

December 2, 2018

St. John the Baptist Church, Osgood

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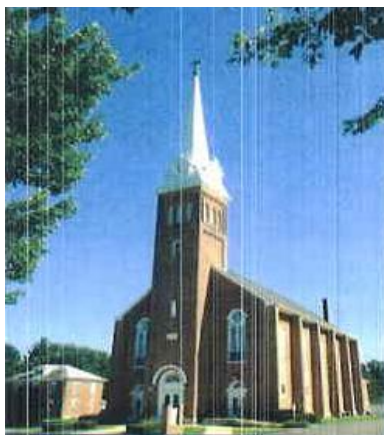
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Sacramental Ministers: Father John Geis and Father William Turner.

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.

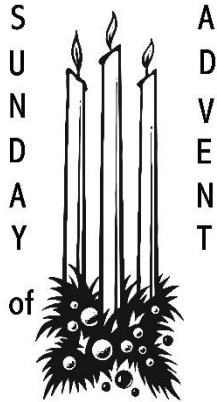
Call the parish office before setting the date for your wedding.

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

DECEMBER 2, 2018

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FIRST



BE VIGILANT AT ALL TIMES

Jesus,
You came into our world
with all its sorrows.
Keep us watchful to find
your presence now in
the midst of our struggles.
Tell us again that your
love will triumph.

Alert our hearts.
Make us aware of all the
places in our world
where you are, and come, Lord Jesus,
to all the spots in our lives
where you are not yet.

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THIS IS MY TIME

A couple of weeks ago I called my sister, Janice, for our daily talk and since my younger sister, Diana, was visiting her I decided I would try to connect the call so I could speak to them at the same time. Sure enough, we were having a three-way conversation. In the midst of talking I said, "This is great. I'll just do this every day." And then I heard Janice say rather adamantly, "No, this is my time with you."

Later in the day I kept hearing her words and then I wondered how many times Jesus speaks those words to me, to us, "this is MY time!" Maybe this Advent season is about pausing long enough each day, to hear Jesus call us by name and say, "You are Mine and this is my time with you!"

Advent is a season for paying attention, a season of wonder, of being aware of the presence of God in this world and in my world. I pray that you and I will pay attention to all the times and ways God/Jesus whispers in the midst of our day, "This is My Time...with you!"

SUNDAY REFLECTIONS YOUTH

It is difficult for the young to conceive that their current world actually will end, and they will enter a different one, prepared or not. Without defining "apocalyptic," invite youth to see Jesus' colorful imagery as a reminder that today's opportunities for good grades and developing excellent work habits will actually end, as will time to prepare for being a good parent or spouse by becoming a good person now.



Enjoy life while young? Absolutely. Just not at the expense of the remainder of life. A scare story? No more than reminding someone the plane leaves at 10 o'clock sharp and it won't come back for you. (Yes, God will. But life usually doesn't.)

CONNECTIONS

Hurricanes, tornadoes, thunderstorms, floods and eclipses – all are fearsome forces of nature which can scare us. Collapsing canyons of thunder reverberate like an angry God stomping across the skies. Lightning flashes illuminate the darkening sky and we know something bigger is coming.



These natural events in our lives give us a foretaste of the dramatic vision of the second coming which Luke paints for us in today's Gospel.

The challenge of Luke – "Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

COFFEE TALK TODAY, Sunday at 3:00 PM in the parish hall. Sister Amy Kistner will offer her thoughts on this year's theme. Possibly Jesus is saying to you: This is My Time with you!

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE On December 5, 7:00 PM Immaculate Conception, Millhousen will have a service with four priests present.

Mass for the Intentions  *for the Week*

- Saturday, December 1, 6:00 PM**
+ James McCain
- Sunday, December 2, 12:00 Noon**
+ Lola Mulford Damm
- Friday, December 7, 6:00 PM**
+ John Hill
- Saturday, December 8, 6:00 PM**
+ Jennifer Sloan
- Sunday, December 9, 12:00 Noon**
+ Art Simon

HOLIDAY SERVICES
Penance Services
 Wed, Dec 5, 7PM Immaculate Conception
Feast of Immaculate Conception
 Fri, Dec 7 6PM St John
 Fri, Dec 7 6PM Immaculate Conception

STEWARDSHIP “Be on guard,” Jesus warns in today’s Gospel, “lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence.” Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

2019 ENVELOPES The collection envelopes for 2019 are ready for you to pick up on the radiator in the back of church near the holy water font. If you do not see a box with your name on it simply sign the paper that is there and a box will be given to you. Also, if you have not registered in the parish please take a census form and after filling it out return it by mail or in the collection basket.
Thank you for faithfully using your envelopes!



PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday Collection	\$ 1,905.41
Campaign/Human Development	40.00
Capital Improvement	22.00
“Come, Emmanuel!”	

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL - "ALL for the SAKE of OTHERS." Thank you to all who have returned your Intention Cards. Your gift will make a difference in the lives of others as you join with others in this charitable cause.

ADORATION Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held this Friday, December 7 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon at St. Maurice.



LADIES CHRISTMAS PARTY December 9, 1:00 PM in church hall. Gift Exchange \$5 to \$10 (optional). Sign-up sheets are on the registers.



- Friday December 7, 6:00 PM**
Coordinator: Ted Wissel
Lector: Jill Jansing
Greeters: Jill Jansing, Ted Wissel
Servers: Nick & Mark Miller
Wine Ministers: Andy Miller, John Kappas
- Saturday, December 8, 6:00 PM**
Coordinator: Ron Miller
Lector: Andy Miller
Greeters: Steve Mathes, Ron Miller
Servers: Volunteers
Wine Ministers: Ron Ebinger, Ron Miller
- Sunday December 9, 12:00 Noon**
Coordinator: Jeff Greiwe
Lector: Jane O’Grady
Greeters: Jeff Greiwe, Jill Jansing
Servers: Aaron Greiwe, Peyton Owens
Wine: Jessica Gorman, Jill Jansing

In Our Thoughts & Prayers 

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	
Molly Ronaldson	
Phyllis Hellmich	

CLASSES FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Grades 6 to 12 (Sunday 8:30AM to 9:45AM)
 Dec 9, Class, Youth Caroling Outing
 Elementary – Dec 5, Class, Meal (spaghetti)

December 2, 2018 Local News & Events

Penance Service: Wednesday, December 5, 7:00 PM, Immaculate Conception
Feast of Immaculate Conception, Friday, December 7, 6:00 PM, St John, Osgood
Friday, December 7, 6:00 PM Immaculate Conception

Growing in FAITH, Living in HOPE & Acting in LOVE

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

Christmas Caroling For the Youth

December 9th – 3:00PM
St Maurice Parish Hall



Deanery & Beyond Events



GOLDEN GATE CHOIR This choir will be presenting "Christmas Makes Everything New" on Sunday, December 2 at 7:00 PM, at the Damm Theater in Osgood.

HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS, CEDAR GROVE IN, Special Advent Concert with Mike Davis - Friday, December 7, 2018, 7:00 PM, 405 US

Hwy 52, Cedar Grove, In 47016. There is no charge, a freewill donation is appreciated. A social gathering will be held after the concert. Please bring an appetizer to share!

32ND ANNUAL LIVE NATIVITY~ Friday, December 7 & Saturday, December 8 from 5 to 9PM. at St. Anthony Church (4773 Church Rd., Morris, IN) Live manger scene, Live animals, Local church/school choirs performing both indoor/outdoor throughout the evenings, sweet treats, hot beverages. All are welcome to this free event!



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8,

MINDFULNESS RETREAT. 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM. Join us for a day of Mindfulness Meditation

Practice. Mindfulness is a practice that helps us pay attention to the present moment. Drawing from the insights of Thich Nhat Hanh and Meister Eckhart, we will explore the benefits of Mindfulness for reducing stress and the clutter of our minds. Come and experience the joy and the inner peace this brings!

DECEMBER 11TH: LUNCH & LEARN -THE GOLDEN YEARS: WHAT IS THE GOLD? With S.

Olga Wittekind, OSF (Retreat & Spiritual Director) - Have you wondered what the "Gold" is in the second half of life? Come join us to experience the wonder, awe and adventure on the sacred journey of life. We will learn about freedom, our true self, our holy longing, and the richness of these golden years! 11:30AM to 1:00PM - \$20 includes lunch.



FEBRUARY 23TH, 2019

The Catholic Men's Conference is coming up. Just 30 minutes northwest of Cincinnati and one hour south of Indianapolis. NOW is the time for men to ARMOR UP! Improve your vocations and become better spouses, parents,

children, brothers and neighbors by growing in masculine virtue. Be the leaders, protectors and providers Christ calls you to be. LIKE and FOLLOW us for updates: <https://www.facebook.com/E6Mensconference>. Please visit www.e6catholicmensconference.com for more information.