteer opportunities available throughout the organization.