

*Where is the newborn king of the Jews?  
We saw his star at its rising  
and have come to do him homage.*

Matthew 2:2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

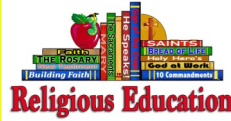
Dear Parishioner's,

On behalf of Calla, Roger, Mary, Jessica, Fr. Neil and myself, and all the Parish Staff Happy New Year may it be filled with many blessings from above.

Each year we have a calendar available for the parishioners sponsored by Collins and Company. This past year Rich & Kathy Collins sold their carpet business and retired. The people who bought their business are not interested in sponsoring the calendar. I wish to take this opportunity to say Thank You to Rich and Kathy for sponsoring the calendar each year and also Thank You for the many times you donated the carpet for the church. You have been so generous to you parish Church and may God Bless You for your kindness.

This past week the parish lost a faithful parishioner, Ralph Cortas. Ralph died last Friday evening and he will be missed by many people especially by those he visited and brought Holy Communion. Ralph began teaching CCD Classes when Father Vrable was here as Pastor and taught many years until he retired from CCD Classes and began teaching RCIA Classes for me. Ralph was a true evangelist talking about the Catholic faith when ever he could bring many to join the Church. I ask you to pray for the repose of his soul and pray for his family as they mourn their loss.

God Bless,  
Father Bob



CCD NEWS & UPDATES

FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

CCD Classes resume today.



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Only 2 days to go before the Magi present their gifts to the Christ Child.

Have you presented your gift yet?

Bins will be available all week for your gift to HIM!



Purchased gifts are to be returned UNWRAPPED and placed under the giving trees by Sunday, January 5, 2020!

PRO-LIFE SIGNATURE BILLBOARD AD

January 22, 2020 marks the 47th anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision in Roe v. Wade that legalized abortion on demand for the entire nine months of pregnancy.

Since then, more than 61 million unborn children have been killed by abortion in America.

St. Joseph County Right to Life will offer area residents an opportunity to voice their opposition to this decision by running a prolife ad and participants' names in an ad in the South Bend Tribune on January 25th.

Forms and envelopes to sign-up can be found at the entrances of the Church, or you can also sign up online at [www.prolifemchiana.org/ad](http://www.prolifemchiana.org/ad)

For more information, please contact:



2004 Ironwood Circle, Ste. 130,  
South Bend, IN 46635  
(574) 232-LIFE  
[life@prolifemichiana.org](mailto:life@prolifemichiana.org)

2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelopes can be found on tables in the Education Center, please pick them up as soon as possible!

Names of those who used their envelopes in 2019 are on the 2020 boxes. If you are a new parishioner and would like a box of Offertory envelopes, please call the parish office or put your name on the yellow piece of paper beside the envelopes on the table, and a box will be ready for you to pick up by next Sunday.

Those of you who send your donation from the be bank directly to the church, the office keeps your box of envelopes and fills out your envelope for you as we have done in the past. Anyone wishing to donate through their bank, please bring your envelopes to the office to sign up.

Tax Statements for your 2019 Offertory giving will be sent out the fourth week of January. Using the Envelopes or direct giving from your bank is the only way to ensure receiving a Tax Statement.

ADOPT A NEW HYMNAL!



If you would like to "Adopt a Hymnal", there are envelopes available at the doors of the church to place a donation of \$25.00 (per book) to dedicate a hymnal to the memory of a loved one or in honor of your family or friends.

There are only 375 hymnals available to adopt! More details on are provided on the envelopes.



TO THE FAMILY OF:

Andrew Wood  
on the passing of his mother:  
Sandra Ann Wood

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF:

Maurice Hebb  
and for comfort to his family.

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF:

Ralph Cortas  
and for comfort to his family.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.  
And let Your perpetual light shine upon them.

**EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS**

**WORSHIP AND PRAYER IN OUR PARISH**



**RALLY FOR LIFE**

**Saturday, January 11, 2020**

The Rally for Life will be held at the Learner Theater. Please plan to attend. Your life, your grandchild's life, your Country's life might depend on it.

**GRIEF MINISTRY MEETING**

**Sunday, January 12 | After the 8:30 a.m. Mass**

The Grief Ministry group will meet on the basement landing of the Parish Education Center. New people are welcome to attend and join this ministry! We are continuing to gather ideas and thoughts as to our Parish needs and how to serve our Parish.

For more information please call:  
Janet Quatman - (574) 596-5081

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NATIONAL MARRIAGE DINNER**

**February 8, 2020 | 6:00pm Dinner | Annunciation Hall**

Join us February 8th for an evening of Dinner and Dancing! The cost per couple is \$20, for a Spaghetti dinner, dessert, and beverages. Seating is limited, so please RSVP to one of the parishes Knights of Columbus.



**RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS**

**Saturday, January 18, 9:00am - Sunday, January 19, 1:00pm**

Sponsored by the Ft. Wayne-South Bend Diocese. Held at the Lindenwood Retreat Center in Plymouth, IN for Young Adults in their 20s and 30s - single and married.

For more information:  
diocesefwsb.org/retreats

**UNITED WAY READING CAMP**

We are looking for volunteers for the United Way Reading Camp beginning the week of Jan. 27th through March 19, 2020. First, second and third graders who are reading below grade level are chosen by their teachers to participate. For eight weeks they meet twice a week for an hour after school and read together and play learning games. Data shows that this program is successful. The four schools that are participating are Bristol Elementary, Eastwood, Mary Beck and Mary Daly. Share your love of reading with a child.

For more information please contact:  
Diane Lucchese at [dianelcares@gmail.com](mailto:dianelcares@gmail.com)

**SCHEDULE OF MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>SATURDAY, JANUARY 4</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>VIGIL: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</b> + Joyce Rose
<b>SUNDAY, JANUARY 5</b> 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</b> For the People + Rosalie Peterson
<b>MONDAY, JANUARY 6</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>ST. ANDRÉ BESSETTE</b> + Adrien Ringette
<b>TUESDAY, JANUARY 7</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>ST. RAYMOND OF PEÑAFORT</b> + Buddy Downs
<b>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY</b> + Fr. Jerome Konecny
<b>THURSDAY, JANUARY 9</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY</b> Special Intentions of Joan Petgen
<b>FRIDAY, JANUARY 10</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY</b> + Brendan Rody
<b>SATURDAY, JANUARY 11</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY</b> Special Intentions of Lillian Braun
<b>SATURDAY, JANUARY 11</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>VIGIL: THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b> + Allan Ludwig
<b>SUNDAY, JANUARY 12</b> 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b> + Leonard Lucchese For the People

**THE ADORATION CHAPEL**

The Adoration Chapel is in need of someone to sit and pray with Jesus on:  
Wednesday's from 10:00pm - 11:00pm & 11:00pm - Midnight  
Thursday's from Midnight - 1:00am.

To sign-up for this time of adoration, please contact:  
Henry and Jeanette at 264-7266

**The Adoration Chapel will be closed for Christmas from:**  
Midnight, Thursday December 19th through  
10:00a.m. Monday, January 6th.

**PAPAL INTENTION FOR JANUARY**

**Young People and the Example of Mary:**  
That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

**Spark Corner**

Around the dinner table one night this week, put your phones away and spark a conversation with the following topic:

*If you could have one exotic pet, what would it be?*

**Did you know that, during Creation, Adam named all of the animals?**  
"The man gave names to all the cattle, and to the birds of the sky, and to every beast of the field." (Genesis 2:20)