

CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm at St. John's
Sunday: 8:30am at St. John's
10:30am at St. Mary's



**LITURGY SCHEDULE
JANUARY 20
2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Monday, January 21

0:30 a.m...No Mass (St. John's)

Tuesday, January 22

5:30 p.m...Holly Bullard (St. John's)

Wednesday, January 23

12:00noon...Agnes Bowen (St. John's)

Thursday, January 24

5:30 p.m...Parents of Dean & Loretta Wilson
(St. Mary's)

Friday, January 25

11:00 a.m...Bud Oswalt (Miller's Merry Manor)

Saturday, January 26

5:00 p.m...Helen Walsh (St. John's)

Sunday, January 27

8:30 a.m...Lawrence Fleming (St. John's)
10:30 a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. John's
(St. Mary's)

**PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS
FOR JANUARY:**

Evangelization – Young People

That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

To see about a ride to Church call the Church office at 348-3889 or contact a Knight.

Memorial Mass for Babies and For a Restoration of the Right to Life

A Memorial Mass will be held at Saint Boniface Church in Lafayette on [Tuesday, January 22nd at 6:30pm](#). This Mass is for those who have lost a baby at any time during pregnancy, whether through ectopic loss, miscarriage, abortion, or stillbirth, and to celebrate God's most precious gift – LIFE! Prayers will also be offered for an end to abortion, for those suffering from the effects of abortion, and for a restoration of the right to life. For more information or to have a baby remembered at this Mass and receive a personalized *Certificate of Life* with your baby's name, please contact Elsa Zamora at [\(765\) 203-8723](#), or Cheri Irons at [\(765\) 412-0937](#) or cheri.iron@gmail.com.

Can't make it to the memorial Mass, set aside some quiet time in prayer for the protection of unborn children on this day.

WEEK OF CHRISTIAN UNITY

From January 18 through January 25, Christians throughout the world will join in a very special week of prayer called the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This week of prayer was established in 1908, and the dates were chosen so that the week ends on the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul. The Week of Prayer actually consists of eight days—an octave—which always designates a very special time of prayer and celebration in the life of the Church.

PRAYER FOR UNITY:

Let Justice Roll Down Like Waters God of the widow, the orphan and the stranger, you have shown us the path of justice. Help us to follow your way by doing justice as our worship of you. As Christians together, may we worship you not only with our hearts and minds, but also by our deeds. May the Holy Spirit help and guide us to work for justice wherever we are, so that many people may be strengthened through our works. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

From "Day 1: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" World Council of Churches

SERVERS FOR ST. JOHN'S JAN. 26 & 27

Sat., 5p.m...Mason Merkel & Kelli Rinker
Sun., 8:30...Juan Velasquez & Lance Manley

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St. Mary's Jan. 6

Collection: \$983.00
Needed Weekly: \$887.87

St. John's

Sunday Collection: \$4,374.00
Building Fund: \$120.00
Religious Retirement Fund: \$115.00
Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Corinthians (and us) that all of our gifts are from God and that they are given, not for ourselves alone, but for the common good. But the generosity of God knows no limits - the miracle at Cana reminds us that whenever we faithfully do as God asks, He can change our gifts of water into wine!

Hope for hurting marriages - It's a new year, and if your marriage is hurting, you may be thinking about ways to make a fresh start. If you are arguing constantly, feeling angry, frustrated or thinking about separating, there is hope. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) is a worldwide program that offers tools needed for hurting couples to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. In 2017 it served more than 4,500 couples. Designed to help spouses reawaken love, trust and commitment, the program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages by teaching skills that bring couples together. The next Indianapolis Retrouvaille weekend begins Feb. 22-24 with a weekend conference and continues with follow-up post-weekend sessions. For confidential information about or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com. You can also email: RetrouIndy@gmail.com or call 317-489-6811. Take the first step toward healing your family today. Reach out to learn more about Retrouvaille.



**SAVE THE DATE:
February 2, 4:30-7pm
Knights will host a fish fry in the parish hall.**

THANK YOU...

"WALKING TOGETHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST" FRUITFUL HARVEST UPDATE

As of January 11 St. John's has surpassed their goal of \$44,717 with a total in pledges of \$47,730. Thank you, Thank you! We are still short several cards of being returned. St. Mary's remains at \$13,430 towards a goal of \$13,697. No new pledges have been reported since December 20. Contacts will soon begin to wrap up the remaining pledge cards.

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If you wish to put someone on the prayer chain, please contact Janice Jackson at 348-1521.

OUR CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

Our winter selections focus on prayer. Henri J.M. Nouwen writes in his book, **Behold the Beauty of the Lord:** "A spiritual life in the midst of our energy-draining society requires us to take conscious steps to safeguard that inner space where we can keep our eyes fixed on the beauty of the Lord." **Into The Silent Land, A Guide To Christian Practice Of Contemplation** by Martin Laird, encourages the reader to a deeper experience of silence.

PRAY THE ROSARY

With the beginning of a new year, may we find time for Adoration and prayer through the Eucharist and the Rosary. Pray the rosary this month for peace and unity amongst all walks of life, that each my live by The Golden Rule.



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NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

Call the Church office at 348-3889 or contact a member of the Knights.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study meets every Tuesday, from 9-11am in the parish hall. All ladies are welcome and invited to join us. We are beginning the series "Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible" by Jeff Cavins.

PRAYER CHAIN NEEDS PRAYER WARRIORS!

We will be revamping the prayer chain at St. John's. If you would consider praying for someone at a time of need, please contact the office to have your name added to the calling list. Prayer works, but we need people willing to be a part of that prayer circle.

THIS WEEK:

Monday 21, Finance Council 7pm at St. John's
Tuesday 22, Women's Bible Study 9-11am at St. John's
Wednesday 23, RCIA 6pm at St. John's
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Saturday 26, Haiti at St. John's
Sunday 27, Haiti at St. John's

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Jan. 21: [St. Agnes, virgin & martyr] Heb 5: 1-10; Mk 2: 18-22
Jan. 22: [St. Vincent, deacon & martyr] [Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children]
Jan. 23: [St. Marianne Cope, virgin] Heb 7: 1-3, 15-17; Mk 3: 1-6
Jan. 24: [St. Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor of the Church] Heb 7: 25 - 8: 6; Mk 3: 7-12
Jan. 25: [The Conversion of St. Paul, apostle] Acts 22: 3-16; Mk 16: 15-18
Jan. 26: [St. Timothy and St. Titus, bishops] 2 Tm 1: 1-8; Mk 3: 20-21
Jan. 27: Neh 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12: 12-30; Lk 1: 1-4; 4; 14-21

NEW SPONSOR ADVERTISING SHEETS

Be sure to check out our bulletin ad sheets. These advertisers subsidize the cost of the bulletins, so if you have the opportunity, you may thank them by using their products or services.

This week's sponsor is:

THE RITZ THEATRE
THANK YOU!

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

[IS 62:1-5](#); [PS 96: 1-3,7-10](#); [1 COR 12:4-11](#);
[JN 2:1-11](#)

Today's Gospel reading from John recounts the familiar story of the wedding feast at Cana when



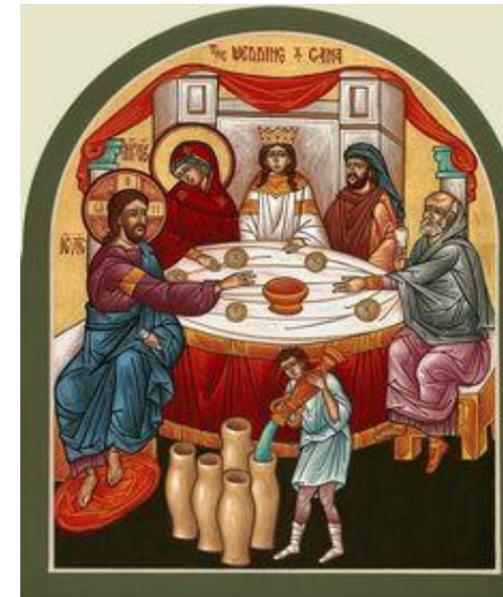
Jesus launched His public ministry by

performing His first miracle at his mother's request. In the midst of the feast, the Blessed Mother noticed that the wine had run out and pointed out the problem to Jesus. Then, she gave the servants instructions that are equally applicable to us modern-day stewards, saying, "Do whatever He tells you." Jesus gives the servants a simple and seemingly mundane task, telling them to fill some stone jars with water. They did what He told them to do. And Jesus used their obedience in the accomplishment of that simple task to perform His first miracle, turning the water into the choicest wine.

Our Lord didn't have to include those servants in order to perform this miracle — He *chose* to. And today, 2,000 plus years later, He still chooses to include us in the performance of His miracles through our cooperation with Him in using the gifts and talents He has given us. What a privilege! Let us take care to listen to our Blessed Mother: let's examine our lives this week to see if we really are "doing whatever He tells us," cooperating with God to make the best use of the gifts He has given us for the benefit of those around us. If we all take this call seriously, He will perform miracles in our families and our parish.

TAX TIME

If you wish to receive a copy of your 2018 contributions, please contact the office for a statement of your giving to be sent. stmaryjohn@att.net or 765-348-3889.



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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as:
St. Mary, the first Thursday 6:00-6:30pm
St. John, the first Saturday 1:00-1:30pm and third Saturday after 5:00pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Dave is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sessions for children and youth (grades pre3-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

RCIA

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information.