

St. John the Apostle Parish

February 23, 2020 * Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Office Hours 8:00am - 4:30pm Monday through Thursday; Closed on Friday

Bulletin Deadline: Thursday's 4:00pm (the week before publication)

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil 4:30pm & Sunday 10:00am

Weekday Masses: Monday thru Thursday 8:00am

Devotional Opportunities: Rosary is prayed for Vocations on Saturday's at 4:05 pm and Sunday's at 9:35 am

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

Parish Staff

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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.

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: Preparation is required, 3rd Saturday of the month at 5:45pm, 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, call the office.

Parish Pastoral Council

Ed Kopp - Chairperson (elk868890@gmail.com)
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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 February 24

Day:	Time:	Intention:
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Our Parish Family
Ash Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Ashes & Liturgy of the Word
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Saturday	4:30p.m.	Robert & Hazel Hardesty Wallace & Hattie Frakes & deceased family members
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Deacon Juan Cintron



*Altar Flowers in Memory of
Ken, Lois & Jennifer Hager*

NEXT WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURE READINGS



GENESIS 2:7-9, 3:1-7
PSALM 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17
ROMANS 5:12-19 OR 5:12, 17-19
MATTHEW 4:1-11

Young Disciples Faith Formation News

Grades Preschool - 12th

The Lord is kind and merciful. PS 13:1-13
 We teach our young people to be kind & merciful as our Lord treats us. Gently & kindly love & pray for our young parishioners .

RE Classes - Wednesday Nights 7-8pm

Feb. 26 - No classes. Ash Wednesday. Children attend Ash Wednesday Service with their parents at 7pm. No drop off.

Mar. 4 - Regular classes

Mar. 11 - Regular classes/Confirmation-Sponsor gathering

Mar. 18 - Regular classes

Mar. 25 - Regular classes

Mar. 28 - 1st Communion Retreat Students arrive at 9am;
Parents arrive at 11:30am

Each Sunday during 10am Mass - Children's Church

Children who would like to become Catholic or receive their Sacraments - contact Regina Bennett

Ministers for weekend of Feb. 29 & Mar. 1, 2020

	4:30 pm	10:00 am
Eucharistic Ministers	Deacon Mike *Hayley & Ben Smith	Deacon Mike *Sherri & Abby Powers
Lectors	Joe Farrell	Gabe Powers & Kelly Popham Sr.
Servers	Braden & Caden Collins	John & Delana Wooldridge
Hospitality	Michelle Hardesty & Charlene Lawson	Marion Bratcher & Jettie Burnett
Ushers	Stella Godbey, Kyle Cook & Volunteers (2)	Anthony Popham, John Proctor, Sam Proctor, Gery Whelan
Gift Bearers	Ushers (2)	Ed & Anallyn Kopp

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

Tithing Weekend of Feb. 15 & 16 , 2020

\$7,132.00

Weekly offering to make expenses **\$7,086.54**



Tuesday's at 6:00pm in Church
March 3 - April 7

Perfect for Lent: Offer some of your time to visit Jesus in the Eucharist. He waits in love for you and considers every minute with you to be a precious offering. Eucharistic adoration on Mondays 7-9 pm; on Saturdays 3:30-4 pm.

Adult Faith Formation

Bible Study: Started Feb. 13 on Thursday's - Contact Sherri Powers sjadulted@bbtel.com to join!

Catholic Book Club: Monthly 3rd Thursday, Contact Sherri Powers sjadulted@bbtel.com to join!

Men's & Women's Bible Study at 9am on Sundays
in the Education Center

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Youth Ministry Meetings: (grades 7-12)
WEEKLY from 5:45-7pm in rooms C & D.

2020 Youth Masses: Mar. 15 & Apr. 19

This week we have Ash Wednesday & the beginning of Lent. Youth will begin preparing our hearts for the Easter season. How are you preparing? Have you sat together as a family & discussed the importance of the season and all of the blessings it has to offer? We encourage you to go beyond giving up chocolate or exercising more. Why not study the significance of Holy Week & truly learn the history & relevance of this sacred time in our faith & share this knowledge as a family? Ash Wednesday is just the beginning; Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, & of course Easter Sunday. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16

Follow us on Facebook @STJYouthandFaithFormation, Instagram @saintjohnyouth, and Twitter SJA_Youth.

PARISH NEWS

**500 Club Winner for
Feb. 17, 2020 - #130 Shea & Christy Gossett**
Tickets are still available, contact the parish office.

Congratulations: to Paloma Bravo & Preston Fackler who made their First Reconciliations on February 8th.

Saturday Parish Gathering: Join us **March 7th** in the cafeteria at 5:30pm for a catered Roast Beef & fixings meal (provided by the parish) & fellowship! See you there! Any questions contact Dana Medley at dana.medley@meade.kyschools.us

Pictorial Directory: we are in need of a person to be our parish contact with LifeTouch. Can you help? Please call or email the parish office if you are willing to help.

Black & Indian Missions 2nd Collection: is next weekend & helps fund parish based catechetical programs, teachers & catechists, encourage vocations & create infrastructures such as our archdiocesan Office of Multicultural Ministry. Please be generous.

Quilt: Be sure to check out the new wall hanging, made by the Sew & Sews, in the Narthex entitled "Moved by the Spirit". This quilt is made from fabric you, our parishioners, gave us. Can you find it? It signifies moving from the darkness to the light of Jesus Christ.

Prayer Quilts: are available for the sick & shut-ins of our parish upon request by calling Amanda Brown 547-8337.

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 email Monica mlucas@bbtel.com

Parish Outreach Program: Looking for a local way to help others? St. John's has an outreach program between our parish & the women at the Meade Co. Detention Center. The women are in need of clothing & personal items. Can you help? For more info contact Debbie Thompson at 270-422-3507 or tdtdlt@yahoo.com

February Happenings

Feb. 27 6:30pm Adult Ed Bible Study Room C

Tuesday's 12:30pm Senior Citizen Game Day Cafeteria
Wednesday's 5:30pm Pray the Rosary Room B

Tuesday's (Mar. 3 till Apr. 7) 6pm Stations of the Cross Church
Friday's during Lent 4-7pm KC Fish Fries Cafeteria

Fasting and Abstaining from meat during Lent

ABSTAINING FROM MEAT: Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday, are bound to abstain from meat - i.e., they may not eat meat - on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent & Good Friday.

FASTING: Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday & who have not yet celebrated their 60th birthday, are bound to fast - i.e. they may only eat one full meal each day & may eat nothing between meals - on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday.

EXCEPTIONS: A proportionately grave inconvenience excuses from the laws of fast & abstinence - i.e. medical reasons may excuse one from fasting or abstaining.



Pray for the sick of our Parish

John Allgeier, Peter Allgor Jr., Mildred Barr, Patricia Baskins, Bennie Bruner, Herbie Chism, Joe Cook, Clay Fackler, David H. Fackler, Larry & Joan Gagel, Rose LaTondress, Mildred Mattingly, Vance Menefee, Marie Padgett, Gene & Margaret Pence, Kathleen Powell, Diann Shireman, Charles Thompson, Bonnie Wardrip, Mary West & Joe Whelan

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

St. Theresa KofC Fish Fries: will be held on Friday's at St. John's Cafeteria during Lent (**Feb. 28 - April 3**).

Dinner 4-7pm Cod fish OR frog legs & all meals come with fries, onion rings, greenbeans, slaw, hushpuppy, dessert & drink. \$10.00 Fish; \$8.00 sandwich & 1 side. \$7.00 Kids fish & 1 side. 2 slices cheese pizza \$6.00. For more info call 270-422-5915.

St. James Open Enrollment: starts Feb. 24th. For more info contact Jennifer Moran at 270-765-7011 ext. 247 or jmoran@stjames-etown.org

Meade Co. Clothes Closet & Food Pantry: is collected the weekend of **March 14/15**. We are asked to supply: cereal, toilet paper & coffee. Items can be left in the Narthex or brought to the office. This is a very worthwhile service in our community. Please help us support this ministry.

Catechesis - About Liturgy Praying for our Enemies

Unfortunately, tragedies such as school shootings & other attacks upon innocent human beings are all too common in our world. When terrible things like these happen, we should be ready to include at least an intercession for those who were killed & have been affected by it.

However, if you are to take today's gospel to heart, we must also include prayers for those who commit such violence. For many of us, this is difficult & at times impossible, for good reason. In the United States, we remember Sept. 11, 2001. It was almost considered treasonous to even think of praying for those who planned the attacks & killed so many of our fellow citizens. And yet, that is exactly what Jesus calls us to do: "I say to you, love your enemies & pray for those who persecute you". (MT 5:44)

NOT ONLY ARE WE TO PRAY FOR OUR ENEMIES, WE ARE TO LOVE THEM! Not just pray for God's mercy upon them but also treat them as our neighbor.

To be perfect as Our Father is perfect is not to be indifferent toward those who hurt us. Rather it is to recognize that we belong to one another in Christ & we are not whole if we refuse to see that we are connected to one another, even in our pain & anger.

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