

ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Baptism of the Lord



102 N. 19th Street ~ New Castle
Sunday Mass at 10 a.m.

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Office Hours - Monday—Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-noon; 1-4:30 p.m.

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SACRAMENTS: Baptism—Call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism.

Marriage—Call the Parish Office to make an appointment at least 6 months in advance.

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, contact: Fr. John Hall, 765-529-0933

MASS TIMES		INTENTIONS
Monday,	@ St. Elizabeth, 4:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Adoration with Confessions
Tuesday,	@ St. Anne, 8:00 a.m.	For the Sick
Wednesday,	@ St. Anne, 4:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Adoration with Confessions Patty Coleman
Thursday,	@ St. Anne, 8:00 a.m.	for our parishes and communities
Saturday,	@ St. Elizabeth, 5:00 p.m.	
Sunday,	@ St. Elizabeth, 8:00 a.m. @ St. Anne, 10:00 a.m.	Herbert & Alma Humig

Confessions: Before each respective weekday evening Mass, 4:30—5:15 p.m. or by appointment (If there is No evening Mass, there are NO confessions)

The Special Intentions of Pope Francis for January

For True Human Fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SUNDAY	January 16	10:00 a.m.
CANTOR	Patti Keesling	
SERVER	Mireya & Adrianna G.	
LECTOR	Cassie Bowers	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF	*Chad Leduc, Gloria Davis	
HOSPITALITY MINISTERS	Mike & Suzette McIntosh	

Sunday Offerings

12/26	Collection.....\$6,440.00
	Loose.....\$50.00
	Direct Deposit.....\$780.00
	Total.....\$7,270.00
	Christmas.....\$1,518.00
	Capital Improvements.....\$12.00
	Catholic Charities.....\$775.00
	Parish Endowment.....\$1,000.00

Sunday Offerings

01/02	Collection.....\$2,080.00
	Loose.....\$20.00
	Direct Deposit.....\$1,310.00
	Total.....\$3,410.00
	Capital Improvements...\$1,148.00
	Holy Day.....\$175.00

Attendance: Christmas Eve - 85, Day - 61, Dec. 26 - 102
Dec. 31 - 11, January 2 - 98

OUR CATHOLIC FAITH



HAPPY REBIRTHDAY! REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

Do you know the date of your rebirth? I think we should. Mine is February 3. It has taken a lifetime to know more and appreciate what happened that day. In baptism we receive Christ's spirit of life which he exhaled on the cross. Jesus breathed out life to create new life for us! His words – "It is finished" also said – IT IS BEGUN. We are made new. It is baptism that saves us from evil, from the disharmony and brokenness of sin. We are regenerated from on high. Happy rebirthday, indeed!

Baptism, washing with water, cleanses human beings of every stain of sin and makes us sharers in God's divine nature. He adopts us as his own! Those who are baptized are united with Christ in a death like his, are buried with him in death, and also in him are given life and are raised up.

John baptized. But it was not a sacrament. John's baptism was a symbol of repentance – it did not confer grace. His baptisms were the last of the old ways. A new way was coming – and when he saw him coming down the road, he didn't want to baptize him! John knew Jesus had no need of repentance. Jesus in humility joined with us in the water. In fact, he had to insist! In HIS baptism – water and Trinity converge. Jesus is there, the Holy Spirit descends upon him, and the voice of God is heard, "You are my beloved son." In his own voice, God confirms what Gabriel told Mary – Jesus is the son of the most high God.

In Acts, the book of the birth of the Church, it is clear that baptism was changed. Those who received Christian baptism also received the Holy Spirit, had their sins forgiven, and became members of Christ and therefore the Church! We are then called sons and daughters. He claims us, by name, as his own. It is the foundational sacrament of all the sacraments.

Baptism is an introduction to a lifelong journey. It's how we are saved from the disharmony and brokenness of sin. We receive new life – not remade – made new. We progressively lay hold of what it means to be a son and daughter in the family of Jesus the Christ – to be who we were meant to be. We journey along a path of choosing to die to sin and rise to new life. We're never alone, we have the constant presence of the Holy Spirit. We are confident in faith, in unity together, that God will make present and effective ALL of His saving actions — past and future – for our sake. Thanks be to God!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 10:00 a.m. AT ST. ANNE. BYO COFFEE AND JOIN US!

January 9, 2022

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone. In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws regularly from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father.

The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifestation of God in Jesus, another "epiphany." On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son. At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person, Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism. — Loyola Press

2022 CALENDARS - We have 2022 liturgical calendars for you on the table in the narthex. Thank you to Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service for sponsoring the calendars.



BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG - The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a fund drive for the Henry County Pregnancy Care Center in January.

Baby bottles are being handed out for you to collect loose change, dollar bills or even a check! **ALL CHECKS NEED TO BE MADE OUT TO THE HENRY COUNTY PREGNANCY CARE CENTER (HCPCC).** Please return your bottles by January 30.

2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – In the next couple of weeks, we will be mailing statements to donors with activity. If you are expecting a statement and do not receive one by January 31, please contact the parish office.



HELP US GROW - Want an easier way to support the parish? Enroll in Direct Deposit. You may choose what time of the month you want to donate, weekly or once a month, and never have to write a check or remember your envelope. We offer this for your regular collection and Capital Improvements.

Go to our website and download a form(s) or pick one up at the parish office. It's that easy!

WELCOME! - If you are visiting our church and would like to become a part of our parish family, please contact the parish office; 765-529-0933.

THANK YOU - I thank you all for the Christmas cards, gifts and greetings shared with me. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. ~ Father John



REST IN PEACE - May all who have died have eternal rest and all who remember them be comforted. We remember from St. Anne, **Richard Drago**, father of Nancy Hamilton and **Sylvia Edwards**, sister-in-law of Libby Edwards.

MASS INTENTIONS - We are accepting Mass intentions for 2022. The Church considers the Mass as the greatest form of prayer intercession.

You may have a Mass said for the living or the dead. If you would like to have a Mass offered, there are envelopes for this at the entrances of church. The suggested stipend is \$10.00.

FATIMA RETREAT - Step away from electronics, phones, and computers and focus your attention on your relationship with God.

Self-guided days of silence are from 8 a.m.—4 p.m. and offer retreatants the opportunity to come away to Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House in a relaxed, calm and quiet setting to "unplug" from the outside world.

\$35.00 includes a room to use for the day, continental breakfast, lunch and use of common areas and grounds of the retreat house.

Spiritual direction may also be scheduled for an additional suggested donation. Please contact our Registrar Jennifer Burger at jburger@archindy.org or (317) 545-7681 extension 101, if you are interested in meeting with a spiritual director or to register.

Fatima Retreat House is located at 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis.



7TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE - The 7th Annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference is back at the East Central Performing Arts Center for 2022!

Registrations are currently underway. To register go to Register@e6cmc.com. Mark your calendars and register early as 2022 is sure to sell out. Featuring Matthew Kelly!

Just 35 minutes northwest of Cincinnati and 90 minutes southeast of Indianapolis in St. Leon, Indiana. Improve your vocations and become better spouses, parents, children, brothers and neighbors by growing in masculine virtue. The 7th annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference will take place on 2/26/22. Rediscover your vocation with inspiring talks from Matthew Kelly and a surprise 2nd speaker to be announced soon!

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