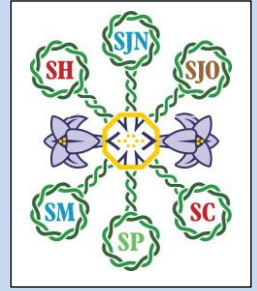


# SW NEWTON & BENTON COUNTY PASTORATE

A Pastorate of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana



**SEPTEMBER 5, 2021 - TWENTY-THIRD 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 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 9/6**

8:00AM, Kentland † Albert (Buster) Garing by Marlene Sondgerath

8:00AM, Oxford † Eldon Tranel by Gene Tranel

### **TUESDAY 9/7**

8:00AM Kentland † Bill Balensiefer by Marlene Balensiefer

8:15AM, Fowler † Dolores Anstett by Diane Ward

### **WEDNESDAY 9/8**

8:00AM, Otterbein † Zach Deno by Deb & Mike Wallpe

8:15AM, Fowler † James Gretencord by Pat & Ranae Wetli

### **THURSDAY 9/9**

8:00AM, Earl Park † Ron Schluttenhofer

6:00PM, Dunnington † Martha Gretencord by Earl & Joan Almack

### **FRIDAY 9/10**

8:15AM, Fowler † Marie Butler by Rita Schroeder

6:00PM, Kentland † Robert & Dorothy Bower by Ann Huber

### **SATURDAY 9/11**

5:00PM, Earl Park † Francis & Rita Mattox by Jean Molter

5:30PM, Oxford † Ronnie Carlson by Bill & Rose Moyars

### **SUNDAY 9/12**

7:30AM, Oxford † Intention of Kevin & Nancy Brost & Family by

Father Peter Vanderkolk

8:00AM, Fowler † For the Pastorate

9:00AM, Kentland † Rob Hays by Robert & Joan Hays

9:30AM, Otterbein † Jeff Glotzbach by Keith & Liz Brost

## 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.



**Praise the Lord, my soul!**

**Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10**



## WEEKLY OFFERINGS

### Sacred Heart of Jesus

Regular: \$1,535.00

School: \$885.00

Votives: \$.00

Total: \$2,533.00

Loose: \$113.00

Building: \$.00

### Saint Charles

Regular: \$1,100.00

Total: \$1,160.00

Loose: \$60.00

### Saint John the Baptist

Regular: \$585.00

Building: \$45.00

Total: \$727.00

Loose: \$72.00

Assumption: \$25.00

### Saint Joseph

Regular: \$572.00

Building: \$5.00

### Saint Mary's

Regular: \$193.57

Building: \$200.00

Total: \$393.57

Loose: \$312.00

Total: \$889.00

Loose: \$.00

School: \$.00

### Saint Patrick

Regular: \$1,167.04

Religious Ed Fee: \$225.00

Life Teen: \$120.00

Loose: \$101.00

Total: \$1,493.04

## WOULD YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST?

**9/6 - Fr. David Hellmann**

**9/7 - Fr. William Holbrook**

**9/8 - Fr. P. Keith Hosey**

**9/9 - Fr. Paul Hudson**

**9/10 - Fr. David Huemmer**

**9/11 - Fr. Kevin Hurley**

**9/12 - Fr. Josh Janko**

## † A Note from Father Weisenberger †

Dear Parishioners,

Tomorrow, September 6, is Labor Day. On this day we honor all women and men who work for a living. People sometimes remark that it seems odd to have a holiday to honor workers. Let me suggest that in fact it is very fitting to do so. Labor Day can serve to remind us that as important as our work is we work to live and do not live to work. Another way of saying this is that work is a means and not an end. Remembering this is necessary to help us maintain a balance between our work life and the rest of our life. It is very easy to lose that balance and neglect other aspects of our lives because of our work. Labor Day can also remind us that our work serves other people and glorifies God. I suspect most of us do not think about this as we carry out mundane, routine aspects of our work, but our work does fulfill some need. (I suppose I am taking for granted that it meets a legitimate need.) As we celebrate Labor Day may we be grateful to those whose work benefits us and commit ourselves to work to the best of our ability for the common good.

Fr. Richard Weisenberger



### **Career Opportunity**

The Southwest Newton and Benton County Pastorate, A Pastorate of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana, is seeking a talented individual for **Director of Evangelization**.

The Director will assist the Missionary Pastor with the pastoral care of the Pastorate to include Lifelong Faith Formation, Liturgy and Music, Pastoral Care and Community Care, other Parish Ministries and Outreach. This is a full-full time position.

Please apply directly at <https://www.dol-in.org/employment-opportunities> or contact Dcn. Dan Finn [dcn.dfinn@dol-in.org](mailto:dcn.dfinn@dol-in.org) if you or someone you know is interested.

**St. Anne's Annual Chicken Dinner** - Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 11:00am-1:00pm, Sacred Heart School. Pay at the door (no presale tickets) Carry Out Only

**FAITH DIRECT – SIGN UP** – Please pick up a brochure at the entrance of each parish to sign up for auto/online giving.

### **Education for grades K-8 and Confirmation (Grade 11) Information:**

**You may choose to register your child for religious education at any of the three locations:**

**Sacred Heart will offer grades 1-8 and Confirmation (Grade 11) on Wednesday's from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The first class will be on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. If you have any questions, please contact Lori Francis, (765)404-7322 or for Confirmation Information: Father Vanderkolk, (765)884-1818.**

**St. Patrick will offer grades K-8 on Sunday's from 8:45 am to 9:45 am. The first class will be on Sunday, September 12, 2021. Please contact Barb Richardson, (765)585-0899.**

**St. Charles will offer grades K-8 on Sunday's from 10:20 am to 11:20 am. The first class will be on Sunday, September 12, 2021. Please contact Bob Metzinger, (765)421-5980.**

**We would like to have all children registered before class begins so we can have the appropriate materials on hand for the start of the education year. You may contact the respective DRE above for the location of your choosing or contact the office in Fowler (765)884-1818 or St. Patrick (765)385-2587.**

**Life Teen** is the Religious Education option for teens in Grades 9-12 this coming year. Classes will be held on Sundays at Sacred Heart from 7:00-8:00 PM. For more information, please contact Life Teen at [bcteens4christ@gmail.com](mailto:bcteens4christ@gmail.com).

**Reminder:** The Benton Community Food and Service Co-op suggested items for the month of September is laundry detergent.

**The Knights of Columbus** council 9400 is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner Saturday evening September 25<sup>th</sup> at Saint Patrick's Hall – from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. The price for spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, beverage, and dessert is \$5.00 for children age 6 – 10 years, and \$8.00 for all those over 10. You may eat in or carry out. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit Life Teen.

**Life Teen Chicken Dinner** – Come and support the Life Teen students at the Chicken Dinner on Friday, September 10, 2021, as part of Dan Patch Days. Dinner will be served from 5:30-7:30 pm. \$12.00 will get you a 3 piece fried chicken dinner complete with fries, cole slaw, drink & dessert. The meal will be prepared on site by Remington Poultry. You can find us at the Lions Club Shelter House in Rommel Park, Oxford, IN. Carry outs available.

**Dessert Donations for Life Teen Chicken Dinner** - *\*Due to Covid we are asking for store bought donations this year instead of homemade.* Store bought desserts donations will be greatly accepted for the Life Teen chicken dinner. If you are willing to donate store bought pies, cupcakes or cookies, please drop them off at St. Charles Hall or St. Patrick's Hall Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup> from 7am-7pm. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Richey at (765) 414-7656. Thank you for your generosity.

**Next meetings to discuss upcoming Scriptures with Fr. Weisenberger** will be Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> @ St. Charles Social Hall from 10:45 – 11:45 AM & Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> @ St. Joseph's Rectory from 10:15 – 11:15 AM (CST). All are welcome to attend. Please bring a copy of the Sunday Readings with you.

## † In Our Parishes †

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

**LITURGICAL MINISTER:** September 12, **READER** – Curt Puetz, **ALTAR SERVERS** – Mason Wilson & Oliver Werkowski

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

**LITURGICAL MINISTER:** September 12, **READER** – Steve Wittenauer, **ALTAR SERVERS** – Tyler Klemme, Austin Klemme, **USHER** – Bob McTaggart, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Julie Kerkhoff

**Tithe** next Sunday, September 12 will go to the Earthquake Disaster Fund for Haiti.

**Religious Ed applications** are available at the Church entrance.

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

**LITURGICAL MINISTER:** September 11, **READER** – Tony Sherfey, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Larry Schellenberger.

**SAINT JOSEPH** † 409 East Allen Street, Kentland

**LITURGICAL MINISTER:** September 12, **READER** – Pat Wheelock, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Steve Westrick

**September Church Flowers** – Judy Wirtz & Martha Reynolds

**ST. MARY'S** † 2961 S. St. Rd. 71, Ambia

## SAINT PATRICK'S † 502 S. Michigan St., Oxford

**LITURGICAL MINISTER:** September 11, **READER** – Keith Glotzbach, **USHER** – Mike Souligne, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Rita Etter

**LITURGICAL MINISTER:** September 12, **READER** – Leslie Brost, **ALTAR SERVERS** – Maddie Barnard, Jack Barnard, Sam Barnard, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – John Brost

**"Catch a Falling Star, but don't put it in your pocket."** Take a star. Purchase the items listed on the back. Put them in the "Falling Star" tote in the back of church. School supplies will go to:

- 1st. Religious Ed classrooms
- 2nd. Operation Shoebox
- 3rd. Co-Op

(Pencils, crayons, pencil sharpeners, pink erasers, rulers, child scissors, fine/thin tipped markers, binder pencil pouches)

Hygiene supplies will go to: Operation Shoebox

(Soap, washcloths, toothbrushes, combs)

Thank you for your generosity.

**Tithe** next weekend, September 12 will go to the Earthquake Disaster Fund for Haiti.

**Church Cleaning** volunteer for this week: John & Cheryl Brost

**Volunteers Needed:** We need volunteers to 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.

**The next Mexico Mission trip** is scheduled for Nov 6-13, 2021. For more info contact John Brost @ 765-366-5329 or [jjbrost60@gmail.com](mailto:jjbrost60@gmail.com).

## SACRED HEART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL † 607 North Washington Ave., Fowler

**Sacred Heart School is in need of volunteer recess supervisors.** The hours would be 11:25-12:20. We are most in need of help on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but occasionally help is needed on other days. Please contact the school at 884-0710 for more information.

**Sacred Heart School is in need of workers for our After School Program.** The program runs Monday-Friday from 3:00-5:30. Workers who can commit to at least one day a week are preferred. **This is a paid position.** Please contact the school office at 884-0710.

### 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/>

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