



SACRED HEART PARISH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	8:00 am (Low Mass) 10:00 am (Missa Cantata)
Mon, & Thurs	7:30 am
Tues	7:00 am
Wed & Fri	6:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am
Holy Days	Check Bulletin

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confession)

Friday	5:30 pm
Saturday	8:30 am
Sunday	7:30 & 9:30 am

Any time by appointment.



SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Active registered parishioners should contact the Pastor at least six Months in advance of the date.

BAPTISM

Please contact the office.

LAST SACRAMENTS AND SICK CALLS

Please contact the office. In an emergency requiring Extreme Unction or Viaticum please call 267-6123

 **MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK** 

Sunday Dec. 23 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Fourth Sunday of Advent David Segan + <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday Dec. 24 7:30 AM	Vigil of the Nativity Husband of Ya-Fen Hong
Tuesday Dec. 25 Midnight 9:00 AM	Nativity of the Lord Howard Rorick + (anniv.) <i>Pro Populo</i>
Wednesday Dec. 26 6:00 PM	St. Stephen, Protomartyr Helen Coomes + (anniv.)
Thursday Dec. 27 7:30 AM	St. John, Apostle and Evangelist Robert Pfeiffer
Friday Dec. 28 6:00 PM	Holy Innocents Sr. Marie Therese
Saturday Dec. 29 9:00 AM	Fifth Day in the Octave of the Nativity Marvin Smith + (anniv.)
Sunday Dec. 30 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Sunday Within the Octave of the Nativity Richard Mondello <i>Pro Populo</i>



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

**Monday, Dec. 24 — 7:30 AM Low Mass
11:30 PM — Carols followed by Low Mass at midnight**

Tuesday, Dec. 25 — 9:00 AM High Mass

A reminder that Dec. 25 is a holy day of obligation.

THE VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY, DEC. 24

Traditionally, this was a day of fast and abstinence, and can continue to be observed as such. Many beautiful customs arose in Europe as a result of this, such as the Italian “7 fishes” meal or the Polish “Wigilia,” a traditional meatless meal which began after the first star appeared in the night sky (fasts were traditionally broken at sundown).

LEAVE YOUR DECORATIONS UP UNTIL EPIPHANY

Christmas Potluck

There will be a potluck brunch following the 10 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, December 30**. Please bring a dish to share and join your fellow parishioners in celebrating the Christmas season.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION — MARK YOUR CALENDARS

We have heard back from Bishop Rhoades, and we are scheduled for **Saturday, October 5, 2019**, at 6:00 PM. We plan to have the formal prayers and ceremonies attached to the episcopal visitation found in the pontifical. These ceremonies are a more elaborate way to receive one’s bishop at the church, and include the sacrament of Confirmation. A reception will follow.

Please join your fellow parishioners for coffee and donuts after the 8:00 AM Mass on the first Sunday of the month, or after the 10:00 AM Mass on the first and third Sundays of the month. This is also the time to visit our small lending library of good Catholic books and media. This is located just across from the bathrooms in the school basement.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

If there are any more that wish to be confirmed next year, please contact the pastor. The "preferred" age in this diocese for candidates for Confirmation is 13 or 14, but the US Bishops' Conference places the age starting at the age of reason and being postponed no later than the 16th year of age. A more mature understanding of the faith and the Christian life is required, but always proportional to one's chronological age. Some children, being more precocious than others, might be well prepared at a very young age, and are encouraged to receive the sacrament earlier than the preferred age, which is after all merely a preference, not a precept. There will be a catechism class based on Fr. Connell's Confraternity Edition of the Baltimore Catechism #3 and the booklet "Preparation for Confirmation" by Angelus Press, both of which will be provided by the parish.

Opportunity for Girls

Our parish has invited the Sisters, Slaves of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, from the St. Benedict Center in Massachusetts to host a day camp for girls from **March 14-16, 2019**. The camp will run from about 8am-4pm each day. Activities will include Mass, talks by the Sisters, craft projects, the Rosary, and more. Girls ages 6 and older are welcome. The registration fee is \$50 per person.

Attendance is not limited to members of our parish. If you, or others you know, are interested, please contact Barbara at bpestritto@yahoo.com.

For more information about the Sisters, or particularly about the girls' camp they run in New Hampshire each summer, visit their website:

<https://www.saintbenedict.com>, or <https://www.saintbenedict.com/apostolates/montfort/item/116-morning-star-summer-camp>

Perhaps you might also keep this endeavor in your prayers.

PER QUEM HAEC OMNIA (cont.)

(Taken from Notes Made at the Conferences of Dom Prosper Guéranger)

Now let us see if this important rite can be traced up to the first centuries. It is certainly very ancient; it must have existed in all ages, as it is to be found everywhere. It can at once be understood that Holy Church, offering up her Spouse unto God, could never say that He is dead; she has immolated Him, it is true, but He whom she has thus immolated is living and this she must needs confess. Lo! now are accomplished the three great Mysteries, the Passion, the Resurrection, and the

Ascension. That our Christ is indeed our very own, is what these three Mysteries truly express, and Holy Church right well remembers it. Before these were accomplished, there was not so much richness, if we may be allowed the expression. He was born at Bethlehem, but the Incarnation alone was not to save us, according to the designs of God; although it would have sufficed thereunto and superabundantly, if such had been the Divine Decree. Then, Christ suffered His bitter Passion, but that was not enough; there must be his Victory over Death, His Resurrection. There must yet be something more. Christ must open Heaven, He must have His Ascension; it needs must be, I say, that our human nature, which He deigned to take to Himself, in which He suffered, by means of which He subjected Himself to death, that this very human nature should be throned in heaven, His Ascension, therefore, is a very necessity. So truly and indeed, He whom we hold in our hands, is the Lord himself, He who suffered, He who died, He who hath risen again, He who hath ascended into Heaven.

St. Vincent de Paul "Brown Bag Collection"



Please continue to help our food bank here at Sacred Heart by taking a brown bag and filling it with non perishable foods. Every Friday the St. Henry—Sacred Heart St Vincent de Paul Society has a food bank that is open to anyone living in the Fort Wayne area. Please bring the filled bag back by the 2nd Sunday of each month and it will be exchanged with another empty brown bag. This gives everyone an opportunity to help feed the poor in our city with this corporal work of mercy. Thanks in advance to all those who help keep the food bank in operation. Please note that though the food bank has moved to St. Henry's for the convenience of the patrons, we nevertheless continue to assist it.

MASS REQUESTS

If you desire a Mass to be celebrated for a particular intention, please place the offering along with the specific intention in writing in an envelope clearly marked **Mass Intention** and place it in the collection basket or hand it to the priest. For intentions for a specific individual, make sure to specify whether the person is living or deceased. Alternatively, you can approach the pastor or bring or mail the request to the church. We do not accept telephoned or emailed requests. Everything must be together at the time the request is made. Please note that Mass stipends are NOT tax-deductible according to IRS regulations.