

CONNECTION



“Weeds?” or a Sign of Hope

Our pollinator plots at All Saints have been around for several seasons now. As you have seen, they put on a marvelous show with lots of color, but that definitely lessens as the summer moves into

August. They begin looking a bit wild and “weedy”. It’s this time of the year, we hear that occasional comment about those patches of weeds. Admittedly, it does look tired and overgrown right now, but beauty is in the eye of the beholder. The ultimate goal of creation care is for us to create a future that ensures healthy ecosystems that support life in all its abundance. The only way we are going to accomplish this is to change our current ways. That includes our use of energy, transportation, and how we manage and use our land. The crops we grow and how we plant, maintain, and harvest those crops will play a key role in ensuring healthy ecosystems. Your grass lawn at your house is one of those crops. Obviously, it’s not food related, but you grow and maintain it for enjoyment and beauty. It might have some appeal to our eyes, but the reality is that it is not good for our ecosystem. The chemicals, fertilizer, and the carbon emitted has serious detrimental effects. Moreover, grass lawn offers nothing for wildlife. In contrast, if you go out to the pollinator field in September, the place is abuzz with life. We see lots of monarchs and all sorts of butterflies, bees, and various birds. We see rabbits and even a hawk or two. Flowers draw pollinators and insects which then draw birds and other wildlife. What we have is a life-giving habitat and a healthy ecosystem. All that in the middle of a city.

We don’t expect grass lawns to go away but imagine if all of us made a little room for a bit of wildness on our property. The cumulative effect would transform our cities and homes into places of natural abundance. Our little patch of weeds or wildflowers would become a sign of hope that our planet can be a place where humans and all life thrives. They also become a beautiful reminder to us that it is our God given responsibility to care for and preserve our Earth home.



New Walk-In Freezer

Our Wednesday Community Lunch (soup kitchen) team is now celebrating the blessing of a new walk-in freezer. The old freezer arrangement utilized about 9 residential freezers that took up much space, consumed a significant amount of electricity and was still inadequate for our needs.

The new walk-in is a major improvement. We came by this walk-in all by the generosity of donors. Many of the Evansville area trade unions donated their time to its construction especially the Steamfitters Union who paid for the installation of the refrigeration mechanicals. It was a true community effort. All Saints thanks all who gave of their time and resources. We feel the blessing of a community that cares.

We Care Fund Report

All Saints started the We Care fund in the spring with the expressed purpose of helping those whose lives have been impacted by the Covid crisis. \$15,525 has been donated to the fund and \$9,500 has been distributed so far to 19 families to help with rent, utilities, and food costs. We thank all for their generosity to this effort.



WELCOME NEWCOMERS

Please welcome these new members
to our Parish Family.

Nick Seib
Connie Carver
Bob Ennis
Ed Ziemer
Jennifer Smith



BAPTISMS

Evan Robert Goebel
Madison Spell Newell
Gloria Renee de la Pena Ritzert
Maven Willow Rush
Amelia Rose Heathcott

NUPTIALS



Nick & Fatima Seib
Brynne & Andrew Martin
Adam & Ashton Wilmes

WALKING IN A NEW LIFE

Nancy Knowles
Carol Witmeier
Larry Hahn
Alice Keller
Marcella Meredith
Robert Koch
Patricia Welsh



Pastoral Team and Staff

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Emil Altmeyer, Deacon
Sharon Vogler, Pastoral Associate
Tom Bogenschutz, Director of Ministries
Judy Wittgen, Administrative Assistant
Amy Eger, Financial Coordinator
Machalle Walker, Office Secretary
Peggy Epley, Media Specialist
Tina Schutte, Music Coordinator
Darlene Steffe, Wedding Coordinator

MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 PM at Saint Joseph Church
Sunday 10:30 AM at Saint Anthony Church

Weekday Masses

Saint Anthony Church Campus
Tuesdays and Thursdays
9:00 AM

We are All Saints Parish!

Oh, the examples of being a witness
of Christ the Saints are for us!
The many ways they intercede for us
in our times of need.

This year we have been celebrating our
parish feast day throughout the entire
month of November.

We hope you have enjoyed the
activity sheets.

As a special treat to celebrate this year...
the 5th anniversary of All Saints Parish...
you should have also received a
Saint card and Parish Prayer card.



Family Faith Formation

Family Faith Formation has gone virtual. We are continuing our intergenerational approach this year.

We discovered that we all have something valuable to share about our faith... regardless of age.

We all understand our faith and have knowledge and experiences that are different with our ages.

We can all learn something new or a new way to think about something old.

Intergenerational Family Faith gives us this opportunity.

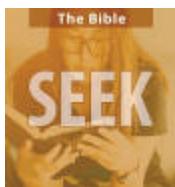
This year we our theme is **"I received from the Lord what I handed on to you."**

1 Corinthians 11:23.

We will be studying the Old Testament this year to see what "we received from the Lord" through Scripture.

We meet on Sunday mornings 8:45 – 9:45 am via Zoom.

For photos and videos of our Family Faith Formation sessions go to our website allsaintsevansville.org, click on the "Youth" tab then click on the Family Faith Formation 2020-2021 tab.



All Saints Parish celebrated the Feast of All Saints on Nov. 1st. During the month of November we will offer you ways to celebrate your faith.

We added a 10 Videos Series from Bishop Barron for you for you to enjoy on our app. Through these 10 videos you will hear from Bishop Barron share his reflections on Saints, being a saint and more. You will find the video series under SEEK on our app, then click on Bishop Barron's Video Series. Next find the Saints video series - We hope you enjoy.

Our Family Faith Formation Schedule for the rest of 2020-2021

Sunday, October 25
30th Sunday Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 8
32nd Sunday Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 22
Solemnity of Christ the King

Sunday, December 6
2nd Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 20
4th Sunday of Advent

Sunday, January 10
Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Sunday, January 24
3rd Sunday Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 7
5th Sunday Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 21
1st Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 7
3rd Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 21
5th Sunday of Lent

Sunday, April 11
Sunday of Divine Mercy
2nd Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 25
4th Sunday of Easter

Celebrating First Communion Save the Date...



Sunday, May 2, 2021 at the 10:30 am Mass
(pending Covid restrictions)

It's almost Advent in our Church Season!

Check out the new resources we will be putting on our GIFT webpage



<http://allsaintsevansville.org/growing/>
click on "Seasonal Resources"
then click on Advent... Enjoy!

Our Parish Keeps Growing!



Evan Goebel baptized August 30th



Madison Newell baptized
September 27th



Maven Rush baptized October 4th

Community Produce Giveaways

We had four very successful produce giveaways this year ending the season on October 11th. We are so grateful to Seton Harvest, Julie Dietz, and Farmer Joe for their support! This was truly a communal effort. Our health team provided starter plants and was present at each giveaway offering bottled water, recipes and health information. Many parishioners offered produce from their gardens. Our marketing team made sure that the events was publicized and organized the setup. Our praise band provided inspiring music for our waiting guests. These events were truly God's love in action and we thank everyone who helped make them so.

God's Love in Action



Our Health Ministry team distributes veggies to our neighbors.



Our Praise Band provided inspiring music for our waiting guests.

All Saints Parish Angel Giving Tree



We will be doing our Angel Giving Tree differently this year. We will NOT be putting Angels out in church this year.

In this time of pandemic, I know many of us have new and different financial realities. Any amount of help is greatly appreciated. For our Angel Giving Tree, we are asking you to simply donate gift cards or money. The money will be used to purchase cards from SCRIP.

If you would like to give gift cards... we especially appreciate those for gas or food, Walmart or Target. This allows our families to get essentials and some special Christmas gifts for their family.

Please turn in all Angel Giving Tree donations to the parish office by Thursday, December 10th. Mark the envelope Angel Giving Tree.

To help with distributing the cards to our families, PLEASE DO NOT WRAP OR PLACE GIFT CARDS IN ENVELOPES.

If possible, please indicate the dollar amount on each card. Thank you for your continuing support of our parish families!

Christmas Flower Memorials



Remember a loved one this Christmas with a Christmas Flower Memorial. Envelopes are included with your December packet.

You may also place a Memorial through our Parish App and website. From the App find the Christmas button, select Christmas Flower Memorials and follow the prompts. From our website (allsaintsevanville.org) choose the "Online Giving" tab then select the Christmas Flower Memorial link. **Please submit your Christmas Flower Memorial by Wednesday, December 9th.**

Desserts Needed for All Saints Christmas Community Meal

Things are different this year due to the restrictions for COVID-19. Our neighbors are not permitted in the building during the Grab & Go lunches served on Wednesdays. In the spirit of giving, our volunteers would like to make the December 23rd Christmas meal special for our neighbors. We are need of desserts. Cookies, pies, cakes, etc. would be greatly appreciated. And bottled water and packaged drinks are always needed.

You many drop off desserts beginning Monday, Dec. 21, Tuesday, Dec. 22, and Wednesday, Dec. 23 until 9:00 am. Thank you and God bless your kindness!



Here it is almost Advent with Christmas coming, and we are still living in the COVID pandemic. Based on the current state of the pandemic, we are offering the following Christmas Mass schedule.

We will ask you to let us know which Mass you will be interested in attending for Christmas. Watch our social media sites and your mailbox in early December.

We want you to come to Mass, and as you know, we have restrictions we're working within. Thank you for your continuing understanding and support.

Christmas Eve Masses

2 pm at St. Anthony Church

4 pm at St. Joseph Church

Recorded Mass will be available.



Christmas Day Mass

9 am at St. Anthony Church

There will be **NO** Christmas Pageant with children this year.

Celebrate Mass for the New Year New Year's Eve

5:30 pm at St. Anthony Church

New Year's Day

9 am at St. Joseph Church

Just Faith

Faith & Racial Healing: Embracing Truth,
Justice, and Restoration

Do you want to learn how to advocate for racial healing within your family, church and community?

Faith & Racial Healing: Embracing Truth, Justice and Restoration is an eight-session program that guides participants in telling the truth about the history of racism in the United States, that we might work toward true reconciliation with God and restoration with one another. Faith and Racial Healing is presented through the lens of the Christian tradition and is the second program in JustFaith Ministries' racial justice series.

This program consists of eight 2½ hour sessions, as well as an opening retreat and immersion experience. All sessions include prayer, active listening, and relationship-building. Though Faith and Racial Healing focuses specifically on African Slaves and their descendants, it also opens participants' eyes to patterns of injustice that affect other people of color as well. As with all JustFaith programs, participants explore how their faith should inform their response to their learning, as well as discern action steps for working toward racial healing in their own communities.

Watch the bulletin and our social media sites for registration forms.

We hope to begin *Faith & Racial Healing: Embracing Truth, Justice and Restoration* in January 2021 via Zoom.

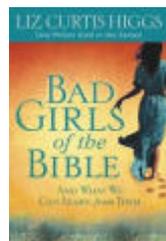
For more information, contact Sharon Vogler at 812-423-5209 or svogler@evdio.org



Women of All Saints Parish... You are Invited!

Members of the Women's Group are going to read and discuss a book....using Zoom. The ladies have decided to begin with the book

Bad Girls of the Bible: And What We Can Learn from Them by Liz Curtis Higgs



We are each going to purchase our own copy of the book. We will begin reading in November. We are going to try having our book discussion at the beginning of each Women's Group Zoom meeting.

We will try the following schedule...

November 16 read Chapters 1 (Eve), 2 (Potiphar's Wife) and 3 (Lot's Wife)

December 21 read Chapters 4 (The Woman at the Well), 5 (Delilah) and 6 (Sapphira)

January 18 read Chapters 7 (Rahab), 8 (Jezebel), 9 (Michal) and 10 (The Sinful Woman)

If you are interested in joining us, please purchase your book **AND** send Sharon (svogler@evdio.org) your email address so she can send you a Zoom invitation for our discussions.

All Saints Women's Group Help Us Spread Christmas Cheer!

The Women's Group would like to spread joy to our neighbors at Columbia Healthcare this Christmas season. We are adopting a hallway of residents (10 rooms, 2 per room).

If you would like to join us in this spirit of giving, the following items would be appreciated: men's & women's socks, word searches, pencils, Chapstick, small shampoo bottles, hand lotion etc. No food items, please. You can drop items off at the Parish Office during regular business hours until Monday, December 14th.

We meet via Zoom on the third Monday of each month at 6:00 pm. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to join us. Our next meeting will be on Monday, December 21st.



Welcome to Justice...Our Mission

All Saints Parish Vision Statement: We are called to be a faith filled family, who acts justly, loves tenderly, forgives freely and walks humbly with our God.

As we know living the Gospel teaches us the need for Charity but also the importance of working for Justice. We will be offering resources to help us grow in our understanding of Justice and opportunities to work for Justice.

Visit the JustFaith website

<https://justfaith.org/>

You may enjoy their "Blog" or one of the following "Stories," "Still in the Storm," "Mosaic," "Catching Light," and "Building Bridges, Building Hope."

Books to consider...

Following is the list of books we've offered in the bulletin...

Joy of the Gospel, by Pope Francis

http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/papa-francesco_esortazione-ap_20131124_evangelii-gaudium.html

Open Wide Our Hearts

https://www.usccb.org/resources/open-wide-our-hearts_0.pdf

Fratelli tutti by Pope Francis

<https://www.usccb.org/fratelli-tutti>

Tattoos on the Heart:

The Power of Boundless Compassion

by Fr. Gregory Boyle

Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship by Fr. Gregory Boyle

Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption by Bryan Stevenson

A New Way to Be Church: Parish Renewal from the Outside In by Jack Jezreel

On Poverty and Homelessness:

Toxic Charity

How Churches and Charities Hurt Those They Help (And How to Reverse It)

by Robert D. Lupton

When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty Without Hurting the Poor . . . and Yourself by Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert

Responding Like Jesus

by Kenneth R. Himes OFM and Conor M. Kelly

Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City by Matthew Desmond

On Racism:

Racial Justice and the Catholic Church

by Bryan N. Massingale

60 years since its first publication...

John Howard Griffin

Black Like Me

Robin DiAngelo

White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism

Virtual Online Retreats

Below please find links to several religious women's communities and St. Meinrad. Many of the communities are offering virtual/online retreats during the pandemic. We thought you might be interested in exploring their offerings...

Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph, Maple Mount, KY

https://ursulinesmsj.org/calendar/cat_ids~8/

Sisters of St. Benedict, Ferdinand

<https://www.thedome.org/at-the-monastery/retreats-and-programs/>

Sisters of St. Francis Oldenburg

<https://www.oldenburgfranciscancenter.org/programs.html>

Sisters of Providence, St. Mary of the Woods

<https://spsmw.org/events/>

Monks of St. Meinrad Archabbey, St. Meinrad

<https://www.saintmeinrad.org/retreats/>



Visit All Saints Facebook Page for daily news. Like our page and be sure to share our site with your friends.

Congregations Acting for Justice & Empowerment

Our work for justice in our community continues...

CAJE Calendar

- ❖ Nov. 16, 2020: Community Problems Assembly
- ❖ April 12, 2021: CAJE Rally
- ❖ May 10, 2021: Nehemiah Action
- ❖ June 14, 2021: Celebration

2020 CAJE Investment Drive

CAJE Good News:

We have surpassed the halfway point for our 2020 Congregational Investment Drive goal!! **\$40,208 has been received!**

Thank you for your faithfulness to investing your time and treasure in justice ministry!

Our All Saints Parish goal this year is **\$22,000**. We have donated **\$12,015 (just under 55%)** toward this goal! 2020 has been a difficult year. Let us continue to work together to reach our goal!

Please prayerfully consider investing in the CAJE organization for 2020. Much of our funding pays CAJE staff and allows for our leaders to attend workshops and conferences for all our processes at **little or no cost!**

There are two ways to invest.

1. Mail your check or money order to:

CAJE
P. O. Box 18172
Evansville, IN 47719

2. Via PayPal on our CAJE's website:

<https://www.greaterevansvillecaje.org/donation>



Over 350 Parishioners have created a Profile on our app!! Thank You for continuing to tune in and see the latest information we have to share through our APP & Website! Please continue to stay tuned on a weekly basis. We will continue to create content and offer you opportunities to follow your faith!

Thank You All Saints Parish!



The **All Saints Parish App** is updated weekly! These updates may be **NEW** to you...

CELEBRATE MASS - Watch Father Jay's Recorded Mass weekly, read the bulletin, watch the latest videos we created, find forms & set up a recurring gift all under this one button.

YOUTH - See the newest members of All Saints Parish, more news and videos have been added.

ABOUT US - The Sunday bulletin is available every week- There is also a link to our website & our newsletters.

PARISH FAMILY - Watch & Learn Video Series has new videos each month. The Women's Club has a new video posted & Book study to start in November - check it out.

SEEK - Read Tom's Column, "Sunday Warm-up", find links to daily Mass & learn more about the Saints that surround our Catholic Faith.

Feed Your Faith has access to the virtual Masses that Father Jay records, daily prayer retreats & shares Events in the Diocese.

TELL US - We would love to hear what other features you would like our app to have, send us a note in TELL US on what we can do to add to our app.

DIRECTORY - the directory button makes it easy to call other members of our parish by simply clicking on their number.

CONNECT - Peggy posts daily on our Facebook page - tune in to see the latest.

Holiday Shopping with SCRIP

Looking for a safe way to purchase Christmas Gift Cards and help All Saints Parish? You can preorder your Christmas gifts through our office and we will get it ready for you to pick-up. Check out our Special Order form with over 150 on our website. You can drop your order and payment by the office or in the collection basket before Monday and we will place your order Monday morning. Your cards should be ready by the following Friday.



Looking for stocking stuffers?

SCRIP cards make great stocking stuffers! Gifts for teachers, bus drivers, care givers and are thoughtful gifts for college care packages. We carry small denomination SCRIP cards for the following retailers:

Amazon \$10, Bath & Body Works \$10, Cold Stone Creamery \$10, Dairy Queen \$10, Denny's \$10, Donut Bank \$10, G.D. Ritz's \$10, Panera Bread \$5/\$10, Starbucks \$5/\$10, Subway \$10, Target \$10, Wal-Mart \$10, Wendy's \$10

Thank you for supporting our Parish through your SCRIP purchases!



Benefits of Making a Gift before January 1



If you itemize your deductions:

The new Adjusted Gross Income limitation for charitable contributions has been raised **from 60% to 100%**. You can

now deduct your cash or cash-equivalent contributions from your entire income.

If you don't itemize your deductions:

You are now able to claim a charitable deduction of **up to \$300**, even if you were unable to claim any charitable deductions last year.

ARE YOU 70½ OR OLDER?

When planning your year-end giving, you may want to consider making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA.

WHAT IS A QCD?

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA to a qualified charity. QCDs can be counted toward satisfying your Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) for the year, as long as certain rules are met.

WHY GIVE WITH A QCD?

Making a gift with a QCD is a tax advantageous way to make gifts supporting your parish or ministry of choice.

- ◆ Satisfy your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) with your gift.
- ◆ Allows you to give from pre-tax assets with your gift not being counted as taxable income.
- ◆ Your gift comes from your assets instead of your checkbook.
- ◆ It's easy to do! Just notify the custodian of your IRA.

QCD REQUIREMENTS

While many IRAs are eligible for QCDs there are requirements:

- ◆ You must be 70½ years old, or older, to be eligible to make a QCD.
- ◆ QCDs are limited to the amount that would otherwise be taxed as ordinary income.
- ◆ There are maximum annual gift amounts that can qualify for a QCD.
- ◆ For a QCD to count towards your current year's RMD, the funds must come out of your IRA by your RMD deadline, generally by December 31.

Any amount given above your RMD does not count toward satisfying a future year's RMD.

Funds distributed directly to you, the IRA owner, which you then give to charity, do not qualify as a QCD.

This is not intended as tax, legal or financial advice. Contact your personal financial advisor for information specific to your circumstances.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

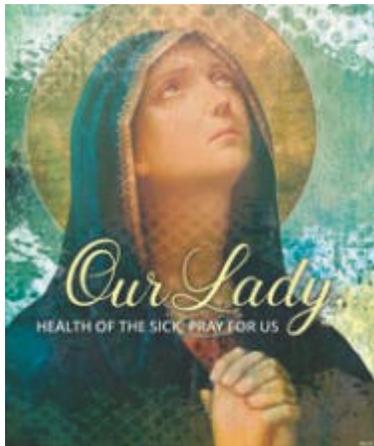
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



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COVID-19: A PRAYER OF SOLIDARITY

For all who have contracted coronavirus,
We pray for care and healing.

For those who are particularly vulnerable,
We pray for safety and protection.

For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.

For affected families who are facing difficult decisions
between food on the table or public safety,
We pray for policies that recognize their plight.

For those who do not have adequate health insurance,
We pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.

For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration
status, We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.

For our brothers and sisters around the world,
We pray for shared solidarity.

For public officials and decision makers, We pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.
Grant peace. Grant comfort. Grant healing. Be with us, Lord. Amen.

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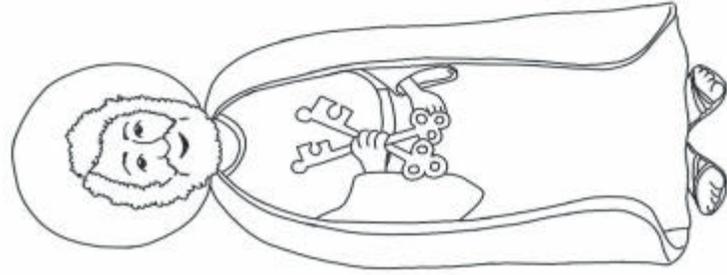
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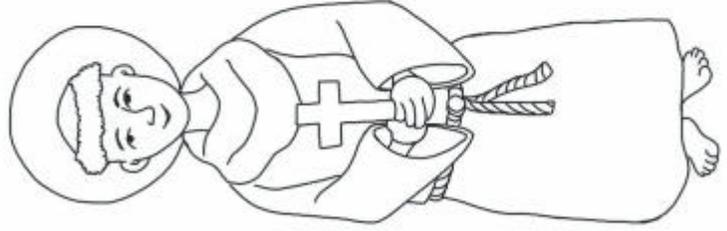
FEAST of ALL SAINTS

November 1, 2020

Today, we celebrate our parish and all saints. They were just like us and loved God. Here are several saints you can color who are represented in our churches



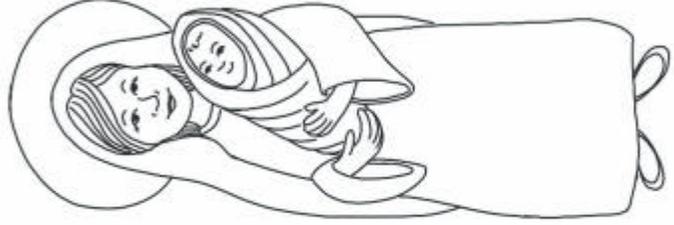
St. Peter



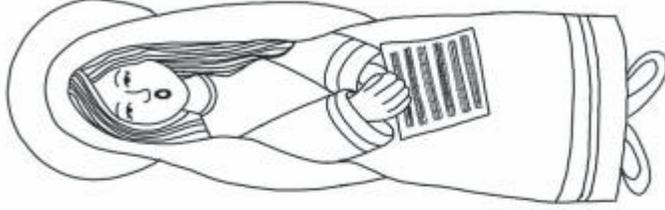
St. Anthony



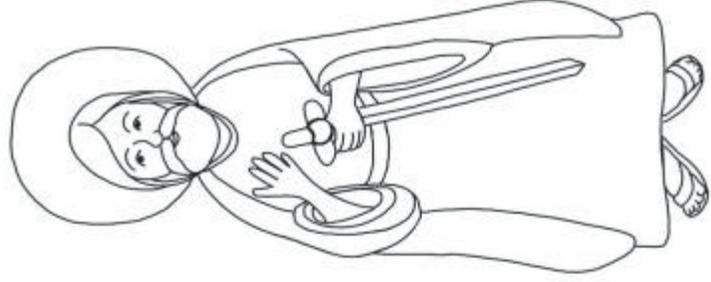
St. Joseph



Virgin Mary



St. Cecilia



St. Paul

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