

# December 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	Dec.	15	4:30 PM	St. John	Helen Culp
			5:00 PM	Sacred Heart	Veronica Stevenson
Sunday	Dec.	16	7:30 AM	St. John	Nathaniel Roark
			9:30 AM	Sacred Heart	People of the Parishes
			11:00 AM	St. John	Lawrence West
			7:30 PM	VU Maria Creek Chapel	NO Mass
Monday	Dec.	17	8:10 AM	St. John	Debbie Sievers
Tuesday	Dec.	18	8:10 AM	St. Vincent	Marcella Dreiman
Wednesday	Dec.	19	8:10 AM	Sacred Heart	John Yochum
			9:30 AM	Lodge of the Wabash	Florence Jones
Thursday	Dec.	20	8:10 AM	Old Cathedral	Roland Ridge
			6:00 PM	St. Thomas	Mary Margaret Rusch
Friday	Dec.	21	8:10 AM	St. John	Fr. Charles Kaiser
			12:00 PM	Old Cathedral	John & Emma Yocum
Saturday	Dec.	22	4:30 PM	St. John	Deceased Members of Aloysius & Bertha Yochum Family
			5:00 PM	Sacred Heart	Don Mouzin
Sunday	Dec.	23	7:30 AM	St. John	Larry Bouchie
			9:30 AM	Sacred Heart	People of the Parishes
			11:00 AM	St. John	L. Jack Marchino
			7:30 PM	VU Maria Creek Chapel	NO Mass

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

<b><u>Sacred Heart:</u></b>	Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	<b><u>St. John:</u></b>	Saturday	3:30-4:15 pm
<b><u>Old Cathedral:</u></b>	Thursday	7:30-8:00 am		Sunday	6:30-7:15 am
	Friday	11:30-11:50 am			

Contact Pastor for special arrangements.

### Our Gifts to God – Stewardship of Treasurer December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

<b>St. Francis Xavier Catholic Parish</b>	<b>\$ 21,620.00</b>
<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>\$ 1,577.00</b>
<b>Needed per week</b>	<b>\$ 24,770.00</b>

## This Week in Our Parish

Sunday	Dec.	16	9:30 – 10:45 am	REP & RCIA	St. John's Center/Rectory
			5:00 – 6:15 pm	Youth – Jr. High	St. Vincent Lounge
			6:30 – 8:00 pm	Youth – Sr. High	St. Vincent Lounge
			6:30 pm	Men's CRHP Team Meeting	St. John's Rectory
Monday	Dec.	17	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Flaget K, 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> , Grade Christmas Program	St. John's Church
Tuesday	Dec.	18	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Flaget 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , & 4 <sup>th</sup> , Grade Christmas Program	St. John's Church
Thursday	Dec.	20	12:00 noon	55 & Over Lunch	St. Vincent Lounge
			7:00 pm	Penance Service	St. John's Church
Sunday	Dec.	23		NO REP or RCIA	

**January 1<sup>st</sup> - New Years Day**, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Note the special times for Mass on Monday evening and Tuesday. As a Holy Day we are expected to attend Mass.

- Monday, December 31                      5:00 pm St. John
- Tuesday, January 1                         8:10 am St. Vincent  
6:00 pm St. Philip Neri - Bicknell

## Announcements

**Donations for Christmas flowers and decorations** in memory of deceased loved ones are being accepted until **noon this coming Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**. You are invited to submit an envelope with the names of your loved ones to be remembered as well as your donation for Christmas decorations. Please include your name & phone number. Please mark the envelope "Christmas Flowers" and place it in the collection basket or drop it by the Parish Office.

**Post Cards for the Christmas Mass Schedule** are available at the church entrances. These are available for you to give to friends or family members inviting them to our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. Please feel free to take as many as you like.

**Penance Services** for this Season of Advent:

- Thursday, December 20 7:00 pm St. John

### **Christmas Mass Schedule**

<b>Monday, December 24</b>	4:00 pm	St. John
	4:30 pm	Sacred Heart
	6:30 pm	St. John
	6:30 pm	St. Philip Neri
	10:00 pm	Old Cathedral
	Midnight	St. John

<b>Tuesday, December 25</b>	9:00 am	Sacred Heart
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**Looking ahead** – The Parish Council is planning parish wide Epiphany Party (barbeque dinner) on Sunday evening, January 6<sup>th</sup> at Highland Woods Community Center. We are asking that parishioners with last name starting with the letter A-N bring salads or vegetables, and M-Z desserts. Meat and drinks will be provided. Sign-up sheets will be available on tables near the church doors. All are invited. There is no charge.

**ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS** We will be **decorating** the church at **Sacred Heart** on **Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**, after the 9:30 am Mass. All volunteers needed.

**This is the last weekend to turn in your gifts for the Angel Tree.** All gifts should be placed under the tree at Sacred Heart or St. John by this Sunday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. The packages will be transported to the pick-up location after the 9:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart and after the 11:00 am Mass at St. John. Thank you in advance for your generosity!!! If you have any questions, contact LaDonna Lane at 812-882-7449.



Food drive for **St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank** will **conclude this weekend, Sunday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>**. Bring your canned goods and nonperishable food items to church, or you may call Jerry Erny 812-882-9396 or Charlie Doll 812-886-4548 for pick up.

**55 and Over** – The next lunch will be **Thursday, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>** at 12:00 noon at the **St. Vincent Lounge**. Sign-up sheets are available near the doors of the church. You are invited to bring a friend and join us for fun, food, and fellowship!

**St. Francis Xavier Parish – (Team C) Loaves & Fishes** dinner will be held **Thursday, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>**, at **Bowman Terrace Center**. We start at 5:00 pm and serving begins at 5:30 pm. If anyone is interested in helping with the dinner or preparing a dessert, please contact Dave or Susan Carpenter at 812-882-6594.

**The Message** will not publish Dec. 28, 2018, and Jan. 4, 2019. The final 2018 issue will be published on Dec. 21, and the first 2019 issue will be published on Jan. 11. Information for publication in the Jan. 11, 2019, issue should arrive no later than Jan. 2, 2019. Remember, there will be no issue of ***The Message*** on Dec. 28, 2018, or Jan. 4, 2019.

**The Christian Educational Foundation (CEF)** can help make your Holiday Gift Card shopping more convenient. Gift cards can be purchased at the CEF office, located in the annex building at Rivet from 9:30 am to 3:45 pm, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. If you have any questions, or want to place an order, please call the CEF office, 812-882-5889, Kari Land.

**A Lifeline for Marriage** – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels. For confidential information or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on Jan. 11, 2019, call Felicia at 270-929-1524 or the Family Life Office at 270-683-1545 or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org). **Registration deadline Jan 4, 2019.**

**St. Francis Xavier Parish  
Liturgical Ministers December 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018**

	<b>Sacred Heart 5:00 pm Saturday</b>	<b>St. John 4:30 pm Saturday</b>	<b>St. John 7:30 am Sunday</b>	<b>Sacred Heart 9:30 am Sunday</b>	<b>St. John 11:00 am Sunday</b>
<b>Comm. Ministers</b>	Marlene Powell Gerry Schwartz Ellen Lay Carol Bousley Lita Matick	Wesley Roark Mary Angela Roark Janice Jones Mary Joice	Amelia Mouzin Lisa Steel Ray Yochum Charles Duffey, II	Dodie Halter Charlotte Kamp Susan Marchino Virginia Poeplau Sandra Potter	Janet Plahn Karen Turner Sam Worland Dana Worland
<b>Greeters or Ushers</b>	Mick Ray Carol Ray Greg Hall Jane Hall	Walt Vieke Larry Bohmeier John Kaiser Dale Nash	Tom Lane Ed Thais Kevin Greenwood Paul Martin	Joe Lane Sandy Lane Patricia West Jim Swain	Mike Yochum Roy Schenk John McCarty Ronelle Linneweber
<b>Lectors</b>	Marilyn Westfall	Nichole Carie	Mark Hill	Theresa Rice	Bryan Thais
<b>Servers</b>	Needed?	Thomas Herman Kathryn Herman	Gene Williams Needed?	Jacqueline Steininger Christian Steininger	Emma Spurgeon Ella Like
<b>Gifts</b>	Kim & Janice Hagerman	Jamie Lankford Judie Long	Mary Lou, Dominic & Ellie McClung	Joe & Sandy Lane	Dan Herman Family
<b>Little Learners</b>					Ann Herman

**Nursing Home and Home Bound Ministry  
December 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, & 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018**

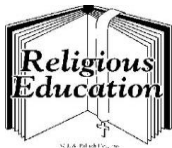
	<b>Bridgepointe</b>	<b>Colonial</b>	<b>Gentle Care</b>	<b>Lodge</b>	<b>Willow</b>	<b>Fox Ridge</b>	<b>Hm. B Wed.</b>	<b>Hm. B Friday</b>
<b>Comm. Ministers</b>	Mike Lammert	Cathy Thompson	Mary Barmes	Diane Bono	Judy Thais	Ann Matthews	Janet Plahn	Ivo Vonderwell

*Home Bound and Nursing Home Communion Ministers please pick up the Christmas gift bags for your Home Bound and Nursing Home parishioners in the St. John sacristy when making your communion rounds. Thank you.*

**Your Help is Needed - The Adoration Chapel at St. Vincent church** has one opening at 6:00 pm, on Thursday. This is for just one hour a week. Please contact Pat Earley at 812-882-7722 to sign-up.

We also have two openings for the second weekend of each month at 5:00 and 6:00 pm. Please call the Parish Office at 812-882-5638 to help fill these spots. Filling these spots would be greatly appreciated.

**Choir News** – In a break with tradition, the St. Francis Xavier adult choir will sing at the 6:30 pm Mass on Christmas Eve. Special music will begin at 6:00 pm, including congregational Christmas carols. Come and enjoy the special music we have prepared to welcome the birth of our Savior!



**This is the last weekend the REP Class will be collecting items for the Nursing Home Gift Bags.** The items include female footies, men's socks, combs, hairbrushes, puzzle/word search books etc. The winning class will receive Fossemeyer donuts as a reward!

**NO REP on December 23<sup>rd</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**Upcoming Dates:** Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> - Confirmation Session #3 from 12:15 – 2:00 pm at the St. Vincent Lounge.  
Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Parent Meeting at 7:00 pm at Flaget.

**Youth Scoop**  
Gabe Horrall, Youth Minister

**Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> Youth Night** Junior High 5-6:15 pm and High School 6:30 – 8:00 pm at St. Vincent's Lounge.

**STRENGTHENING OUR FAITH**

**WEEKLY**

**Tues.** 12:30 pm Women's Rosary - Old Cathedral  
**Wed.** 5:30 pm Rosary – Prayer - Sacred Heart  
**Sat.** 6:30 am Men's Rosary - Old Cathedral Crypt  
**Sun.** 10:15 am Rosary - St. John's

**MONTHLY**

**First Friday** 6:00 pm Patriotic Rosary - St. Vincent's

**JESUS KING OF ANGELS ADORATION CHAPEL**

**Tues.** 9:00 am – 11:00 pm - St. Vincent's  
**Wed. & Thur.** 5:00 am – 11:00 pm - St. Vincent's

**Daily Mass Scripture Readings**

**Dec. 17** Genesis 49:2, 8-10, Matthew 1:1-17  
**Dec. 18** Jeremiah 23:5-8, Matthew 1:18-25  
**Dec. 19** Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a, Luke 1:5-25  
**Dec. 20** Isaiah 7:10-14, Luke 1:26-38  
**Dec. 21** Song of Songs 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18a/Luke 1:39-45  
**Dec. 22** 1 Samuel 1:24-28, Luke 1:46-56  
**Dec. 23** Micah 5:1-4a, Hebrews 10:5-10