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Mass Times: Saturday, 6:00 PM
Sunday, 8:00 AM

Weekdays: T-W-F-Sat 8:00 AM, Thursday 6:00 PM (Holy Hour prior to all Weekday Masses)

"A Holy Hour will give you more strength, life and more consolation at the hour of your death and eternity. (St Alphonsus Ligouri)

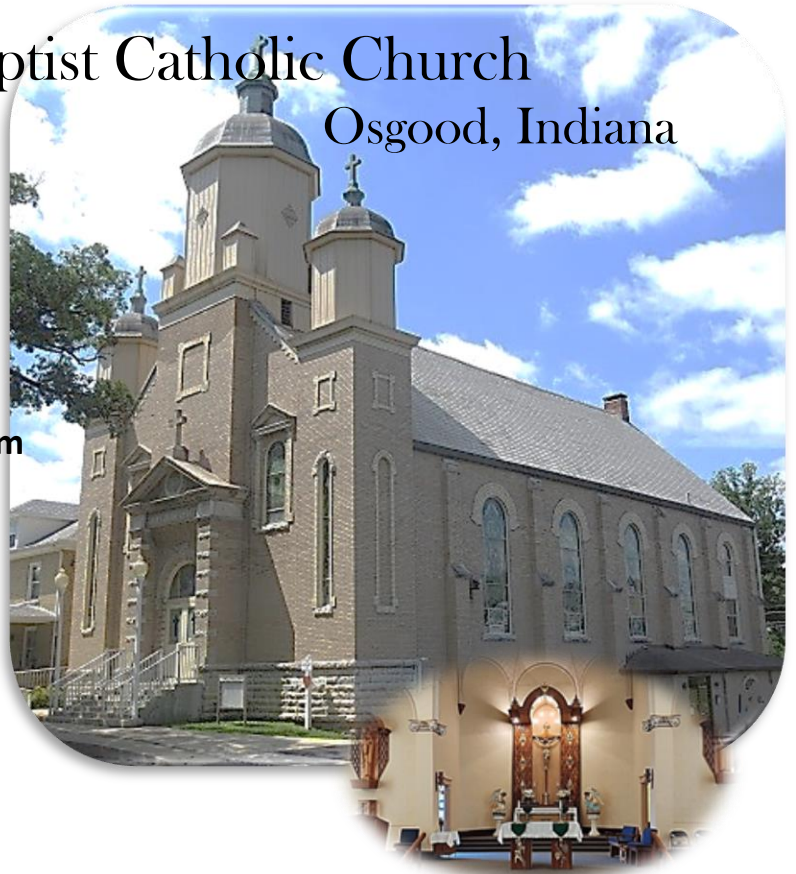
Reconciliation: Saturdays 5:30 to 5:45 (or by appointment)

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you for the glory of God" states St Paul Romans 15:7. Our God is a welcoming God and His Son,

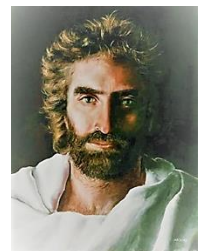
Jesus, also welcomes everyone into His presence. As parishioners of St John the Baptist parish we too wish to display this same welcoming attitude.

And so we say,

"Welcome to each of you who visit our Church.
Welcome into our lives of faith, of family and of community.
May God Bless You with Peace and All Good Gifts!



December 5, 2021
Second Sunday of Advent
December 12, 2021
Third Sunday of Advent





The Year of St. Joseph December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021

The Year of St. Joseph began with the apostolic letter of Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 and ends in a few short days on December 8, 2021. It's almost hard to believe it's been a full year already, in light of all the other events going on throughout the world. We have certainly been in desperate need of a fatherly saint to emulate, and to intercede for the needs of our challenging times.

- Entrust your daily work to the protection of St. Joseph the Worker.

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.**

**Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.**

December 5, 2021 - Second Sunday of Advent

The Word of God came to John

In our chaos, Lord, oh, let us hear once again the Baptist crying out to us.

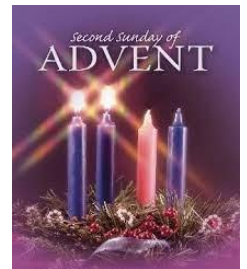
“Prepare the way, make straight the paths. Every valley filled and hills made low. All flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

God of constant newness, carve fresh roads into our wilderness: into climate and racial emergency.

Let our whole life point to Jesus. He is born here, is with us now.

Jesus, please turn our deserts into gardens.

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Sunday Readings

Baruch 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on forever the splendor of glory from God.

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.

Luke 3:1-6

He went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Reflection Question:

- Do I lead people to Jesus through my dedicated testimony.
- Do I speak easily and naturally of Jesus with family and friends.

WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

To prepare the way of the Lord's coming, it is necessary to take note of the requirements of conversion to which the Baptist invites us...First of all we are called to fill the "valleys" caused by coldness and indifference, opening ourselves to others with the



same sentiments as Jesus, that is, with affection and fraternal attention.

*Second Sunday of Advent
December 9, 2018*

PRAYER Lord, you are always patient with me and do great things for me. Teach me to be more patient in life and grateful for all that has been given to me.

*From Joyful Meditations for Every Day
Of Advent and the 12 Days of Christmas
Rev Warren J Savage & Mary Ann McSweeney*

Living Stewardship - Pillar of Formation

In today's Gospel, we are introduced to St John the Baptist, who is preaching to the people the importance of repentance.

As we continue our journey through Advent, be sure to talk to your children, friends, or family about the importance of repentance. Christ was born for us, and He asks that we come to Him and seek forgiveness for our sins.

For those who have not been to confession in some time.

That they may come to Christ and be forgiven of all their sins.

We pray to the Lord....



December 8 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

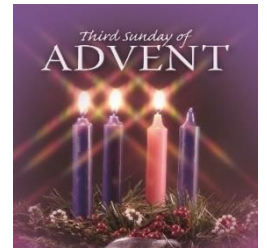
The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you."

Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom there will be no end."

Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

Mass for this Holyday is at 8:00 AM St John, 7:00 PM St Maurice

December 12, 2021 - Third Sunday of Advent The crowds...tax collectors...soldiers...asked John the Baptist, "what should we do?"



What should we do to ready our hearts O Lord for your coming?
Your Baptist says we must give away our coat, share our food, make justice for all. Lord, baptize us with the fire of your Holy Spirit burn the chaff from the wheat. Gather us into your kind and loving arms. Warm our hearts to share your love with everyone.

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Sunday Readings

Zephaniah 3:14-18a

The LORD, your God, is in your midst... Who will rejoice over you with gladness, and renew you in his love.

Philippians 4:4-7

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make our requests know to God.

Luke 3:10-18

Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Messiah.

Bulletin Reflections

- What causes me fear or anxiety?
- Can I give my anxiety to Jesus and ask him to bring me a greater send of peace this Christmas?

A Word From Pope Francis

Many Christians have that face... from a funeral wake, a face of sadness. But Christ is risen! Christ loves you! And you have no joy? Let us think a bit about this and let us ask: "Do I have joy because the Lord is close to me, because the Lord loves me, because the Lord has redeemed me?"

*Gaudate Sunday
December 13, 2020*



PRAYER Lord, you are generous and kind to all your people.

Instill within me a compassionate and generous heart that I may respond to my poor sisters and brothers near and far away.

*From Joyful Meditations For Every Day of Advent
and the 12 Days of Christmas.*

Rev Warren J Savage & Mary Ann McSweeney

John didn't want to create fear or caution of God. Rather, he wanted to open hearts to receive God in Love.

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Living Stewardship - Pillar of Service

In today's Gospel, the crowds come to St John the Baptist and ask him how they may change so as to live a life more pleasing to God.

Much of the advice that St John the Baptist gives today to the people has to do with loving one's neighbor. This Advent season, try to be more attentive and respectful to the needs of others.

***For the homeless who are living in the cold
this season, that they may receive the help
they need and feel God's love
through the generosity of others.
We pray to the Lord....***



PARISH SUPPORT

November 21	\$ 2,391.00
November 28	\$ 2,780.80
Human Development	\$ 190.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 50.00

DECEMBER 12, SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS.

These monies provide support for thousands of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests. Please be generous.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday-Wednesday-Friday-Saturday
7AM Holy Hour, 8AM Mass.
Thursday 5PM Holy Hour, 6PM Mass



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	<u>December 11</u>	<u>December 12</u>
Coordinator	Ron Miller	Jeff Greiwe
Greeter	Jill Jansing	Bob Voegeli
Lector	Gary Taylor	Andy Miller
Eucharistic M	Ron Miller	John Holzer
	<u>December 18</u>	<u>December 19</u>
Coordinator	Sharon Voegeli	Ted Wissel
Greeter	Bob Voegeli	Steve Mathes
Lector	Gary Payne	Jill Jansing
Eucharistic M	Bob Green	Jessica Gorman

Amy Castner
Tim Castner
Todd Castner
Becky Ogle
Keith Jarvis
Jeff Haaft
Lily Handt
Amy Graham



Gene Wagner Eileen Ogden
Lois Lunsford Seth Hull
Tom McCain
Phil Mohr Betty Castner

For Additions Contact Sharon Voegeli 513-505-8884

MASS Intentions

Sat	Dec 4	8 AM	In Memory † Patrick Mulroy
Sat	Dec 4	6 PM	In Memory † Jennifer Sloan
Sun	Dec 5	8 AM	In Memory † Tom McCain
Mon	Dec 6	8 AM	In Memory † John Alan Grieshop
Tue	Dec 7	8 AM	In Memory † Art Simon
Wed	Dec 8	8 AM	In Memory † Dee & Matt Kabbes
Thurs	Dec 9	6 PM	In Memory † Mary Jane Jansing
Fri	Dec 10	8 AM	In Memory † Cletus & Rosella Holzer
Sat	Dec 11	8 AM	In Memory † Mike Murray
Sat	Dec 11	6 PM	In Memory † Jim McCain
Sun	Dec 12	8 AM	In Memory † Janet Ward
Mon	Dec 13	8 AM	In Memory † Father's Intentions
Tues	Dec 14	8 AM	In Memory † St John's Parishioners
Wed	Dec 15	8 AM	In Memory † Margaret Kelly
Thurs	Dec 16	6 PM	In Memory † Mary Jane Jansing
Fri	Dec 17	8 AM	In Memory † Glenna Ward
Sat	Dec 18	8 AM	In Memory † Mr Mathew (Fr Binu's Father)
Sat	Dec 18	6 PM	† For the Deceased Members of the Meister Family
Sun	Dec 19	8AM	In Memory † Jeff & Gene Ogden

THE LADIES' SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 19
9-11AM. Parish Hall
Please Sign Up.



Advent Mission

Advent Mission: The Hearts of the Holy Family will be held at St John's on December 11-14. Fr. Ignatius will be the Presenter. Schedule is listed on the recent December Calendar and Flyer on the Bulletin Board.

Fr Ignatius Manfredonia is originally from Massachusetts and entered the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate in 1999. He went on to study theology in Italy and was ordained a priest in 2005. After ordination, he continued studies and obtained a licentiate in Moral Theology from the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross in Rome. As a friar, he has served as a member of the General Council, novice master and superior at various friaries. He is currently assigned to the Mother of the Redeemer Retreat Center in Bloomington IN, serving as the local Superior.



PRE SCHOOL TO GR 5 - Wednesday 6:45 PM

December 8 – Class – 7PM Holyday Mass
December 15 – Class – Christmas Party

JH & HS & Gr 6 - Sunday 8:30AM

December 5 – Class
December 12 - Class