

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 4-4:30 p.m. You may also call the parish office to arrange for an appointment.

Baptism: 3rd Sunday of the month during or immediately after 10 a.m.

Mass, or at another pre-arranged time.

Preparation classes are held quarterly.

Please call the parish office for additional information.

Marriage: Please contact the pastor at least six months in advance. No wedding dates will be set until a couple has met with the pastor.

Communion Calls: Please call the parish office to arrange Communion calls for the home-bound.

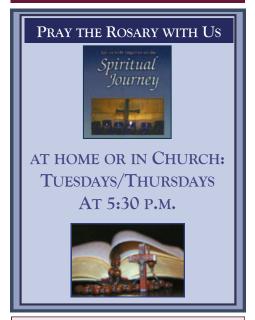
Anointing of the Sick: If you are going to have surgery, or have a chronic illness and wish to be anointed, please contact the parish office. If a family member is in or admitted to the hospital, please call the parish office at 317-356-7291.

PARISH SCHOOL

Our Lady of Lourdes offers preschool and kindergarten through 8th grade classes. Please call the School Office for more information at 317-357-3316.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our Parish Family!
To register or to schedule a tour of
Our Lady of Lourdes, please call or
stop by the parish office.



BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please send your entries by **NOON** on **MONDAYS** to ensure your article will appear in that week's printing. If you have flyers to be inserted into the bulletin, please bring them to the parish office by 3 p.m. on Thursday.

THANK YOU!

parishsecretary@ollindy.org

Pastor's Corner

My dear brothers and sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish,

'Tis the last day, the eve, before we celebrate the wonder of the Incarnation. For most, this season soon upon us is a great and joyous one – filled with the gifts of family, friends, and possibly a slower pace for a time.

The greatest gift, as you know, is that of the Lord Jesus – the babe to be born, the youth lost and found, the young man to develop, the ministry of Good News to unfold, a triumphal entry whose tragic, brutal end, binds us to the cross. All to lead to the rising from the dead!

Receive this greatest of gifts with joy! Let it rest within, upon the altar of your very being. Swaddle yourself in the folds of faith, the embrace of hope, the child of love.

Merry Christmas!

Father Rick



Strengthen Your Marriage

Even if you are not a part of our parish Marriage preparation team, you can learn more about strengthening your own marriage bond and practices by studying at **Francis-canAtHome.com!** Go to this website and create your account with this parish-provided resource.

Help to Form the Faith of Our Candidates & Catechumens You can fulfill the obligation to spread the knowledge of God during Mass. Join our corps of evangelists who will discuss the weekly Mass readings with the RCIA catechumens, when they are dismissed from the beginning of the Eucharist. You will receive a preparation book to help you lead the discussion and to inform the participants. The more people we have in the rotation, the better. It will lighten the load and introduce the candidates to more of their fellow parishioners. Please contact Matthew Fallon for more information.

Thank You for Your Generous Donations to Birthline!

Many lovely items have been donated to Birthline and we are most grateful. If you have donations, the bassinet is by the northwest church door. - Also, yarn is available to knit or crochet baby items for Birthline. Please contact the parish office: 317-356-7291



Your Help Is Needed!

Decorating of the church for Christmas will take place immediately following the 10 a.m. Mass **Sunday, December 24**. Please stay and give us a hand!



Join Our RCIA Team!

You are invited to join the RCIA team: Help with hospitality, join in discussions, facilitate sessions exploring the weekly Scripture readings at Mass. There are many ways to welcome new Catholics and bring them into communion with the Church! Contact Matthew (mfallon@ollindy.org) to find out more.

Help Our Confirmation Candidates Form Their Faith

The Confirmation group seeks witnesses to share personal stories on January 21, during a Sunday evening meeting. Volunteers will discuss one-on-one with candidates their experiences cooperating with the Holy Spirit since their Confirmation. Those interested in contributing to the candidates' readiness to live their faith can connect with Matthew Fallon, DRE, at **mfallon@ollindy.org**Additionally, there's an invitation to write letters of encouragement, support, or instruction for current Confirmation candidates. Please send your letter to Matthew Fallon at **mfallon@ollindy.org** and he will distribute them to the candidates.

Get Ready for the OLL Pictorial Directory 2024

Exciting News! After 5 years, it is time for our new pictorial church directory. Our dates for photography will be **Feb 21-24, 2024**. Every family photographed will receive a complementary 8x10 and a directory. To schedule your photography appointment online, go to **www.ucdir.com**. Our church code is: **IN1906** and password is: **photos** (Online Scheduling Only available Mon-Fri). To set an appt by phone, call 888-742-5823. Please help spread the word so we get as many of our parishioners included as possible! More information coming soon.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Susan Abel, Pam Aiello, Emilia Atkinson, Harold Barthé, Paula Bittelmeyer, Rose Boggs, Dick & Kathy Burgess, Denise Byers, Catherine C. Coop, Will Christiansen, Deborah Clayton, Marc Davis, Cassandra Budreau Dunne, Gilbert Durham, Mona Eitel, Norma Faye, Tina Fields, Teresa Foster, Jim Funk, Steve Gray, Ben Hall, Charles Hart, Isabelle Hofmeister, Kevin Houppert, Harold Irons, Michael James, Karen Jaskelski, Teresa Kerns, Randy Kidwell, Peggy Kloenne, Joseph Kossack, Joe Leach, Emerson Linde, Paul Linne, Jay & Mitzi Loomis, John Maag & Ellen, Sean Marcum, Jerry MacKenzie, Marilyn May, Mike Miller, Glenda Moore, Victoria O'Neil, Dale Page, Sandi Pavey, Bernie Price, Joseph Rogers, Irene Roseman, Rhonda Roseman, Vonda Sigman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Barb Tittle, Jimmy Warrenburg, Arianna Williams

Parish Office

Hours: Monday - Friday 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. Phone: 317-356-7291

School Office

Phone: 317-357-3316 **Fax:** 317-357-0980

Mass Schedule

Tues & Thurs 6 p.m. Wed & Fri 8:15 a.m. Sat 5 p.m.

Sun 10 a.m.

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SCHOOL NEWS

You may remember that our school theme this year is "United Through Christ: One Body, One Family." We are working to ensure that our students, during this year-long focus on the parish/school-level Eucharistic Revival, understand the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. As mentioned earlier this school year, we are focusing each month on a Lifeline. Each of our Lifelines is a connection to Christ, in particular, to help us remember to live the Gospels through actions. This month, our Lifeline is empathy.

One of the challenges in a school which educates students from age 3 through 14 is conveying messages in the way that all can understand, at the appropriate level. For example, Mrs. Page has provided materials for the younger groups that describe empathy as doing our best to understand how someone else feels and showing that we care. For older students, empathy is defined as knowing how best to respond to another person based on how that person is feeling.

This Advent Season is a helpful backdrop to providing examples of empathy. During this time of waiting to celebrate Jesus' birth, we think about how Joseph must have felt trying to help his wife or how Mary must have worried about traveling and finding the place where she could safely deliver and care for her newborn. And most of all, how Jesus came to Earth to help teach us to understand and love our neighbors.

Our December focus on empathy is not only to remind us of how we should treat others, but is also a reminder that Jesus Christ is always present to help us live it.

Angie Therber, Principal

Knights of Columbus

Fatima Event Center Located at 1040 North Post Road

New Years Eve Party

New Years Eve Dinner, Reverse Raffle \$1,000 Grand Prize, and Music (License No. 001617) Cost \$50 (\$25 dinner-\$25 Reverse Raffle) Can purchase one or the other and additional raffle tickets. \$35 at door for dinner ticket if not purchased in advance. Doors open at 6 p.m. Dinner at 7 p.m. Raffle starts at 8:30. Dinner by City Barbeque includes: Brisket, mashed potatoes, beef gravy, green beans, salad, dessert and Shrimp Cocktail Appetizer. Music played softly throughout the evening. Upbeat tunes, after Raffle has ended. - Additional raffles for baskets, 50/50, and pull tabs throughout the night. Photo Booth and champagne toast after our version of the Ball Drop countdown at 10 p.m. The proceeds go to the K of C No.3228 charity account.

READINGS: WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2023

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16; Ps 89:2-5,27,29; Rom 16:25-27;

Lk 1:26-38

Christmas

Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5,16-17,27,29; Acts 13:16-17,22-25;

Mt 1:1-25

Night; Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3,11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1,6,11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10,7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4,6,8ab,16bc-17;

Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12; Jn 20:1a,2-8 Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-5,7b-8; Mt 2:13-18 Friday: 1 Jn 21:3-11; Ps 96:1-3,5b-6; Lk 2:22-35 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 24.....The Nativity of the Lord

3:45 pm Lessons & Carols 4:00 pm Pro Populo 11:20 pm Lessons & Carols

Monday, December 25.....The Nativity of the LordMidnightFr. Jerry TranconeReq. by Mary Morois10:00 amTeresa SullivanReq. by Mike & Angel Sullivan

Tuesday, December 26......NO MASS TODAY
Wednesday, December 27.....NO MASS TODAY

Thursday, December 28......Holy Innocents, Martyrs 6:00 pm †Mario Minatel (100th Birthday) Req. by Joe Minatel Family

Friday, December 29.......5th Day in the Octave of the Nativity 8:15 am †Gordon Osterhaus Req. by Jim & Sue Lynch

Saturday, December 30..The Holy Family: Jesus, Mary & Joseph

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm †David Rockey Req. by Rosemary Tudor

Sunday, December 31....The Holy Family: Jesus, Mary & Joseph 10:00 am Pro Populo

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, December 30 - 5 p.m. Feast of the Holy Family

EMHC: Jan O'Brien (Host), Amy Petrone (Host), Julie Ritzi (Cup), Priscilla Campbell (Cup),

Mary Ann Coffey (Main Host)

Hospitality Ministers:

Don Flick (HM Team Leader-UW), Kay Campbell (GE),

Lisa Flick (GN), ____ (GW)

Lector: Nick Petrone (A), Jim Davis (B)

Sacristan: Paige Kervan

Servers: Gavin Connel, Miles Parrish

Cantor: Michele Kite

Sunday, December 31 - 10 a.m Feast of the Holy Family

EMHC: Beverly Durham (Host), Mark Pittman (Host),

Andrew Warner (Cup), Kirk Forster (Cup), Lilly Forster (Cup), Chris Kolakovich (Cup), Paula Schenkenfelder (Main Host)

Hospitality

Ministers: Mike Guinan (HM Team Leader-UW) Bob Eha (GE),

Tim McDonnell (GN), Bob Davey (GW)

Lector: Matthew Fallon (A), Judith Higgins (B)

Sacristan: Tammy Buennagel

Servers: Dominic McKiernan, Ian McKiernan

Cantor: Kate Miller

Small Linens Sacristan: Tammy Buennagel

Check Out RCIA!

A few of our fellow parishioners are attending RCIA meetings as a refresher, and to build community with our catechumens and candidates. It would be lovely to have more people join us on any given Wednesday evening in Bernadette Hall, at 7:30 p.m., to meet our forming Catholics and to add to their appreciation of the life and people of our parish.

Calendar of EVENTS

Saturday, December 234th Sunday of Advent4:00 pmReconciliationChurch5:00 pmMassChurch

Sunday, December 24 4th Sunday of Advent / Christmas 8:30 a.m. SRE School

 8:30 a.m.
 SRE
 School

 10:00 am
 Mass
 Church

 3:45 pm
 Lessons & Carols
 Church

 4:00 pm
 Family Centered Mass
 Church

 11:20 pm
 Lessons & Carols
 Church

Monday, December 25 Christmas: The Nativity of the Lord

10:00 am Mass Church Noon Christmas Dinner in Cafeteria School

Tuesday, December 26 - NO MASS TODAY

7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop #8 Cafeteria

Wednesday, December 27 - NO MASS TODAY NO EVENTS TODAY

Thursday, December 28

5:30 pm Rosary Chapel 6:00 pm Mass Chapel

Friday, December 29 8:15 am Mass

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Chapel

Sunday, December 31 Feast of the Holy Family 10:00 am Mass Church

COMMUNION CALLS

If you know someone who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the parish office at 317-356-7291.



VOLUNTEER FOR YOUTH MINISTRY

Several parish teens recently went to the National Catholic Youth Conference and got a great boost to their faith! If you would like to help chaperone or plan social, spiritual or cultural activities for our parish teens, contact Matthew in the parish office. Then go to Franciscanathome.com to pursue training in reaching teens through youth ministry events. Who knows where this may take folks of all ages?

IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



December 10, 2023

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ActualOnline Giving	\$	5,576.00 5,017.00
Budgeted Difference +/(-)	\$	<u>10,838.00</u> (245.00)
YTD Sunday & Holy Day Actual Budgeted Difference +/(-)	\$	283,197.59 273,913.00 9,284.59
Retired Religious Fund Children's Offering Endowment Memorial School SVdP	\$\$\$\$\$\$	310.00 40.00 40.00 280.00 293.00

Stewardship

"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!"

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal <u>Steward</u>. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity.





Prayer Vine

To add someone's name to the Prayer Vine, please contact Laura Hughes at: vineollstb@gmail.com

Advertise in Our Upcoming Guide Book

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the church. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family, at no cost to our church. The Guide Book is being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please contact Emily Dellinger, Communications & Stewardship Coordinator, at edellinger@ollindy.org



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United Catholic Appeal: Progress So Far

Parish Name:	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Parish Goal:	\$52,246
Amount Pledged:	\$17,907
Percentage to Goal:	36.3%
Number of Donors:	51
Total Pledged in	\$3.4 million
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11:30 am Mass for Life with the Bishops of Indiana

Indiana Convention Center 100 S Capitol Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46225

1:00 pm Pre-March Rally

Georgia Street and Capitol Ave. Sponsored by the Right to Life of Indianapolis

1:45 pm March for Life

Georgia Street and Illinois Street to the Capitol Building

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Post-March Rally

South Steps of the Capitol Building 200 W Washington St, Indianapolis, IN 46204

*Join us at any or all events as you are able!



Vigil for Life Mass and Adoration January 21, 2024 7pm - 10 pm

7:00 pm Mass

St. John the Evangelist 126 W. Georgia Street Indianapolis, IN 46225

8:00 pm Adoration

with prayer, music, confession,and an inspirational message from the Sisters of Life
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