Mass Intentions

Monday, 20th, Weekday NO MASS

Tuesday, 21st, Weekday 8 a.m.: Fr. Henry Fischer

Wednesday, 22nd, Saint Mary Magdalene 8 a.m.: Kyle Stellhorn, by Connie Majka

Thursday, 23rd, Weekday

8 a.m.: Bud Cowell, by the Minton family

Friday, 24th, Weekday

8 a.m.: Bonnie Lochhead, by Welda & Carol DeRousse

11 a.m. (Nursing Home): Anna Pelate

Saturday, 25th, Saint James, Apostle

4 p.m.: For the Parish

Sunday, 26th, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 10 a.m.: Mary Ann Wittenauer, by Bud & Millie

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, July 25th, 4 p.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Berg, A. Cowell, J. Keith,

H. Siegfried, B. Schrieber

Gift Bearers: J. Fahey family Lectors: S. Eckart, R. Heizer Servers: N. & N. Gantner

Ushers: M. & V. Cowell, R. Draves

Sunday, July 26th, 10 a.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Chausse, S. Vogt, D. Hahn,

M. Scheffert, J. Rahn Gift Bearers: S. Chambers family Lectors: K. Fahey, A. Martel

Servers: M. & W. Chausse, M. Mueller

Ushers: K. Poirrier family

Thought for the Week

Nobody says "It's only a game".... when his team is winning.

On the Lighter Side

The local Chief of Police stopped to visit the school. As he was walking down the hall a little girl about 6 stopped and looked at him. She asked, "Are you a cop?" "Yes," he answered. "My mother said if I ever needed help I should ask the police. Is that right?" "Yes, that's right," the officer replied. "Well, then," she said as she extended her foot toward him, "would you please tie my shoe?"

Please Pray For ...

Joyce Blakeslee, Doris Kloepper, Nursing Home Residents, Homebound Parishioners (Names remain on for 4 weeks. Call the rectory.)

Catholic Radio

Tune in to Catholic Radio on 90.3 FM WMSH. Programming includes daily Holy Mass, devotions, Catechetics, live call-in shows, and much more. For a program schedule and a free CD call 877-305-1234.

Readings

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23:1 - 6

The Lord was angry and promised to punish the shepherds who misled and scattered the flock. The Lord God would gather the flock and appoint new shepherds to care for it

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:13 - 18

In Christ, we are reconciled and united with each other and with God. Christ Jesus came to announce the good news. Through him we come in one Spirit to the Father.

Gospel: Mark 6:30 - 34

The disciples returned from work and went with Jesus to a quiet place to rest. Crowds followed. Jesus took pity on them, "for they were like sheep without a shepherd."

From the Desk of Fr. Dennis

Today's Gospel picks up immediately after last Sunday's. The apostles, fresh from their missionary travels, return to Jesus and report on what they have done. Jesus invites them to come and rest. But of course rest is impossible, and the crowds surround Jesus, who feels pity for them. Many in the world today are like sheep without a shepherd. Let us pray that we can find a way to rest and be renewed by the Spirit of God so we can reach out to those in need.

A tremendous thank you to all who helped with the picnic! We were blest to have had the two days we did despite all the rain earlier in the week. I hope you all say a prayer of thanks to the Lord! It takes a lot of hard work to make these two days of picnic happen - thank you for all your efforts. Thank you for caring about St. John's Parish family! When everyone pitches in, the load is not as heavy!

Thanks also for all who supported the school golf tournament and to the winners who gave back their prize winnings. A great day at the course!

Have a blest week! Remember, don't worry so much and know that you are loved! ~ Fr. Dennis

2015 Picnic Quilts

Thank you to EVERYONE who donated a quilt or made a monetary donation towards a quilt for our quilt and cash bingo for our parish picnic!

Our bingo is a huge success each and every year, and it couldn't be done without your generosity! 2015 Quilts:

71. Q. David & Debbie Hahn, Chris & Sherry Crain and family, Dan & Becky Hahn and family72. C. Steve & Andrea Martin

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For Your Information

As of the weekend of July 18th/19th, the Mass times for St. Mary's, Ellis Grove, St. Joseph, Willisville, and St. Boniface, Evansville will be as follows: Sat., 5 p.m., St. Joseph, Willisville; Sun., 8 a.m., St. Mary's, Ellis Grove and Sun., 10 a.m., St. Boniface, Evansville. This change comes because Fr. Ben has also been appointed pastor of St. Joseph, Willisville.

Happenings This Week

Sun.: Jacob & Shelby Ratz baby baptism after 10 a.m. Mass

Mon.: Knights of Columbus monthly meeting Tues.: No Parish Council meeting this month

Pope Francis Speaks to Our Hearts

A child changes your life! Motherhood and fatherhood are a gift of God, but to accept the gift, to be astounded by its beauty, and to make it shine in society, this is your task. Each of your children is a unique creature that will never be duplicated in the history of humanity. When one understands this, or that God wanted each one, we are astounded by how great a miracle a child is! A child changes your life! We have all seen - men, women - that when a child arrives, life changes, it is another thing. A son or daughter is a miracle that changes life. (Address to Italian Association of Large Families, Dec. 28, 2014.)

Eucharistic Minister Training

A training session for new Eucharistic Ministers will be held on Wednesday, July 29th at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Call the parish office to let us know you are coming. Thank you!

Your Gifts to God & Parish

Sunday	\$5,007.00
Loose	\$738.25
Total (Goal: \$4,272.00)	\$5,745.25
Adopt-a-Parish	\$95.00
School Endowment	\$125.00
Capital Campaign	\$100.00

Thank You!

Thank you to all volunteers who worked on Saturday, July 11th. Great job, as usual, by all - kitchen help, raffle ticket sales, and buffet lines. You all helped to make the picnic a success. Looking forward to seeing you all in 2016. Thank you! ~ Kitchen Chairperson, Mary Jenkins

Youth Group Meeting

Youth Group meeting - Sunday, July 19th at 6:30 p.m. at Lauren & Joe Goeddel's home (Beth and Tim Goeddel). Please bring an appetizer or a dessert to share. Drinks will be provided. There will be swimming, so bring your suits and towels. All high school age are welcome to join, including the incoming freshmen. Hope to see you there. If anyone needs a ride or directions, give Lea Ann Becker a call at 282-2926.

In Appreciation

Dear Church Members ~ Thank you for your donation of food to the Human Service Center. We will use your donation to support our food pantry. This year, the Human Service Center is celebrating 40 years of service to our community. Over these years, we have helped so many people in so many ways. We would not have been able to accomplish so much without the support of people like you. Thanks again for thinking about us and helping those that we serve. You have helped to make our community a better place to live. ~ Gary Bautte, Executive Director, HSC, Red Bud

Attention First-Time Parents!

All first-time parents wishing to have their baby baptized here at St. John's must attend our Baptismal Preparation Class. The next class will be on Thursday, August 13th at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Please call the rectory and let us know if you will be attending.

St. John's School Will Be 150!

In 1866 Rev. J. Mohr established St. John's School. Since that time, the religious education of our children has been a key focus of our parish. We will be asking for ideas on how we can celebrate this special milestone. We have much to be proud of in the education that is provided for our students. We want you to be a part of this special year celebration.

Thank You!

I want to thank all the ladies that helped pick chicken and grind it up, the ladies that helped clean and cut vegetables, and mix the dressing. Thanks to all who came on Saturday to help bake it all day. Thanks to the following men who came to lift the heavy pans and pots all day: Ken, Wayne, Steve, Jason, and Mark. Thanks to everyone. ~ Carol Schaefer

PSR Registration: 2015-16 School Year

Forms were sent home with the students on April 8th. Extras are at the bulletin tables in Church.

Tuition paid during May-Aug. 31st: Family with one child - \$110; Family with two children - \$160; Family with more than two children - \$185.

Tuition paid after Sept. 1st: Family with one child - \$125; Family with two children - \$175; Family with more than two children - \$200.

Tuition will be based on when you register AND make the payment. <u>Each child</u> will need an updated registration form on file.

Please send forms to: St. John Catholic Church, Attn: Darlene Letcher, 515 Locust St., Red Bud, IL 62278. If you pay by check, please make it out to St. John the Baptist Church.

Red Bud is 150!

Red Bud is turning 150 years old in 2017! You are invited to submit a logo that represents Red Bud. The logo will be used on all promotional material, letter heads (possibly the City of Red Bud letter head and NCN print head), websites, etc. Please see redbud150.com for more info!

Respect Life Corner

Migrants and Refugees - "The church without frontiers, Mother to all, spreads throughout the world a culture of acceptance and solidarity, in which no one is seen as useless, out of place or disposable." *Pope Francis, 2015 World Day of Migrants and Refugees.* Learn, Act, Connect, Pray: The Pope is telling us, on his watch the church will reject and transcend the "throwaway" culture and instead be a culture of encounter. Go to www.usccb.org to learn more about the Church's position on immigration. Pray for the grace to welcome migrants and refugees with joy and generosity, and to give witness to God's love for all people, as we celebrate the many gifts they bring.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our Picnic raffle winners!

Cash Raffle:

\$1,000 - Loren & Rachel Chapman

\$500 - Donna Scheffert

\$250 - Suzy Young

Quilt at the Door:

Quilt - Walter Saiger

\$100 - Laurie Keeling

\$50 - Madeline Saiger

Pillow Case - Sue Balint

Basket Stand:

Man Basket - Jesse Koehler Picnic Basket - Fr. Brian Barker Movie Basket - Peyton Lawless Cake Basket - Alice DuClos

Wow!!

Thank you to our dedicated quilting group here at SJB for quilting 19 quilts for our parish picnic!

Can We Help You?

Did you or someone you know recently have a baby, have surgery, or are just going through a difficult time? For those joyous and not so joyous events in our lives that leave us with very little time to do much of anything (especially cook!) call us and we'll deliver a ready-to-go meal as a sign of congrats or just to help out. Call Rhonda at the rectory, give her the name and telephone number of the person you are requesting the meal for, then the Parish Outreach Committee will contact them about delivering their meal. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call Shirley Vogt at 282-6193.

Upcoming Events

Rummage Sale, July 24 & 25, 7 a.m.-12 p.m., rectory basement of St. Patrick, Tipton.

Church Picnic & Chicken Dinner, July 25th, St. Joseph, Rocher. Dinner: 3 p.m.; Eucharist: 4:15 p.m.; quilt/cash bingo: 6 p.m. Country store, crafts, games, Laser Tag.

Breakfast Buffet, July 25th, 7 a.m.-noon, Evansville KC Hall. (With the Evansville Community Yard Sales.)

Annual Healing & Hope Novena, July 28 - Aug. 5, 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of the Snows. Includes Mass, special music, scripture reflections and prayers for finding healing and hope within life's difficulties. Info: 618-397-6700.

Annual Chicken Dinner & Picnic, Aug. 1st, St. Anthony, Lively Grove. Polka Masses: 4 & 6 p.m.; quilt & cash bingo: 6:30 p.m.

Summer Festival, Aug. 1, St. James, Millstadt. Chicken dinner: 3-7 p.m.; Polka Mass: 4 p.m.; bingo: 5:30 p.m. Country store, raffles, games, attendance prizes, etc.

Healing Day of Reflection: Wounded Blessings, Aug. 1, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Our Lady of the Snows. Finding hope and healing from life's losses. Cost: \$30 (lunch included). Info: 618-394-6270.

Chicken Dinner & Auction, Aug. 2, St. Patrick, Tipton. Mass: 10 a.m.; dinner: 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; auction: noon. Silent auction, country store, quilt raffle.