

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

June 16

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Monday, June 17

9:00 a.m...No Mass (*St. John's*)

Tuesday, June 18

5:30 p.m...Fay Lenz (*St. John's*)

Wednesday, June 19

12:00noon...Gerard Merkel, Sr. (*St. John's*)

Thursday, June 20

5:30 p.m...Ron Watson (*St. Mary's*)

Friday, June 21

10:00 a.m...Bob Heiser (*Bridgewater Center*)

Saturday, June 22

5:00 p.m...Leta Morris (*St. John's*)

Sunday, June 23

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

10:30 a.m...Newton Family (*St. Mary's*)

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR JUNE:

The Mode of Life of Priests

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

To see about a ride to Church call the Church office at 348-3889 or contact a Knight.

SUNDAY CONNECTION:

SEEK TO KNOW THE TRIUNE GOD

We live in a world bombarded with half-truths informed by our senses. Man's unquenchable thirst for something beyond himself is written all over every human striving. That is because our thirst is as incomprehensible as the God who made us. To know ourselves, we must seek to know the Triune God.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Next weekend we will commission the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for the upcoming year which runs through June 11, 2020, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Please plan to be in attendance at one of our three cluster Masses next weekend. If you are unable, then it is your duty to get with Fr. before you would be able to serve as a minister.

RCIA SUMMER SCHEDULE

RCIA will meet on Wednesday, June 26 at 6-7:15 pm in the school hall. Following the schedule of the past few years, we will take a summer break during July and will begin meeting again on August 7.

Prior to beginning the RCIA process, an individual comes to some knowledge of Jesus Christ, considers his or her relationship with Jesus Christ and is usually attracted in some way to the Catholic Church. It is at this time that they may be interested in coming to RCIA. Please invite him/her to come to RCIA to check out what it is we believe and what "we do."

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Please remember in your prayers Christy Helm Robinson, daughter of Mary Helm parishioner of St. John's, who passed to eternal life this week. May her family be comforted by your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

SERVERS FOR ST. JOHN'S JUNE 22 & 23

Saturday, 5:00 p.m...Madison Merkel & Serena Merkel

Sunday, 8:00 p.m...Anya Aulbach & Lance Manley



GOING AWAY DINNERS FOR FR. DAVE

St. John's will have a parish dinner on Saturday, June 22nd following the 5pm Mass. Pulled pork, drinks, and a cake will be provided. We ask that everyone attending bring a well-filled covered dish to share.

St. Mary's will have a parish dinner on Sunday, June 23rd following the 10:30am Mass consisting of chicken and noodles and mashed potatoes and is asking everyone to also bring a well-filled dish to share. Please mark your calendars to join us in wishing Fr. Dave well on his new assignment.

Members from either parish are invited to be thinking of a favorite quote you liked from Fr. Dave, a memorable moment, or a way in which he touched you or your families' lives during his 12 years with us. These will be collected through the office and compiled together for him to take these memories with him.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study meets every Tuesday, from 9-11am in the parish hall. All ladies are welcome and invited to join us. The group is beginning a new bible series from Ascension Press entitled: **Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom.** This DVD study program traces how the Gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today. The 20-session *Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom* study program will help you to see your place in the Church as a disciple of Christ.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Set aside time during June to pray the rosary for all Fathers: both those that we soon celebrate on Father's Day as well as for men seeking, studying and living out the call to priesthood as our parish Fathers.

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT OUR FUTURE

The Seminarian Fund Appeal will run from **June 1-23, 2019**. Our overall goal is set for \$485,000. **St. Mary has met their goal of \$678.00. St. John's has received \$715 toward a goal of \$2,213.** All gifts will go exclusively toward Seminarian educational and living costs, which is budgeted to be >\$500,000 in 2019. Other programs, events, etc. for the Office of Vocations are funded from other sources – part of which comes from Fruitful Harvest. Offertory envelopes can be found in your envelope packets or on the bookcases. Please consider a gift that will help to support the formation and journey for our seminarians. Thank you for your generosity as you help support those answering God's call.

We pray to you, our good and gracious God that you will continue to call women and men of faith to serve in our church.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St. Mary's

Collection: \$578.25

Food Pantry: \$171.00

Seminary Fund: \$70.00

Needed Weekly: \$887.87

St. John's

Sunday Collection: \$2,162.00

Building Fund: \$35.00

Food Pantry: \$58.00

Seminary Fund: \$609.00

Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

Today's Psalm reminds us that we have been crowned with glory and honor and given rule over the works of God's hands. But we must be good stewards, for the Lord will surely hold us accountable for the use of those gifts!

THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 18, Women's Bible Study 9-11am St. John's
Saturday 22, Commissioning of Ministers at Mass

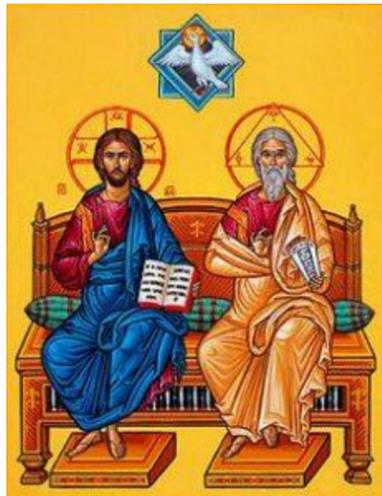
Going Away Dinner for Fr. Dave after 5pm Mass at St. John's

Sunday 23, Commissioning of Minister at each Mass

Going Away Dinner for Fr. Dave after 10:30am Mass at St. Mary's

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

PRV 8:22-31; PS 8: 4-9; ROM 5:1-5; JN 16: 12-15



Today we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity. What we are commemorating is a central reality of our Christian faith, that God is Trinitarian in nature — three distinct persons in one God.

The Church calls this truth a mystery, as indeed it is. Some have said that “mystery” in this context is “not a wall to run up against but an ocean in which to swim.” Contemplating the “ocean depths” of this mystery can make us humans feel so small, and almighty God so far from us. Yet nothing could be further from the truth as today’s readings demonstrate.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that God is intimately connected to us. “The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.” God wants to live in the very depths of our being and in all the intimate details of our lives if we will let Him.

And in the Gospel from St. John, we learn that God holds back nothing of Himself from us. Jesus tells His disciples (this includes us!) that the Holy Spirit “will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything the Father has is mine.” Thus, we find ourselves drawn right into the midst of this Trinitarian love. In fact, if the mystery of Holy Trinity is an ocean which to swim, the “water” that makes up that ocean is love.

What, then, should be the response of the Christian steward to this sublime mystery? All we can do is worship and offer our lives back to God in total gratitude for calling us to live in the richness of such unfathomable love.

Bach for the Summer!

A freewill offering concert for the Blackford Community Choir
David Fleener, baritone Margaret Hammond,
pianist and organist Emily Whittaker, oboist
Sunday, June 23rd 3:00 p.m. at
Zion Lutheran Church 308 S Monroe St
Hartford City, Indiana
Reception to follow in the church's
Fellowship Hall!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

June 16: 2 Cor 6: 1-10; Mt 5: 38-42

June 17: 2 Cor 8: 1-9; Mt 5: 43-48

June 19: [St. Romuald, abbot] 2 Cor 9: 6-11; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18

June 20: 2 Cor 11: 1-11; Mt 6: 7-15

June 21: [St. Aloysius Gonzaga, religious] 2 Cor 11: 18, 21-30; Mt 6: 19-23

June 22: [St. Paulinus of Nola, bishop; Sts. John Fisher, bishop & Thomas More, martyrs] 2 Cor 12: 1-10; Mt 6: 24-34

June 23: [The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ] Gn 14: 18-20; 1 Cor 11: 23-26; Lk 9: 11b-17

SHOP NEW-TO-YOU

Thursday 11-5, Friday 11-2, Saturday 11-2.

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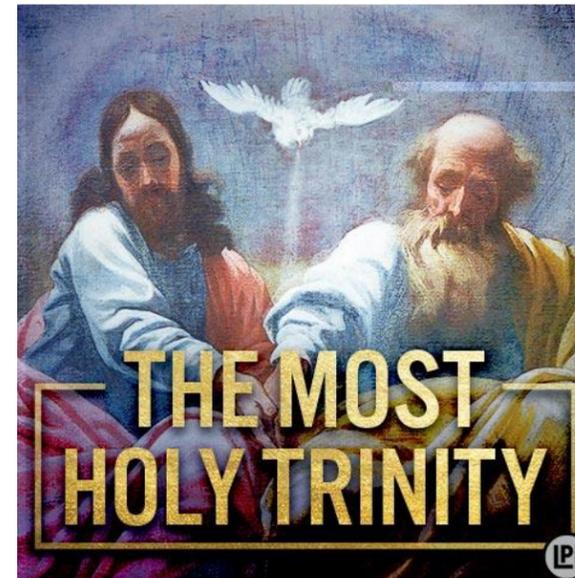
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SAFE SITTER CLASSES

The best sitter is a safe sitter. Safe Sitter classes are held at IU Health Blackford Hospital on June 25 and July 23 from 8:30am to 3:30pm. The classes are open to boys and girls ages 11 to 13. St. John’s Altar and Rosary will provide the \$40 class fees for St. John’s students wishing to enroll. Contact the parish office at 348-3889 to register.



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

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

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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.