



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5 PM

SUNDAY: 7:30 AM & 10 AM

DAILY MASS:

TUESDAY, THURSDAY, SATURDAY: 8 AM

WEDNESDAY: 7 PM

FRIDAY: 8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS:

TUESDAY: 8:30-9 AM

WEDNESDAY: 6-6:45 PM

SATURDAY: 8:30-9 AM & 4-4:45 PM

FIRST FRIDAY: 3-3:45 PM

ADORATION:

TUESDAY: 7-8 AM

WEDNESDAY: 6-7 PM

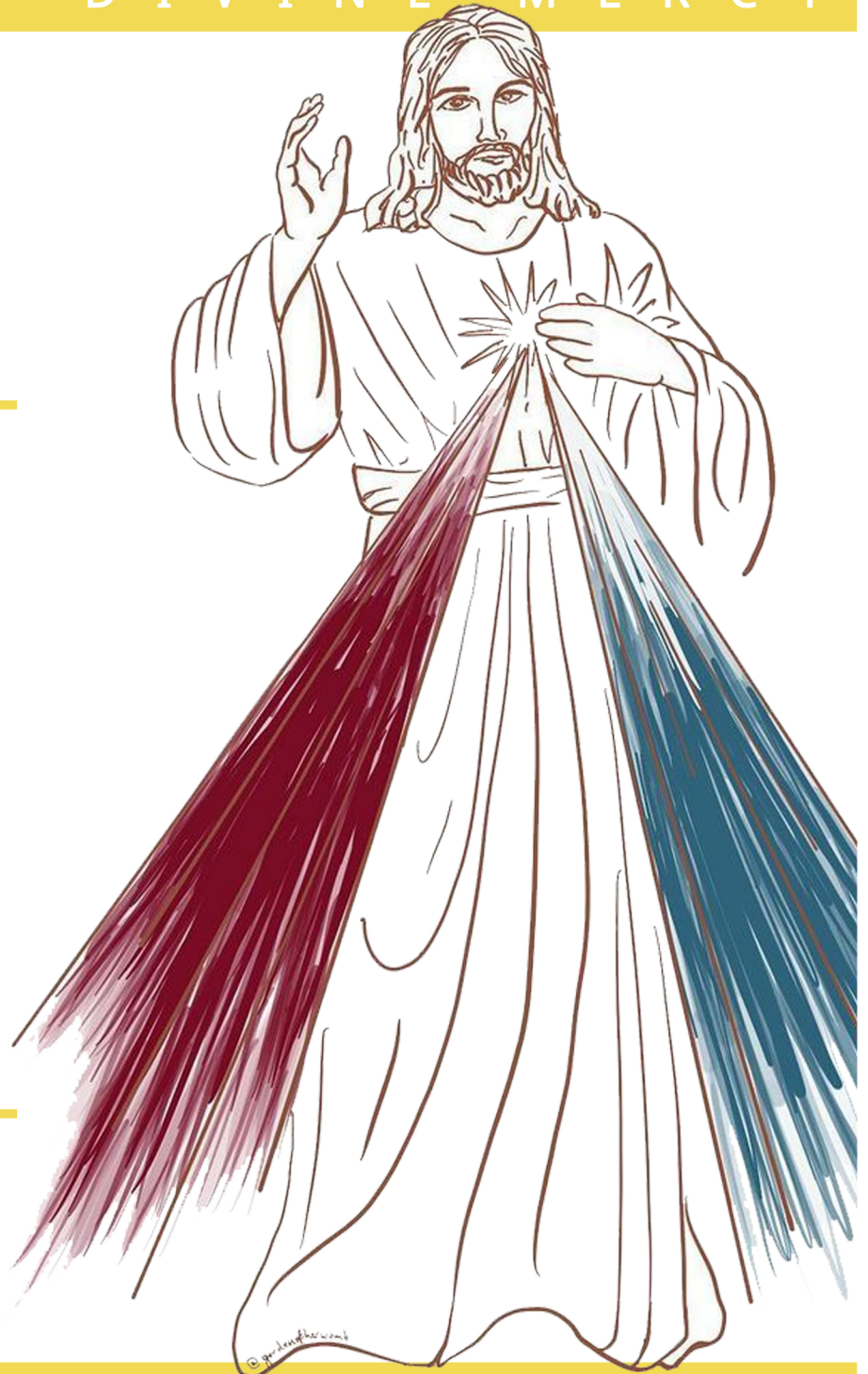
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Saturday, April 11

4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

Sunday, April 12

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of the
Blinn Family

9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. Rose Marie & Robert
Bates+

Monday, April 13

No Public Mass

Tuesday, April 14

7:00-8:00 a.m. *Adoration*

8:00 a.m. Ronnie Burns +

8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*

Wednesday, April 15

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration*

6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession*

7:00 p.m. Dave Dreiband +

Thursday, April 16

8:00 a.m. Martin & Lois Simon +

Friday, April 17

8:30 a.m. Gerald Beckman +

Saturday, April 18

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*

4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

5:00 p.m. Dorothy Huseman +

Sunday, April 19

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Our Parish Family

9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. Petra (Bayne) Webber +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Apr. 13 - Easter Weekday [2] -St. Martin I, Pope, Martyr - Acts 4:23-31 / Ps 2:1-9 / Jn 3:1-8

Tues., Apr. 14 - Easter Weekday [2] - Acts 4:32-37 / Ps 93:1-2, 5 / Jn 3:7b-15

Wed., April 15 - Easter Weekday [2] - Acts 5:17-26 / Ps 34:2-9 / Jn 3:16-21

Thurs., April 16 - Easter Weekday [2] - Acts 5:27-33 / Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 / Jn 3:31-36

Fri., April 17 - Easter Weekday [2] - Acts 5:34-42 / Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 / Jn 6:1-15

Sat., April 18 - Easter Weekday [2] - Acts 6:1-7 / Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 / Jn 6:16-21

Sun., April 19 - Third Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:14, 22-23 / Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 / 1 Pt 1:17-21 / Lk 24:13-35

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) - APRIL 12, 2026

This weekend (April 11th/12th), the Church celebrates the **Second Sunday and Octave Day of Easter**, also known as **Divine Mercy Sunday**. This latter celebration was established in 2000 by Pope St. John Paul II following the canonization of St. Faustina, the 20th Century nun and mystic. Over several years, she received mystical visions emphasizing the great gift of divine mercy to us given through Jesus' sacrifice upon the Cross. From these visions, we received the beautiful devotion of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

One side of the insert in this weekend's bulletin offers a walk-through of how to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Prayed upon the Rosary, this devotion mediates upon that great gift of mercy that flowed forth upon the earth from our Lord upon the Holy Cross. In it, we are reminded that we are not a people lost in despair and grief; Instead, Jesus provides us a refuge from the storms of life and, in His great mercy, offers comfort and rest to all weary souls.

A special "**Thank You!**" to all those who assisted with our **Triduum** and **Easter** liturgies this past week and weekend! Our Choir provided transcendent music for each Mass and our Liturgical Decorating Committee seamlessly transitioned our temporary worship spaces so beautifully. Our Altar Servers, led by our Master of Ceremonies, Dan Geimer, offered a prayerful witness at each liturgy. Many hands truly made light of much work!

In addition, our lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion each played an essential role in the prayerful and reverent celebration of these most sacred days. Our Knights of Columbus helped to man our parish lift each day to ensure that all who needed assistance were able to participate fully in our liturgies. Parishioner Nancy Wagner also masterfully designed and painted our Paschal Candle. Make sure to take a close look at it after Mass!

Finally, though certainly not least, our parish staff of Michelle, Teresa, and Stacey helped with the many moving parts behind the scenes. Thank you to all who helped ensure that the Sacred Paschal Mystery was not only celebrated, but truly made manifest among us this **Holy Week** and **Easter Sunday**.

CHURCH RENOVATION - GENERAL UPDATE

This past Tuesday, we had our bi-weekly construction meeting with our team from **Shawnee Construction** and **Dancer Flooring**. After consulting with all on hand, it was decided that we would spend one last weekend (*this weekend!*) in the Parish Social Hall before returning to the Church for our weekend Masses. This extra week will allow a thorough and deep clean of the nave and narthex as major work is completed in those areas.

What does it mean that "*major work is completed*"? The flooring throughout the nave and narthex has been finished by **Dancer Flooring**, completing the terrazzo work for our project. With the flooring completed, our pews, with tops repaired by **Yaste Painting Inc.**, have been returned. With help from **Sauder Worship Seating**, our original pew manufacturer, new "feet" have been designed and used to anchor the pews more securely to the floor.

Though the major work in the nave and narthex is completed, there is still minor work to be done. The minor work primarily consists of installing trim and painting the walls in the nave and, eventually, the narthex. This work will be done closer to our completion date in May, when the sanctuary is also ready for painting. We will also be updating the lighting above the Stations of the Cross, moving to fixtures that will better illuminate each station.

ADULT CONFIRMATIONS WITH BISHOP RHOADES

On Sunday, May 24th, Bishop Rhoades will offer a Mass for adults in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral. If you have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, consider availing yourself to this opportunity to do so. To learn more about this event and possibility, please reach out to me through the Parish Office (260-824-1380).

~In Christ, Fr. David



G.I.R.L.'s Night Out

(Growing, Inspiring, Rejoicing, Loving)

GIRL'S Night Out will have their monthly meeting on **Tuesday, April 14th at 7:00 p.m.** in the 8th grade Religious Education Classroom.

All women of the parish are invited & welcome!

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Thurs., April 23rd
6:30 PM
Fr. David Violi on
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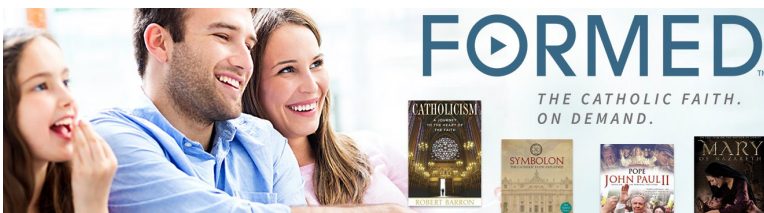
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Grades 1-6
June 22nd - June 26th - 9:00 a.m. to 2:40 p.m.



Sign in at FORMED.ORG with our Parish Code: 7N68MY

PARISH CALENDAR

- **Sat., April 11** - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., April 12** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- **Sun., April 12** - Religious Education Class Resumes - 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- **Tues., April 14** - Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel.
- **Tues., April 14** - G.I.R.L.'s Night Out meeting - 7:00 p.m. in the 8th grade religious education classroom.
- **Wed., April 15** - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.
- **Thurs., April 16** - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- **Thurs., April 16** - Discover Catholicism - 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the 8th Grade Classroom.
- **Thurs., April 16** - Adult Choir practice - 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall (Church).
- **Fri., April 17** - Mass 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., April 18** - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m. (Chapel)
- **Sat., April 18** - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., April 19** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- **Sun., April 19** - Religious Education Class - 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- **Sun., April 19** - Confirmation Mass 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, Decatur.
- **Tues., April 21** - Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel.
- **Wed., April 22** - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.
- **Thurs., April 23** - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- **Thurs., April 16** - Discover Catholicism - 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the 8th Grade Classroom.

WEEKEND OF APRIL 18TH & 19TH



Mass Cantors
5:00 p.m. Nichole Decker
7:30 a.m. Donna Geisel
10:00 a.m. Adult Choir



Lectors
5:00 p.m. Patti Clark-Johnson
7:30 a.m. Barb Ault
10:00 a.m. John Vanderkolk



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
5:00 p.m. Laurisa Roper
7:30 a.m. N/A
10:00 a.m. Kevin Seago, Tammi Helm, Monica Harris



Servers
5:00 p.m. Angel/Zoe Soto, Danny Decker
7:30 a.m. Charlene/Anna Lynn/Jackson Felger
10:00 a.m. Isaiah/Dominic Bedwell, Andrew Smith

ST. JOSEPH PARISH FINANCE REPORT

Weekend of April 4th & 5th

Adult Envelopes (Easter Offering) - \$3,444.00
Loose - \$358.00
Repair / Rainy Day - \$905.00
Total - \$4,707.00

St. Vincent de Paul Fund - \$286.28

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are **\$409.40 behind** our budget for the month of April 2026.

Online Giving for March 2026 - \$6,143.00.

We ended the month of March **\$5,789.84** ahead of our budget.

To set up **Online Giving** through *Our Sunday Visitor*, visit: www.osvhub.com/stjosephchurchbluffton or Scan the QR Code on the right:



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUND REPORT - MAR. 2026

Utilities - \$422.00

Charitable Donations - \$200.00

Total Donations for February - \$622.00

Thank you for helping us help others!

ANNUAL BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE DIOCESE OF FORT WAYNE-SOUTH BEND

It remains important for our Church to protect children and young persons from the evils of abuse. The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend remains committed to upholding and following its guidelines, policies and procedures that were implemented for the protection of children and young people. These guidelines can be reviewed on the diocese's website, www.diocecefwsb.org, under "Youth Protection".

If you have reason to believe that a minor may be a victim of child abuse or neglect, Indiana law requires that you report this to civil authorities. If you or someone you know was abused as a child or young person by an adult, you are encouraged to notify appropriate civil authorities of that abuse. In addition, if the alleged abuser is or was a priest or deacon of the Catholic Church, you are encouraged to contact Jodi Marlin, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at (260) 399-1447 or jmarlin@diocecefwsb.org; or Rev. Mark Gurtner, Vicar General of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, at P.O. Box 390, Fort Wayne, Indiana, 46801; at (260) 399-1419; or at mgurtner@diocecefwsb.org. The diocese is committed to helping prevent the abuse or neglect of children and young people and to assist those who have suffered harm as a result of such abuse.

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T - is it true?
 h - is it helpful?
 i - is it inspiring?
 n - is it necessary?
 k - is it kind?

"Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families."
 - St. John Paul II

