

# SW NEWTON & BENTON COUNTY PASTORATE

A Pastorate of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

**APRIL 25, 2021 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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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 S 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 4/26**

8:00AM, Kentland † Elman Perkins by Robert & Joan Hays

8:15AM, Fowler † Paul Gick by Sharon Gick Family

### **TUESDAY 4/27**

8:00AM, Kentland † Lloyd Molter

8:15AM, Fowler † L&D of John & Marcella Kidwell Family  
by Kidwell Family

6:00PM, Oxford † Ray & Peg Brost by Steve & Brenda  
Walker

### **WEDNESDAY 4/28**

8:00AM, Kentland † Jack & Sue Reidy

8:00AM, Otterbein † The Harrington Family

8:15AM, Fowler † JoAnn McMahan by Judy Goodman

### **THURSDAY 4/29**

8:00AM, Earl Park † Carol Salla by Larry Schluttenhofer

6:00PM, Oxford † Ray Muller

6:00PM, Dunnington † Aletha's Children, Grands, & Great-  
Grands by Aletha Dowell

### **FRIDAY 4/30**

8:00AM, Otterbein † No Mass

8:15AM, Fowler † Richard (RIP) Ripberger by Friends

6:00PM, Kentland † Alberta Mulligan

### **SATURDAY 5/1**

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

5:30PM, Oxford † Jean Glotzbach by Karen Etter

### **SUNDAY 5/2**

7:30AM, Oxford † For the Pastorate

8:00AM, Fowler † Don Brouillette by Marilyn Brouillette

9:00AM, Kentland † Jerome Friedrich by Barb Garing

9:30AM, Otterbein † Jerome Hobaugh by Bob Metzinger

*Reconciliation*

**Saturday**

St. John's, Earl Park: 4:00PM-4:45PM

St. Patrick, Oxford: 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](http://swnewtonbentoncopastorate.org)



*The stone rejected by the builders  
has become the cornerstone.*

*Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28,*

*29*

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS**

**Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Regular: \$1,980.00

School: \$55.00

Easter: \$25.00

Total: \$2,386.00

Loose: \$151.00

Building: \$175.00

**Saint Charles**

Regular: \$2,299.00

Catholic Moment: \$20.00

Total: \$2,399.00

Loose: \$30.00

Easter Flowers: \$50.00

**Saint John the Baptist**

Regular: \$575.00

Building: \$35.00

Total: \$715.00

Loose: \$85.00

CRS: \$20.00

**Saint Joseph**

Regular: \$1,092.00

Building: \$25.00

Total: \$1,302.00

Loose: \$185.00

**Saint Mary's**

Regular: \$125.00

Easter: \$0.00

Building: \$0.00

Total: \$125.00

Loose: \$0.00

Good Friday: \$0.00

Total: \$125.00

**Saint Patrick**

Regular: \$2,078.87

Easter Flowers: 10.00

Loose: \$56.00

Total: \$2,144.87

**WOULD YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST?**

4/26 – Fr. Philip Bowers

4/27 – Fr. David Buckles

4/28 – Fr. Timothy Clegg

4/29 – Fr. Patrick Click

4/30 – Fr. Paul Cochran

5/1 – Fr. Ronald Comeau

5/2 – Fr. Philip Cover

## † A Note from Father Weisenberger †

Dear Parishioners,

Today, April 25, is designated World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Everyone of us has a calling, a vocation from God. Marriage is a vocation. Most of us when we hear the word “vocation” in a Church context probably think of people called to vowed religious life or the priesthood. I am confident that there are people among us, people we know who are called to those Church vocations. I hope that all of us will pray that everyone is open to God's call whatever that vocation might be: Single life, Marriage, Vowed Religious life, or Priesthood. True happiness, real fulfillment comes from living out the God given purpose, the divine calling each of us has. May we hear and answer the voice of the Good Shepherd.

Fr. Richard Weisenberger

## PASTORATE CALENDAR

**MONDAY 4/26 –**

**TUESDAY 4/27 –**

**WEDNESDAY 4/28 –**

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

**6:30PM**, St. Patrick Finance Council meeting, rectory

**THURSDAY 4/29 –**

**FRIDAY 4/30** – Adoration – Sacred Heart 7 – 8AM, Little Caesars fundraiser due.

**SATURDAY 5/1** – 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion St. John's

**SUNDAY 5/2** – Fourth Sunday of Easter, 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Sacred Heart

1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion St. Patrick



Benton Community  
**CO+OP**  
Food & Service



APRIL - Adult & Baby Diapers

## † In Our Parishes †

### † PASTORATE † NEW WEBSITE!!! [swnewtonbentoncopastorate.org](http://swnewtonbentoncopastorate.org)

**NEEDING A SPECIAL GIFT FOR A WEDDING, BABY SHOWER, OR ANY OCCASION?** Visit Glotzbach Pharmacy where the Sacred Heart Sewing Ladies have their homemade quilts for sale. Many to choose from so don't delay, stop in today!

**LINK TO APOSTOLIC LETTER PATRIS CORDE OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS – Proclamation of St. Joseph:**  
[Apostolic Letter Patris Corde of the Holy Father Francis on the 150th Anniversary of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church \(8 December 2020\) | Francis \(vatican.va\)](#)

**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 at 107 E. Smith St, Oxford 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](mailto: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

**ST. ANNE'S ANNUAL CHURCH CLEANING,** will be Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> @ 8:00 AM. North Side: Circles 4 & 5, South Side: Circles 2 & 3, Choir & Vestibule: Circle 1.

**REMINDER, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Will be taking place at Sacred Heart on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:00 AM Mass. There will be 12 students receiving Jesus along with their families. Heston Agugliaro, Lucus Bowman, Logan Deno, Crew Deno, Josie Elliott, Beckett Gretencord, Cole Klemme, J.T. Morales, Samantha Strasburger, Grey Sturgeon, James Wright, and Sienna Ziembo. This means extra attendance at Mass. Please plan accordingly.

**LITURGICAL MINISTER: May 2, READER** – Pam Windler, **SERVERS** – Bella Gross & Mason Wilson

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

### † SAINT CHARLES † 108 North Meadow Street, Otterbein

**TITHE:** Next Sunday, May 2 will go to Hope Springs Safe House in Attica.

**SANITIZING:** Volunteers for sanitizing after 9:30 Mass on May 2: Christi & Matt Klemme

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS: May 2, Reader:** Deb Wallpe, **Server:** Aiden Wetli, Hannah Wetli, **Usher:** Brad Wetli

**SCRIP CARDS** available following the 9:30 Mass for those interested in purchasing them again to help Life Teen.

**WORD AND SONG BOOKS:** You are welcome to take a 2021 Word and Song book home and bring it back each week when you come to Mass. This will insure you are the only one handling the book.

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

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

† SAINT MARY'S † 2961 S Indiana 71, Ambia

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

**BENTON COMMUNITY CO-OP** – The Saturday night parishioners donated a total of 4,038 baby related items: 2,780 Baby wipes, 4 Bibs, 3 Toothbrushes, 1,183 Diapers, 21 Diaper Rash Cream, 22 Shampoo, 25 Sippy Cups. WOW! Thank you, think of how many baby's we have helped out! God Bless, Patty Suiter.

**ST. JOHN'S IS COLLECTING FOOD ITEMS FOR THE PRAIRIE CROSSING SCHOOL BACKPACK PROGRAM:** There has been an increase in students experiencing food insecurity on the weekends this year. The Backpack program sends food home with students in need. The most important part is making sure the food can easily be prepared by a child under 12. There is a list of food item suggestions in the back of church if you need ideas. If you have any questions, please talk to Anne Snodgrass.

**REMINDER, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Will be taking place at St John's on May 1st, at 5:00 PM Mass. We have two students receiving Jesus this year. Madison Schellenberger, and William Snodgrass. Please keep them in your prayers.

**LITURGICAL MINISTER:** May 1, **READER** – Mary Sherfey

† SAINT JOSEPH † 409 East Allen Street, Kentland

**YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH** – The diocese is reaching out to all St. Joseph parishes to request a video submission of the church. This video will be on the diocese website attached to The Catholic Moment. This will be in the July 12th edition. They request the videos be in "Landscape" mode. The video and pictures are due by June 4. If anyone would be interested in creating this video, please contact: Jan Goetz 765-884-1818

**LITURGICAL MINISTER:** April 18, **READER** – Diane Tebo, **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER** – Rich Reynolds

† SAINT PATRICK † 504 South Michigan Street, Oxford

**TITHE:** Next weekend, May 2 will go to Hope Springs Safe House in Attica.

**CHURCH/COVID CLEANING:** Volunteer for this week: Barb Richardson

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS: May 1 & 2:**

**5:30 PM: Reader** – Keith Glotzbach, **Server** – Lily Etter, **Ushers** –

**7:30AM - Reader** – McCoy Rhoades, **Servers** – Maddie Barnard, Jack Barnard, Sam Barnard, **Ushers** – Tim Tabert

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:** We will be having two more classes for this school year: April 18<sup>th</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup>. First Communion for our youth – Reed Muller, McCoy Rhoades, and Logan Pyke will be on **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** at the 7:30 AM Mass. Please pray for an increase in faith for all our youth and their parents.

**WORD AND SONG BOOKS:** You are welcome to take a 2021 Word and Song book home and bring it back each week when you come to Mass. This will insure you are the only one handling the book.

**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.

**MISSION TRIP:** We are planning the next Mexico mission trip on Nov 6-13, 2021 (February trip to be scheduled later). Of course this is all subject to how Covid 19 is at that time. We would need to know if you are going by August 15, 2021 as we will limit the number going to the first 21 missionaries. This is open to anyone-no skills required-just an open heart! For more info contact John Brost @ 765-366-5329 or [jbrost60@gmail.com](mailto:jbrost60@gmail.com)

**PRAYER CHAIN:** Debbie Barnard cell: 765-299-6214, email: [barnard.debbie@yahoo.com](mailto:barnard.debbie@yahoo.com), Nancy Brost home: 765-385-5247.

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

Open Enrollment for the 2021-2022 school year is happening now! Contact Kristy Gross at 884-0710 or [kgross@fowlersacredheart.org](mailto:kgross@fowlersacredheart.org) for more information.

**WAYS TO SUPPORT SACRED HEART ELEMENTARY**

**Coke Lids**-We are collecting the lids from Coke products. There is a code on the lid that we will enter to earn some money for the school. Lids can be dropped off at the school office

**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 †

**APRIL 25:** *"If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water. Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." John 4:10, 13-14*

Class this evening will focus on our souls. Teens will be encouraged to care for their soul through a deeper prayer life, challenging them that they will only be satisfied if they seek God above all else.

There will be a Life Teen Parent Meeting on April 25 at 6:00 PM in the St. Patrick Hall to finalize the year and discuss upcoming events. Our last teen meeting for the spring semester will be on May 2 where we will honor our seniors!

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!

**NEW WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE TO BEGIN MARCH 20 – 21<sup>ST</sup>**

(NO CHANGE TO DAILY MASS SCHEDULES)

**\*\*\*ALL TIMES ARE LOCAL\*\*\***

**Saturday Vigil Mass:**

**5:00 PM – Earl Park, St. John's**

**5:30 PM - Oxford, St. Patrick's**

**Sunday Mass:**

**7:30 AM – Oxford, St. Patrick's**

**8:00 AM – Fowler, Sacred Heart**

**9:00 AM – Kentland, St. Joseph's**

**9:30 AM – Otterbein, St. Charles**

## **SW NEWTON & BENTON COUNTY PASTORATE LOGO CONTEST**

### **OPEN TO ANYONE INTERESTED!**

Our pastorate is looking for all artists willing to help us create our logo. The logo must include a representation of all the parishes:

St. Joseph, Kentland = SJO

St. John, Earl Park = SJN

Sacred Heart, Fowler = SH

St. Mary, Dunnington = SM

St. Patrick, Oxford = SP

St. Charles, Otterbein = SC

You may visit all the parishes to see how they look, and what is inside in order to get a better idea of what represents each one. You may depict any of the buildings, altars, saints, and/or anything that represents that parish. Our logo will be used in all our media and communication within the pastorate and outside of it.

The winner will be chosen on May 21st, and the finalist will receive a \$75.00 gift card to their preferred business or a visa card (this option might charge a fee when used).

If you have any questions, please send an email to:

Ronnie Olvera, Director of Evangelization, Family Life and Pastoral Ministries [volvera@parish.dolin.org](mailto:volvera@parish.dolin.org), May the Holy Spirit Inspire you with its best!



## OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION, FAMILY LIFE AND PASTORAL MINISTRIES

**RONNIE @ YOUR SERVICE!**



**Our Lord is amazing!! Just look at all the things that He's blessing us with...**

### **Catechesis**

Religious Education: We have received the results from the survey. We met on Thursday to start working on the analysis of those results and the decisions we need to make. We will let you know the outcome soon.

### **Youth**

Life Teen is registering for NCYC, and still has two spots available! If you are interested, please contact Monica Lohmuller at: [bcteens4christ@gmail.com](mailto:bcteens4christ@gmail.com).

Registration for Camp Crux is still going. If you are interested, please go to: <https://dol-in.org/campcrux>.

Formation for Youth Ministry Leaders Opportunity: This is occurring simultaneously with the Missionary Disciples Institute for youth through Marian University. It will be from June 16-18, 2021. To register go here: <https://www.missionarydisciplesinstitute.com/mdi-minister-track>.

### **Liturgy**

We are looking for Liturgical Coordinators. Please see attached ad.

### **Family Life**

There will be a day of reflection for the divorced in June. Please see attached ad.

### **Communications**

As I continue working to upgrade the Web site, the Facebook pages and the creation of a Welcome Packet, I would like to ask you for your help. I would like to add a brief description of what each ministry does, so when people look at any of those, they will have the opportunity to learn about your ministry and be able to participate. I think we could start with a quarter of a page. If your organization needs more room, please use as much as you need. But keep in mind, we just need to provide a brief description, including the person in charge (only one), phone number and email. Thank you!

Also, starting in May, anything that pertains to Liturgy, Catechesis, Vocations, Ministries, Outreach, Youth, Hispanic Ministry, needs to come to me for review, approval and to be posted on the bulletin, Facebook page, Webpage and Welcome packet. Thank you!

### **Vocations**

Met with Fr. Aaron Derek from the Diocese regarding vocations, on Wednesday. I will be sharing with you next week what was the outcome of our conversation. In the meantime, please join me to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. A great way to do so is by spending an hour before Our Lord in the Sacrament! We need more volunteers there.

**"Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God's thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for him." - St. Augustine**

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## FICINA DE EVANGELIZACIÓN, VIDA FAMILIAR Y MINISTERIOS PASTORALES

¡RONNIE A TU SERVICIO!



¡Nuestro Señor es asombroso! Solo mira todas las cosas con las que nos está bendiciendo ...

### **Catequesis**

Educación Religiosa: Hemos recibido los resultados de la encuesta. Nos reunimos el jueves para empezar a trabajar en el análisis de esos resultados y las decisiones que debemos tomar. Pronto le haremos saber el resultado.

### **Jóvenes**

- ¡Life Teen se está registrando para NCYC y todavía tiene dos lugares disponibles! Si está interesado, comuníquese con Mónica Lohmuller en: [bcteens4christ@gmail.com](mailto:bcteens4christ@gmail.com).
- La inscripción para Camp Crux aun está en curso. Si está interesado, visite: <https://dol-in.org/campcrux>.
- Oportunidad de formación para Líderes del Ministerio Juvenil: Esto ocurre simultáneamente con el Instituto de Discípulos Misioneros para jóvenes a través de la Universidad Mariana. Será del 16 al 18 de junio de 2021. Para registrarse vaya aquí: <https://www.missionarydisciplesinstitute.com/mdi-minister-track>.

### **Liturgia**

Buscamos Coordinadores Litúrgicos. Consulte el anuncio adjunto.

### **Vida familiar**

Habrará un día de reflexión para los divorciados en junio. Consulte el anuncio adjunto.

### **Comunicaciones**

- Mientras continúo trabajando para actualizar el sitio web, las páginas de Facebook y la creación de un paquete de bienvenida, me gustaría pedirle su ayuda. Me gustaría agregar una breve descripción de lo que hace cada ministerio, para que cuando la gente mire a cualquiera de ellos, tengan la oportunidad de aprender sobre su ministerio y poder participar. Creo que podríamos empezar con un cuarto de página. Si su organización necesita más espacio, utilice tanto como necesite. Pero tenga en cuenta que solo necesitamos brindar una breve descripción, que incluya a la persona a cargo (solo una), el número de teléfono y el correo electrónico. ¡Gracias!
- Además, a partir de mayo, todo lo relacionado con liturgia, catequesis, vocaciones, ministerios, alcance, juventud, ministerio hispano, debe venir a mí para que lo revise, lo apruebe y lo publique en el boletín, la página de Facebook, la página web y el paquete de bienvenida. ¡Gracias!

### **Vocaciones**

Me reuní con el P. Aaron Derek de la Diócesis con respecto a las vocaciones, el miércoles. Estaré compartiendo con ustedes la próxima semana cual fue el resultado de nuestra conversación. Mientras tanto, únase a mí para orar por las vocaciones al sacerdocio y la vida religiosa. ¡Una excelente manera de hacerlo es pasar una hora ante Nuestro Señor en el Sacramento! Necesitamos más voluntarios allí.

### **Ministerio Hispano Recordatorio**

- Retiro para quinceañeras y sus padres en Lafayette, IN. Sábado 1º de mayo 2021 de 9 am a 3:30 pm, en el Centro Católico Pastoral: 2300 S. 9th St. Lafayette, IN. Costo: \$10 por persona, o padres y 1 quinceañera \$25. Para más información: [volvera@parish.dol-in.org](mailto:volvera@parish.dol-in.org).
- Certificación: En La Pastoral del Discípulo Misionero. Existen becas que cubren el 100%. Si está interesado, favor de contactar a Ronnie: [volvera@parish.dol-in.org](mailto:volvera@parish.dol-in.org).

"Nos demos cuenta o no, la oración es el encuentro de la sed de Dios con la nuestra. Dios tiene sed de que podamos tener sed de él". - San Agustín

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