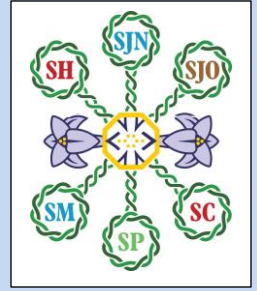


SW NEWTON & BENTON COUNTY PASTORATE

A Pastorate of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana



SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 - TWENTY-FOURTH 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 9/13

8:00AM, Kentland † Adak & Kyrstin Farney by Marlene Balensiefer

7:00AM, Oxford † Martha Gretencord by Dave & Helen Center

TUESDAY 9/14

8:00AM Kentland † Robert & Dorothy Bower by Ann Huber

8:15AM, Fowler † Bob & Jeanette Schroeder by Rita Schroeder

WEDNESDAY 9/15

8:00AM, Otterbein † Litterini Family by Jim & Joann Vorst

8:15AM, Fowler † David Farrell by Weaver Popcorn

THURSDAY 9/16

8:00AM, Earl Park † Carol Salla by Dot & Jay Wilson

6:00PM, Dunnington † Don Sondgerath by Dennis & Barb Sondgerath

FRIDAY 9/17

8:15AM, Fowler † Barbara Lynch by Judy Goodman

6:00PM, Kentland † Alberta Mulligan

SATURDAY 9/18

5:00PM, Earl Park † Tom Schellenberger by Ron Hasser

5:30PM, Oxford † Judy Gobel by Margot & Steve Gobel

SUNDAY 9/19

7:30AM, Oxford † Jacqueline Barnard by the Class of 1968, St. Elizabeth School of Nursing

8:00AM, Fowler † Gene Balensiefer by Deb & Tim Conrad

9:00AM, Kentland † Bill Balensiefer

9:30AM, Otterbein † For the Pastorate

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.



**I will walk before the
Lord, in the land of the
living.**

Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9



WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Regular: \$2,719.07

School: \$1,440.00

Votives: \$59.00

Total: \$4,579.07

Loose: \$161.00

Building: \$.00

Tuition: \$200.00

Saint Charles

Regular: \$595.00

Total: \$635.00

Loose: \$40.00

Saint John the Baptist

Regular: \$1,250.00

Building: \$50.00

Loose: \$102.00

Total: \$1,402.00

Saint Joseph

Regular: \$1,104.00

Building: \$40.00

Loose: \$427.00

Total: \$1,571.00

Saint Mary's

Regular: \$275.00

Building: \$200.00

Total: \$400.00

Loose: \$.00

School: \$125.00

Saint Patrick

Regular: \$955.00

School Support: \$50.00

Loose: \$82.00

Total: \$1,087.00

WOULD YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST?

9/13 - Fr. Matthew Kalu

9/14 - Fr. Samuel Kalu

9/15 - Fr. Michael Kettron

9/16 - Fr. John Kiefer

9/17 - Fr. Leroy Kinnaman

9/18 - Fr. John Kinney

9/19 - Fr. Robert Klemme

† A Note from Father Weisenberger †

Dear Parishioners,

In the near future you should be receiving a postcard from me asking you to complete a survey to help us to plan for our Pastorate's future. I know that completing surveys is not on my list of favorite things to do. Nonetheless I hope you will take the time to complete this one. I assure you that the members of the Pastorate Pastoral Council will use the results of the survey as we develop the Pastorate Plan which will guide our efforts over the next 3 years. More than one member of a household can complete the survey. Compiling the results is easier if it is completed online, nonetheless hard copies will be available for people who need them. Over the next several weeks members of the Pastorate Pastoral Council will be available after all Sunday Masses to help anyone who needs assistance.

There are approximately 2,100 parishioners registered in our pastorate and probably a roughly equal number of self-identified Catholics within the pastorate who are not registered in any parish. I would very much like to hear from as many of that approximately 4,200 people as possible. (Obviously this number includes some people, for example small children who would be unable to complete the survey.) If you can I hope you will complete the survey and I encourage you to invite family members or other people you know who may not be registered in a parish or perhaps not be practicing to do so. The deadline for completing the survey is October the 6th.

Fr. Richard Weisenberger





REMINDER!! St. Anne's Annual Chicken Dinner - Sunday, September 19th, 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.

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 25th 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.

Next meetings to discuss upcoming Scriptures with Fr. Weisenberger will be Sept. 19th @ St. Charles Rectory from 10:45 – 11:45 AM & Sept. 26th @ 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 19, **READER** – Kevin Puetz, **ALTAR SERVERS** – Abigail Wilson & Payton Krug

SAINT CHARLES † 108 North Meadow Street, Otterbein

LITURGICAL MINISTER: September 19, **READER** – Suzanne Collins, **ALTAR SERVER** –WD Gentry, **USHER** –Dan Rhoades, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Linda Rhoades

Tithe next Sunday, September 19 will go to Catholic School Tuition Assistance.

Finance Council meeting Tuesday, September 14 at 7PM in the social hall.

Religious Ed applications are available at the Church entrance.

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

LITURGICAL MINISTER: September 18, **READER** – Mary Sherfey, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Jeanette Peck.

SAINT JOSEPH † 409 East Allen Street, Kentland

LITURGICAL MINISTER: September 19, **READER** – Karen Piegza, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Pam Heyde

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 18, **READER** – Kevin Becker, **ALTAR SERVER** – Lexie Richey, **USHER** – Larry Richey, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Sherry Fischer

LITURGICAL MINISTER: September 19, **READER** – Barb Richardson, **USHER** – Tim Muller, **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER** – Monica Lohmuller

"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 19 will go to Local Needs.

Church Cleaning volunteer for this week: Andrea Wallpe

Sewing Day - Thursday, September 16 at 9 AM, St. Patrick Parish Hall. All are welcome to come help. Bring something to share for lunch.

The next Mexico Mission trip is scheduled for Nov 6-13, 2021. The 2022 trip is schedule for February 12-19. For more info contact John Brost @ 765-366-5329 or jbrost60@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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