

# Celebrating at St. Anthony & St. Joseph Churches

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# **MASS SCHEDULES**

# **Weekend Masses**

Saturday - St. Joseph Church 4:00pm Mass Reconciliation: 3:30pm

Sunday - St. Anthony Church

10:30am Mass 5:00pm Praise Mass **Reconciliation:** 10:00am

# **Weekday Masses**

St. Anthony Chapel Tuesday and Thursday 7:00am

SA—Hearing assistance is available. Ask any member of the Parish Team.

# **OFFICE INFORMATION**

# **All Saints Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday 8:00am - 4:30pm Friday 8:00am - 1:30pm

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All Saints Website www.allsaintsevansville.org

All Saints Facebook

www.facebook.com/saintanthonyevansville/ All Saints App

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### PARISH COUNCIL

### Officers

Don Kuhr- Chairperson Laura Ackerman-Vice-Chairperson Kelly Snyder- Secretary Mike Wathen- Treasurer

# Members-At-Large

Justin Collins, Melissa Engler, Charles Muller, LeeAnn Rasche, Jim Schulz, Tim Stephens

### **Commissioners**

José Ramirez- Building & Finance
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Bartell Berg- Faith Formation
Kathy Reitz- Justice & Charity
Laura Ackerman- Liturgy
Landon Wagner- Youth



**Christmas Eve Mass with Children** 

Saturday, December 24

4:00pm at St. Joseph Church

**Christmas Eve Mass at Night** 

Saturday, December 24

9:00pm at St. Anthony Church

**Christmas Day Masses** 

Sunday, December 25

10:30am & 5:00pm at St. Anthony Church

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Saturday, December 31

4:00pm at St. Joseph Church

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Sunday, January 1

10:30am & 5:00pm at St. Anthony Church

# **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

# Saturday, Dec. 17

SJ 3:30pm Confessions

SJ 4:00pm Mass

# Sunday, Dec. 18

SA 8:30am-10:15 Family Faith

SA 9-10:00am Light Breakfast

SA 10:00am Confessions

SA 10:30am Mass

SJ 11:30am Children's Choir Dress Rh

SA 3:30pm Praise Music Practice

SA 5:00pm Praise Mass

# Tuesday, Dec. 20

SA 7:00am Chapel Mass

# Wednesday, Dec. 21

SA 10:30am Soup Kitchen

SA 5:30pm Evening Prayer

SA 6:30pm Covenant Choir Practice

# Thursday, Dec. 22

SJ 7:00am Chapel Mass

# Saturday, Dec. 24

SJ 3:30pm Confessions

SJ 2:30-3:30pm Children's Choir Rh

SJ 4:00pm Christmas Eve

Children's Mass

SA 9:00pm Christmas Eve Mass

# Sunday, Dec. 25

SA 10:00am Confessions

SA 10:30am Mass

SA 11:30am Parish Christmas Dinner

SA 3:30pm Praise Music Practice

SA 5:00pm Praise Mass



# The Automated External

Defibrillators are located in the back of St. Anthony Church near the restroom and the front west wall in St. Joseph Church.

### **Pastoral Staff**

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Dec. MASS INTENTIONS For All Saints Parish				
Saturday	17	Recorded	Bill Becker	
	17	4:00pm	Ginny Schurger	
Sunday	18	10:30am	Parishioners	
	18	5:00pm	Maurice O'Connor	
Tuesday	20	7:00am	Wayne Pokorney	
Thursday	22	7:00am	John Gerard	
Saturday	24	Recorded	MaryLou Schapker	
	24	4:00pm	Parishioners	
	24	9:00pm	Bob Walker	
Sunday	25	10:30am	Don Burton	
	25	5:00pm	Alfred & Billie Adler	



Scan the All Saints Parish QR Code to see a link to our Online Giving page.

Follow the prompts to give to the Sunday Collection or to make a donation to your ministry of your choice.



For the Year to Date Financial Report, visit our website at <u>allsaintsevansville.org</u>. From the Homepage, click on the All Saints Parish tab; then choose "YTD Financial Report".

# All Saints Parish Angel Tree

**Thank You** to everyone who was able to donate to our Angel Tree! **Thank You** to the A-Men's Club for sharing your donations from Breakfast with St. Nick with the Angel Tree!

Your generosity will make Christmas a happier celebration for several of our parish families! Thank you for your continued support of our parish families.



# Fourth Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 7:10-14 pg. 626 Romans 1:1-7 pg. 1294 Matthew 1:18-24 pg. 1147

# Nativity of the Lord

Isaiah 62:11-12 pg. 682 Titus 3:4-7 pg. 1357 Luke 2:15-20 pg. 1203

# **December Lector Schedule**

Dec. 18

10:30am Dorothy Wilderman, Dan Engler

5:00pm Susan Volz, Joyce Duncan

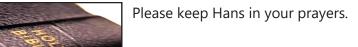
Dec. 25 10:30am

5:00pm Chris Hamman, Liz Whitledge

# **Wednesday Morning Bible Study**

Due to the Christmas holiday there will be no Bible Study December 21 & 28.

During the month of January, Bible Study is canceled and will resume Wednesday, February 1, 2023.





# **An All Saints Christmas Dinner**

December 25, After the 10:30 Christmas morning Mass, all are invited to a Parish Christmas dinner.

This will happen approximately at 11:30 in St. Anthony parish hall or cafeteria. There is no cost and all are welcome.

The one ask is that you sign up so we know how many to prepare for. Sign-up sheets are both in front and back of church or you can RSVP by calling the parish office (812)423-5209.

# **Justice Challenge**

### 4th Week of Advent

We celebrate the Incarnation on Wednesday—God taking on human flesh and becoming one of us. This is the ultimate act of solidarity. Jesus embraced humanity in all of its joy and in all of its suffering. He truly became "one of us." We are called to be one with each other as Jesus is one with us. Your challenge during this final (short) week of Advent is to ask yourself which part of God's community you are disconnected from. With whom does God want you to stand in solidarity—locally or globally? Say a prayer every night this week for this person or group of persons.

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# 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT





# **Congregations Acting for Justice & Empowerment**

Research starts in December and continues thru January and February. Each problem issue is directed by a steering committee and has a larger committee represented by all the congregations.

Starting in March, these groups are responsible for cutting the issues and developing the questions that will be presented to key individuals who have the power to implement these community changes.

Contact your Team Leader for specifics or Brenda Meyer at (812)457-5529.

# **Family Faith Formation**

"This is my body given for you."
(Luke 22:19) ...Awesome God
People reaching for God and God reaching for people.
We can't get there on our own.

In Family Faith Formation this weekend, we are looking forward to Christmas and our family traditions. Did you have a traditional food at Christmas time? Kuchens...Christmas pudding.... Panettone...Mexican hot chocolate? How did you celebrate Jesus' birth?

We also practiced some Christmas songs. If all goes well, we will all be Christmas caroling for the residents of Columbia Healthcare Center on January 8<sup>th</sup>. Spreading a little joy to our neighbors.....little people in reindeer antler headbands singing Christmas songs....can you imagine?

# 44 SUNDAY IN ADVENT



### It is Advent in our Church Seasons!

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 Time. Enjoy!!

# All Saints Parish Advent & Christmas Calendar 2022



**Advent Prayer Service** 

Wednesday, December 21 at 5:30pm at St. Anthony Church.

Rehearsal for Christmas Eve Children's Mass Sunday, December 18 at 11:30am at St. Joseph Church

# **Christmas Pageant**

We need your help to tell the story... Christmas Pageant **Saturday**,

December 24th, 4pm Mass on at St. Joseph Church.

Calling all angels, shepherds, inn keepers, and wise men...

Any children, pre-school through grade 12 who are interested in participating in the Christmas Pageant/ Mass are asked to attend our practice today Sunday, December 18 beginning at 11:30am (after the 10:30am Mass) at St. Joseph Church.

Are you a parishioner and grandparent? Will your grandchildren be at Mass on the 24th? They are welcome to join us and participate in the Pageant!

For more information or to sign up, contact Kristi Wagner at (812)204-6802 or Stephanie Burgdorf at (812)774-8974.



# A-Men's Club of All Saints Parish

Monthly meeting Tuesday, December 20

Come and join us at 6:00pm!

St. Anthony Campus

Questions? Contact Roger Rogge 812-430-4550

Thank You!

A big thank you goes out to The A-Men's Club for making donations to All Saints Parish clothes closet, toy drive & angel tree project. With these donations many in our parish community will benefit during the holidays.

# **Christmas Gift Bags**

The soup kitchen is in need of medium size Christmas gift bags. New or gently used would be appreciated.



Please drop off at the parish office by Sunday, December 18th.

Thank you for your support.



Mater Dei is now accepting new student applications for the 2023-24 school year!



Go to <u>materdeiwildcats.com</u> and click the link to apply online. Want to schedule a visit to Mater Dei? Contact Jill Seiler at <u>jseiler@evdio.org</u> or (812)426-2258 for info.

# Advertiser of the Week

Thank you **Pierre Funeral Home** for sponsoring All Saints Parish Bulletin.

Let them know you saw their ad in our Sunday Bulletin.

# All Saints Parish Women in Ministry Meeting

We will be meeting for supper **Tuesday**, **December 20**. Join us as we build a closer relationship with Christ. For more information contact Janie Allen at janie.allen@toyota.com

Reminder, there is no meeting December 26.

Happy Holidays!

# From the homilies recently...

# Fr. Steve

There are 2 attitudes we can have in life...Hope and dread, Trust and fear, Optimism and gloom...and we have to choose.

St. Kitts...A world of the tourists and a world of the natives. There is a lot of poverty in the midst of the wealth. There is happiness. The call to the kingdom in St. Kitts is a call of rush slowly and just laying back/leisure.

In the season of Advent we celebrate hope. We are to bring the gifts of righteousness, justice, harmony. We are called to produce good fruit.

As we turn our lives over to the Lord, he knows where we are going. You and I are free to choose how we're going to confront life. Are we going to choose to be for others?

# Fr. Jay

This season of Advent is a season of hope when we're looking forward with eager anticipation for the Lord to come back. We know that he is already here and at work but slowly.

We don't know where we're going, and how things are going to turn out. We don't know God's plan, but the King knows. He will make sure it happens the way it's supposed to happen in God's good time.

Dr. Bracket story. Listen online...

https://allsaintsevansville.org/category/homilies/

Dr. Bracket is the kind of person we want to be. God doesn't work unless we work with him and he wants us to join him.

Let's reflect a little bit now to see how we have joined God's work to make the Kingdom come a little bit more in our lives and in our neighborhood. How can we do more of that? How can we make God's kingdom come in our midst today?







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# Check out our Ministries in Action!

A-Men's Club:

3rd Tuesday each month, at 6:00pm SA

All Saints Parish Women in Ministry:

4th Monday of the month at 6:00pm

Bible Study:

Wednesday Morning 8:00am SA

Children's Choir:

Summer Break Will resume September 4

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Sundays at 10:30am SA

Covenant Choir:

Practice every Wednesday at 6:30pm SA

Family Faith:

Every other Sunday 8:30-9am Pitch In Breakfast Session 9-10:15am SA

Praise Mass Groups:

Practice every Sunday at 3:30pm SA

RCIA Inquiry:

Call the Parish Office (812)423-5209 SA



# **Special Points of Interest**

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office. It is best to arrange the anointing while the person who is ill can participate.

**Baptism of children** should be arranged in advance by contacting Fr. Davidson at the Parish Office.

Catholic Schools: Grades K-12, open to children of our parishioners. Contact Sharon Vogler at the Parish Office to ask about our policy of sponsoring students in Catholic Schools.

Family Faith Formation: Religious Education for families and children is available. Please call Sharon Vogler at the Parish Office.

Homebound, Nursing Home or Hospital Visitation: Call the Parish Office.

Marriage: Couples planning to be married should contact Fr. Davidson at least six months before the wedding date. This ensures time for adequate preparation.

New Parishioners: Call Tom Bogenschutz at the Parish Office to receive our Welcome Packet and Parish Directory.

Prayer Chain: Contact Machalle Walker at our Parish Office if you would like to join the phone or email prayer chain.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Those wishing to become Catholic or learn more about the Catholic faith may call the Parish Office.





A-Men's Club St. Nick Breakfast













**Family Faith Formation lighting** two candles on the **Advent Wreath** 









Lighting two candles at St. Joe Church







Family Faith making Advent Wreaths





Family Faith playing St. Nick coin toss













Family Faith hearing stories about John the Baptist



### All Saints Catholic Parish and BRIDGE

We are offering a small group program called Want to Talk? Communication Tools for Divided Times.

I'm Brenda Meyer, Justice Minister at All Saints Parish. I'm
co-facilitating this program because I've been looking for
healthier ways to navigate disagreement in my family and social
circle. Especially given the polarization we're experiencing right now,
I want to learn how to have tough conversations around justice issues I care
about with people who think differently than I do. Would you be interested in joining me?



Want to Talk consists of eight two-hour sessions plus an "immersion experience," in which we'll practice our new communication skills in real life. During each regular session, we'll pray together, discuss books, watch videos, and have conversations around how we can deepen our relationships while staying true to our values. Cost for all materials, including two books, is \$50.

# Want to Talk - Get Acquainted Session

### In Person

Sunday, January 15 from 2-3:00pm Fr. Niehaus Room, All Saints Parish We will distribute Just Faith program materials and books.

# Want to Talk - Get Acquainted Session

# On Zoom

Tuesday, January 18 from 6-7:00pm

You will need to make arrangements to obtain materials and books. Let me know if you are interested in the Zoom Get Acquainted Session so I can send you the Zoom invite before the meeting.

# **Session Options:**

# In Person Sessions:

Session I Sundays, January 29-March 19 from 2-4:00pm

Session 2 Wednesdays, January 25-March 15 from 6-8:00pm

### **Zoom Sessions:**

Session 3 Saturdays, January 28-March 25 (TBA will not meet one Saturday) from 10-12 noon

Session 4 Mondays, January 30-March 20 from 6-8:00pm

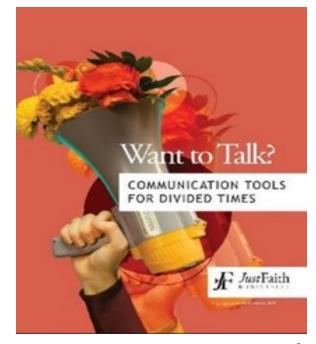
For more information, click here, <a href="https://youtu.be/kknNlcc5YAs">https://youtu.be/kknNlcc5YAs</a> or the Just Faith website at <a href="https://justfaith.org">https://justfaith.org</a>. Or contact Brenda Meyer at <a href="mailto:bmeyer@evdio.org">bmeyer@evdio.org</a> or (812)457-5529.

I'd love for you to be a part of our group — let me know if you're interested in joining the conversation!

Please complete and return form on next page in the collection basket, mail or drop it by the parish office:

All Saints Parish 704 N 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Evansville, IN 47710

OR bmeyer@evdio.org



I am interested in Name	the Want to Talk? Communication Tools for Divided Times. sessions.
Phone Number	
Email Address	
•	n In person and Zoom time that works best for the participants. Please let us know what works series dates will be confirmed during the In Person and the Zoom Get Acquainted meetings.
Please indicate firs	st, second and third choice s:
Session I	Sundays, January 29-March 19 from 2-4:00pm
Session 2	Wednesdays, January 25-March 15 from 6-8:00pm
Zoom Sessions:	
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SOUTHWESTERN INDIANA'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

Session 4 Mondays, January 30-March 20 from 6-8:00pm

### Bulletin Announcement for The Message

Because of a change in printing companies, the print edition of The Message is now mailed Friday – a day later than the longstanding schedule. The Message staff encourages print subscribers to take advantage of the weekly digital edition, which is provided at no additional charge. If you are a print subscriber who is not currently receiving the digital edition, please email The Message, at message@evdio.org, and provide a valid email address. You will receive a link to the downloadable digital edition every Thursday – as part of your paid subscription. The Message staff will only use your email address to provide the digital link. Email addresses are not used for any other reason. Thank you for supporting The Message – Southwestern Indiana's Catholic Community Newspaper.

# St. Vincent de Paul Society Thrift Store

The store is in need of volunteers to help sort donations. Tuesdays through Saturdays 10:00am-5:00pm.

Help get items ready for the shelves and our neighbors can find just what they need!

St. Vincent de Paul Society Thrift Store 767 E Walnut St Evansville, IN



SAVE THE DATE! MARCH 17 - 19, 2023 REITZ MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Check out the NEW website sourcesummit@evdio.org

# Partners in FAIFILE

Helping our children grow in their Catholic faith.

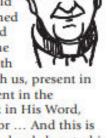
December 2022

**All Saints Parish** 



### God knows us

"A God who draws near out of love walks with his people ... We could never have imagined that the same Lord would become one of us and walk with



us, be present with us, present in His Church, present in the Eucharist, present in His Word, present in the poor ... And this is closeness: the shepherd close to his flock, close to his sheep, whom he knows, one by one." Pope Francis

### Jesus is Peace and Joy

It is possible to feel peaceful despite the stress of current turbulent times. It's also possible to be joyful, even amidst great sorrow. Jesus is the peace and joy we long for. The saints were able to find peace and joy in trials because they knew Christ.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear? The Lord is my life's refuge; of who should I be afraid?" (Psalm 27:1).



# Add a Catholic tradition to your Christmas celebration

Family traditions make our Christmas celebrations unique and special to our families. Consider adding a new

tradition this year:

Carols by candlelight. To symbolize Jesus bringing light to the darkness, gather around candlelight and sing your favorite Christmas hymns. Choose classics such as "Silent Night," "Away in a Manger," "Angels, We Have Heard on High." Let the words tell the story of Jesus' birth.

Midnight Mass. This liturgy
features the classic Christmas story from
the Gospel of Luke, and is the most
elaborate celebration of Christmas.
Many families bring children to this first
Mass of Christmas. Hint: pack a blanket
so little ones can lie down in the pew.

Bless the nativity scene. Leave your manger empty of the main figures when you set it up. On Christmas Eve, ceremoniously add the angels, shepherds, Mary, and Joseph. As a surprise, add Baby Jesus before the children wake up on Christmas

> morning. Place the three kings across the room so they can "journey" until Epiphany.

Celebrate the Festival of Lessons and

Carols. This
service consists of
nine Scripture
lessons which
recount the
Fall, the promise
of a Messiah, the
Incarnation, and
the Great
Commission. Each

lesson is followed by a song and a prayer. If the Festival of Lessons and Carols isn't offered in your area, consider performing your

https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-w orship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/a dvent/festival-of-lessons-and-carols.



# Why do Catholics light traditional Advent wreaths?

The elements of the Advent wreath remind us of the eternal nature of our souls and God's promise of everlasting life through Christ. The evergreens symbolize eternal life. The circle signifies God's unending love. Laurel

and evil. Cedar is strength and healing. Ivy stands for faithfulness to God. The holly's thorny leaves and red berries stand for Christ's Passion, recalling the Crown of Thorns and the precious blood Jesus shed to

save our souls

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# From the homilies of December 8, 2022

# Fr. Steve

We need to listen to the angels and dreams in our lives. Joseph, Mary, the prophets, and other people in the Bible listened to God's dreams.

We need to listen to our dreams....the will and the work of God. The real challenge is to listen to God. And, to listen to God as he speaks to us through our family and others.

# Fr. Jay

God has a special mission for each one of us here tonight. Maybe we are already doing our mission. Tell the Lord, I don't know what I'm getting into, but let it be done to me. I will try to fulfill your mission.

