

SW NEWTON & BENTON COUNTY PASTORATE

A Pastorate of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

FEBRUARY 14, 2021 – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sacred Heart of Jesus

107 East Main Street, Fowler

Saint Charles

108 North Meadow Street, Otterbein

Saint John the Baptist

205 South Chestnut Street, Earl Park

Saint Joseph

409 East Allen Street, Kentland

Saint Mary's

2961 Indiana 71, Ambia

Saint Patrick

504 South Michigan Street, Oxford

PASTORATE OFFICES

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New Parishioners and Guests

We welcome all who are celebrating with us this weekend. If you are new to the pastorate, please contact the office so we may greet you properly.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

MONDAY 2/15

8:00AM, Kentland † Buster Garing (Albert) by Mike & Monica Diedam

8:15AM, Fowler † Wayne Turner by Marge Muller

TUESDAY 2/16

8:00AM, Kentland † Gene Balensiefer by Mike & Monica Diedam

8:15AM, Fowler † Elmoreta Besse by Marilyn Brouillette

6:00PM, Oxford † Marlena Thomas by Herbert & Janice Larson

WEDNESDAY 2/17

8:00AM, Kentland † Rob Hays by Mary Beth Sullivan

8:00AM, Otterbein † Genevieve Hewitt by Jim & Karen Young

12:15PM, Fowler † Joanne Clark by Kidwell Family

6:00PM, Fowler † Emma Wegman by Fr. Peter Vanderkolk

6:00PM, Kentland † Buster Garing (Albert) by Ann Medley

6:00PM, Oxford † Catherine Leuck by Martha Gretencord

THURSDAY 2/18

8:00AM, Earl Park † Ron Schluttenhofer

6:00PM, Oxford † Don Blankman by Ed Schroeder

6:00PM, Dunnington † Pat Scherer by Bill & Linda Decker

FRIDAY 2/19

8:15AM, Fowler † Marge Francis by Rick Francis Family

8:00AM, Otterbein Members of the William & Geraldine Harrington Family by Bill & Ed Harrington

6:00PM, Kentland † Gene Balensiefer by Mike & Monica Diedam

SATURDAY 2/20

5:00PM, Earl Park † John Gretencord by Marcia Gretencord

5:30PM, Otterbein Intention of Bob & Arlene Goodman by Keith & Janet Kult

SUNDAY 2/21

8:00AM, Oxford † Thelma Brost by Tom & Rita Etter

9:30AM, Fowler † Bernard Schroeder by Marlen & Dan Stepp

10:30AM, Oxford † For the Pastorate

10:30AM, Kentland † L&D of Garing & Datzman Families by Barb Garing

Reconciliation

Saturday

St. John's, Earl Park: 4:00PM-4:45PM
St. Charles, Otterbein: 4:30PM-5:15PM
Or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Congratulations on the newest member of your family! Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to contact the Pastorate Main Office to make an appointment for pre-baptismal instruction.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage. Couples must contact the Pastorate Main Office at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

**OUR PASTORATE HAS A NEW WEBSITE!! PLEASE VISIT:
swnewtonbentoncopastorate.org**



I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation
Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Regular: \$2,382.00 Loose: \$85.00
School: \$2,790.00 Catholic Moment: \$200.00
Prop. Of Faith: \$580.00 Tuition Asst.: \$100.00
Total: \$6,137.00

Saint Charles

Regular: \$990.00 Loose: \$10.00
Catholic Moment: \$20.00 Total: \$1,020.00

Saint John the Baptist

Regular: \$695.00 Loose: \$40.00
Building: \$40.00 Prop. Of Faith: \$25.00
Catholic Moment: \$65.00 Ash Wednesday: \$20.00
Total: \$885.00

Saint Joseph

Regular: \$3,175.00 Loose: \$77.00
Women's Society: \$10.00 Rel. Retirement: \$500.00
Catholic Moment: \$215.00 Solemnity of Mary: \$990.00
Total: \$4,967.00

Saint Mary's

Regular: \$105.00 School: \$25.00
Prop. Of Faith: \$20.00 Total: \$150.00

Saint Patrick

Regular: \$1,110.00 Loose: \$50.00
Catholic Moment: \$140.00 School Support: \$40.00
Prop. of the Faith: \$50.00 Total: \$1,390.00

WOULD YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST?

- 2/15 – Fr. David Hasser
- 2/16 – Fr. David Hellmann
- 2/17 – Fr. William Holbrook
- 2/18 – Fr. P. Keith Hosey
- 2/19 – Fr. Paul Hudson
- 2/20 – Fr. David Huemmer
- 2/21 – Fr. Kevin Hurley

FEBRUARY ITEMS



"For I was hungry and you fed me."

Please place your donations at the back of either St. Charles or St. Patrick's churches.

† A Note from Father Weisenberger †

Dear Parishioners,

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17th. This Season is especially associated with the three disciplines of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. Of course these practices should be part of our lives always. However, Lent is a time when we are especially reminded of them. The word "discipline" probably conjures up negative thoughts for most people and is closely linked to being punished. In fact the root meaning of the word "discipline" is "to learn". It is also obviously related to the word "disciple". We grow as disciples of Jesus by accepting His discipline. In the Gospel passage which we hear at Mass on Ash Wednesday Christ speaks to us of the three disciplines mentioned above. I hope that as we enter Lent we will embrace the disciplines of Lent not as a negative practice but as part of our life long effort to grow as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Richard Weisenberger

PASTORATE CALENDAR

MONDAY 2/15 – Sixth week in Ordinary Time

TUESDAY 2/16 –

WEDNESDAY 2/17 – Ash Wednesday

9:00AM-10:00PM – Adoration, Sacred Heart St. Barbara Chapel (annex) School closes due to inclement weather there will be no adoration.

THURSDAY 2/18 – Sewing Day, 9am, at the home of Diane Gretencord.

FRIDAY 2/19 – Lenten Book Club 6:30pm in room 10 Sacred Heart School

Adoration – Sacred Heart 7 – 8AM

SATURDAY 2/20 –

SUNDAY 2/21 – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



FEBRUARY 17TH MASS TIMES:
FOWLER - 12:15PM AND 6:00PM
KENTLAND - 8:00AM AND 6:00PM
OTTERBEIN - 8:00AM
OXFORD - 6:00PM

† In Our Parishes †

† PASTORATE † NEW WEBSITE!!! swnewtonbentoncopastorate.org

PASTORATE PASTORAL COUNCIL – We are in the process of forming a council for our new pastorate. We would welcome any volunteers or suggestions for candidates. Members need to be open to the "Pastorate Idea" Please contact Fr. Weisenberger by Feb. 15th as the council need to exist before March. 219-474-5514, or by email which is listed on the 1st page of the bulletin.

LENTEN BOOK CLUB: A world UNDONE (63 pages), by Father Mike Schmitz

Please join us on these Fridays during Lent, Feb. 19th, 26th, March 5th, 12th, and 19th, 6:30pm in Room 10 at Sacred Heart School. Please have 1st chapter read before first meeting. Snacks and drinks will be provided! Books are \$7; please see Jan to purchase a copy. Any questions please contact, Rusty Wilson at 765-337-6263. We hope to see you there! JMJ

WOMEN'S LENTEN BOOK STUDY: Women in the Pastorate are invited to join a Lenten book study on the life of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity. Meetings will be held on Tuesdays from 7:00-8:00 PM at the St. Patrick Hall, beginning February 23. Any women interested should order the book, *This Present Paradise* by Claire Dwyer, and contact Monica Lohmuller (mlohmuller2012@gmail.com) for the reading plan. Each week, the group will use resources from *The Abiding Together Podcast* (hosted by Sister Miriam James Heidland, Heather Khym, and Michelle Benzinger) to guide the discussion.

KNIGHTS SPAGHETTI DINNER: The Lafayette Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus will be serving a Spaghetti



Dine-in, Carryout, and Curbside Pickup
765-742-2401

Dinner for carry out on Sunday February 21st, from 4-7 pm at the Knights of Columbus hall, 218 S. 4th St, Lafayette, IN. Proceeds are to benefit our annual college scholarship(s) for a high school senior of the Catholic Faith. Over the past 8 years this event has helped fund over \$16,000 to assist local students to continue their education. Pre-order by Friday Feb. 19th, prices will be \$8 per adult, \$5 per child and \$20 per family, after Friday the prices will be \$10 per adult, \$7 per child and \$25 per family. The meal will include Spaghetti with meat or without meat, salad, bread.

Please call the Knights hall to place your order 765-742-2401, please leave your name, how many spaghetti dinners needed, with or without meat and time for pick up. You may also email your order to blahnik74@gmail.com

Any questions, please contact Glenn Blahnik at 765-479-4383.

CO-OP RUMMAGE SALE: If you are doing some purging of household items and would like to donate them for the co-op rummage sale that will be held in the spring of 2021 the co-op is taking items now. You can drop them off at the co-op on any Thursday starting in January between 9:00 and 6:00 or call or text Judy Platt to arrange a different time, 765-607-3541 or email Christ Sheetz at bcap@capwi.org.

FRIENDLY REMINDER: Even though the state moved to Stage 5 of the state's reopening plan we are still expected to maintain social distancing. So please respect the policy.

† SACRED HEART OF JESUS † 107 East Main Street, Fowler

FREE POINSETTIA'S - Please feel free to take home a poinsettia from the church. They will be placed at the entrances for anyone to pick-up.

LITURGICAL MINISTER: Reader for February 17th (Ash Wednesday) 6:00PM Mass: Kevin Puetz

LITURGICAL MINISTER: Reader for February 21st at Sacred Heart 9:30AM Mass: Kent Brouillette

SACRED HEART PRAYER CHAIN: Nancy Benedict (765) 884-0064 or Pat Richey (765) 884-1847

† SAINT CHARLES † 108 North Meadow Street, Otterbein

TITHE: Next Saturday, February 20th, will go to Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe,

SANITIZING: Volunteers for sanitizing after 5:30 Mass on February 20: Linda Rhoades, Dan Rhoades

LITURGICAL MINISTER: Reader for 8:00am Mass on February 17th (Ash Wednesday): Sally Stacey

LITURGICAL MINISTER: February 20th:

5:30 PM - **Reader:** Brent Budreau, **Servers:** Hannah Wetli, Aiden Wetli, **Ushers:** Brad Wetli

KNIGHTS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION: The General de Lafayette Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will once again be awarding a \$2000 scholarship to two High School Seniors in the Assembly area which includes Lafayette, Otterbein, & Oxford. As most of you are aware the 4th degree has been supporting the youth of our assembly area for many years by awarding thousands of dollars in scholarships. If interested call the pastorate office at 765-385-2587 for an application form which needs to be postmarked by March 26, 2021 or you can also find it on the website.

ATTENTION: Religious Education classes are starting in-person for most school-age students beginning on January 24th. If you have not heard from your teacher, please contact DRE Jennifer Senesac (jsenesac@parish.dol-in.org).

Organist Needed: St. Charles is in need of an organist for the weekend Mass. If interested contact Sally Stacey at scjlstac@aol.com or 765-583-2137.

PRAYER CHAIN: Jeanne Brummet Cell: (765) 404-1975 email: jeannebrummet@gmail.com, Joyce Hoffman Cell: (765) 714-3317 email: j.a.hoffman@hotmail.com

† SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST † 205 South Chestnut Street, Earl Park

We are re-establishing St. John the Baptist cemetery board. If you are interested in helping with the cemetery, please contact Larry Schellenberger @ 765-775-6611.

LITURGICAL MINISTER: Reader for February 20th at St. John's Mass: Mary Sherfey

† SAINT JOSEPH † 409 East Allen Street, Kentland

LITURGICAL MINISTER: Reader for 8:00pm Mass on February 17th (Ash Wednesday): TBD

LITURGICAL MINISTER: Reader for 6:00pm Mass on February 17th (Ash Wednesday): Keith Godbey

LITURGICAL MINISTER: Reader for 10:30am Mass on February 21st: Steve Westrick

† SAINT MARY'S † 2961 Indiana 71, Ambia

† SAINT PATRICK † 504 South Michigan Street, Oxford

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CHURCH/COVID CLEANING: Volunteer for this week: Andrea Wallpe

LITURGICAL MINISTER: Reader for 6:00PM Mass on February 17th (Ash Wednesday): Tim Tabert

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR February 21st:

8:00AM - **Reader** – Barb Richardson, **Servers** – Marissa Rickey, Hayden Rickey, Kynzley Richardson, **Ushers** –

10:30AM - **Reader** – Kevin Becker, **Servers** – Ella Budreau, Beau Budreau, **Ushers** – Brad Budreau, Mike Souligne

SEWING DAY: There will be a Sewing Day at the home of Diane Gretencord on Thursday, February 18 at 9:00AM. Bring something to share for lunch.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need volunteers to clean/COVID clean the church on a weekly basis. If you are willing to clean, there is a sign up in the vestibule or call Sherry Fischer at 847-902-2121 or the parish office to sign up for a week. The weekly schedule runs thru December 19, 2021 for those interested. Your help is appreciated.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: Classes will resume on January 10th. The @ Home in Faith series supplement material can be found at <https://dol-in.org/AtHomeInFaith> or there is a link on the pastorate website.

MISSION TRIP: The February mission trip has been canceled due to the rise in COVID-19 cases. If you have any questions email John Brost at jbrost60@gmail.com or call him at 765-366-5329.

PRAYER CHAIN: Debbie Barnard cell: 765-299-6214, email: barnard.debbie@yahoo.com, Nancy Brost home: 765-385-5247.

† SACRED HEART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL † 607 North Washington Avenue, Fowler

Sacred Heart is hosting an Open House on Sunday, February 21, from 2-4 PM. Join us to learn more about our preschool/pre-k programs as well as our elementary programs.

Sacred Heart students are collecting the following items to create Birthday Boxes to take to the Co-op in Oxford: cake mixes, can of frosting, plastic tablecloths, birthday candles, balloons or noisemakers, sprinkles, birthday plates/napkins. Please drop any donated items off at the school by February 19.

DID YOU KNOW that 62% of K-6 students received tuition support for the current school year? Visit <https://www.i4ged.org/calculator/qualify> to see if your family could receive tuition support. Want to know more? Contact Kristy Gross at 765-884-0710 or kgross@fowlersacredheart.org to learn more or to make an appointment to tour our school! Look for information about our Open House coming soon!

WAYS TO SUPPORT SACRED HEART ELEMENTARY

Amazon Smile: Did you know that you can donate to Sacred Heart Elementary through Amazon Smile? Register Sacred Heart Elementary as your charity and we will receive 0.5% of your purchase total. Here is our link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-1015552>

Box Tops for Education: The Box Tops for Education Program has gone digital! Most products no longer have a Box Top to cut out, but a picture telling you it is a Box Top item. To submit your Box Tops, you will need to download the new Box Top app and "scan" (take a picture) of your receipt to the app. Let us know if you have questions.

Donations: Donations can be mailed to: Sacred Heart School – 607 North Washington Avenue, Fowler, IN 47944
<https://www.sacredheartschoolfowler.org/>

#SHWhereFriendsBecomeFamily

† SW NEWTON & BENTON COUNTY LIFE TEEN †

FEBRUARY 14: The February 13 Destination Jesus Retreat has been cancelled. There will not be any Life Teen activities this weekend. We look forward to seeing you on February 21!

Find us on Facebook and Instagram for the latest updates: SWNBC Life Teen

SCRIP: You can purchase Scrip through the website and/or app! Go to <https://www.shopwithscrip.com/> and use the St. Patrick's Church – Life Teen Scrip enrollment code: **8A9EBCFC4156**. You can order gift cards to be shipped to your house or you can load gift cards to the Raise Right app to have on hand when you are shopping. This is a great, contactless way to support Life Teen!