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BLUFFTON, INDIANA

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5 PM

SUNDAY: 7:30 AM & 10 AM

DAILY MASS:

MEMORIAL DAY (MAY 25): 10 AM

AT ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CEMETERY

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

ADORATION:

TUESDAY: 7-8 AM & WEDNESDAY: 6-7 PM

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**WHAT THE SOUL
IS TO THE
HUMAN BODY,
THE HOLY SPIRIT
IS TO THE
BODY OF CHRIST,
WHICH IS
THE CHURCH.**

St. Augustine of Hippo

Sermon 267 (AD 410)

Saturday, May 23

4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*
5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family
Sunday, May 24

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*
7:30 a.m. Steve Wagner +
9:40 a.m. *Rosary*
10:00 a.m. Tom Cincotta +

Monday, May 25 - Memorial Day -
Mass will be at the St. Joseph
Catholic Cemetery

10:00 a.m. Fallen Service Members
Tuesday, May 26

No Public Mass

Wednesday, May 27

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration*
6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession*
7:00 p.m. Leo & Florence Gillig
Family

Thursday, May 28

8:00 a.m. Fr. Bill Sullivan +

Friday, May 29

8:30 a.m. Ken Stoffel +

Saturday, May 30

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*
4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*
5:00 p.m. Children of Tom & Becky
Jackson

Sunday, May 31

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*
7:30 a.m. Tim & Debbie Glenn
9:40 a.m. *Rosary*
10:00 a.m. Our Parish Family
Family

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., May 25 - Memorial Day - The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, [Week 8 in Ordinary Time] -
Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 / Ps 87:1-3, 5
-7 / Jn 19:25-34

Tues., May 26 - St. Philip Neri, Priest -
Pt 1:10-16 / Ps 98:1-4 / Mk 10:28-31

Wed., May 27 - Weekday [8] - St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop - 1 Pt 1:18-25 /
Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 / Mk 10:32-45

Thurs., May 28 - Weekday [8] - 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12 / Ps 100:2-5 / Mk 10:46-52

Fri., May 29 - Weekday [8] - St. St. Paul VI, Pope - 1 Pt 4:7-13 / Ps 96:10-13 / Mk 11:11-26

Sat., May 30 - Weekday [8] - Jude 17, 20b-25 / Ps 63:2-6 / Mk 11:27-33

Sun., May 31 - The Most Holy Trinity -
Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 / (Ps) Dn 3:52-55 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18

PENTECOST SUNDAY - MAY 24, 2026

This weekend (May 23rd/24th), the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of Pentecost**. Marking fifty days after the Resurrection, this is the day that the Church was first strengthened by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the gospel message boldly to the world. This event is recorded in the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, explaining how the Apostles are now empowered to “go forth and make disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28:19).

The Holy Spirit that descended upon the Apostles at **Pentecost** continues to enliven the Church even today. The Lord continues to send out His Spirit to renew the face of the earth and to draw all of us and all of fallen creation back to Himself. And, just as the descent of the Spirit empowered the Apostles to preach the good news, so are we likewise empowered by the same Spirit. We must trust the Holy Spirit to enable us to carry out this responsibility.

As Pope St. Paul VI witnessed, the Holy Spirit “*is the principal agent of evangelization*” (*On Evangelization*, Paragraph 75). The Holy Spirit will help us to proclaim the Gospel by word and by deed to those whom our lives touch. The Holy Spirit will work in those to whom we witness, that Christ’s truth may be understood and accepted. In that confidence, let us all be prepared to go forth to proclaim the gospel.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

You are invited to join us this **Memorial Day (Monday, May 25th) at 10 AM for a special Mass at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery on SR 124** as we pray for all those who have died in service to our country and for all the faithful departed. In the midst of remembrance and gratitude, we commend those who have given their lives for our freedoms to the mercy of God and place our hope in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

On Sunday, June 7th, the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of Corpus Christi**. Following our 10 AM Mass on Sunday, June 7th, we will hold our annual **Corpus Christi Procession**. In every Eucharistic Procession, we follow after the Lord physically as we pledge ourselves to do so spiritually. We also give public witness to our acceptance of the Lord’s words: “*The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world*” (John 6:51).

GRADUATION MASS

On **Sunday, June 14th, at the 10 AM Mass**, we will celebrate our annual Graduate’s Mass for our graduating High School Seniors. If you have a high school senior who is graduating and would like to be honored at this Mass, please contact the Parish Office (260-824-1380) for more information.

GENERAL UPDATE—PARISH RENOVATIONS

This weekend was originally scheduled to mark the end of our renovation project. Materials delays, however, have pushed our end date by at least a month. We are expecting the remaining flooring to arrive and be installed by the end of the June. We are still experiencing delays with the woodworking package being milled by Big C Lumber out of Fort Wayne. As of this past Friday, we were assured that our project is “next in line.” This means that we will hopefully see parts coming in for installation starting this week.

OPEN POSITION — PART-TIME PARISH CUSTODIAN

In anticipation for our completed renovations, we will be adding a second custodial position to our Parish Staff to assist with the increased cleaning responsibilities. This hourly position would focus on maintaining the Schaefer Parish Center, which includes both the Religious Education Classrooms and Gymnasium. Starting at \$14 per hour (*with an increase to \$15 after four months*), this position offers flexible working hours. Please contact the Parish Office (260-824-1380) for more information.

~In Christ, Fr. David



The Parish Office will be closed for Memorial Day from Monday, May 25th through Friday, May 29th. The Parish Office will reopen on Monday, June 1st.

MEMORIAL DAY - MONDAY, MAY 25TH

Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery on State Rd. 124

Bring a lawn chair.



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MASS TIMES FOR TRAVEL

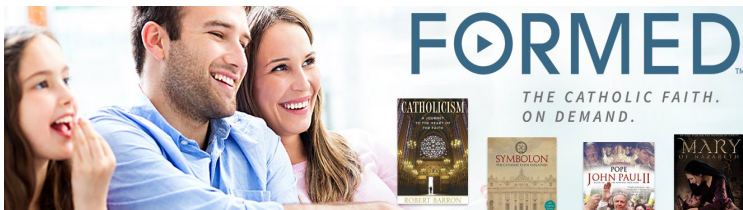
FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION—June 3, 2026

Starts after 8:30 a.m. Mass

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Chapel)

Confession offered 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Sign-up sheet in the back of Church.



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

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., May 23 - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 24 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Mon., May 25 - *Memorial Day* - Mass at 10:00 a.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery on State Rd. 124, Bluffton.
- Tues., May 26 through Fri., May 29 - Parish Office Closed
- Tues., May 26 - *No Public Mass*
- Wed., May 27 - *Adoration* 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m. *in the chapel.*
- Thurs., May 28 - Mass 8:00 a.m. *in the chapel.*
- Thurs., May 28 - Adult Choir practice - 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., May 29 - Mass 8:30 a.m. *in the chapel.*
- Sat., May 30 - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., May 30 - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., May 31 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Mon., June 1 - *No Public Mass*
- Tues., June 2 - *Adoration* 7:00-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m. *in the chapel.*
- Wed., June 3 - *Adoration* 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m. *in the chapel.*
- Thurs., June 4 - Mass 8:00 a.m. *in the chapel.*
- Thurs., June 4 - Adult Choir practice - 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., June 5 - Mass 8:30 a.m. *in the chapel.*
- Sat., June 6 - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., June 6 - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.

WEEKEND OF MAY 30TH & 31ST



CANTORS

MASS Cantors
 5:00 p.m. Dan Lautzenheiser
 7:30 a.m. Teresa Smith
 10:00 a.m. Jay Crisp



LECTORS

5:00 p.m. Stacey Coulardot
 7:30 a.m. Ben Wagner
 10:00 a.m. Monica Harris



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 p.m. Larisa Sudhoff
 7:30 a.m. Twilla Herr
 10:00 a.m. Kendra Davis



ALTAR SERVERS

5:00 p.m. Alex/Audrey Mechling, Landen Lautzenheiser
 7:30 a.m. Abby or Adrienne Wagner, Ainsley Wagner, Annie Herr
 10:00 a.m. Isaiah Bedwell, JT/ Wyatt Davis

ST. JOSEPH PARISH FINANCE REPORT

Weekend of May 16TH & 17TH

Adult Envelopes - \$4,596.00
 Loose - \$313.00
 Repair / Rainy Day - \$380.00
 Memorial/ Parish Needs - \$100.00
 Ascension - \$245.00
Total - \$5,634.00

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$3,535.28 ahead of our budget for the month of May 2026.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$290.00

Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are appreciated!
 Thank you!

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



TOTUS TUUS SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM JUNE 22ND—JUNE 26TH **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

- REGISTRATION/CHECK - IN EACH MORNING
- KITCHEN HELP - BREAKS / LUNCH
- CLASSROOM AIDS

VOLUNTEER APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

TWO HOST HOMES NEEDED

We need 2 Host Homes from June 20th - 25th for our four *Totus Tuus* Summer Missionaries. If interested in serving as a host home, please call the Parish Office at (260) 824-1380.

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Marsha Chaney, mother of Laura (Kerry) Roberts, who passed away on Friday, May 16, 2026 and was laid to rest on Friday, May 22, 2026.



Eternal Rest Grant unto her O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

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 h - is it helpful?
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 n - is it necessary?
 k - is it kind?

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