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February 1, 2026
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary of the Assumption
Catholic Church

414 West Madison Street, Decatur, Indiana 46733

Phone: (260) 724-9159

www.stmarysdecatur.org

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm

Friday Closed

Sacrament of the Sick

Emergency Number: (260) 706-7136

Bulletin Submissions

amyers@sjdecatur.org

Bulletin Submissions: Due Monday by 3pm

Mass Announcements: Due Friday by 9am

Inserts: Due Wednesday by noon

**Please contact the church office or
have a family member contact us
if you are in a local hospital or nursing home
temporarily or long term or if you want
Communion or any of the Sacraments.**

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Hello everyone,

The weather has been pretty rough here this last week. It's too bad that we missed school during Catholic Schools Week. But, I still wanted to take a moment to recognize all the hard work of our administration, faculty, staff, and so many volunteers who help make our school an important ministry of evangelization and catechesis for our parish. Thanks to everyone at St. Joseph School for making it a great school and a special place for our students.

God bless you all,
Fr. Jake

February 2 –February 8 Liturgy Schedule

Monday, February 2

8:10 a.m. Living-Deceased: Sam & Tommy Yost Family
5:00 p.m. Adoration/Confession
6:00 p.m. Living-Deceased: Alice Brunton Family

Tuesday, February 3

8:10 a.m. Todd Hawkins †
5:00 p.m. Adoration/ Confession
6:00 p.m. Living-Deceased: Kevin Miller Family

Wednesday, February 4

8:10 a.m. Reiney & Mariann Selking †

Thursday, February 5

8:10 a.m. Suzanne Elliott †
6:00 p.m. Janice Voglewede †

Friday, February 6

8:10 a.m. Rowena Voglewede †
9:00 a.m. Adoration/Confession
1:20 p.m. Janelle Swaidner †

(Woodcrest Mass)

Saturday, February 7

8:10 a.m. Living-Deceased: Andy & Bessie Appelman Family
8:45 a.m. Confession
4:00 p.m. Living-Deceased: Leo Schultz Family

Sunday, February 8

7:00 a.m. Carol Braden †
8:30 a.m. People of St. Mary's
11:00 a.m. Living-Deceased: Gerald & Irene Grove Family

February Ushers:

4pm= Lew Seffernick & Pat Fullenkamp
7am= Mike Gremaux & Denny Bentz
8:30am= Scott & Henry Jauregui
11am= Steve & Chris Alberding

Sponsor of the Week

Kampman's Renovations

All Phases of Home

Remodeling and Flooring

Tyler Fullenkamp-John Suman

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Ph. 260.724.8959

Showroom: 1122 Winchester
M-W-F 9-5

Weekend Offertory Collections

January 25, 2026

Please consider including our parish in your will or estate.

Weekend Offerings/Envelopes -----\$6,144.00
Online Giving same period -----\$8,371.50
Loose Change -----\$459.50
Total Offerings for the week -----\$14,975.00

Cost of operation of the church and school is supplemented by wills, endowments, grants, Bishop's Appeal Overage, and other offerings to the parish. Please consider these means of contributing.

Ministry Schedule February 7/February 8

	Proclaimer	Knights of the altar	Extraordinary Minister
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Joan Sieftring	Miles Johnson Claire Kable Matthew Selking Jacob Selking	Roxanne Ray Kevin Wellman
Sunday, 7:00 AM	Don Lengerich	Olivia Brown Sue Whitright	Judy Miller
Sunday, 8:30 AM	Sharon Braun	Macy Bohnke Samuel Juengel Bridget Juengel Sawyer Zimmerman	Theresa Ashley Steve Loshe
Sunday, 11:00 AM	Justin Lengerich	Audrie Drake Sebastian Heimann Frank Heimann Xavier Heimann	Matt Dyer Diana Macklin

In Memoriam



We note the recent passing of Heath Mendez, T. Janice Lengerich & Margaret Rehill.

Please keep them in your prayers as well as their families.

Millennium Madness Winner

Congratulations to winner Camille Oetting of \$150 the week of 1/26/26 with number 102.

Hope Clinic Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus Council 864 is hosting a breakfast at our facility from 8 A.M. to 1 P.M. on Sunday February 15th. All proceeds will go to our local Hope Clinic.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

Steph's Spot

Religious Education

Sunday, February 1:

9:30am=RE for Parents and Kids

7th & 8th grade stay until 11:30

2pm=First Reconciliation for 2nd grade

Sunday, February 8:

9:30am=RE for Kids ONLY

7th & 8th grade stay until 11:30

Sunday, February 15:

9:30-11:30am=7th & 8th grade ONLY

Sunday, February 22:

12:15pm=First Communion Meeting for 2nd grade

Reminder: you must have 2 years of formation prior to receiving a Sacrament.

Serving you in Christ,
Steph Brite
706-7127/223-9789
sbrite@sjdecat.org

Pray for Vocations

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 1, 2026**

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
(Matthew 5:3)

The Beatitudes guide us in living holy and generous lives no matter the vocation He has placed on our heart. We are called to embody these virtues, serving God and His people with humble hearts. Pray for discernment and openness to where God might be inviting you to follow Him.

Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 260-422-4611 or by email at discernpriesthood@diocesefwsb.org/
women-jhayes@diocesefwsb.org

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons and as consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Amen.



Cha-Ching!

Intentionally **INVEST** in your **MARRIAGE**

February 13 & 14. Adams County Fairgrounds Expo Center. Monroe, IN. Valentine's Day is just around the corner. Give your spouse a gift that keeps on giving! Great entertainment! Great food! Great Fellowship! Scan QR Code or see AdamsCountyStrong.org for details and registration. Need help with cost? Scholarships available at the ACCF office, 127 N 2nd St., Decatur.



St. Joseph Catholic School acknowledges the time, talent and treasure given by our parishioners who volunteer for our parish ministries and committees. Spiritual Bouquets with prayers offered by our students and staff are being delivered and will continue throughout this school year.

May God bless you greatly!



Donut Sunday

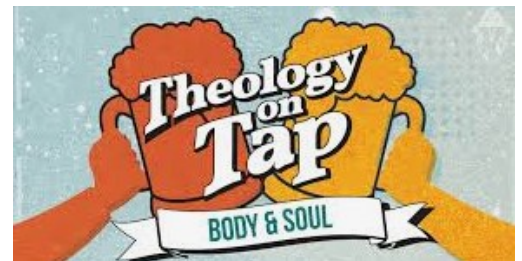


March 1—St. Joe 6th Grade Class
April 5—Luke & Julie Rumschlag Family
May 3—Brandi Steury Family

If you are interested in hosting a Donut Sunday, please reach out to Debbie Myers at dsmyers@sjdecatur.org. Thank you to all those who volunteer!

Theology on Tap-Fort Wayne

Young people in their 20's and 30's are invited to the Winter 2026 Theology on Tap Series titled Hope Does Not Disappoint. The weekly series runs every Tuesday from February 3rd-February 24th. Individuals of any faith are encouraged to attend. The event takes place at Classic Café. Doors, food, and bar service open at 6:30 p.m. Weekly talks begin at 7:00 p.m. Come for the food and drink, fellowship, explore your faith, and invite a friend. Learn more about the series at: diocesefwsb.org/tot-fw.



Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Ada Mendoza	Joe Brite	Steve Roman
Al Fenig	Joe Wyss	Suzanne Ashton
Anita Myers	Julie Heiman	Tricia Anderson
Bill Faurote	Kermit Summers	
Candy Reidenbach	Kevin Noble	-Names will remain on
Dan Schnitz	Lisa Inskeep	this list for 4 months.
Dave Heimann	Mae Koenig	
Donna Webb	Marilyn Roop	-If you would like to
Don Baker	Mary Friedt	have a name added to
Dorie Wyss-Brite	Mary Baker	our prayer list or have
Doug Watkins	Mike Linday	updates to those on the
Eric Sharp	Molly McIntire	list, please contact
Fr. Bill Sullivan	Phyllis Feasel	Angie at
Jack and Noah Price	Ric Black	angierichert@ymail.com
Jeff Coyne	Rita Wolpert	or text 260-525-0424 or
Jim Baumer	Rosalie Boyle	reply to Flocknote
Joan Busick	Ryan Burelison	emails
Joanne Mowery	Sammi Porter	
Jody Beauchot	Steve Rickord	

Choir News

St. Mary's Choir will sing for both Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 4th (beginning at 9pm) and for Confirmation Mass on Sunday, April 19th (beginning at 2 pm). In order to prepare for both Masses, we will hold several practices between the 8:30 and 11 am Mass on the following

Sunday mornings in the choir loft in church:

Sunday, March 1

Sunday, March 8

Sunday, March 15

Sunday, March 29 (Palm Sunday)

We will sing familiar pieces for those of you who have sung in past years for these celebrations, but if there are parishioners who would like to join us, please know you are welcome to do so, even if it is just to sing hymns and Mass parts. No voice is too small. Together let us raise our voices to praise God!

Feel free to let me know if you have any questions.

Peace, Ron



Help sustain our church with

Online Giving



Faithfulness in giving allows us to share the gifts that God has given us, so our spiritual home may thrive. That is why our church offers Online Giving as an option to support our ongoing mission and ministries.



Thank you from Saint Vincent DePaul

The board members of St. Vincent DePaul Society would like to thank all those who gave to the annual Advent Giving Tree. The Response to this year's event was amazing. We received \$5545 in utility assistance & gas cards which will be used to assist many of our vulnerable, less fortunate neighbors in the community with emergency assistance.

We appreciate the effort that goes into this annual event along with all the food and toiletries collected and donated by the St. Joseph school students to help stock our food pantry. Again, Thank you!



REKINDLE THE FIRE

MEN'S CONFERENCE

SOUTH BEND, IN

FEBRUARY 21, 2026



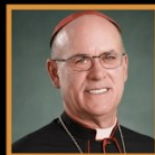
FR. LARRY RICHARDS



ROBERT ROGERS



DOM QUAGLIA



BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

TICKETS ON SALE NOW @ [REKINDLETHEFIRE.NET](https://www.rekindlethefire.net)

RTF Men's Conference Charter Bus

Charter bus transportation is available from Fort Wayne to South Bend for the 2026 RTF Men's Conference.

Reserve a round-trip seat at [rekindlethefire.net](https://www.rekindlethefire.net) by first purchasing your conference ticket, then selecting *Bus Tickets*. (One bus ticket per person.)

A wheelchair-lift-equipped bus is available (riders must be able to transfer to a regular seat.)

Additional details will be sent prior to the event.

February 21, 2026—5:30 AM-6:00 PM (EST)

Departing from: 1720 E Wallen Rd, Fort Wayne



Ladies!

**Join us in February
for Kingdom Builders**

We love our comforts ~ Apple AirPods, Uber Eats, Alexa and more. Yet, none of these are truly satisfying; we were designed for something greater. Ladies – Come and bask in the Father's light and discover true fulfillment.

**St. Mary of the Assumption
Wednesday Feb. 11, 2026
7-8:30 pm - start in parish hall**

 *Kingdom Builders*
www.BuildingThroughHim.com



Adams Heritage to Host Chocolate Walk and Open House

February 11, 2026, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Adams Heritage located at 12011 Whittern Road in Monroeville.

Adams Heritage provides care and compassion in a home-like setting and was recently recognized by U.S. News & World Report as a 2026 Best Nursing Home—a distinction that reflects their commitment to excellence.

Guests are welcome to tour the facility and enjoy a warm, festive evening featuring hot cocoa, a chocolate walk experience, and delicious cookies from Sorinna's Bakery. The event provides an opportunity for families and community members to learn more about the wide range of services offered, including short term rehabilitation and long-term nursing care.

“Generations” Program

This week you will receive a brochure introducing our “Generations” Program. I'm proud to be part of the St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church community.

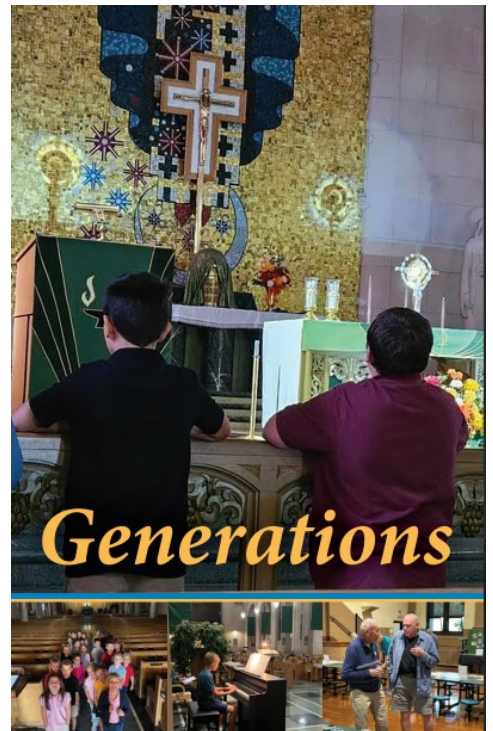
On Commitment Weekend, February 7 & 8, I invite each of you to participate in this important program and help us respond to God's great gift of love. I ask that you please review this brochure and prayerfully consider how you and your family can help St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church by financially supporting our ministries, furthering our mission, and reinforcing our future.

We ask that all faithful parishioners complete a Commitment Card. A card will be included in the brochure mailing for you to:

- mail to the church using the pre-addressed envelope included in this mailing.
- or bring your card to Mass next Sunday.
- or you may visit our parish website at www.stmarysdecatur.org and complete an electronic Commitment Card

The back of the Commitment Card has a place for you to include any prayer intentions you wish to share. We welcome all intentions and they will be prayed for collectively over the next few weeks. If you would like to speak to a priest, please indicate so on your card and we will be in contact with you.

Our goal is 100% participation! Thank you for your generosity and support of St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church!



St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Directory

ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

414 Madison Street, Decatur, Indiana 46733

www.stmarysdecatur.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
FridayClosed

Pastor Fr. Jake Runyon
jrunyon@sjdecatur.org 706-7130

Church and

School FinanceMelinda Adams
madams@sjdecatur.org 638-5930

Director of Religious Education and Ministry

ScheduleStephanie Brite
sbrite@sjdecatur.org 706-7127

Safe Environment Coordinator and

Mass IntentionsDebbie Myers
dsmyers@sjdecatur.org 706-7134

MS Youth Ministry Karen Weber 223-3138

Church Office724-9159
secretary@sjdecatur.org

Parish Secretary/Bulletin/Hall

Coordinator Ashley Myers
amyers@sjdecatur.org 706-7126

Bookstore.....Amanda Johnson 223-2502

Computer Prayer Line

Email: angierichert@ymail.com

St. Vincent DePaul Chris Hakes, 728-9423
Food Pantry301 Mercer Ave., 728-9423
Store 1209 Village Green Dr., 724-8500

St. Joseph Cemetery, 651 W. 600 N., Decatur

Don Kriegel223-1949
By email at sjosephcemetery@yahoo.com

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday7:00, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Daily Mass See Schedule in the Bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Monday, Tuesday5:00 p.m.
Thursday6:45 p.m.
Friday, Saturday8:45 a.m.
or Anytime by Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Debbie Myers..... dsmyers@sjdecatur.org
706-7134

Sacrament of Marriage

Call the Parish Office six months in advance.

Sacrament of the Sick

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.
After Hours Emergency Contact: 260-706-7136

Bulletin Deadline Monday at
3pm Call the rectory or email information
to amyers@sjdecatur.org

Mass Request -

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION (stmarysdecatur.org)

New to Parish/Registration

Stop by or call the Parish office 724-9159.

ST JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

127 North 4th Street, Decatur, Indiana 46733

Phone(260)724-2765
www.sjdecatur.org

St. Joseph Catholic School provides a Christian learning environment that nurtures the growth of each student in mind, body and spirit. Our school offers unique educational experiences that provide the values, knowledge and skills students need to be successful in life.

School Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
During the school year.

PrincipalBrian Baker, 724-2765, ext. 110

School Secretary....Erika Hebble, 724-2765, ext. 109

Home And School Association President

Nicole Selking

School Board President

Carrie Binigar.....

Preschool/Daycare Supervisor

Laura Sutton706-7113