

ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

6894 N. Walnut Street
Monterey, Indiana 46960

Lord's Day Mass
Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Reconciliation
First Saturday of the month
3:00-3:45pm

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Sunday, December 2, 2018
The First Sunday of Advent



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St. Anne Catholic Church

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Dec. 1

† Fr. Bert Woolson

Saturday, Dec. 8, 10:30am

† Edward & Agnes Zehner
Family

Saturday, Dec. 8, 4:00pm

† Anthony Zehner

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Regular \$1032

Building \$10

Campaign for Human
Development \$91

Thank you!

VOLUNTEER CLEANERS

For the week of Nov. 25th & Dec. 2nd: Jim & Renita Potthoff and
Ted & Amy Bauer

For the week of Dec. 9th & 16th: Byron Walters Family

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Dec. 1: Sam Allen & Bob White

Dec. 8, 10:30am: Volunteers

Dec. 8, 4:00pm: Byron Walters & Warren Penrod

READINGS FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are: Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6. You can also find the daily Mass readings at www.stannechurchmonterey.org.



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INCLEMENT WEATHER

In case of bad weather, check the listing on WNDU TV. Mass will be postponed to 4:00pm on Sunday, and if the weather continues to be bad, check the same listing for cancellation of the Lord's Day Mass altogether. Remember that even if Mass is not cancelled, it is not a sin if your prudent judgment dictates that you should not put your health in danger because of extreme cold or conditions that increase your risk of injury.

Monterey, Indiana

From Father Mike

Advent is a season of anticipation. In contrast, we live in a world of instant gratification. We can buy almost anything from anywhere at anytime. We can talk instantly with each other face-to-face via some screen. Regrettably, technology has reduced our willingness to wait and raised our expectation for things to happen in the moment in which we want them. Yet, we also know that some things in life take time and cannot be rushed and indeed can be made worse if we try to speed them up. Spiritually, while we want God to respond to us immediately, we know deep down in our hearts that He loves us so much that he will give us what we need when we are ready for it, which often is better later than sooner. A good model for us is Mary, particularly as the virgin pregnant with the promised Savior. Her faith allowed an opening for God's presence to work a miracle in her life. Nevertheless, even her pregnancy required the usual nine months of waiting in anticipation of the birth of her child—any sooner would have brought harm to her and her baby. I find a devotion to her, enhanced by our celebrating her own Immaculate Conception next Saturday at the Holy Day Masses, provides great assistance against the impatience created by our current gadgets and lifestyles. Then even in the waiting we can experience the true joy God wants us to have in our lives, just as the Psalmist prayed, "Your ways, O LORD, make known to me...for you I wait all the day."

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Mass for the Nativity of our Lord will be Mon, Dec. 24, 4:00pm. Masses will also be available on Mon, Dec. 24 at St. Joseph Rochester at 4:00pm(English), 10:00pm (English with carols 30 minutes prior), and Tue, Dec. 25, 10:00am (Bilingual), and at St. Ann, Kewanna at 6:00pm. on Mon, Dec. 24.

FRUITFUL HARVEST 2018

Pledge cards and initial donation can be placed in the collection basket. Extra cards are available in the church foyer. You can also pledge and donate online at www.dol-in.org.

Goal = \$15,780 Pledged = \$9400 - 60% of goal

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Celebration of this Holy Day of Obligation will be on Sat, Dec. 8, 10:30am. Masses will also be available at St. Ann, Kewanna on Fri, Dec. 7 at 5:30pm and at St. Joseph, Rochester on Fri, Dec. 7, 7:00pm (Bilingual), and Sat, Dec. 8, 9:00am (English).

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Extra confessions will be available following the Mass for the Immaculate Conception on Sat, Dec. 8, 11:30am-12:30pm, and before the evening Mass, 3:00-3:45pm. Penance Services will also be offered at St. Joseph, Rochester on Tue, Dec. 4, 7:00pm, St. Peter, Winamac on Wed, Dec. 5, 6:00pm, and St. Joseph, Pulaski on Thu, Dec. 6, 7:00pm.



UPCOMING DAY RETREATS

The remodeled St. Joseph Retreat Center in Tipton IN has the following opportunities to experience prayer and God's presence.

Dec. 10	Advent Day of Reflection
Dec. 11-13	Three Days in the Life of a Monk or Nun
Dec. 14-16	Men's Silent Retreat

Contact Samir Azer at sazer@dol-in.org or 765-551-9570,
Visit www.stjosephretreat.org.

**PLEASE
PRAY
FOR**



Dick Kruzek, Ed Fleury, Dick Keller, Carol Earnest, Ellen Walsh, Amber Wilson, Brie Armstrong, Lucas Brown, Bill Wagner, Don Beech, Marsha Crist Gearhart, Shelagh Wise, Gloria Kontor, David Rans, Kelly Hiatt, Janet Schutter, Cyndy Raymond.

Call the St. Joseph Parish Office with any changes to the prayer list at 574-223-2808.