



The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1, 2023

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Saturday, 5:00 pm

Sunday, St. John the Evangelist

6:45 am & 9:30 am

St. Bernard 11:30 am

Tuesday, 8:00 am

Wednesday, 5:30 pm

Thursday,

St. John Evangelist 8:00 am

St. Bernard 6:00 pm

Friday, 9:00 am

First Saturday, 8:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00–4:45 pm

Sunday, 6:00–6:30 am

Tuesday, 7:15–7:45 am

Wednesday, 4:45–5:15 pm

Thursday,

St. John the Evangelist 7:15–7:45 am

St. Bernard 5:15–5:45 pm

Friday, 8:15–8:45 am

And by appointment

Office Hours

Mon–Fri, 8:00 am –4:30 pm



Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday, 4:30 pm, in the Church.

Adult Faith Formation, Religious Education & Confirmation

Contact Mary Shetler at the Parish Office.

Baptism

Contact Deacon Richard to sign-up for classes (if expecting, preferably during the 2nd trimester).

Marriage

Contact the Parish Office as soon as an engagement is discussed to meet with Fr. Chris for marriage preparation.

New Parishioners

To register, please pick up a registration packet by the Parish Office window or download one from our website.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or want to learn about the Catholic Faith, contact Deacon Richard.

Rosary

The Rosary is prayed twenty minutes before weekend Masses and after weekday Masses.

Saint Clare Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

You may visit the Chapel at any time. Contact Jane Young for questions, to sign up for a holy hour, or to have access to the Chapel.

Pastor..... Fr. Chris Forler
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Deacon.....Vince Bernardin
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Youth Minister.....Mary Shetler
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Parish Catechetical Leader.....Mary Shetler
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Mass Intentions

Tues., Jan. 3

8:00 am † Stephen Libs

Wed., Jan. 4

5:30 pm † Bernard & Annabelle Bouchie

Thurs., Jan. 5

8:00 am † Carol Pigman

Fri., Jan. 6

9:00 am † Cecelia Favata

Sat., Jan. 7

8:00 am † Michael Fouts

5:00 pm † Elaine Ritzert

Sun., Jan. 8

6:45 am † For St. Bernard and St. John the Evangelist Parishes

9:30 am † Carol Bengert



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Sponsor of the Week:

Oral Surgery Group

Please patronize and thank our sponsors for supporting our Parish.

Financial Giving

(Updated Collection is not available this week)

Weekly Budget	\$	13,060.00
Collection	\$	7,616.00
Online Collection	\$	3,013.73
Total Collection	\$	10,629.73
Difference	\$	(2,430.27)

Budget YTD:	\$	313,120.00
Actual:	\$	309,873.30
Difference:	\$	(3,246.70)

St. Vincent de Paul	\$	105.00
St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank	\$	5.00
Gabriel Project	\$	187.00

Please make all checks for special collections payable to: St. John Church.

Give Your "First Fruits" Back to God

To Parish...5-8% To Diocese...1% To Charities...1-4%



Building Fund

Estimated Cost for Building	\$4,129,000
Pledges/Parish Funds	\$3,468,134
Finish 2nd Floor (Est.)	\$500,000
Total still needed	\$1,160,866

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend we bring the Octave of Christmas to a close, and also the calendar year. This is also when we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God.

This has been a controversial title from early centuries of Christianity, but before that, in the earliest years of Christianity, it was not controversial in the least. The early Church knew Christ was God, and that He was the son of Mary, so the logic simply followed.

Then in the early 5th century, the archbishop of Constantinople, Nestorius, began to take issue with the title, claiming that it implied that Mary was higher than Jesus because she was His Mother. He expressed that it was more proper to refer to her only as the Mother of Christ, since he put forth that she was only the mother of His human nature, not His whole personhood.

However, this was found to be a heresy according to the Council of Ephesus in 431 AD. To say that Mary only gave birth to a human nature makes no sense. Mothers give birth to a person, not a nature. In order for it to make sense, then we have to say that Jesus was two persons. Instead, we believe that Jesus is a divine person with two natures, divine and human. Therefore, the natures (that is the attributes that make Him human as well as those that make Him divine) are united in one person of the Son of God. Therefore, in order to hold proper belief in Christ Jesus, we have to hold that the title Mary, Mother of God is correct and proper to say as well. As you can see, what we believe about Mary is not just some over pious regard for Mary or some unnecessary detail, but really goes to the heart of what we believe about Our Lord. Therefore, if anyone ever questions us about our regard for Mary or our celebrating her divine motherhood, now we know that in order to have proper belief in Christ, we must also have proper belief in His mother!

I also pray that this new calendar year brings you much joy and blessing. May the prayers and intercession of Mary bring you protection from dangers, comfort in sorrow, and even greater devotion to her Son. Happy New Year! Joyous feast of the Mother of God!

Peace and Christmas Blessings,

-Fr. Chris

Catholic Parishes Campaign (CPC) is UNDERWAY—

Our annual Catholic Parishes Campaign is now underway! We are grateful to you for your past support of this vital work and we ask that you prayerfully consider continuing your support this year. Completed cards can be returned to the parish office or collection basket. Visit <http://www.evdio.org/impact-report.html> for more information. Please return your completed cards!

CPC Goal	\$ 144,800	
Pledged to Date	\$73,550	50%
Cards Returned	204	33%

Devices for the Hearing Impaired are available if you are in need of hearing assistance during mass. Just ask an usher for assistance prior to mass, bring your own headphones, and return to an usher after mass.

Table and Chair Rentals: As of January 1, 2023, St. John the Evangelist will be implementing a \$50 charge for the use of tables and chairs for off site events. Transport off site causes more than usual wear and tear and we are hoping to offset the cost for having to replace these items in the future.

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Have you registered with St. John?

Have you registered with St. John? If you are new to St. John's, have been here a while, or have just moved out on your own we want you to register as a parishioner! You can find registration forms by the office window or on our website at catholicdaylight.org. Return them in person or by placing them in the mailbox.

St. John Daylight's guest network Wi-Fi password: **Daylight!**

St. Vincent De Paul
Contact: Mike Rogan svdpsjd@gmail.com

Today is the feast of Mary, Mother of God. Like Mary may we always treasure the events in our life and reflect on them in our heart. Please remember to support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in 2023 so that together we can continue to bring comfort and peace to our brothers and sisters who are poor and suffering. May the peace and joy of the New Year be yours!

Memory Candles

The candles in the Sanctuary Lamp and the St. Clare Adoration Chapel are in Memory of:
Tim, Olivia, and Grace Robertson
Req. by Earl & Grace Robertson



Seminarian of the Month

Please take the time to send Nick Biever a note of encouragement at St. Meinrad, 200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad, 47577. Nick is in 2nd Theology Class of 2025. His home parish is Anunciation in Evansville. His birthday is May 16. If you cannot send a note, please add him to your prayers!

Cursillo News: Annunciation Parish will hold an Ultreya on the first Wednesday of each month. Please join us at the Parish Center on Christ the King campus, 3010 E Chandler Ave, Evansville, for our next Ultreya on January 4, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome!



WOMEN'S FAITH FORMATION

The Feminine Genius

FEBRUARY: 4, 11, 18, & 25

You are invited to join us for this year's women's Faith Formation. We will be doing the podcast series by Abiding Together called *The Feminine Genius*. It is a four-part series that explores our feminine genius, referencing Pope John Paul II's Apostolic Letter *Mulieris Dignitatem* on the Dignity and Vocation of Women.

We will start with 8:00 am Mass followed by brunch and mimosas while Fr. Chris Dives deeper into the four pillars of the Feminine Genius. This will be on Saturday mornings. Please RSVP to Mshetler@evdio.org or (812)867-3718



K of C meets on the first Thursday of each month. Next meeting is Thursday, Jan. 5 at 6:45 pm. We begin with the rosary at 6:45pm and meeting begins at 7:00 pm. Please plan on attending.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, Jan. 1

Monday, Jan. 2

Office Closed

10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry (Holy Family Room)
6:00 pm Troops of St. George (Gym)

Tuesday, Jan. 3

4:00 pm Children's Choir (Church)
6:00 pm Adult Choir (Church)

Wednesday, Jan. 4

4:30 pm Sacred & Immaculate Heart Prayer Apostolate (St. Clare Chapel)
4:30 pm Adoration and Reconciliation (Church)
6:00 pm Youth Ministry (Gym)

Thursday, Jan. 5

9:00 am Senior Breakfast (Merry-GO-Round)
12:00 pm Homeschool Gathering (Gym)
4:30 pm Gabriel Project Holy Hour (Chapel)
6:45 pm Knights of Columbus (Gym)

Friday, Jan. 6

5:00 pm Young Adult Volleyball (Gym)

Saturday, Jan. 7

9:00 am Healing Prayer Team (Holy Family Room)
9:00 am Young Women's Bible Study (Gym)

Sunday, Jan. 8

8:00 am RCIA (St. Elizabeth Room)
8:00 am Religious Education (Classrooms)
8:00 am First Communion Parent Meeting (Church)

First Saturday, January 7, 2023 - Healing Prayer Teams will be available after the 8 a.m. Mass. We will pray for your request for spiritual, physical and emotional healing.



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

LENT PARISH MISSION

SAVE THE DATE
(MORE DETAILS SOON)

March 19, 20, & 21

Counseling— Catholic Charities is now providing child/adolescent counseling, in addition to individual, marriage, and family counseling. Services are provided in-person and via teletherapy. All counselors are state-licensed, and fees are based on a sliding scale. To schedule an appointment or for more information, please call 812-423-5456 or visit www.ccevanville.org/counseling.

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Cursillo Ambassador

Contact: Alicia Nichols
stjohnsdaylight@evansvillecursillo.com

Gabriel Project

Contact: Tarah Bracher, 812-983-4517

Knights of Columbus, Council 14659

Contact: Mitch Strange, 812-259-5318

Morning Star Friends Outreach (Sick/Homebound)

Contact: Jenny Barry, 812-867-3718 or
jbarry@evdio.org

Mother to Mother

Contact: Jade Blankenberger, 812-453-7364

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Contact: Lois Martin, 812-303-4541

Respect Life

Contact: Mandy Keener, 812-459-4119

Rosary Leaders

Contact: Marie Dasher, 812-455-2905

Sacred and Immaculate Heart Prayer Apostolate

Contact: Grace Robertson, 812-306-4689

Senior Citizen Mass/Breakfast

Contact: Virginia Miller, 812-867-5765

St. Anne Altar Society

Contact: Jenny Barry, 812-867-3718

St. John Men's Club

Contact: Steve Wagner, 812-457-1678

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Contact: Mike Rogan, svdpsjd@gmail.com

Troops of St. George

Contact: Matt Keener, (812) 459-4119

Youth Ministry

Mary Shetler, 812-867-3718
Youth group meets on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm.

MEMORY CANDLES RESERVATION FORM

I would like to reserve candles in the Sanctuary
Lamp
and in the St. Clare Adoration Chapel
during the week of (Monday through Sunday):

Please circle one: **In Honor of** **In**
Memory

Name of Individual: _____

Donated By: _____

Phone Number: _____

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collection basket or bring to the parish office.
If you have any questions please call the office,
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