***SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES*  *St. Brigid of Ireland June 29, 2025 St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Catholic Church***

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Pastor:

Fr. Jeff Gatlin

Rectory:

270-877-2546

Deacon:

Mike Ryan

Office:

270-272-6789

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**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**

Notify the parish office when a family member is hospitalized.

**BAPTISM:** Contact the parish office for information about the required preparation class.

**BULLETIN:** Submit information in writing by note or email to the parish office **no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday** for the following weekend. When sending an email, please put “BULLETIN” in the subject line along with the name of the parish it pertains to.

**MARRIAGE:** Contact Father Jeff or Deacon Mike at least 6 months prior to the wedding date to complete required marriage preparations and to schedule the date.

**OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults):** Contact Deacon Mike Ryan (270) 877-0546 or (270) 272-6789

Contact the **DEW MEMORIAL LIBRARY:**

(St. Brigid Church basement):

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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

*Saturday (Vigil):*  6:30 p.m.

*Sunday:* 11:00 a.m.

*Tuesday:* 9:00 a.m*. Wednesday:* 6:30 p.m.

**RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday before Mass from 5:00-6:00 p.m. or by appt.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

*President:* Greg Thompson

*Secretary:* Jan Thomas

**CHAIRPERSONS:**

*Administration:*  David Yates

*Formation:* Lisa Thomas

*Parish Life:* Doug Updegraff

*Worship:* Sarah Mattingly

**Youth Minister:**

Lori Law: (270) 723-0157

**MASS SCHEDULE:**

*Sunday:* 9:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

*Monday:* 9:00 a.m.

*Thursday:* 9:00 a.m.

**RECONCILIATION:**

Sunday before Mass from 2:30 -3:30 or by appt.

**ROSARY:**  After weekday Masses

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

*President*: Bill Cochran

*Vice-President*: Angie Bragg

*Secretary:* Ken Baker

*At-Large Members:* Jane Alder

Linda Skeeters

**CHAIRPERSONS:**

*Administration:* To be filled

*Formation:* Tina Yates

*Parish Life:* Angie Bragg

*Worship:* Judy Cochran

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| Sat | June 28 | 6:30 p.m. | St. John | For All Parishioners | VIGIL: SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES |
| Sun | June 29 | 9:00 a.m. | St. Brigid | In loving memory of the Cecil Family,  In loving memory of  Elroy Rogers | SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES |
| Sun | June 29 | 11:00 a.m. | St. John | For All Parishioners  In Honor of Bobby and Laverne Thomas’ 69th Wedding Anniversary | SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES |
| Sun | June 29 | 4:00 p.m. | St. Brigid | Our Parish Family | SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES |
| Mon | June 30 | 9:00 a.m. | St. Brigid | In loving memory of  Luise Weisshaupt  Family Members | Weekday |
| Tue | July 1 | 9:00 a.m. | St. John | For All Parishioners | Weekday |
| Wed | July 2 | 6:30 p.m. | St. John | For All Parishioners | Weekday |
| Thurs | July 3 | 9:00 a.m. | St. Brigid | In loving memory of  Clarence Jenkins | Saint Thomas,  Apostle |
| Sat | July 5 | 6:30 p.m. | St. John | For All Parishioners | VIGIL: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN  ORDINARY TIME |
| Sun | July 6 | 9:00 a.m. | St. Brigid | In loving memory of  Tom Billings,  In loving memory of  Luise Weisshaupt Family Members | FOURTEENTH SUNDAY  IN ORDINARY TIME |
| Sun | July 6 | 11:00 a.m. | St. John | For all Parishioners | FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN |
| Sun | July 6 | 4:00 p.m. | St. Brigid | Our Parish Family,  In loving memory of  Milton Skeeters | FOURTEENTH SUNDAY  IN ORDINARY TIME |

**Our Military List**

To add someone to the military list, please call the parish office at (270) 877-2461.

MAJ Jordan **Benton**, E6 Jose **Bonilla**, SPC Brenna **Brown**, 2LT Ryan **Cunningham,** Sgt**.** Lance **Etsitty,** Sgt. Luiz **Etsitty,**AD3 Seth **Filburn,** 1Lt Matthew **Fischer**, 1LT Tyler **Hall**, 1LT Olivia **Jerolaman,** 1LT Paul E. **Kotarski**, **A**1C Joseph **Manco**, SFC Peter **Novak**, LTCMDR Erin **Pedersen**, James **Rogers**, Tony **Roger**s, Jonathon **Sifford**, Jeffrey **Slade**, Derek **Smith**, CSM Vance **Snider**, Brian **Tomassi**, A1C Daniel **Trombone**, SGT Evan **Wilson**, WO2 Evan **Vaughan**, SGT Megan **Vessels,** SGT Clay M **Wilson**, SS Shelby Nicole **Winchester**, TSGT Jeremy **Yates**, and for all who serve and have served our country.

**St. John and St. Brigid Prayer List**

To add someone to the prayer list, please call the parish office at (270) 877-2461.

Sam **Adams**, April **Allen**, Dennis **Arnold,** Shannon **Barnes,** Denise **Barnett**, Timothy **Birch**, Leon **Blair**, Teresa **Blaycock**, Charlie **Bowers**, Everett **Brown,** Jason **Brown**, Joseph **Bryant**. Richard **Bryson**, Carol **Buchanan**, Joe **Buchanan**, Linda **Buchanan**,Catron Peterson **Burdette,** Jeremy & Margie **Buyer**, Greg **Byerly**, Glenn **Canaday,** Steve **Carver**, Sue **Caswell**, Bobby **Chism**, Betty Jo **Cooper**, Rose M. **Cooper**, James **Copley,** Denise **Corbett,** Heidi **Correa,** Eric **Cox,** Jeff **Craig,** Michael **Dalton,** Jerry **Deom**, Judy **Deom, Tommy** Deom, Roan **Dowell**, Virginia **Drake**, Danny **Embry**, Julie **Fagan,** Wayne **Garcia**, Dayle **Gilliatt**, Danny **Greenwell**, Carrie **Gribben**, Joe Pat **Hall,** Danny **Hardesty**, N. J. **Hardesty,** Jimmy **Harper**, Cheryl **Hart,** Eileen **Heinen**,Susan **Horton,** Frank **Inanely**, Braddock **Inman**, Eve **Jarboe,** Pasita **Javier,** Paul **Jenkins**, Betty Lou **Jones**, Bob **Jones**, Mark **Kennedy,** Violet **Knoop,** Robert **Krauser**,Mary Colleen **Learned**, Richard **Lee**, Jenny **Leonhardt**, Denzil **Lile,** Jackie **Long**, Lori **Love**, Gary **Lucous,** Shelly **Martin**, Martina **Masoni**, Ron **Masoni**, Kay **Matheney**, Don **Mattingly**, Paul Michael **Mattingly**, Kay **McGuire,** Angela **Miles,** Tate **Miller**, Starla **Miller**,Brixten **Muir**,Alexandra **Munn**, David **Murray,** Aira & Zairah **Nixon**, Elaine Ray **Ogletree**, Maggie **Olson,** Theresa **Owens,** Bill **Padgett,** Jim **Padgett,**  Joe **Padgett**, Johnny **Padgett,** Annie **Pierce,** Wendy **Pike**, Adrianna **Porter**, Jeremy **Porter,** Mary Ray **Portwood,** Ernie and Linda **Pyzocha,** Adrian **Ray**, Jimmy **Ray**, Mary Agnes **Ray**, Rob **Redmond**, Theresa **Riney,** Joel **Rivera**, Betty **Robbins,** Alaina **Rogers,** Les and Linda **Rogers,** Pam Anthony **Roy,** Margaret **Ryan**, Pat and Mary **Ryan**, Russ **Salvia**, Joe **Samu**, Margit **Sanders,** Caroline **Seabee**, Karen **Shaffer,** John **Sheroan**, Erica **Shook**, Brittany **Sines**,Greg **Skeeters,** Karen **Smith,** Magdalena “Maggie” **Smith,** Sheila **Smith,** Greg **Stevens**, Nolan **Stith**, Joe **Thomas**, Norbert **Thompson**, Debi **Turner**, Mary Ann **Vance**, Stacey **Vance**, Stacy **Vessels**, Kathy **Watkins**, Mary **Via**, Elfriede **Wheeler,**  Paul A. **Whelan**, Jan **Wilke**, Jennifer **Williams**, Lucas **Williams**, Gail **Wilson**, Marie **Wirth,** Connor **Wright,** Joe Herman **Yates,** Tony **Yates** and all the sick, both mentally and physically.

**Stewardship Reflections: Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles  
  
“You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. “ Matthew 16:18**

The keys to the Kingdom were given to Peter and so too they are entrusted to us. Stewardship entails total commitment to the Lord and complete trust in his goodness, not a nervous looking over our shoulders to see if we can afford this commitment.

**For Both Parishes**

**PICKLEBALL** – Saint Brigid gym is open for pickleball on Mondays and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. Come, enjoy the physical activity, and have fun at the same time.

**GYM WALKING –** St. Brigid gym is open M-W-F mornings from 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. for anyone who would like to come walk.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING -** St. James in Elizabethtown will host a Safe Environment Training on June 30th at 6:30 at Batcheldor Hall. Anyone working with youth or any potentially  vulnerable population within our Church must attend one-time training to volunteer. Be sure to sign in and return the completed form to Lisa Thomas or the Church office. Any questions you may contact Lisa Thomas at 270-735-6930 or [glalt@comcast.net](mailto:glalt@comcast.net)

**WOMEN’S CURSILLO WEEKEND -** The Louisville Cursillo Movement will be having a Women’s Cursillo weekend on July 17-20, 2025, at the Flaget Center in Louisville. Cursillistas there is still time to get your candidates applications in before June 15. If needing a sponsor, please email Sharon CC at [Sharyn.cabello@gmail.com](mailto:Sharyn.cabello@gmail.com). To all Cursillistas: The women’s weekend is fast approaching if you can help in any way to support the weekend, please call Cathy Reising 592-727-9067. We are looking for people who can help set up and cleanup, who can bring snacks and drinks and can pray for an hour. I ask you, **what is God calling you to do**. DeColores

**MY OLD KY HOME -** Join the Sisters in Christ on a trip to My Old KY Home to watch the Sound of Music on Friday, July 11th. If interested, let us know by June 27. We will get group rates and be able to sit together. The show begins at 8:00 p.m. The cost is $29 for seniors (includes processing fee). Contact Clarissa Yates 270-766-7821, [cpyates@comcast.net](mailto:cpyates@comcast.net)

**ST. JAMES SCHOOL 18TH ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE: August 9 @** Lincoln Trail Country Club. Bring a team or enter individually. $85.00 per player entry fee, lunch provided. Shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. Entries limited to the first 100 players, sign up early to avoid a waiting list. All proceeds benefit St. James Catholic School in Elizabethtown. Contact: Andraya Clark 270-272-7788 [andrayaphillips@hotmail.com](mailto:andrayaphillips@hotmail.com) or Toni Yates Irwin 270-766-8396 [drirwin@comcast.net](mailto:drirwin@comcast.net). There will also be forms available in the Church office.

**ROOM IN THE INN** – Our numbers continue to increase each week. We are open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 9-4 for those who need a warm meal, hot shower and to do laundry. This past week we had 17 people come to the shelter. Prayers are definitely needed for these folks, but we are also in need of non-perishable food items. We have a few who can always use food to take with them for the remainder of the week. On Tuesday we had a family with 3 children. Please pray for those that we serve and for our volunteers. **Items must be non-perishable**, for example: tuna packets, potted meats, Vienna sausages, breakfast bars etc. And as always donations are accepted and appreciated. You can contact Elaine Geer @270-763-2202 or Saundra Salvia @270-735-3811.

**St. John The Baptist Catholic Church**

**Monthly Budget Amount Needed: $13,333.00**

**Monthly Collection for May: $11,958.27**

**Monthly Collection for June: $10,468.11**

**WELCOME PACKETS** – If you would like to become a member, or learn more about St. John Parish, please take a ***Welcome Packet*** in the church lobby. You may return the stewardship form to Father Jeff or place it in the collection basket.

**100th YEAR BIRTHDAY**- Many of you may know Martha Hartlage Clark, former member of St. Ambrose and St. James, and familiar face around the area. Martha will celebrate her 100th birthday on July 9th. If you would like to send her a card the address is: Martha Clark, 515 Nerinx Road, Room 242A, Nerinx, KY 40069.

**BACKYARD BIBLE CAMP –** Backyard Bible Camp was a success! We had 27 campers who learned about God's Love. There was lots of songs, crafts, stories, food and laughter.  A huge thank you to our ten adult volunteers: Barbara Givan, Judy Skillman, Rhonda Newton, Libby and Gary Brangers, Joanna Sherrard, Cindy McLain, Connie Skees, Lisa Thomas, and Clarissa Yates. Check out the church Facebook page to see the pictures, especially the "stained glass windows" they drew on the church sidewalk. Please join us for our next one: Monday, ***July 21 for 6-8***. The camp will run from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Watch for more details! If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Clarissa Yates 270-766-7821, [cpyates@comcast.net](mailto:cpyates@comcast.net) or Lisa Thomas, 270-735-6930, [glalt@comcast.net](mailto:glalt@comcast.net).

**PARISH COUNCIL -**It is time to elect two new Parish Members to join the Council for a three-year term to assist in guiding our Parish on our mission to serve Christ and one another. Please prayerfully consider this Ministry either for yourself as a volunteer or to elect or suggest someone to serve our Parish in this important ministry. A sign-up sheet is on the Bulletin Board.

**HANDICAP RAMP -** Update from Parish Council on the re-construction of the Handicap Ramp. It was decided after our initial review concerning re-doing the handicap ramp that all the concrete to include the steps on the front of the Church needs to be re-designed and re-constructed. We are working with a design professional to obtain a design for this project and then to obtain bids to replace and re-do all the concrete with a more functional and aesthetically pleasing design. Bear with us as we work through this process.

**St. John Liturgical Ministers**

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| **VIGIL: SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS**  **PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES** | **Saturday, June 28, 2025, 6:30 p.m.** |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Amy Thomas, Becky Thomas, Lori Shinault |
| Lector | Claire Thomas |
| Gift Bearers | Joanna Sherrard and Jan Thomas |
| Greeter | Joanna Sherrard |
| Servers | Volunteers |
| **SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS**  **PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES** | **Sunday, June 29, 2025, 11:00 A.M.** |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Libby Brangers, Dennis Thomas,  Rick Powers |
| Lector | Dennis Thomas |
| Gift Bearers | Tracie Price and Sons |
| Greeter | Sandi Brangers |
| Servers | Jarrett and Jayleigh Diehl |
| **VIGIL: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN**  **ORDINARY TIME** | **Saturday, July 5, 2025, 6:30 p.m.** |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Rhonda Newton, Mary Ellen Williams,  Joanna Sherrard |
| Lector | Joanna Sherrard |
| Gift Bearers | Kay and Bob Jones |
| Greeter | Rhonda Newton |
| Servers | Volunteers |
| **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** | **Sunday, July 6, 2025, 11:00 a.m.** |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Rick Powers, Danette Powers, Abby Wright |
| Lector | Clarissa Yates |
| Gift Bearers | Rick and Danette Powers |
| Greeter | Martha Thomas |
| Servers | Ben Updegraff, Kate Disselkamp |

**Ushers for June 2025: Saturday, 6:30 p.m. Mass – John Thomas, Zach Thomas**

**Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass – Doug Updegraff, Nick Thomas**

**Ushers for July 2025: Saturday, 6:30 p.m. Mass – Ben Thomas, Jackie Burba**

**Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass – David Pike, Steve Brangers**

**St. Brigid Catholic Church**

**Monthly Budget Amount Needed: $27,717.00**

**Monthly Collection May: $21,980.70**

**Monthly Collection for June: $27,547.05**

**WELCOME PACKETS** – If you are interested in joining our parish, please pick up a Welcome Packet at the church doors. Complete the registration form and either drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the office. If you just need to update your registration, there are also forms available.

***FESTIVAL FESTIVAL  FESTIVAL* -** The festival preparation is in full swing!

\*\*Capital Prize tickets are $100.00 each. With 300 being sold, that is fairly good odds of winning!

\*\* Our plans include **games, booths, food trucks, craft booths, and music, plus** with each purchase of a capital prize ticket; you get two free meal tickets.

\*\*You may purchase dinner for $15.00 and carry out will be available.

\*\*We need at least 20 volunteers to help with the event on **September 6, 2025**. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Gina Ryan at 270 735 6355.

**ACCOMPANIST NEEDED**: St. Brigid needs an accompanist to play at 9:00 Mass. If you know of someone, or you are hearing a call to serve, please send an email, or drop off a letter of interest by the office. A job description will be available on Facebook soon.

**St. Brigid Liturgical Ministers**

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| **SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND**  **PAUL, APOSTLES** | **Sunday, June 29, 2025, 9:00 a.m.** |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Alison Dupont, Angie Bragg,  Rosie and Bill Cochran |
| Lector | John Jenkins |
| Gift Bearers | Glenn Canaday |
| **SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND**  **PAUL, APOSTLES** | **Sunday, June 29, 2025, 4:00 p.m.** |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Tim Cooper, Mike Hall,  Stephanie Hall, Ashley Osterhage |
| Lector | Ina Curry |
| Gift Bearers | Rondale Ates |
| **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN**  **ORDINARY TIME** | **Sunday, July 6, 2025, 9:00 a.m.** |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Sherleen Barren, Paula Greenwell,  Tina Yates, Judy Cochran |
| Lector | Karen Harris |
| Gift Bearers | Kurtis Bragg |
| **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN**  **ORDINARY TIME** | **Sunday, July 6, 2025, 4:00 p.m.** |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Mike Curry, Ina Curry,  Ken Spangenberger, Linda Skeeters |
| Lector | Ashley Osterhage |
| Gift Bearers | Michael Bramlett |

**June 29: Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles—Solemnity**

Simon was born in Bethsaida, near the Sea of Galilee. He and his brother Andrew were fishermen, accepting Jesus’ invitation to become His first disciples and “fishers of men” ([Matthew 4:19](https://ref.ly/Matt%204.19;rsvce?t=biblia)). John’s Gospel has Andrew following Jesus first and bringing Simon to Him. Jesus tells Simon, “‘You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas (which is translated Peter)” ([John 1:42](https://ref.ly/John%201.42;rsvce?t=biblia)). In Matthew’s Gospel, Jesus changed Simon’s name to Peter when He said to him, “I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven” ([Matthew 16:18–19](https://ref.ly/Matt%2016.18%E2%80%9319;rsvce?t=biblia)).

Peter emerged as the Church’s central leader after Pentecost. For a decade in Jerusalem, he preached, performed miracles, and converted many. He then traveled to Rome, established the Church there, and became its first bishop. Around AD 64, he was martyred during Emperor Nero’s persecutions. Tradition says that Peter asked to be crucified upside down because he did not deem himself worthy to die the same way that Jesus died. His tomb lies under the main altar of Saint Peter’s Basilica.

Saul was a Roman citizen born in Tarsus, modern-day Turkey. As a young man, he studied at the rabbi Gamaliel’s school in Jerusalem. After Jesus’ ascension, Saul fiercely persecuted the early Church, in part responsible for the proto-martyr Stephen’s death ([Acts 7:58](https://ref.ly/Acts%207.58;rsvce?t=biblia)). While traveling to Damascus to persecute Christians, Paul was knocked to the ground and struck blind. He heard Jesus say, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?” ([Acts 9:4](https://ref.ly/Acts%209.4;rsvce?t=biblia)). Jesus directed Saul to a disciple named Ananias who baptized him. Saul spent three years in intense prayer and study, eventually returning to Jerusalem where Barnabas testified to the truth of Paul’s conversion to the other disciples.

Using his Roman name, Paul spent ten years as a missionary throughout the Mediterranean. Imprisoned in Jerusalem for a couple of years, he was sent to Rome for trial and met up with Saint Peter. According to tradition, Paul was beheaded just outside the city. When his head fell, it bounced three times, giving rise to three springs of water, marked today by the Abbey of the Three Fountains.

Saints Peter and Paul are the Church’s foundational pillars. Peter represents the Church’s stability and the office of the Vicar of Christ. Paul represents the Church’s mission of evangelization and is the Church’s first theologian for his epistles that expound on the Gospels. One tradition holds that both died on June 29, making them twin martyrs and reminding us that as the Church remains grounded in the ancient Truth, it must grow and flower in its understanding of the mysteries of faith.

*Saints Peter and Paul, you responded to Christ’s call with total abandonment to His holy will. Through you, the Church was founded and began to grow. Please pray that I will fully devote myself to the ongoing mission of the Church, so that God can use me according to His holy will. Saints Peter and Paul, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.* [Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles – My Catholic Life!](https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/june-29-saints-peter-and-paul-apostles-solemnity/#short)