

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024

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

21-Sat., 5 PM	Jan Schabell
22-Sun., 8 AM	People of the Parish
22-Sun., 10 AM	Maryann Combs
23-Mon., 8 AM	William & Elizabeth Neltner
24-Tues., 8 AM	Richard & Glorianna Heck
24-Tues., 5 PM	Jim Ritter
25-Wed., 12 AM	Joseph & Elizabeth Heeb
25-Wed., 10 AM	People of the Parish
26-Thurs., 8 AM	Jack & Norene Martin
27-Fri., 8 AM	Amos & Alma Ruschman
28-Sat., 5 PM	Ted Daniels
29-Sun., 8 AM	Mary Ann Ritter
29-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

Monday & Tuesday 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday Collection

Immaculate Conception	\$1,005.00
12-15-2024	\$5,426.00
Christmas Flowers	\$1,863.00

Upcoming Events

Dec. 22 Decorate Church after 10 a.m. Mass
Dec. 24 Christmas Vigil Mass 5 p.m.
Dec. 25 Midnight Mass 12 a.m.
Christmas Day Mass 10 a.m.
Dec. 31/Jan.1 Solemnity of Mary Masses
12/31/24 7:00 p.m.
1/1/25 9:00 a.m.

Parish News

Merry Christmas! On the great Solemnity of the Lord's Nativity, we celebrate the birth of Christ so many centuries ago in Bethlehem, when a new light shone at last upon the darkness of our fallen world. For countless years since sin first entered the world, the human race had wandered lost and separated from God, for whom alone we were created and in whom alone our hearts are able to find true peace. Despite the yearning of our hearts to be with our Creator, mankind had again and again turned its back on Him and multiplied sin and evil and injustice. Even God's own Chosen People became lost in infidelity, idolatry, and compromise and found themselves repeatedly conquered and enslaved by foreign powers. Age after age, it became all the clearer that man was radically incapable of saving himself. And yet a small handful of prophets still dared to preach a message of hope, proclaiming that God had promised a Savior.

God kept His promise and did so in a way that surpassed all that anyone had ever hoped for or imagined. Through the faith of a young virgin in an unremarkable corner of the world, the Creator entered into His creation. The Eternal God was born in time. The God who formed each and every one of us in our mother's womb became a man like us. No longer are we doomed to the darkness and misery of sin, because God has come to save us. He has become Emmanuel, God-with-us. Now and at every moment of every age to come, He is with us. Throughout the triumphs and tragedies of human history and the joys and sorrows of our own lives, He is with us. In the Blessed Sacrament, He is with us just as really and truly as He was with Mary and Joseph and the shepherds and wise men two millennia ago. There is no evil that His mercy cannot overcome, no sin that can separate us from His love.

God is with us now and always. I pray that His presence in our midst will fill your lives with joy and peace today and every day to come.

Fr. Stenger

Church Cleaning

Team Three: Dec. 16 – Dec. 29

Team One: Dec. 30 – Jan. 12

Team Two: Jan. 13 – Jan. 26

Upcoming VIRTUS Trainings

-Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, 1125 Madison Avenue, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Thursday, January 30th, 2025, 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM and 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

The VIRTUS bulletin will be posted on December 1st and is due January 7th.

Pray for Those Who Protect Us

PFC Jared Allender, Staff Sgt. Dave Evans, 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, Dolores Armstrong, Brooke Barganier, Missy Bauer, Sue Bradley, Kim Brun, Roy Carl, Doug and Ella Carmack, Flo Clair, Keegan Dietz, Joyce Dorgan, Judy Dornbusch, Kent Enzweiler, Jose Flores, Mike Futscher, Chris Gebelt, Henry Glossner, Leigh Gorman, Billy Guthier, Melrose Guthier, Blake Hegner, Tammy Hess, Nathan Hessman, Chandra Huff, Shailynn Jones, Flo Kaffenberger, Mary Kettenacker, Bernie Kohls, Betty Kohls, Germaine Kremer, Helen Kremer, Kelli Kramer, Ken Kramer, Jim Kremer, Charles Krift, Kathy Leahy, Iva Leick, Al Lovell, Dick Mader, Wilma Maschinot, John Muench, Kairi Marie Mullins, Pam Leahy Nagle, Josh Penney, Adelyn Porter, Dominic Ramler, Lorrie Rawe, Donny Reis, Rana Reckner, Rowen Redmond, Linda Rupp, April Schack, Virginia Schadler, Dan Schalk, Casen Schrock, Gwen Shields, Vicki Steffen, Ella Stieby, Shirley Studer, Steve Tischner, Pauline Wade, Larry Wagner, Joe Whitford, Julie Wientjes, Jim Wolfe, Candice Yelton, Bonnie Zanazzo

Condolences

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Barbara Futscher, who recently passed away. May she be swiftly welcomed into the company of the angels and saints and may her family and friends experience the peace and hope that Christ alone can give. *Requiescat in pace.*

Offertory Envelopes

The 2025 offertory envelopes are now in the vestibule for pick up. Please take your box home in the next few weeks. Thank you for your continued generosity!

St. Vincent de Paul Updates

Monthly Donations: Thank you again for your monetary donations each month! For the month of December, we are asking for donations of soap or laundry detergent. Donations can be left in the laundry baskets under the counter in the vestibule of the church. We appreciate all of your support!

DPAA 2024 – November Update

We have surpassed our goal of \$51,800! As of the end of November, our commitment total is currently \$73,620.00. The funds raised above the goal will be returned to our parish to help pay for the recent painting and repairs done in the cafeteria and kitchen in the school. Thank you to all who have already made a generous contribution to this year's appeal! If you haven't given yet, there are envelopes in the back of the church, or you can visit the parish website to give online. Thank you for your support!

Sewing Seeds Sewing Group

The sewing ministry is taking a break over the holidays. Our next sewing date will be Wednesday, January 15th. We will continue to make baby blankets for Care Net Pregnancy Center and Rose Garden Home Mission. Join us in the cafeteria from 9:30 - 11:30. All are welcome.

Walking With Purpose

Our women's Bible study, Walking with Purpose - Opening Your Heart, will be taking a break during the holidays. The weekly gathering will resume on

Saturday, January 4th, from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. and continue for nine weeks. In the case of inclement weather, the meeting will be cancelled. A text will be sent to confirm the cancellation. All are welcome to attend any or all of the sessions. For more information contact Jean (859-630-9247) or Catherine (513-630-9249).

Pre-K Registration

St. Joseph Camp Springs Pre-K still has some openings for the 2024-2025 school year! Contact Lisa Roetting at (859) 409-9185 or email LRoetting@saint-joseph-school.org with questions or to register.

Looking Back

Take a look at the rich history of our church with parishioner, Chuck Taylor.

1891: Emil Class and Marian Heeb were married.

Witnesses- Petrus and Margaritha Hays

1897: Anna Josephina Barth, age 21, died from tuberculosis

1899: Andreas Buschel died at age 4 from chickenpox

1905: Carolus Hubrig and JoAnna O'Bryan were married. Witnesses- Santos Hubrig and Eleanor

1907: Joseph Good and Rose Huck were married.

Witnesses- Rose Huck and Gabrielus Huck
O'Bryan

1911: Stella Claire Batsch, daughter of Frank Batsch and Rosa Barth, was baptized. Godparents- Jacob and Ula Barth

1917: Maria Magdelinia Kohls, daughter of Bernard Kohls and Anna Siemon, was baptized. Godparents- John and Catherine Siemon

1940: Philomenia Ruschell died at age 69 from a stroke

1942: Rosa Saelinger died at age 65 from cancer

1947: Bernadette Florence Bezold, daughter of William Bezold and Anna Kremer, was baptized.

Godparents- Otto and Florence Schack

1948: Roy Richard Heck, son of Richard Heck and Glorianna Franzen, was baptized. Godparents- Benjamin Heck and Mrs. Edward Franzen

1993: Timothy Comer and Linda Marie Ritter were married. Witnesses- Mike Comer and Cathy Kramer

Bishop Brossart High School News

First Friday Mass

There is no First Friday Mass in January due to Christmas break. Classes resume Monday, January 6th.

10th Annual International Nativity Display

Nativity sets from Around the World will be on display at BBHS beginning December 8th. The display will feature nativity sets made by artists and craftsmen from 83 different countries. Over 200 nativities will be on display. The cost is FREE! Please enter through the BBHS main entrance and as always- our building is handicap accessible! Show days and times: Tuesday, December 24 10:00 am-1:00 pm, and Sunday, December 29th 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

Girls Basketball Grade School Night

1/23: 6th grade Freshman @ 5:00 p.m. JV @ 6:00 pm Varsity @ 7:30 p.m.

1/27: 7th grade JV @ 6:00 p.m. Varsity @ 7:30 p.m.

1/31: 8th grade Freshman @ 5:00 p.m. JV @ 6:00 pm Varsity @ 7:30 p.m.

Boys Basketball Grade School Night

Our Boys Basketball Grade School night is scheduled for Wednesday, February 5th as our Mustangs take on Calvary in the Seither Center! All Grade School students will receive free admission to the games! Let's Go, Mustangs! JV at 6:00 p.m. and Varsity at 7:15 p.m.

Boys Basketball Alumni Night

Our Boys Basketball Alumni Night is scheduled for Thursday, February 13th as our Mustangs take on Bellevue in the Seither Center! As always, Boys Basketball Alumni will receive free admission to the games and will be recognized at halftime of the Varsity game! JV at 6:00 p.m. and Varsity at 7:15 p.m.

BBHS Girls Softball Program

The Bishop Brossart Fast Pitch Softball Program Seeks 7th and 8th grade girls who would like to play on the school's 2025 Freshman Fast Pitch Softball team this coming year. Our freshman team will mainly be all 7th and 8th graders. We are also very excited that our sports complex has started and hoping to be playing home games on our new turf field this coming year. If your daughter is interested contact Varsity Head Coach, Tom Baynum at softball@bishoppbrossart.org or call or text 859-393-5235.

Other News

Irena's Vow – Catholic Culture at The Aronoff

Step into the shadows of Nazi-occupied Poland and witness the gripping, true story of Irena Gut Opdyke, a young Catholic housemaid who risked her life to shelter over a dozen Jews in the home of a German officer. Presented by The Angelico Project, this is more than theater—it's a chance to support local Catholic culture and invite friends and family to encounter Truth, Goodness, and Beauty! Learn more by visiting AngelicoProject.org

Showtimes:

January 17 at 7 p.m.

January 18 at 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Location: Jarson-Kaplan Theater, Aronoff Center

Tickets: CincinnatiArts.ORG | (513) 621-2787 (ARTS)



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