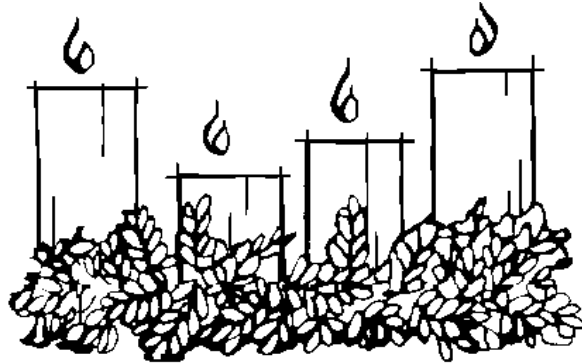


St. John the Apostle Parish

December 23, 2018 * Fourth Sunday of Advent



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Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil 4:30pm & Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

Weekday Masses: Monday thru Thursday 8:00am

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Welcome Visitors!

We hope you enjoy your visit with us.
If you are looking for a home church, we want you to know you are most welcome. If you would like to join, please call or come into the parish office.

DEVOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The **Rosary** is prayed for Vocations on Saturday's at 4:05 pm and Sunday's at 8:35 am.

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday's 3:30 - 4:00 pm; Monday's 7 -9pm

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: Preparation is required, 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:15pm, call the office to register.

Confirmation: Preparation is required, please call the office for more information.

Reconciliation: Saturday's 3:30pm or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: If you are sick, homebound or in the hospital & would like Father to visit, please call the office.

Marriage: 6 month preparation required, please call the office.

Parish Pastoral Council

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If you wish to address any concerns in regards to the parish, please speak to one of the council members.



Mass Intentions for the week of December 24

Day:	Time:	Intention:
Monday Christmas Eve	4:30 p.m.	Melvin Lawson
Tuesday Christmas Day	9:00 a.m.	Rita Thompson & Julian & Dolores Head
Wednesday	11:00a.m.	All Souls
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	the Keller Family
Friday	8:00a.m.	No Mass
Saturday	4:30p.m.	Loyd Basham
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Ernie & Flossie Powell
	11:00 a.m.	Lavona "Bonnie" Szwed

Altar Flowers: Remember or honor a loved one, family member or soldier. Call the parish office to schedule your weekend (\$50.00 donation)

Holiday & Holy Day Mass Schedule

- ◆ Christmas Eve Dec. 24 4:30pm
- ◆ Christmas Day Dec. 25 9:00am AND 11:00am
- ◆ Solemnity Of Mary
Vigil Mass - Dec. 31 6:00pm
Mass - Jan. 1 9:00am

NEXT WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURE READINGS



SIRACH 3:2-6, 12-14
PSALM 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
COLOSSIANS 3:12-21 OR 3:12-17
LUKE 2:41-52



Youth Ministry: (grades 7-12) WEEKLY meetings from 5:45-6:45pm in room A.

2019 Youth Mass: Jan. 20; Feb. 10; March 17 (9am)/

Ministers for weekend of Dec. 29 & 30, 2018

	4:30 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am Gather Teachers- Gina & Anna
Eucharistic Ministers	Deacon Mike *Jeannine Beck, Debbie Jones, Beth LaFrance, Clara Nall, Volunteer & Volunteer	Deacon Mike *Debbie Thompson, Anne Marie Warren, Andy & Amanda Zanone, Volunteer & Volunteer	Deacon Mike *Kelly, Sharon & Anthony Popham, Jennifer Shelton, Volunteer & Volunteer
Lectors	Tom Beck & Ann Duncan	Jennie Cooper & Gary Dykhuis	Lisa Hawk & Kim Myers
Servers	Mike LaFrance	Rosie Cooper & Volunteer	Noah & Luke Miller
Hospitality	Jim & Clara Nall	Tommy & Mary Jo Hardesty	Bill & Cathy Smith
Ushers	Marion Whelan, Donna Fellmy, Volunteer & Volunteer	Ed & Anlyn Kopp, Volunteer & Volunteer	Jack & Kyle Parker, Abby Powers & Gery Whelan
Gift Bearers	Donna Fellmy & Leslie Jenkins	Kevin & Matthew Skaggs	Stephanie Parker Family

If you are unable to minister as scheduled, please call someone on the list to cover for you.

Tuesday's (Sept. - April)	6:30-8:30pm	RCIA	Room B
Wednesday's (Aug. - April)	7:00 pm	Religious Ed (grades 1-12)	Education Center
Sunday's (year round)	10:00 am	Men's & Women's Bible Study	Education Ctr Room A/Cafeteria
Sunday's (Aug. - June)	11:00 am	Children's Church (Gather)	Education Center

Ministers for Christmas Eve (4:30pm)

Eucharistic - Deacon Mike *Jeannine Beck, Amanda Brown, Debbie Jones, Leslie Jenkin, Clara Nall & Diane O'Connell
Lector - Joe Farrell & Judy Sipes
Altar Servers - Braden & Caden Collins
Hospitality - Tony & Amanda Brown
Ushers - Andrew & Drew Ford, Kyle Cook, Jim DeVries, Danny Love, Scott Parker ****please help with seating**
Gift Bearers - Tom Beck Family

Ministers for Christmas Day (9:00am)

Eucharistic - *Jeff Kendrick, Ed Kopp, Debbie Thompson, Sr. Lydia & 3 Volunteers
Lector - Jenny Kendrick & Jennie Cooper
Altar Servers - Rosie Cooper & Volunteer;
Hospitality - Tommy & Mary Jo Hardesty;
Ushers - 4 Volunteers; **Gift Bearers** - 2 Volunteers

Ministers for Christmas Day (11:00am)

Eucharistic - *Doug Stiff, Madonna Ammons, Tabitha Folden, Gina Gregory & 3 Volunteers
Lector - Bruce Fitzgerald
Altar Servers - Anthony Serrano & Volunteer
Hospitality - Jerry & Shirley Miles
Ushers - 4 Volunteers; **Gift Bearers** - 2 Volunteers

MERRY CHRISTMAS !!

Upcoming formation/education activities and events: Contact Monica Lucas

Religious Ed on Wednesday night will not meet Dec. 26 or Jan. 2. Have a safe & blessed Christmas break.

Thank you to our Children's Choir for the wonderful Christmas program & singalong. Choir members: Carlos Bravo, Paloma Bravo, Bailey Buchter, Braylon Buchter, Paige Gossett, Eli Hail, Cora Phillips, Ella Phillips, Ava Rager, Veronica Roberts, Duncan Rogers, Anthony Serrano, Samantha Serrano, Elena Spohn, Isabelle Stull & DeLana Wooldridge. Choir director, Amanda Rogers. Thanks to Andy Miller, Lily Shelton & Emily Popham for their help with the program, too.

From the Pastor, Parish Staff & Sisters

Dear Friends,

We offer each of you our prayers for a very Blessed and Merry Christmas! For those of you who will be traveling, we pray for your safe return.

God Bless,

Father Kevin, Parish Staff & Augustinian Sisters

PARISH NEWS

Adoration: due to the holidays, there will be NO Monday Eucharistic Adoration on Dec. 24 or 31. It will resume Jan. 7

2019 Calendars: are available at the doors of Church, compliments of Tony Brown Chevrolet & Hager Funeral Home.

Closed: the Parish office will be closed Dec. 24 – Jan. 1 for the Christmas & New Year Holidays.

Sew & Sews (Quilters): will resume Monday, Jan. 7th. They gather the 1st & 3rd Monday's (except if legal holiday, then meet Tuesday) of the month at 10:00am in the cafeteria. For more info call Judy Butler at 270-668-2585.

Seniors Game Day: will resume Tuesday, Jan. 8th . All Senior Citizens are invited to join the group for social time on Tuesday's starting at 12:30pm in the cafeteria. Feel free to bring your card or favorite board game. Bring a friend!

Prayer Chain: As prayer requests come into the parish office they are sent out by email. If you would like to be added to the prayer chain or if you have a prayer request please call or email Monica mlucas@bbtel.com

Christmas Flower Donations

Thanks to all who donated money towards Christmas flowers to decorate.

Flowers were donated in Memory or Honor of:

Harry Mills, Edwin Lee, Dorothy & Mike Rhodes, Gene Hardesty, Don Godbey, Jimbo DeVries, Jenny Sipes, Maddie Watkins, Sharon Stoll Brutsche, Bonnie Szwed, Maria Paulus, Walt Heibert, Martha & William Bassett, Phyllis & Joseph Masterson, Bill & Dot Medley, Paul & Violet Powell, Maurice, Ida, Stanley & Danny Spink, Jessie, Leck & Patty Medley, Sandy Shellner, Nick Ford, Woody & Dorothy Hesler, Ronnie Buren, Lu Foushee, Fr. Bill Martin, Alfred & Amelia Barr, Sam, Clara, Roselee & Eileen Kopp, Seferino & Puli Carpea, Jerry & Anacleta Raquinio, Isabel & Edna Castaneda, Julia Lani Spohn, Cale Brown, Anne Pace, Susan Kinney, Rena Wheatley, Audrey Broussard, Patsy Foushee, Garland Brown, Melvin Lawson, Julian & Dolores Head, Peter, John & Peter Jr. Allgor, Ken Mitchell, Al & Mary Grubb, Tom Stiff, Angela Holtsclaw, Clyde & Nellie Hardesty, Evans & Elizabeth Cook, Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Allen, Mr. & Mrs. Will Roberts, Mr. & Mrs. R. C. Roberts, Mr. & Mrs. Verlin Ricketts, M. R. Hays Family, Forrest Morgan Family, Alton Roberts Family, the deceased O'Connell & Driscoll families, Hager family, the Jack & Emma Lou Yates family



Pray for the sick of our Parish

Marcella Barger, Mildred Barr, Phyllis Baskins, Bennie Bruner, Clay Fackler, David H. Fackler, Larry & Joan Gagel, Linda King, Rose LaTondress, Diane Lowther, Marvin & Mildred Mattingly, Paul Mattingly, Vance Menefee, Marie Padgett, Kathleen Powell, Becky Stiff, Lucy Tate Stupak & Charles Thompson

If you know a parishioner who is sick, homebound or in the hospital & would like Father Kevin to visit, please call the Parish Office.

Community News

Surviving Divorce Ministry: Are you or someone you know struggling with the pain of divorce? Would you like to talk about it with folks who have been through what you have in an attempt to find hope & healing? The Surviving Divorce program is a proven program that works to bring that very thing to those in need through the teachings & sacrament of the Catholic Church. The **1st Session begins January 10th** at St. Joe in Bardstown. For more info contact Henry at 502-349-2922 or family@archlou.org Register online at <https://bit.ly/2Pnbuuy>

Pro-Life Signature Ad: our parish has been invited to participate in this ad in memory of the more than 60 million babies killed by abortion since January 22, 1973. The ad will run in the Jan. 20th statewide edition of the Courier-Journal. The ad is sponsored by Right to Life of Louisville & suggested donation of \$5 per name or line. Check should be made to RTL of L-ville & mailed to Right to Life 134 Breckinridge Ln., Louisville KY 40207. For additional info visit www.krla.org or contact 502-895-5959 krla@bellsouth.net. The **deadline for signatures is January 14th.**

Help & Hope for Struggling Marriages: Do you have little or no communication in your marriage? Are you actively thinking about separation or divorce but want to try again? Retrouvaille, a proven effective, peer ministry for hurting marriages consists of a week-end experience & 6 additional 4 hour long post Weekend sessions. **February 15-17.** For more info or to register call 800-470-2230 or www.HelpOurMarriage.org!

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Parenting Pointers:

As your family prepares Christmas gifts for each other, this is a good time to discuss with your child how to share their older but still good toys, clothes, etc. "Whoever has 2 cloaks should share with the person who has none." (Luke 3-11)

Practice Makes Catholic - Did you know?

This is the 4th and final Sunday of Advent.

We are drawing closer to the birth of Jesus.
He is almost here.

As we light the final candle we are reminded
that our long wait is nearly over.

Waiting in darkness is part of what we do.

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