

WELCOME TO THE
CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

ST. JOSEPH & ST. BERNARD



ST. JOSEPH

410 S. Race, Princeton, IN 47670

Pastor:	Fr. Brian Emmick
Business Manager:	Angie Paul
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Faith Formation Coordinator:	Debbie Bateman
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Parish Council President:	Alechia Memmer 812-259-4798
Parish Website:	stjosephprinceton.org
School Principal:	Dan Gilbert
School Secretary:	Linda Yeryar
School Phone:	(812) 385-2228
School Website:	stjosephprinceton.com

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday & Thursday	7:00 a.m.
Friday	8:15 a.m.
Adoration: Second Friday of month (24 hrs)	9 a.m. – 9 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesdays 5:00-5:45 p.m. Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Call the parish office at least six months in advance of wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick:

Administered annually and by appointment.

ST. BERNARD

5342 E. State Road 168, Ft. Branch, IN 47648

Pastor:	Fr. Brian Emmick
Catechetical Leader:	Rose Obert
Office Manager:	Marcia Reising
Parish Council President:	Klint Obert 812-779-7791
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School Hall Rental:	Rose Obert 812-664-7745
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Office Phone:	812-385-2617
Parish Website:	stbernardsnakerun.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	8:30 a.m.
Thursday	7:00 p.m.
Monday—Friday Communion Service	8:00 a.m.
Adoration First Friday of each month	8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sundays 8:00-8:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

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Sacrament of Marriage:

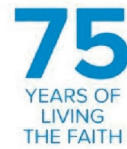
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March 22, 2020 ~ 4th Sunday of Lent

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



Indiana's Catholic Bishops Suspend Sunday and Weekday Public Masses

EVANSVILLE, INDIANA – March 17, 2020 – In light of new information and recommendations from health officials concerning the danger of the COVID-19 pandemic and the urgency to stem the spread of the virus, the five Catholic bishops of Indiana have suspended – effective March 18 and until further notice – all Sunday and Weekday Public Masses throughout the Province of Indianapolis, which is comprised of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the Dioceses of Gary, Evansville, Fort Wayne-South Bend, and Lafayette.

Please email questions about any of this information to communications@evdio.org, and they will be routed to the appropriate diocesan department for response.

In making this announcement, Evansville Bishop Joseph M. Siegel urges all to continue to pray especially for the sick, healthcare providers, public health officials and all community leaders during the weeks to come.

The Diocese of Evansville also is taking the following actions:

Catholic Parishes – until further notice

- All weddings will be celebrated outside of Mass, effective March 18, 2020. Participation/attendance will be limited to the presider, the engaged couple, the wedding party and the immediate family of the engaged couple, adhering to CDC and governmental guidelines/regulations, keeping in mind any limit concerning attendance numbers.
- All funeral liturgies will be celebrated outside of Mass, effective March 18, 2020. Funeral liturgies may be held in funeral homes or churches. Rite of Committal at graveside may be celebrated with presider and immediate family. Participation/attendance will be limited to the presider and the immediate family of the deceased, adhering to CDC and governmental guidelines/regulations, keeping in mind any limit concerning attendance numbers.
- All baptisms of children will be one child at a time, celebrated outside of Mass, effective March 18, 2020. Participation/attendance will be limited to the presider and the immediate family of the child being baptized, adhering to CDC and governmental guidelines/regulations, keeping in mind any limit concerning attendance numbers.



Parish Mission:

Reborn In Baptism;

Transformed Into Disciples

- St. Benedict Cathedral in Evansville is developing a plan to offer Mass seven days a week on YouTube and other platforms. Other parishes may also be offering this service. More details will be announced as they become available.
- Churches will remain open for prayer, but the faithful are urged to practice social-distancing efforts to minimize their own and others' potential exposure.
- Parish offices remain open under their normal business hours.
- Members of the faithful who are elderly, particularly those with underlying health conditions, and those with a compromised immune system or who are ill are encouraged to stay home and avoid any gatherings. They are encouraged to pray at home and/or watch a televised Mass if possible.
- All parish events were cancelled without exception effective at 8 a.m. local time on Monday March 16, 2020. These include – but are not limited to – religious education and RCIA classes, youth and young adult ministry events, meetings of parish committees and other ministries, parish fish fries and other fundraisers.
- External events scheduled to be held in parish facilities (e.g. parish halls, school gymnasiums, etc.) should be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Parishes should not commit to additional such events until further notice. Any such events are to adhere to CDC and governmental guidelines/regulations, keeping in mind any limit concerning attendance numbers.

Catholic Schools

- All Diocese of Evansville Catholic schools are closed.
- Effective immediately, all extracurricular meetings, school-sponsored events, fundraisers, field trips and non-essential meetings are cancelled until further notice.

Diocesan Offices and Events

- Diocesan offices remain open.
- Effective immediately, all non-essential travel by diocesan staff is cancelled.
- Meetings of diocesan committees and other groups scheduled for the Catholic Center and/or Sarto Retreat House are cancelled.
- Diocesan events are cancelled until further notice, including the Souce + Summit youth and adult retreats.

Sacramental Concerns

General

- The most vulnerable populations should avoid participating in any of these events.

The chapel entrance of the church will be unlocked
between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday
for anyone who would like to come and pray.

With senior citizens and those with compromised health being the most vulnerable to Covid-19 (Coronavirus), the Evangelization and Outreach Commission would like to offer assistance to anyone who needs help in getting their groceries or needed supplies. We understand that one of the main ways to prevent getting this illness is to stay home and isolated, so we want to help anyone we can in their efforts to stay well! Please call the parish office to set up arrangements.



Please remember in Prayer the family of
Diana Fidler who entered into eternal rest

on

March 11, 2020

"Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord"



If you haven't already, don't forget to download the St. Joseph Parish App to keep up on the latest information, donate online, contact staff members, and register to receive notifications. iPhone users text *ParishApp1* to 555888, and Android users text *ParishApp2* to 555888, or go to the parish website and follow the link.. Once you download the app, go to the *More* item on the menu and choose *Message Settings*. From there you can choose the groups that you would like to receive notifications from. Remember that the *General* group will give you important notifications from the parish. Please call the parish office with any questions.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



March 15, 2020 Collection	\$ 4,367.50
Online Giving for the week of March 15, 2020	\$ 2,267.00
Total Collection for March 15, 2020	\$ 6,634.50
Needed for weekly budget	\$ 8,899.21
Variance for March 15, 2020	(\$ 2,264.71)
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YTD Collection (July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020)	\$303,251.69
Needed to meet budget	\$329,270.77
YTD Variance	(\$ 26,019.08)
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Pathways Scholarship Fund	\$ 5,958.98

Thank you!



March 22nd, 2020
4th Sunday of Lent

"Do you believe in the Son of Man?" Jesus wants to motivate each one of us to see the truth. After developing a relationship with Jesus, the blind man "sees" as someone very special. The Pharisees, due to the blindness caused by their ignorance, prejudice, and need for self-preservation, still remain blind. Presuppositions, prejudices, assumptions, and our needs can easily blind us to truth. We see what we want or need to see and not what is really there. In addition, our stubbornness continues to convince us that we are right and that our vision is perfect. Only God can complete the picture.

Look around at our world. So much of what is happening today is due to the reluctance of folks to allow themselves to be stretched and brought to see what is really there. Many react to what life presents to them more with the lenses of ignorance than lenses of clarity. The Gospel carries great transformative value. With it, God corrects our vision and replaces our limited sight with the fullness of his sight. God opens our eyes so that we can see that it is not about preserving what we have created but of living in the immensity and wonder of God's kingdom.

Through a simple, loving relationship with God, we can break through the tethers of prejudice, eradicate fear, dispel the darkness of hatred and sin, discover freedom, live in peace, work for justice, be effective stewards of creation, assist the migrant and the immigrant, and safeguard our economic systems and policies so that they truly serve all of God's children. What we see is often an artificial lie. Our truth is much bigger than what our limited sight believes it to be. Allow God to work in and through you. Do not be afraid. Be open and be humble enough to know that you need help. Many human beings are living with severe cataracts that produce sight that is at best blurred. Are you one of them?



We encourage our parishioners to patronize our sponsors. It is through their generosity that our weekly bulletin comes to you at no cost to the church. Our sponsor this week is:

STODGHILL FUNERAL HOME

Thank you to all the businesses who sponsor our bulletin.

ST. BERNARD PARISH NEWS

NO Religious Education until further notice.

Please see pages 2 & 3 of this bulletin for all information and cancellations regarding the Coronavirus.

Blessing Box—Please make this part of your Lenten journey by helping others with Almsgiving!

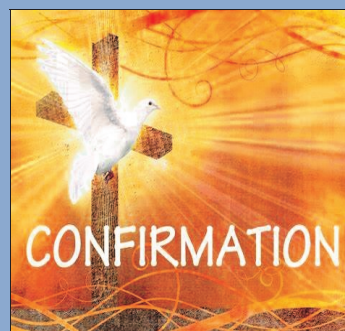
Easter Lilies

There is now a box in the back of church to order your lilies. They are small \$12.50 and large \$25. All orders are due by March 30.

Prayer

There are copies at the church entrances of prayers to say during the ongoing crisis. During these uncertain times we need to turn back to God. Get our Bibles out, have family members over, pray the Rosary together, and give up some of our favorite things to do and offer prayer time instead. *Therefore tell the people: This is what the Lord Almighty says: 'Return to me,' declares the Lord Almighty, 'and I will return to you,' says the Lord Almighty.* Zechariah 1:3

Many thanks to all those gave of their time and talent for Confirmation last week. Thank you to Father Brian and Bishop Siegel for the beautiful Mass and thank you to all Confirmation Candidates, parents, and sponsors for your dedication to this beautiful sacrament. Please continue to pray for our Confirmation candidates as they continue on their Catholic journey!!



A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who has become a part of the St. Bernard painting project through your generosity and donations. Everyone has been overwhelmed with the response. If you haven't yet had the time to make a donation and be a part of the campaign, there is still time. Every donation, no matter the size, goes toward the project of refurbishing the Church.

In the back of the church is a list to adopt a statue. Adopting a statue will require a donation of \$1,500 which goes toward the refurbishing of the statue. If you have adopted a statue, you may drop your check in the collection basket or mail to St. Bernard. If you have interest in adopting a statue, catch me after Mass or email me at bemmick@evdio.org.

Christ's Peace,
Fr. Brian

Remember in Your Prayers
ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD



Please see page 2 for an important message from Bishop Siegel regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

PRAYERS

Eli Weisheit, Michelle Ziebel, Gwen Graber, Crystal Williamson, Kenny & Marcia Reising, Wilma Miley, Katie Bender, Elvira Meny, Retta Woodruff, Julia Market, Carl Michel, Betty Thompson, Trent Horrall, Jim Lubbers, Herb Bethe, Mary Like, Betty Lefler, Dianne Gress, Stan Phillips, Ralph Elpers, Susan Williamson, Tom Vaal, Deven Pohl, Connie Hill, Will Adcock, Jeff Corn, Genevieve Weber Lubbers, Diane Denton

Please call Terri to add or remove someone 677-0511

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



March 15, 2020 Collection	\$ 905.00
Needed for weekly budget	\$ 1,585.52
Variance for March 15, 2020	(\$ 680.52)
YTD Collection	\$ 61,324.20
Needed to meet budget	\$ 58,664.24
YTD Variance	\$ 2,659.96

Church Renovation Fund \$ 86,075.00

Thank you!