

*December 9-10, 2023
Second Sunday of Advent*

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

Serving our community for

100
Years

Dedicated to grow, educate, and
welcome all to our community.



Our Parish Mission Statement

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish
is a Catholic faith community
reaching out to all people.

As good stewards,
we are inspired by God's word
to educate,
evangelize and
grow spiritually,
strengthening ourselves
as a Christian community.

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Mon. — Fri.

9am — 1pm

Weekend

Liturgies

Saturday Anticipation Mass

4:30pm

Sunday Mass

10:30am

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✚ Please call the Parish Office for information on the Sacraments ✚



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT B 1

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
PAVING A DIRECT ROUTE

Whenever a highway changes from two lanes to four, you can often see the improvements. The old highway follows the dips and curves of the landscape. The new highway better controls the landscape. It is straighter and more level. The engineers have figured out how to improve the road, and citizens have supported the additional expense.

People like straight highways. They are quicker, safer and more pleasant.

In the prophecy of Isaiah, a voice cries out, "In the desert prepare the way of the LORD!" John the Baptist quoted this passage to prepare people for the coming of Jesus.

Make a straight highway in the wasteland. Fill in the valleys and lower the mountains. Make a smooth, direct road in your spiritual life.

During Advent we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ in our lives. In the past we formed habits as sturdy as two-lane roads. They get us where we want to go, but sometimes not by the most direct route.

We have only a few weeks till Christmas. It is time to move the roadblocks and detours that keep us from encountering Christ. Hardness of heart, stinginess of time, or unbending habits—Which of these need repair on your highway toward Christ?

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The Archdiocese of Indianapolis is conducting an archdiocesan-wide research initiative to help shape our communications strategies. Hiron, an Indianapolis-based communications firm, will be reaching out to parishioners in the coming weeks. For questions or participation information, please contact research@archindy.org.

TERRE HAUTE CATHOLIC PARISHES/SCHOOL COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

SACRED HEART CHURCH
HOLY FAMILY CENTER

2:30PM-5:45PM

Give the gift of life!

https://donate.indiana.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/157415

Looking Ahead to Christmas... Be Aware!

This year, Christmas Eve falls on the 4th Sunday of Advent. We will be doing most of the decorating for Christmas on Sunday, Dec. 17 after mass. Final touches will be done after Mass on the 23rd. Your help is appreciated.

The only Mass being offered for the 4th Sunday of Advent here at Sacred Heart will be the Saturday 4:30 Mass. THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 24! If you wish to go to morning mass on Sunday, check the times at other parishes.

The Christmas Eve Mass will take place at 6pm. There will be music before the mass.

THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT SACRED HEART ON CHRISTMAS DAY.



Hearts to Hands

As Christmas approaches, please remember our northside neighbors who are in need. Gifts of food, soup, toilet paper, soap, dish soap, shampoo, toothpaste and money to support the Table of the Good Shepherd Food Pantry and the 12 Points

Brown Bag Project are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sunday, December 10

Susan McDowell

Monday, December 11

Mary Watson

Tuesday, December 12

Rachel Cooper

Judith Lemmons

Wednesday, December 13

Daniel Schafer

Thursday, December 14

Wanda Kenzor

Friday, December 15

Esther Pfister

CHRISTMAS EVE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 6PM MASS

WILL BE CELEBRATED FOR
COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS

The 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve Sunday December 24 will be celebrated for "Collective Mass Intentions." For each intention requested, the normal Mass stipend of \$10 will be collected. Specific intentions will be listed in the bulletin prior to the Mass being celebrated but announced at Mass as "Collective Mass Intentions" only.

To have your Mass intention included for Christmas Eve Sunday December 24, please put your written down intention along with the \$10 stipend in a plain envelope marked **ATTN: COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS CHRISTMAS EVE SUNDAY DECEMBER 24** and drop it in the collection basket at the weekend Mass that you attend (please include your name and contact phone number).



COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS SCHEDULED FOR
CHRISTMAS EVE, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 6PM MASS

The Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, especially
 Jim Burns (deceased); Judith Lemmons (living);
 Max & Lorraine Lesko (deceased); Rita Pound (deceased).

SAMARITAN PANTRY
FOOD PARCEL DISTRIBUTION
OPEN TO EVERYONE!!!

Mondays & Fridays, 1:30-3:30pm
St. Joseph University Parish, 113 S. 5th St.
Terre Haute, IN 812-232-7011

VIRTUAL, IN-PERSON TAIZÉ PRAYER SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 12

Join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for song, quiet contemplation and inspiring readings during the ecumenical Taizé Prayer service from 7-8 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 12. Join us in person in the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods or via livestream. Learn more at Taize.SistersofProvidence.org.

SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE TO HOST BRUNCH WITH SANTA!

Join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, and the Providence Community from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., on Sunday, Dec. 17, for Brunch with Santa! The brunch will take place in the O'Shaughnessy Dining Hall, located in Providence Spirituality & Conference Center. Cost for the holiday brunch is \$33 for adults, \$25 for children ages 6-12 and \$20 for children ages 3-5. Children under 2 will be admitted for free. Don't forget to bring your phone or camera! For more information, visit Events.SistersofProvidence.org or call 812-535-2952 or email provctr@spsmw.org.

Sacred Heart Memories



December 9-10, 2023
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Daily Readings

Monday, Dec. 11, 2023

St. Damasus I
 Isaiah 35:1-10
 Psalm 85:9-14
 Luke 5:17-26

Friday, Dec. 15, 2023

Advent Weekday
 Isaiah 48:17-19
 Psalm 1:14, 6
 Matthew 11:16-19

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2023

Our Lady of Guadalupe
 Zechariah 2:14-17
 or Revelation 11:19;
 12:16, 10
 Judith 13:18-19
 Luke 1:26-38
 or Luke 1:39-47

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2023

Advent Weekday
 Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11
 Psalm 80:2,3, 15-16, 18-19
 Matthew 17:9, 10-13

Sunday, Dec. 17, 2023

Third Sunday of Advent
 Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11
 Luke 1:46-50, 53-54
 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
 John 1:6-8, 19-28

Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2023

St. Lucy
 Isaiah 40:25-31
 Psalm 103:14, 8, 10
 Matthew 11:28-30

Thursday, Dec. 14, 2023

St. John of the Cross
 Isaiah 41:13-20
 Psalm 145:1, 9-13
 Matthew 11:11-15



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS are now being accepted. If you do not use contribution envelopes, please put your donation in an envelope marked for Christmas Flowers along with your name and record # on the outside. If you would like your donation to be recorded **IN MEMORY/HONOR OF** someone special, please indicate this on the outside of your envelope too. A list of those being remembered through Christmas Flower Donations will be printed in the bulletin during the Christmas Season.

YOUNG ADULT
CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 16, 2023
 St. Joseph University Parish
 6:30 pm

Please RSVP by Dec. 11 to
adultfaith@stjoep.org

Please bring a side dish to share.

If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a \$10 gift.



Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

STEWARDSHIP

Giving back to God what He has so generously given to us!

<i>Thanks to Our:</i>	<u>Saturday</u> 12-16-2023 Mass @ 4:30pm	<u>Sunday</u> 12-17-2023 Mass @ 10:30am
Lectors	Tom Aquino	Jason Gretencord
Eucharistic Ministers	Arlene Manwaring Sister Betty Hopf, SP	Doug Elia
Gift Bearers	Janis Shook	Laura Madden

❖❖❖ **PLEASE NOTE** ❖❖❖

To add (or remove) a person from the following prayer list, please call the Parish Office at 812-466-1231.

Sick and Recovering names will be left on for a period of 4 WEEKS. If a longer period of time is needed, please call the Parish Office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick and Recovering:

Brenda Scott; S. J. Robinson; Mike McKee; Margaret "Sis" Fuson;
 Kathy Aquino; Ray Veit; Troy Kelsheimer; Everett Mattox;
 JoAnne Fiscus; Judy Winniski; Meda Sullivan; Greg Wall; Gary Brett;
 Martha Taylor; Pat Wassill; Jordan Bryant; Linda Schrettenbrunner;
 Larry & Shirley Kunes; Betsy Kunes; Keely Jetson; Norma Vaughn;
 Mike Doumas; Sheila Barnhart; Robin Church; Kevin Gurchiek;
 Charles Tartaglia; Ron Vaughn; Kathleen Barnhart;
 John Dreher; David Marter; Judy Lemmons; Theresa Reeves;
 Theresa Brooks; Cecelia House; Joan Boehmer;
 Maria Church; Ruth Scank; Sharon Blackburn; Alice Rhodenbaugh;
 and, all those who have asked for prayers whose names are not listed here.

Serving in the Armed Forces:

Captain David Hook (Japan);
 Olivia Carroll (Washington, DC);
 Caleb Drake (FL); Christine Drake (FL);
 1st Class William Elmore (CA); Derek Hakman (AK).

Our Sponsor of the Week is:

Ross Elliott
Jewelers

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Parish Liturgies

Saturday, December 16

4 - 4:20pm Reconciliation

4:30pm Mass for the Living & Deceased Members of the Nicoson & Martino Families

Sunday, December 17

10:30am Mass for Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

PLEASE NOTE:

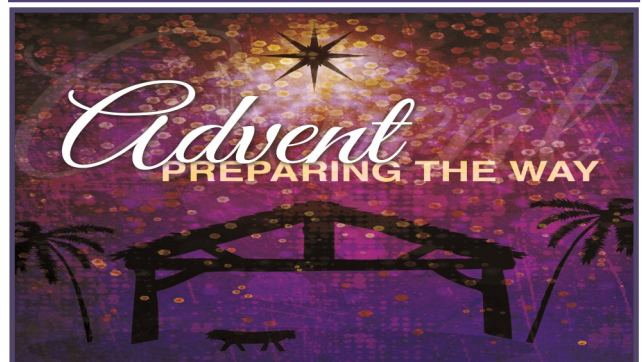
WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT MASS INTENTIONS TO BE SAID AT SACRED HEART AT THIS TIME.

IF YOU WANT A MASS SAID LOCALLY, TRY ST. JOSEPH; OR, WE CAN TAKE REQUESTS TO BE SENT TO THE MISSIONS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING!!!

NOTES FROM BARB

- † This week's second collection will be for the Religious Retirement Fund.
- † We still need memories and Acts of Kindness!
- † Don't wait! Be sure to get your SCRIP gift cards for your holiday shopping and gift giving. This will be the last week for ordering any cards we don't normally carry in stock before the holidays.



FISCAL YEAR OF JULY 1, 2023 THRU JUNE 30, 2024

Weekend of NOV 25 2023 – NOV 26 2023

ORDINARY INCOME

Amount Collected..... \$2,505.00
 Budget Amount Needed \$3,500.00
 Weekly Income Is **(UNDER)** **(\$995.00)**

Thank you for your support!!!