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Daily Mass

Monday-Tuesday-
Wednesday-Friday- Saturday
Holy Hour 7:00 AM
Mass at 8:00 AM

Sunday Obligation

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays 12PM to 3 PM
Confession
Friday 12 Noon to 1:00
Saturday 5:15 to 5:45

"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!



<i>December 18</i>	<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	<i>Weekend Mass Schedule</i>
<i>December 24</i>	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	<i>Mass 9:00 PM</i>
<i>December 25</i>	<i>The Nativity of the Lord</i>	<i>Mass 10:30 AM</i>
<i>December 30</i>	<i>Holy Family</i>	<i>Mass 8:00 AM</i>
<i>December 31</i>	<i>New Year's Eve</i>	<i>Mass 5:00 PM</i>
<i>January 1, 2023</i>	<i>Solemnity of Mary</i>	<i>Mass 10:30 AM</i>



December 18, 2022
Fourth Sunday of Advent

The Lord himself will give you a sign.
Today is only one week until the joyous celebration of
the Nativity of the Lord!

In the first reading today, we hear the prophecy of Isaiah, “The virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel.” (Isaiah 7:14). This is only one of the hundreds of prophecies that Jesus fulfilled in His lifetime.

Throughout the Old Testament, we see Jesus alluded to time and again. For centuries, the Israelites were waiting for the Messiah – waiting and hoping.

We can never allow the events recounted in Sacred Scripture to become commonplace and taken for granted. The Bible tells us that God became Man. The Lord of the universe came to earth for us, and He wants a relationship with each one of us.

He’s not like a distant ruler living from afar. No, the Lord knows each one of us personally and calls us to be friends with Him in our daily lives. He loves us personally and teaches us personally. Are we listening to the Beloved’s Voice that speaks to us through the Sacred texts? Are we entering into this dialogue of love?

Every moment of our lives, we are invited by the Lord to grow closer to Him. During this final week of Advent, let’s open our hearts by telling Him of our Faith in His goodness, our Hope and confidence in His promises, and of our love for Him who has loved us so greatly. May this last week of Advent prepare us well for the celebration of our Savior’s birth.

Advent and Christmas Reflections

Sunday Readings

Isaiah 7:10-14

The Lord himself will give you a sign

Romans 1:1-7

Through Jesus Christ we have received the grace of apostleship.

Matthew 1:18-24

“Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,” which means “God is with us.”

A Word from Pope Francis

Joseph trusts God totally....This unshakable trust in God that enabled him to accept a humanly difficult....situation. Joseph understands, in faith, that the child born in Mary’s womb is not his child, but the Son of God, and he, Joseph, will be the guardian.



Angelus, Rome
December 22, 2019

Reflection Questions

Though we believe Jesus is God, he is still one of us.

- How does knowing that Jesus is one of us make a difference in your life?
- What religious sentiments fill your mind and heart as we approach Christmas?

PRAYER Lord Jesus, so that the world may put away the weapons of war and embrace the ways of peace, love and holiness, we pray – Be born in us, be born in our world.

We pray in Jesus’ name. AMEN.

The Redeemers



Bulletin Reflection:

In today’s Gospel, we hear the story of how St Joseph trusted in God’s plan for Mary and himself.

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Service

As we wrap up the Advent season and come closer to Christmas day, use the remaining days of Advent to teach someone (perhaps a friend or child) the meaning of Christmas.

General Intercession:

For our parish that we may continue to grow closer to the Lord during this last week of Advent.

We pray to the Lord...





December 25, 202
The Nativity of the Lord
Merry Christmas, Family!

Today, we celebrate the blessed Incarnation of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As we have prepared our hearts over the past few weeks, we can now rejoice – as Mary and Joseph did – in the birth of the Baby Jesus.

We often speak of the warmth of Christmas, the beautiful feeling of love that comes with this season. This warmth comes from the Light of the World, Jesus Christ, Who shines on each one of us.

In its essence, Christmas is a love story. Jesus loves us so dearly that He came to earth, emptied Himself, and culminated His love on the Cross (see Philippians 2:7).

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said, God has done everything; he has done the impossible: he was made flesh. His all-powerful love has accomplished something which surpasses all human understanding: the Infinite has become a child, has entered the human family. And yet, this same God cannot enter my heart unless I open the door to Him.

Have we opened the door to the Lord? God loved us first, and we must respond to Him with our love.

As we start this season of Christmas today, let's tell Jesus how much we love Him. Let's approach Him in prayer, seek Him in the Sacraments, and be ready to tell others about the blessings that He pours on each one of us.

May this Christmas Day bring us closer to the Heart of the Baby Jesus and may the warmth of His love permeate our souls.

Advent and Christmas Reflections

Sunday Readings

Isaiah 52:7-10

All the ends of the earth can see....the salvation of our God.

Hebrews 1:1-6

God spoke to us through a son, whom He made heir of all things and through whom He created the universe.

John 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Reflection Questions

- What blessings have I received today?
- How can I be a blessing to someone else?

A Word from Pope Francis

The power of this Child, Son of God and Son of Mary, is not the power of this world, based on might and wealth; it is the power of love. It is the power that gives new birth, forgives sin, reconciles enemies and transforms evil into good. It is the power of God.



RBI ET ORBI, ROME
December 25, 2019

PRAYER Lord Jesus, so that there may be peace among the nations, within communities and families, and in our hearts, we pray—Be born in us, be born in our world.

We pray in Jesus' name AMEN

The Redemptorists



Bulletin Reflection:

Jesus came into the world for us. His humility, His living and dying, His ministry was all for us—because He loves us.

Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Hospitality

Merry Christmas! Throughout all the days of Christmas, share God's love with all those you meet. Spread Christmas joy and Christian love to everyone!

General Intercession:

For those who are lonely this Christmas season, that they may feel God's love.

We pray to the Lord...



December 4	\$2,921.00
December 11	3,529.00
Retirement Fund	665.00
Cemetery Fund	300.00
Christmas Flowers	190.00
Immaculate Conception	125.00

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

*Mass on Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday and Saturday
Holy Hour begins at 7:00 AM
Mass begins at 8:00 AM*



MASS Intentions

Sat	Dec 17	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Dec 17	5:00 PM	✠ Jeff & Gene Ogden
Sun	Dec 18	7:30AM	✠ Marlene Jones
Mon	Dec 19	8:00 AM	✠ Father Binu's Father
Tues	Dec 20	8:00 AM	✠ John Metz
Wed	Dec 21	8:00 AM	✠ Nic Meister
Fri	Dec 23	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Dec 24	9:00 PM	✠ Anne Marie Uhlarik
Sun	Dec 25	10:30AM	✠ John & Lou Miller
Tues	Dec 27	8:00 AM	✠ Kenneth Runyan
Wed	Dec 28	8:00 AM	✠ Those on Prayer List
Fri	Dec 30	8:00 AM	✠ Bill Purdy
Sat	Dec 31	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Dec 31	5:00 PM	✠ Emily Mathes
Sun	Jan 01	10:30 AM	✠ Marlene Jones

Praying for ✠ In Memory ✠

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.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	<u>Dec 24 - 9PM</u>	<u>Dec 25 - 10:30AM</u>
Coordinator	Achleigh Simon	Ron Miller
Greeter	Jeremy Simon	Jill Jansing
Lector	Andy Miller	Jessica Gorman
Eucharistic M	Stephanie Green	Jessica Gorman
	<u>Dec 31 - 5PM</u>	<u>Jan 1 - 10:30AM</u>
Coordinator	Jeff Greiwe	Sharon Voegeli
Greeter	Steve Mathes	Bob Voegeli
Lector	Jennifer Tunny	Achleigh Simon
Eucharistic M	Ron Miller	Jill Jansing
	<u>Jan 7 (5PM)</u>	<u>Jan 8 (7:30AM)</u>
Coordinator	Achleigh Simon	Ron Miller
Greeter	Jeremy Simon	Bob Voegeli
Lector	Gary Taylor	Jill Jansing
Eucharistic M	Ron Ebinger	Jessica Gorman

We have the perfect New Year's Resolution! Join our next BIBLE STUDY in January, 2023!

We are asking anyone interested in the next Bible Study to sign up on the registers this weekend or next weekend! Meetings will take place on Tuesday evenings from 6-8 pm. The next series is an 8-week program which focuses on Ephesians! Hope you can join in this great opportunity for Adult Faith Formation!!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Preschool to Grade 5 - Wednesday, 6:45 PM
Dec 21 – No Class, Dec 28 – No Class, Jan 4 - Class
Junior High & High School - Sunday 8:30 AM
Dec 26 - No Class, Jan 2 - No Class, Jan 9 - Class

Food Pantry Ministry



Suggested

Items for December:

Mac'n Cheese, Spaghetti Sauce, Baking Items, Noodles, Peanut Butter, Cereal (Hot & Cold), Hand Lotion.


The Lighter Side

Will Rogers who died in 1935, had quite the knack for sharing sensible advice. Here are some of his sayings.

- Never slap a man who is chewing tobacco.
- There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.
- Never miss a good chance to shut up.
- Always drink upstream from the herd.
- There are three kinds of men: the ones who learn by reading, the few who learn by observation, and the rest who must touch the electric fence and find out for themselves.



Rita Bedel
Amy Castner
Tim Castner
Todd Castner
Paul Fullenkamp
Dottie Fullenkamp
Amy Graham
Lily Handt
Seth Hull
Keith Jarvis
Larry Kendall
David Lewis 
Linda McCain
Melvin Meisberger
Mark Meister
Teresita Noah
Tom Noah
Bill Oeffinger
Eileen Ogden
Gary Patton
Pavi Pathak Family
Randy Simon
Dolores Simon
Pam Thomas
Catherine Werner

 Denotes Active Service Deployment

New in 2023. The Wisdom of Saints, 365 days of Inspiration with an introduction by Matthew Kelly.