

ST. ANNE CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Thursday 5:00 p.m.
Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Reconciliation
3:00 p.m. on Saturday

Religious Education
Sunday 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Pastoral Council
President: Jim Shank
Loren Loehmer, Renita Potthoff,
Marian Reinhold, Steve Shank

The Nativity of the Lord Christmas

December 25, 2016

Today is born our Savior;
Christ the Lord!

ST. ANN CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE
Tuesday 5:00 p.m.
Saturday 6:00 p.m.
RECONCILIATION
After 5:00 p.m. Mass

Pastoral Council
Secretary: Juanita Rude
Mark Brown, Maurice Cohagan, Paul Scheetz



Saturday, December 24

4:00 p.m. †Max & Phyllis Woodward

Sunday, December 25

8:00 a.m. †Ed & Nancy Bauer

Thursday, December 29

5:00 pm †Poor Souls

Saturday, December 31

4:00 p.m. For the People of the Parishes

Sunday, January 1

8:00 a.m. †Dorothy Keller

COLLECTION

Regular Collection

\$686

VOLUNTEER CLEANERS

For the weeks of December 31 & January 1:
Byron Walters Family

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

December 31—4:00 pm: Sam Allen

Diane Natke

January 1—8:00 am: Angie Loehmer

Phyllis Thomas

A CHRISTMAS WISH

This Christmas and in the coming year may you and your loved ones – know peace and live it – understand love and give it – have happiness and share it – *Fr. Bert Woolson*

MASS SCHEDULE

Masses for the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God – New Year's Day. Will be Saturday 4:00 PM at Monterey and 6:00 PM at Kewanna. Sunday 8:00 AM at Monterey.

WINTER WEATHER

We have had more than our fair share of Winter weather in the past week. The snow plows, except in Monterey, had not been out on Sunday morning and it was rather treacherous. I would like everyone to use good common sense in terms of trying to get to Mass on the weekend, if the roads are bad then please stay home and be safe. If either Pulaski or Fulton Counties declares a snow emergency then stay home, it is illegal to be on the roads. Personally, I have a vehicle that is very good in snow and I will do my best to get to church for Mass. If the roads are really bad, I will stay home, and you should have stayed home. Discretion is the better part of valor.

A SHORT REFLECTION

As we find joy in this feast, let us return with those shepherds to Bethlehem. Taking some quiet moments, let us enter into the contemplative prayer of imagining the scene and asking each participant to share his or her gospel perspective with us. Then let us listen to one another proclaim what it is that we have seen and heard in the contemplation of the feast. By so doing we will join as fellow disciples with shep-



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A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

God chose to come into the reality of his creation, and become Jesus. But, God's act was not just an illusion – it was absolute reality. In today's beautiful Gospel from John, the words of the prologue roll like thunder: "In the beginning was the Word and the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us." John is saying that God, the almighty maker of the universe and everything that is in it, decided to become a human of his own creation. In his coming into the world as Jesus he brings the gifts of grace and truth. Jesus gives us the power to become the actual sons and daughters of God.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 24

6:00 p.m. †Tilly Lamb

Tuesday, December 27

5:00 p.m. †Agnes Siemens

Saturday, December 31

6:00 p.m. †Tilly Lamb

FRUITFUL HARVEST

I have not given up on reaching our goals. I have been making phone calls and it has been difficult in trying to find people at home. The goal for St. Anne in Monterey is \$19,348 and for St. Ann in Kewanna it is \$7,271. If those goals are reached then we would receive a 10% rebate. My goal is that we need to reach 90% of that goal which would be \$17,414 for Monterey and \$6,544 for Kewanna. If we reach that level then we don't need for the parishes to use parish funds to reach our goal. The actual campaign begins in January and runs for 20 months. At this point Monterey has \$13,275 in pledges and payments and Kewanna is at \$4,903. For Monterey it means that we have to raise about \$500 more than we collected for the last go round with Fruitful Harvest. Kewanna's goal is roughly \$700 less than the last go round of Fruitful Harvest. But we had to pay from parish funds over \$2,600 to reach that 90% level. If pledge levels stay the same for Kewanna this time it would mean that we would have to pay \$1,700 to reach the 90% level that is mandatory. I must admit that it would be very nice for both parishes to reach 100% of goal simply because that would mean a nice rebate for the parishes in October of 2018.

COLLECTION

Regular collection \$1,058

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Dec 24 6:00 p.m.

Reader: Mick Brown

Euch. Ministers: Barb Sargent,
Maurice Cohagan

Greeters: Jim & Carol Bauman

Music: Tina Race, Linda Arnett

Gifts: Jim & Deb Walsh

Dec 31 6:00 p.m.

Reader: Maurice Cohagan

Euch. Ministers: Ed White, Barb Sargent

Greeters: Jim & Deb Walsh

Music: Tina Race, Linda Arnett

Gifts: Mick & Mark Brown

THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council met on Tuesday, December 13th. They decided to change the number of elected members of the Council to three members instead of five in the past. The primary reason for this is that there are fewer and fewer active parishioners. Mark Brown, Paul Scheetz remain on the Council and Maurice Cohagen was elected onto the Council at Mass last Saturday. There is also a push to find new members. We also discussed some maintenance issues such as: removing the carpet from the front steps and replacing it with paint with grit in it. Similar to what St. Peter's in Winamac has done. Also doing some tuck pointing in the brick work by the front steps for which we will get a quote.

SUNDAY READINGS

To better prepare yourself to listen to the word of the Lord for next Sunday, please read and meditate on the readings this week, they are: Numbers 6:22-27 God's loving presence is announced to Moses and Aaron. Galatians 5:4-7 God sent his Son that we might receive adoption as heirs. Luke 2:16-21 Mary ponders all that has happened.

Christmas Flowers in Memory of:

*Ed & Nancy Bauer
Phyllis Bell
Richard & Julie Budd
Joseph & Minnona Fox
Mr. & Mrs. Fred Fox
Ralph Fox
Clem & Marjorie Keller
Joe Keller
Clem Keller Jr.
Henry & Dorothy Kroll
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Penksa
Beth Reynolds
Art & Katheryne Schodrof
James & Margaret White
Max & Phyllis Woodward
August & Anna Zehner Family*



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Jim Zehner, Brie Armstrong, Amber Wilson, Tom Renie, Lucas Brown, Lana Granson, Kurt Kellenburger, Bill Wagner, Gracie Figlio, Don Beech, Shirley Brennan, Kay Brash, Stephanie Evans, Marsha Crist Gearhart, Shelagh Wise, Rosie Hess, Wendell Grass, Al Gundrum, Martha Schwenk, Gloria Kontor, David Rans, Kelly Hiatt, Janet Schutter, Bill Kaytar, Harold Foust, Cyndy Raymond.

Please call the St. Joseph Parish Office with any changes to the prayer list. 574-223-2808. Thank you!

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<http://www.parishesonline.com/find/st-joseph-catholic-church>

Marriage—Please contact our pastor at least six months in advance of your desired date.

Baptism—Please contact our pastor for a preparation meeting.

Bulletin Deadline—Noon Wednesday, email: stjoseph@rtcol.com or call St. Joseph Parish Office, 574-223-2808.

Those wishing Communion for the homebound, please notify the rectory.