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**THIRD SUNDAY**

**St. Brigid OF ADVENT St. John the Baptist**

**Catholic Church December 11, 2022 Catholic Church**

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Pastor:

Fr. Jeff Gatlin

Rectory:

270-877-2546

Deacon: Mike Ryan

Office:

270-272-6789

314 E. Main Street 657 St. John Church Rd.

**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 at least 6 months prior to the wedding date to complete required marriage preparations and to schedule the date.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):**

Contact the Worship Chairperson for information.

**DEW MEMORIAL LIBRARY:**

(St. Brigid Church basement):

Open: Sunday after 9:30 a.m. Mass & 45 minutes before all other Masses.

Vine Grove, KY 40175 Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Clustered Parish Office: Clustered Parish Office:

(270) 877-2461 (270) 877-2461

Email: [brigidvg@bbtel.com](mailto:brigidvg@bbtel.com)

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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

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

*Sunday:* 11:30 a.m.

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

**RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday before Mass from 5:30-6:00 p.m. or by appt.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

*President:* Greg Thompson

*Secretary:* Clarissa Yates

**CHAIRPERSONS:**

*Administration:*  Rick Powers

*Formation:* Hannah Bristol

*Parish Life:* Paul Taylor

*Worship:* Sarah Mattingly



**MASS SCHEDULE:**

*Sunday:* 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

*Monday:* 9:00 a.m.

*Thursday:* 9:00 a.m.

**RECONCILIATION:**

Sunday before Mass from 5:30-6:00 p.m. 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:* Dale Winchester

*Formation:* Tina Yates

*Parish Life:* Tom Billings

*Worship:* Keith Baughman



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| **Sat** | **Dec 10** | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. John** | **For All Parishioners** | **VIGIL: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** |
| **Sun** | **Dec 11** | **9:30 a.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Larry Dale and Marla Fackler**  **Dana Underdonk Bryant** | **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** |
| **Sun** | **Dec 11** | **11:30 a.m.** | **St. John** | **Phillip and Barbara Thomas** | **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** |
| **Sun** | **Dec 11** | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Our Parish Family**  **Larry Eugene Frakes** | **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** |
| **Mon** | **Dec 12** | **9:00 a.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Bob Cooper**  **Elizabeth Hardesty** | **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** |
| **Tue** | **Dec 13** | **9:00 a.m.** | **St. John** | **Phillip and Barbara Thomas** | **SAINT LUCY, MARTYR** |
| **Wed** | **Dec 14** | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. John** | **Fred Pike** | **SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS,**  **PRIEST AND DOCTOR**  **OF THE CHURCH** |
| **Thurs** | **Dec 15** | **9:00 a.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Luise Weisshaupt, Inge Luther**  **Cameron Ponder** | **ADVENT WEEKDAY** |
| **Sat** | **Dec 17** | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. John** | **For All Parishioners** | **VIGIL: FOURTH SUNDAY**  **OF ADVENT** |
| **Sun** | **Dec 18** | **9:30 a.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Elroy and Don Rogers**  **Robert T. and Betty Jo Lancaster** | **FOURTH SUNDAY**  **OF ADVENT** |
| **Sun** | **Dec 18** | **11:30 a.m.** | **St. John** | **Bruce and Margaret Lincoln**  **J. P. Williams** | **FOURTH SUNDAY**  **OF ADVENT** |
| **Sun** | **Dec 18** | **6:30 p.m.** | **St. Brigid** | **Mike and Joetta Gunning**  **Our Parish Family** | **FOURTH SUNDAY**  **OF ADVENT** |

**MASS INTENTIONS** -The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and meaningful part of our Catholic tradition. In our Catholic Parish, there are many requests for scheduling such Mass intentions. A $10 minimum stipend is requested as determined by diocesan policy. Please provide a *separate* check or cash for the Mass Intention. The check should not be included with your regular tithe to the church or with shrine candle. One Mass every weekend and Holy Day is scheduled for the People of the Parish (Pro Populo) as required by Canon Law and Diocesan Statute. Canon Law does not permit us to keep Mass Intentions beyond a year. Masses can be requested for the living or deceased or an intention.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm: 146:6:

**“Lord, come and save us.”**

**Our Military List**

To add someone to the military list, please call the parish office at (270) 877-2461. **Remember to call to remove someone from the list if they are no longer in the service**.

CPT Jordan **Benton**, A1C Aaron **Chandler**, 1Lt Matthew **Fischer**, 2LT Tyler **Hall**, A1C Ryan **Henley**, 2LT Paul **Kotarski**,A1C Joseph **Manco**, SPC Jacob L. **Nall**, SFC Peter **Novak**, James **Rogers**, Tony **Roger**s, Jonathon **Sifford**, Jeffrey **Slade**, Derek **Smith**, CSM Vance **Snider**, Brian **Tomassi**, A1C Daniel **Trombone**, SGT Evan **Wilson**, WO1 Evan **Vaughan**, 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. **Remember to call to remove someone from the list if they are no longer sick, etc.** *This list is primarily for parishioners and their immediate family members*.

Sam **Adams**, April **Allen**, Sidney **Anthony**, Dennis **Arnold**, Donnie Alan **Atcher**, Lori **Barnes**, Shannon **Barnes,** Denise **Barnett**, Sarah **Baumgardner**, Anna Mae **Baumgardner**, Tom **Billings,** Timothy **Birch**, Teresa **Blaycock**, Margaret **Bode**, Charlie **Bowers**, Everett **Brown,** Jason **Brown**, Ellen **Bryan**, Joseph **Bryant**. Richard **Bryson**, Carol **Buchanan**, Linda **Buchanan**,Jeremy & Margie **Buyer**, Greg **Byerly**, Glenn **Canaday,** Sue **Caswell**, Betty Jo **Cooper**,Heidi **Correa**, Jeff **Craig**, Roan **Dowell**, Virginia **Drake**, Kathy **Druin,** Marion **French**, Wayne **Garcia**, Keith **Garner**, Patsy **Gatlin**, Dayle **Gilliatt**, Danny **Greenwell**, Carrie **Gribben**, Danny **Hardesty**, Irma Rose **Hardesty**, Jimmy **Harper**, Cheryl **Hart,** Bobby **Harris**, Eileen **Heinen**,Julie **Hinds**, Frank **Inanely**, Braddock **Inman**, Eve **Jarboe,** Paul **Jenkins**, Finn **Johnson**, Josh **Johnson**, Betty Lou **Jones**, Mark **Kennedy**, Alexandra **Kieta**, Colin **Langford**,Mary Colleen **Learned**, Connie **Leasor**, Olivia **Leasor**, Jenny **Leonhardt**, Denzil **Lile,** Father Dan **Lincoln,** Jackie **Long**, Lori **Love**, Tommy **Lowman**,Louise **Lucous**, Shelly **Martin**, Martina **Masoni**, Ron **Masoni**, Don **Mattingly**, Paul Michael **Mattingly**, Kay **McGuire**, Mary **Medley,** Angela **Miles,** Tate **Miller**, Starla **Miller**,Brixten **Muir**,Alexandra **Munn**, Aira & Zairah **Nixon**, Doug **Osborne**, Duane **Osborne**, Richard **Osterhage,** Sonya **Owens**, Jim **Padgett,** Joe Pete **Padgett,** Judy **Padgett,** Bridgette **Papenhausen**, Avery, Chris, and Stephanie **Paynter,** Rudy **Petrovic**, Annie **Pierce**,Wendy **Pike**, Adrianna **Porter**, Jeremy **Porter,** Mary Ray **Portwood,** Adrian **Ray**, Jimmy **Ray**, Mary Agnes **Ray**, Rob **Redmond**, Joel **Rivera**, Suzanne **Russell**, Margaret **Ryan**, Laura **Samosir**, Caroline **Seabee**, Karen **Shaffer,** Brittany **Sines**, Connie **Skaya**, Winona **Skees**, Sheila **Smith,**,Charlie **Stuecker**, Dennis **Tarvin**,Dan **Thomas**,Dennis **Thomas,** Joey **Thomas,** Kenny **Thompson**, Debi **Turner**, Charlotte **Utley**, Stacey **Vance**,Adley **Ward**, Tenley **Ward**, Kathy **Watkins**, Elfriede **Wheeler**, Paul A. **Whelan**, Barbara **White**, Jan **Wilke,** Andy **Wilkins**, Jennifer **Williams**, Lucas **Williams**, Gail **Wilson**, Mike **Wirch**,Don **Wooldridge**, Pat **Wood,** Samantha **Wood**, Connor **Wright,** Angie **Yates,** Tony **Yates** and all the sick, both mentally and physically.

**For Both Parishes**

**CHRISTMAS FOR THE KIDS** – December 18, 2022, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., 312 East Main Street, Vine Grove, KY. Come see Santa and play games. We will have pictures with Santa Claus. **FREE** hot dogs, chips, and drinks. Point of Contact is John Pike at 270-307-1499.

**ANNIVERSARY MASSES** – The annual anniversary Masses with Archbishop Fabre will be held this year at noon at the Cathedral of the Assumption.  ***Sunday, December 18, 2022,*** for couples celebrating 30, 40, 50, 60 and longer years of marriage. Information available at the doors and back of church.

**2022 CSA: BRING CHRIST TO OTHERS** - your support of the Catholic Services Appeal strengthens parish communities and brings Christ’s love to others, throughout the Archdiocese of Louisville. Over 100 programs and ministries are supported by the Catholic Services Appeal. Your gift will have a lasting impact.

**2022 RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS** – The collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be held in our parish this weekend. An abbot writes, “Your gift helps ease our worldly burdens and allows us to continue living out our mission of seeking God and serving the church.” Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious collection help to furnish nursing care, medications, and other necessities and allow hundreds of U.S. religious communities to provide for their aging members. You may also make your donation on our “WE SHARE” online giving site. Please give generously.

**ROOM IN THE INN**

--We now have a new location on 1633 North Logsdon Parkway in Radcliff. We need many volunteers due to churches that have dropped out and no longer participating. We continue to need overnight hosts on Friday nights throughout the month. Our greatest hurdle now is transporting our guests from Warm Blessings in Elizabethtown to North Logsdon Parkway which would require a licensed school bus driver. This is such a wonderful and rewarding ministry. In addition, we need food items to be donated. Elaine Geer will be receiving donations at St. John Parish Hall beginning at 11:00 a.m. starting this weekend. If interested in donating or helping with this ministry, please call Elaine Geer at 270-763-2202. Facebook Page website is Roomintheinnhardincounty.

**RIGHT TO LIFE OF LOUISVILLE** - will once again sponsor a prolife advertisement to commemorate the loss of over 63,000,000 babies following the 1973 Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion in the United States for nearly 50 years. Let YOUR voice be heard by participating in this campaign by going to rtllou.org/2023ad and submitting your name. Names received by January 12 will appear in the January 19 edition of *The Record*. Thank you!

**HELP FOR YOUR MARRIAGE** – Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment in their marriage. This program can help you, too. For confidential information call 502-479-3329; email: [3012@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:3012@helpourmarriage.org); or go to helpourmarriage.org.

**SENIOR PICKLE BALL** – is now on **Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. in St. Brigid CCC.** Parishioners from St. Brigid and St. John are welcome to join in this activity.

**ATTENTION ALL WALKERS** – You are welcome to enjoy fellowship while walking in the CCC Gym. Gym is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

**LIVE STREAMING**– St. Brigid live streams its Masses. The service will post to the St. Brigid You Tube Channel within 24-hour period. Comcast Ch 2 and Spectrum Ch 184 air St. Brigid services on Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Brandenburg Telecom airs on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. on Ch 1. The service is usually from the week before. St. Brigid website – [**www.stbrigidvg.org**](http://www.stbrigidvg.org).

**VOCATIONS** – Do you know a young man or woman who might make a great priest, brother, or sister? Help the Archdiocese of Louisville Vocations Office connect with them! By submitting names through our Call by Name initiative, you will help us send potential discerners good information and invitations to discernment events. To participate visit: [www.louisvillevocations.com/call-by-name/](http://www.louisvillevocations.com/call-by-name/).

**CONFIDENTIAL PREGNANCY AND ADOPTION COUNSELING** – is available at Catholic Charities for women of all ages experiencing untimely pregnancies. A full range of services provided, including adoptive placement, legal assistance and counseling for individuals, groups, and families. Post-abortion counseling is also available. Services provided regardless of income or marital status. For more information, call Catholic Charities at 502-637-9786.

**PROJECT RACHEL** – Healing…Forgiveness…Hope… After the experience of an abortion. If you or someone you know is struggling with the pain from an abortion, please consider Project Rachel a post abortion ministry. To speak to someone confidentially, email [ProjectRacher@archlou.org](mailto:ProjectRacher@archlou.org) 502-471-2155.

**St. John The Baptist Catholic Church**

**Monthly Budget Amount Needed: $12,500.00**

**Monthly Collection for November: 8,688.57**

**Monthly Collection for December: 3,368.25**

**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 census card and the stewardship form to Father Jeff or place in the collection basket.

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL** – as of December 2, 2022:

Monetary Goal: $21,400 Gifts and Pledges $12,370 received which is 58%.

Participation goal: 75, 44 donors which is 59%.

**REST IN PEACE** - Please keep **Jan, John, Kevin, Donna, Lisa**, and all the **Thomas** family in your prayers on the passing of **Dave Thomas** this past week. May he rest in peace.

**TESTIFY** - High gas prices, busy and sometimes unfriendly people, large crowds, running, rushing here and there. ‘Tis the holiday season. Your brothers and sisters in the music ministry “Testify” invite you to step away from all that for an hour **TODAY at 4:00 p.m.,** at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Spend time with us in prayer, reflection, and music preparing your hearts, minds, spirits for the Christmas Season. Then join us for a potluck meal in the parish hall. We’d love to pack the pews!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS BASKETS** – There will be a basket in the back of church through **TODAY** to collect non-perishable food items and/or monetary donations for the Knights of Columbus Christmas Baskets. Please consider donating as this is a fantastic way to give back to our local community.

**NEWSLETTER** – If you have any news like birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, births, graduations, etc. and would like to put them in the newsletter, please email Greg Thompson at [gregthompson1963@yahoo.com](mailto:gregthompson1963@yahoo.com) or (270) 723-9245. We would also like you to share any stories about your faith. We can all use some uplifting, real life experiences.

**SAINT JOHN YOUTH UPCOMING EVENTS**

* Saturday, December 10, 2022, Annual Youth Chili Supper + Bingo, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at St. John Parish Hall
* Monday, January 16, 2023 Activate Games in Louisville, $20.00 per student,

9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

* January Lunch Q&A with Father Jeff
* Youth Planning Meeting, January 8,2023 ,11:00 a.m. at St. John Parish Hall
* Youth Planning Meeting, February 1, 2023, 6:00 p.m. at St. John Parish Hall
* Spread some love with the Cupid Crew, February 12, 2023, after 11:30 a.m. Mass.
* All Day Disciples (DNOW), February 24-25, 2023

Point of Contact is Ms. Ericka at 502-612-2644.

**St. John Liturgical Ministers**

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| **VIGIL: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** | **Saturday, December 10, 2022, 6:30 p.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Father Jeff Rhonda Newton |
| Lector | Amy Thomas |
| Gift Bearers | Zoey and Amy Thomas |
| Ushers for December | Charlie French Kevin Thomas |
| **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** | **Sunday, December 11, 2022, 11:30 a.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Father Jeff Jennifer Updegraff |
| Lector | Mary Ellen Williams |
| Gift Bearers | Steve and Sandi Bangers |
| Ushers for December | David Yates Greg Thomas |
| **VIGIL: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT** | **Saturday, December 17, 2022, 6:30 p.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Father Jeff Joanna Sherrard |
| Lector | Lori Shinault |
| Gift Bearers | Becky & Katie French |
| Ushers for December | Charlie French Kevin Thomas |
| **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT** | **Sunday, December 18, 2022, 11:30 a.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Father Jeff Lauren Pedigo |
| Lector | Clarissa Yates |
| Gift Bearers | Dennis and Lisa Thomas |
| Ushers for December | David Yates Greg Thomas |

**St. Brigid Catholic Church**

**Monthly Budget Amount Needed: $25,280.00**

**Monthly Collection for November: 27,453.48**

**Monthly Collection for December: 11,910.22**

**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.

**FREE BOOKS!!** At each of the church doors, there are books written by Matthew Kelly titled ***“holy moments...A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life”***. Please grab one and read it...then pass it along to a friend or relative whom you think would enjoy it. That’s called “Evangelization”. Mathew Kelly is a prolific writer and awesome speaker! I’m sure you will enjoy his writings.

**REST IN PEACE** – Please keep the family of **Ed Cecil** in your prayers. He passed away last week. May he rest in peace.

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL** – as of December 2, 2022:

Monetary Goal: $37,700 Gifts and Pledges $24,450 which is 57%.

Participation goal: 96, 64 donors which is 67%.

**TESTIFY** - High gas prices, busy and sometimes unfriendly people, large crowds, running, rushing here and there. ‘Tis the holiday season. Your brothers and sisters in the music ministry “Testify” invite you to step away from all that for an hour **TODAY at 4:00 p.m.,** at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Spend time with us in prayer, reflection, and music preparing your hearts, minds, spirits for the Christmas Season. Then join us for a potluck meal in the parish hall. We’d love to pack the pews!

**MUSIC MINISTRY REQUEST**- The choir would LOVE for new members and Resurrection Choir members to join the group for the Christmas Mass. Three practice sessions will be scheduled. Even if you cannot make the practices, you are still welcome to sing Christmas carols with the group. Call Gina Ryan if you have questions at 270-735-6355.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** – If you have a child or teen who would like to attend, all are welcome. Preschool through 7th grades: located in the school. 8th grade through 12th grades: located in the St. Brigid Room of the CCC Building. Classes are one hour long and usually on every other week schedule. Next class is December 18, 2022.

**THANK YOU** – Special thanks from Deacon Mike Ryan to the confirmation class and all who helped replace the missals on November 20th. We achieved our goal in 10 minutes. Sorry for the late notice of appreciation but due to surgery it was forgotten. Deacon Mike

**FROM THE LIBRARY** – The library could use some current adult novels. We are also in need of books for four years old and younger. Thank you for your past donations and continued support.

**GIVING TREE** – **We are making progress but still need participation.** So far, we have collected $2,230 for the Family Resource Centers. To meet our goal, we still need to collect $770. If you took a ball with gift certificate attached, please turn your gift in. There are only 4 requests for $25.00 gift certificates and one for books left on the tree. **Deadline is today. Your help is greatly needed.**

**St. Brigid Liturgical Ministers**

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| **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** | **Sunday, December 11, 2022, 9:30 a.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Alison Dupont Paula Greenwell |
| Lector | Karen Harris |
| Gift Bearers | Eric Fraley |
| **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** | **Sunday, December 11, 2022, 6:30 p.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Ken Spangenberger Jackie Veri |
| Lector | Ashley Osterhage |
| Gift Bearers | C. H. Morgan |
| **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT** | **Sunday, December 18, 2022, 9:30 a.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Denise Hester Helen Hicks |
| Lector | Mark Kelly |
| Gift Bearers | Jim Hendricks |
| **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT** | **Sunday, December 18, 2022, 6:30 p.m.** |
| Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist | Carolyn Canaday Tm Cooper |
| Lector | Richard Osterhage |
| Gift Bearers | Richard Osterhage |

O Almighty God, gracious provider and giver of life, we anxiously await the celebration of your birth. Like the people of long ago, our ancestors in faith, we, too, are in need of light, in need of direction, in need of your Word, to show us the way. Our busy lives and the consumerism that surrounds us make it difficult to recognize your kingdom and to hear your voice. Help us Lord, to focus on you. Amen. [Prayers For Third Sunday Of Advent - Powerful & Uplifting Words For Prayer (prayerist.com)](https://prayerist.com/prayer/thirdsundayofadvent)