

## CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm at St. John's  
Sunday: 8:30am at St. John's  
10:30am at St. Mary's



### LITURGY SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 4 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### **Monday, November 5**

0:00 a.m...No Mass (*St. John's*)

#### **Tuesday, November 6**

5:30 p.m...Bill & Agnes Payne (*St. John's*)

#### **Wednesday, November 7**

12:00noon...Elizabeth Ford (*St. John's*)

#### **Thursday, November 8**

5:30 p.m...Living & Deceased of Monahan & Doyle Families (*St. Mary's*)

#### **Friday, November 9**

11:00 a.m...Holly Bullard (*Miller's Merry Manor*)

#### **Saturday, November 10**

5:00 p.m...Rollin & Helen Waters (*St. John's*)

#### **Sunday, November 11**

8:30 a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. John's (*St. John's*)

10:30 a.m...Bill Blankenbaker (*St. Mary's*)

## PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR NOVEMBER:

### **Universal – In Service of Peace**

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

*If you need to put someone on the prayer chain, please contact Janice Jackson at 348-1521. Thank you*

## FROM SR. JOETTA

A Mass of thanksgiving to celebrate the canonization of Saint Katharina Kasper, foundress of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, will be held in the Ancilla Domini Chapel at The Center at Donaldson on Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. Bishop Kevin Rhoades from the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese and Bishop Timothy Doherty from the Lafayette Diocese will be concelebrating. A reception follows in Cana Hall.

## ALTAR & ROSARY MEETING

St. John's Altar & Rosary next meeting is this Thursday, November 8th 6:00 P.M. Hostesses are Claire Aulbach and Shea Aulbach. Plans for Santa's Depot Bake Sale will be finalized. Also, come with ideas to plan a Holiday Party/Event in December. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Nov. 5: Phil 2: 1-4; Lk 14: 12-14

Nov. 6: Phil 2: 5-11; Lk 14: 15-24

Nov. 7: Phil 2: 12-18; Lk 14: 25-33

Nov. 8: Phil 3: 3-8a; Lk 15: 1-11

Nov. 9: [The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica] Ez 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2: 13-22

Nov. 10: [St. Leo the Great, pope & doctor of the Church] Phil 4: 10-19; Lk 16: 9-15

Nov. 11: 1 Kgs 17: 10-16; Heb 9: 24-28; Mk 12: 38-44

## COFFEE & DONUTS

Please join the religious education students and teachers each Sunday morning following Mass for coffee and donuts and fellowship prior to class.

## PRAY THE ROSARY

With November being the month of the saints, let us pray the rosary in thanksgiving for the example of all saints to live the life Jesus calls each of us to live and for the repose of all souls that they may find eternal rest in Christ.

## GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

**DT 6:2-6; PS 18; 2-4, 47,51; HEB 7: 23-28; MK 12: 28B-34**

Today's Gospel presents Jesus' teachings on the two greatest commandments. Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. And, love your neighbor as yourself.



Let's consider these "greatest

commandments" as they relate to three aspects of a Christian steward's daily life — the giving of our time, talent and treasure.

The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord — in other words, our prayer life. Since time is a gift to me from God, I show my love for Him and my gratitude for this gift by giving Him the best portion of my time. Of course, it is vital to talk to God throughout the day, but if I really want to love Him with all my heart, soul, mind and strength, shouldn't I make time for God "first" on my agenda each day? Not as an afterthought, but as a time I have intentionally chosen to spend only with Him.

The use of talents refers to the way I offer the abilities, skills, and interests the Lord has given me for the good of those around me. Doing so is a practical way to "love my neighbor as myself." At the same time it is also a way to love the Lord with all that I am and have, since He has told us that whatever we do for others we are also doing for Him.

The use material gifts — or treasure — likewise demonstrates both love of God and of neighbor. When I trustingly offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory collection I am showing Him in a very tangible way that He comes before all else in my life and I am putting my material resources at the service of my neighbor in the parish community and beyond.

When we live for God and others, we are living a stewardship way of life. And like the wise scribe in today's Gospel, we are moving closer to the kingdom of God, our ultimate destination.

## LET US PRAY TOGETHER:

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, President of the USCCB, has asked that all bishops, clergy and all the faithful join in seven days of intensified prayer beginning Monday, November 5 and continuing through Sunday, November 11. This call to prayer is made in anticipation of the semi-annual meeting of Bishops scheduled to begin on Monday, November 12. This period offers us the opportunity to pray:

- **"for the healing and support of all victims of clergy sexual abuse,**
- **for the conversion and just punishment of the perpetrators and concealers of sexual abuse, and**
- **for the strength of bishops to be holy shepherds in protecting and leading their sheep from all harm."**

His Eminence also encourages you to pray for bishops as they gather during the general assembly, that they will follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit so that they may better respond to the tragedy of clergy sexual abuse of minors and the vulnerable in the Church, including establishing ways in which bishops might be held to account for mishandling or covering-up such abuse.

May Mary, mother of life and of the Church, intercede for us all and for the Church her Son instituted.

## "WALKING TOGETHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"

The Fruitful Harvest 2018 biennial appeal pledge phase runs through the end of the year. Later in November we will begin the contact phase of those households that have not returned their pledge cards. Even if you are not able to make a pledge at this time, please return your card. If you need a replacement card, they can be found on the bookcases at either church.

**As of October 26, pledges for St. John's total \$8,410 toward a goal of \$44,717 and for St. Mary's only four households have been returned with pledges totaling \$3,700 of \$13,697.**

Please prayerfully consider your pledge and plan to participate in our diocesan appeal, Fruitful Harvest 2018, and help us reach our goals. Contact Diana in the office if you wish to know your previous pledge amount. Thank you for your continued stewardship and prayers as we "Walk Together in the Light of Christ."

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## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

### St. Mary's

Sunday Collection: \$  
Needed Weekly: \$887.87

### St. John's

Sunday Collection: \$2,161.00  
Haiti: \$426.00  
Building Fund: \$120.00  
Food Pantry: \$100.00  
Missions: \$50.00  
Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

**What percentage does God ask of me as a good steward? All of my heart, all of my soul, all of my mind, and all of my strength!**

## THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 6, Women's Bible Study 9-11am at St. John's  
Wednesday 7, RCIA 6pm at St. John's  
Thursday 8, Pastoral Council 6pm at St. Mary's  
Altar & Rosary 6pm at St. John's  
Sunday 11, Food Pantry at St. Mary's

## SERVERS FOR ST. JOHN'S NOV. 10 & 11

Sat., 5p.m...Madison & Mason Merkel  
Sun., 8:30...Allyson Henderson & Laurel McVicker

## NEW SPONSOR ADVERTISING SHEETS

Be sure to check out our new bulletin ad sheets. These advertisers subsidize the cost of the bulletins, so if you have the opportunity, you may thank them by using their products or services.

This week's sponsor is:

**RAYMOND JAMES**  
**THANK YOU!**

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

IU Health Ball Memorial Hospice and Cancer Services is offering a six-week adult grief group starting Wednesday November 7, 2018. This group will meet each Wednesday through December 19 (except November 21) from 6-7:30pm at IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital Cancer Center. Cost is \$10 per family unity. Call 800-458-2255 before November 5 to register or for more information.



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## THE STORY

The Bible as one continuing story of God and his people will meet on this Tuesday and continue each Tuesday, at 6:30pm at Grace United Methodist Church. **This week's topic:** Paul's Mission

## ALL SOULS' COMMEMORATION

St. John's annual candle display at the base of the altar will run through November 18, with each candle representing a parishioner deceased from our parish from November 1, 2017 to October 31, 2018.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those whose funerals were held at either St. John's or St. Mary's during this past year, as well as for all souls. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, with the mercy of God, rest in peace.



## ST. JOHN'S FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE

Beginning with the first Sunday of Advent members of St. John's will be able to have an ornament placed on the tall Christmas tree standing near the organ. Your ornament should reflect what Christmas means to you this year.

We request that your ornaments be left in our parish office or gently placed in the box at the church entrances. The St. John's Family tree will be lit beginning Christmas Eve. Your ornaments will be returned to you after Epiphany. (Might want to put name on back of ornament or a name tag.)

See *The Good News Letter* for more details. Thank you in advance for participating!



## 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as:  
St. Mary, the first Thursday 6:00-6:30pm  
St. John, the first Saturday 1:00-1:30pm and third Saturday after 5:00pm Mass.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Dave is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

### RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sessions for children and youth (grades pre3-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

## The Clustered Parishes Of

### St. Mary, Dunkirk

### St. John the Evangelist, Hartford City

Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

### Pastor, Fr. David J. Newton

### PARISH OFFICES

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### PARISH REGISTRATION

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

### RCIA

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information.