

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2023

Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass: 5 PM (Saturday), 8 AM, and 10 AM

Daily Mass: 8 AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 7 PM Wednesday

Holy Day of Obligation Mass: See bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration begins at 6 PM on Wednesdays and concludes with **Benediction** at 6:50 PM.

Confession Schedule

Sunday 7:45 AM and 9:45 AM

Wednesday 6:00-6:45 PM

Saturday 4:30 PM

Mass Intentions

16-Sat., 5 PM	Jan Schabell
17-Sun., 8 AM	Donald & Joyce Reed
17-Sun., 10 AM	People of the Parish
18-Mon., 8 AM	Franzen & Kremer Families
19-Tues., 8 AM	Marge Born
20-Wed., 7 PM	David Due
21-Thurs. 8 AM	Hilda Walter
22-Fri., 8 AM	Bill Guthier, Sr.
23-Sat., 5 PM	Deceased Members of the Futscher Family
24-Sun., 8 AM	Joseph & Elizabeth Heeb
24-Sun., 10 AM	People of the Parish

To schedule a Mass intention for a person, living or deceased, or for some other intention, contact the parish office.

Administration and Staff

Pastor

Very Rev. Ryan L. Stenger, J.C.L., J.V.

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Parish Office Hours

Mondays & Tuesdays 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday Collection

12-10-2023	\$4,119.75
Immaculate Conception	\$1,101.00

Upcoming Events

Dec. 16/17 Retired Religious Collection
Dec. 17 Christmas Flower Memorials Due
Decorate Church after 10 a.m. Mass
Dec. 31 Ferraiolo Baptism 11 a.m.
Jan. 1 Mary, Mother of God Mass at 9 a.m.

Christmas Masses

Sunday, December 24 at 5:00 p.m.
Monday, December 25 at Midnight
Monday, December 25 at 10:00 a.m.

Parish News

Our anticipation of the joy of Christmas is the reason that this Sunday is known as Gaudete Sunday—from the Latin for “rejoice.” The hard work of our spiritual preparation for Christmas is eased today by our looking forward to the happiness of that great feast day. This joyful anticipation is expressed in the rose vestments worn in the liturgy today and the rose candle of the Advent wreath, which symbolize a momentary lightening of the Church’s penitential discipline, signified by the color violet. Even when we encounter challenges and struggles in our lives, the event of Christmas remains the reason that we continue to be a people of joy even in the midst of difficult times. God is with us. He does not distance Himself from us, but rather embraces us and walks with us through every moment of our lives. Today let’s allow the joy of Christmas to spur us on to strengthen our efforts at preparing to receive the Lord, so that we may truly rejoice at the coming of human salvation with undivided hearts.

Fr. Stenger

Church Cleaning

Team One: December 18 – December 31

Team Two: January 1 – January 14

Team Three: January 15 – January 28

Upcoming VIRTUS Training

Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial

Auditorium, Covington, Kentucky 41011

- Tuesday, January 9th, 2024, 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM
and 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

- Wednesday, January 24th, 2024, 9:00 AM to 11 :30
AM and 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Britt Hall, 5876

Veterans Way, Burlington, Kentucky 41005

-Thursday, January 11th, 2024, 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Virtus: The December bulletin will be posted on
December 3rd and will be due on January 2nd.

Pray for Those Who Protect Us

PFC Jared Allender, Staff Sgt. Dave Evans, GM1
Ricky Jimenez, SRA Emily Wagner, Staff Sgt.
Nicholas Wagner, I CL Petty Officer T.J. Waters.
Please pray for those who put themselves in harm’s
way each day to protect us, including armed service
personnel, police, and firefighters.

Pray for the Sick and Homebound

Chris Arlinghaus, Janet Arlinghaus, Brooke
Barganier, Kim Brun, Roy Carl, Doug and Ella
Carmack, Flo Clair, Keegan Dietz, Joyce Dorgan,
Judy Dornbusch, Kent Enzweiler, Jose Flores, Mike
Futscher, Henry Glossner, Billy Guthier, Melrose
Guthier, Blake Hegner, Tammy Hess, Nathan
Hessman, Chandra Huff, Shailynn Jones, Flo
Kaffenberger, Garry Kaffenberger, Mary
Kettenacker, Bernie Kohls, Betty Kohls, Helen
Kremer, Kelli Kramer, Ken Kramer, Ed Kremer, Jim
Kremer, Iva Leick, Dick Mader, Donna Maschinot,
Wilma Maschinot, John Muench, Kairi Marie
Mullins, Josh Penney, Adelyn Porter, Dominic
Ramler, Linda Rupp, April Schack, Virginia
Schadler, Dan Schalk, Casen Schrock, Joe Allen
Smith, Vicki Steffen, Ella Stieby, Shirley Studer,
Steve Tischner, Pauline Wade, Larry Wagner, Joe
Whitford, Jim Wolfe, Candice Yelton, Bonnie
Zanazzo

Offertory Envelopes

2024 Offertory envelopes are now available for pick
up in the vestibule. Thank you for your generosity to
our parish throughout this past year and for your
continued support in the new year ahead! If you do
not have a box of envelopes with your name on it,
please contact the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul Coat Drive

Thank you for your amazing response to the coat
drive. We collected 72 coats that will help keep our

neighbors in need warm this winter. Your generosity is much appreciated!

Dishes

There are several dishes on the steps to the choir loft that are left from various events, such as funeral receptions and fish fries. Some of these dishes have been in church for months now. Please check the steps to see if any of these dishes belong to you and take them home. Any dishes that are not claimed by their owner before Christmas Eve will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul.

Christmas Flowers

We will again be accepting donations for Christmas Flower Memorials. You can use the envelope provided in your offertory envelopes or there will be extra envelopes in the vestibule of the church. You can make a memorial donation by writing your family members' names on the envelope and they will be published in our Christmas bulletins. Please have your donations and memorial names turned in by today, December 17th. Thank you!

2024 Calendars

The church calendars for next year are available in the vestibule of the church. Thanks to our sponsors for generously helping us to provide these calendars for free every year!

Support the Elderly Religious

Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give generously to next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Thank you for your generosity!

Decorating Church for Christmas

We are in need of volunteers to lend a hand on December 17th to decorate church for Christmas. Anyone who is interested in helping can stick around after 10:00 a.m. Mass. We greatly appreciate your

help in making our church look beautiful for the upcoming Christmas season!

DPAA 2023 – October Update

As of the end of October we have received \$60,890.00 in commitments to this year's DPAA, which puts us over our goal! Our rebate for this year's appeal will go towards offsetting the cost of a new church steeple. Thank you for your generous response to this year's Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal!

Looking Back

We will continue our weekly column from Chuck Taylor to take a "look back" at the rich history of our church.

1853: Catherina Kronz, daughter of Peter Kronz and Margaritha Schmidt, was baptized. Godparents:

Catherina and Mathias Schmidt

1874: Judith Wiedrig died at age 37 from childbirth complications

1901: Fredricus Kremer died at 3 months from pneumonia

1940: Wiley Huskison and Mary Catherine Leick were married. Witnesses- Albert Leick and Roberta Huskison

1946: Nicholas Joseph Franzen, son of Nicholas and Marie Franzen, was baptized. Godparents- Joseph and Mary Kreueer

1999: Christopher Linus Enzweiler and Kristina Campbell were married. Witnesses- Don Sutiff and Rebecca Campbell

Bishop Brossart High School News

9th Annual International Nativity Display

The International Nativity Display will be showcased every Sunday at BBHS in December from 10:00 AM- 4:00 PM. This showcase will feature nativity sets made by artist and crafts men from 82 different countries. There will be 200 nativities on display! Admission is free and open to the public.

Mustang Athletics

On Friday, December 22nd, the Boys Basketball Alumni Night will be held. All boys basketball Alumni will get FREE admission to the game and be recognized at halftime of the Varsity game! The Mustangs will take on the Bourbon County Colonels. JV at 6:00 pm, Varsity at 7:30 pm. Go Mustangs!

Bishop Brossart Annual Appeal

Year in and year out, our Annual Appeal funds provide an immeasurable benefit to the countless families that rely on financial assistance in order to send their children to Bishop Brossart. We take pride to carry on one of Bishop Brossart's most cherished traditions that no deserving student be denied the special BBHS educational experience due to financial need. We were able to surpass our \$110,000 goal last year, will you help us do it again?

For more information, please check out the Bishop Brossart website by clicking on the Support BBHS tab and selecting the Annual Appeal option. You can also make a donation to the 2023-2024 Annual Appeal by clicking on the link to access the Pledge Form.

Other News

Bambinelli and Christmas Tree Blessing

Join us on Sunday, December 17th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium and St. Mary's Park in Cathedral Square in Covington. Bring your family and join Bishop John Iffert for blessings, hot chocolate, homemade cookies, live Christmas choirs, and more!

Bring with you the Baby Jesus from your home nativity for a special blessing from Bishop Iffert! All are welcome!

Kentucky March for Life-Save the Date

Join other Pro-Life Kentuckians on Tuesday, January 23rd for the 2024 Kentucky March for Life & "Love them Both" Rally. The program will begin with Mass at Good Shepard Parish in Frankfort, followed by a rally at the State

Capital. The event will end with a procession to the Cemetery of the Innocents in the historic Frankfort Cemetery. The Pro-Life office will be organizing buses that will leave from Northern Kentucky. If you are interested in traveling with other parishioners from the Diocese, please contact the Pro-Life Office for more information, 859-392-1500.

St. Philip School Advent Pajama Project

St. Philip School will be holding a pajama drive again this year starting November 24th and ending December 20th. We will be collecting new pajamas for kids of all sizes and adults. Each year pajamas are distributed to local churches and organizations such as Family Promise, Hosea House, and the CARE Mission in Alexandria. If you know of an organization in need of pajamas, please let us know! We would love to help as many organizations as possible! Thank you for making our pajama project a success with your generosity!

DCCH Center for Children and Families Flea Market

Open: 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Monday, Thursday, & 3rd Saturday (December-April) NEW ARRIVALS DAILY and thousands of items are new and gently used! The Donation Dropbox is open 24/7 and is accepting clothes, shoes, kitchen & Housewares, media electronics, jewelry, collectibles, furniture, artwork, bedding, crafts, toys & more! The first Thursday of every month, items are 50% off! 100% of the proceeds support the children living at DCCH. We appreciate your generosity and support!



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