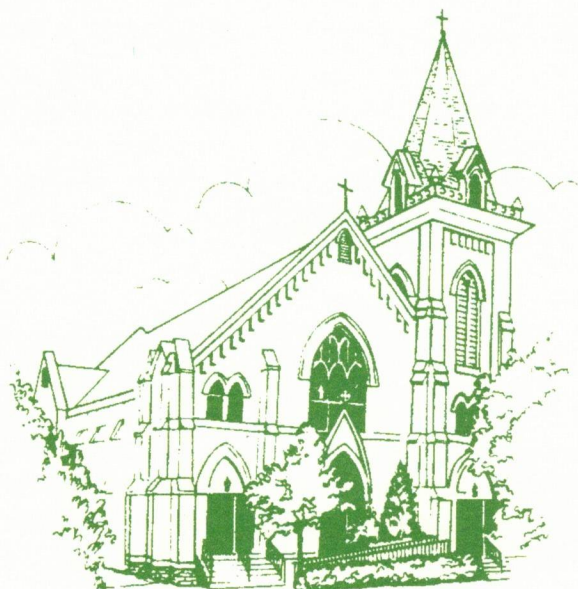


# STS. BONIFACE AND JAMES CHURCH

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## **Mass Schedule**

Saturday – Vigil ..... 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Day ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Weekday ..... 8:00 a.m.

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

Monday-Friday..... 7:45-8:00 a.m.

## **Sacraments**

Baptism – Sundays, call the Rectory for arrangements

R.C.I.A. – Call the Rectory for information

Reconciliation – Every Saturday, 3:00-3:30 p.m.

Eucharist – Taken every Sunday and First Friday, call the Rectory to make arrangements

Marriage – Please call the Rectory, minimum of six months preparation time

Anointing of the Sick and Visitation – Call the Rectory, please do not depend on any institution to give us this information

## **Parish Directory**

Parish Rectory Office Hours ..... Monday and Friday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Rectory Phone ..... (859) 261-0478

Website ..... [www.bonifaceandjames.org](http://www.bonifaceandjames.org)

E-mail Address ..... [ParishOffice@bonifaceandjames.org](mailto:ParishOffice@bonifaceandjames.org)

Rev. Conor Kunath, Pastoral Administrator – Priest Emergency Contact ..... (859) 307-1664

Aidan Kunath, Business Manager

Music Director – Gregory Rios ..... (859) 261-5340

Parish School of Religion – Sundays, September through May, 8:30 a.m.

Altar Society – Ginny Knochelmann ..... (859) 431-0668

Circle of Prayer – Ginny Knochelmann ..... (859) 431-0668

St. Vincent de Paul – Assistance Help Line (M-F, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.) ..... (859) 341-3219

Call the Rectory Office if you are interested in joining our Parish SVdP Conference ... (859) 261-0478

Prince of Peace School – Mrs. Christine Rice, Principal ..... (859) 431-5133

## **Parish Membership**

New individuals or families wishing to join Sts. Boniface & James Parish may register at the Rectory. Those not registered, but regularly attend church at Sts. Boniface and James may also register. Please notify the Rectory if there is a change of address, phone number or if you are moving out of the parish.

***We are always pleased to see new faces, and welcome new parishioners and visitors.  
We would love to tell you about our parish, so if you have any questions, please ask. Thanks!***

# First Sunday of Advent

## Parish Calendar for the Week November 30th – December 1st

Sat.	11/30	4:00 p.m.	Mass – Our Parish Family
Sun.	12/1	9:30 a.m.	Mass – Rich Detzel
Mon.	12/2	8:00 a.m.	Mass – The Release of the Poor Souls in Purgatory
		6:00 p.m.	Confession
Tues.	12/3	8:00 a.m.	Mass – Intentions of St. Padre Pio
Wed.	12/4	8:00 a.m.	Mass – The Guenther & Jasper Deceased
		10:00 a.m.	Confession
		7:00 p.m.	Adoration
Thurs.	12/5	8:00 a.m.	Mass – Beverly Dolf
Fri.	12/6	8:00 a.m.	Mass – The Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat.	12/7	3:00 p.m.	Confession
		4:00 p.m.	Mass – Guenther & Jasper Families (Living & Deceased)
Sun.	12/8	8:30 a.m.	Confession
		9:30 a.m.	Mass – Our Parish Family

**Eucharistic Adoration takes place in the chapel**

**Monday thru Friday – 7:45-8:00 a.m.**

**with Mass immediately following.**

### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**Normal Hours: Monday & Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

**Closed: 12/23/24 – 1/3/25**

### **ATTENDANCE**

11/23 – TBA

11/24 – TBA

### **COLLECTIONS**

Total Weekly Budgeted Collections – \$3,200

11/23 – TBA

11/24 – TBA

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Our parish is now accepting requests for Mass Intentions for 2025, especially weekday Masses.** If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a loved one (living or deceased) or for a special intention or occasion, there are Mass Intention envelopes in the back of church and instructions at our parish website NEWS/INFO at [www.bonifaceandjames.org](http://www.bonifaceandjames.org). When the envelope is completed, please either give it to Fr. Conor or bring/mail it to the rectory office so a Mass date can be scheduled on our master calendar. Suggested offering is \$10.00 for each Mass.

### **CARE OF THE HOSPITALIZED AND SHUT-IN INFIRMED**

If you know of a parishioner who is in the hospital, a local care center or infirmed at home, who would like a visit from Fr. Conor to receive Confession and Eucharist, please call the Parish Office. We rely on family or friends to let us know when someone is in the hospital or in a shut-in situation and would like a visit. Our emergency priest contact number is 859-307-1664.

### **PRAYER BEFORE MASS**

*Almighty and ever-living God, I approach the sacrament of Your only-begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, I come sick to the doctor of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the radiance of eternal light, and poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Lord, in Your great generosity, heal my sickness, wash away my defilement, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I receive the bread of angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with humble reverence, with the purity and faith, the repentance and love, and the determined purpose that will help to bring me to salvation. May I receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, and its reality and power.*

*Kind God, may I receive the Body of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born from the womb of the Virgin Mary, and so be received into His mystical body and numbered among His members.*

*Loving Father, as on my earthly pilgrimage I now receive Your beloved Son under the veil of a sacrament, may I one day see Him face to face in glory, who lives and reigns with You for ever.*

### **PRAYER AFTER MASS**

*I thank You, Holy Lord, almighty Father, eternal God, who deigned to feast me, sinful and unworthy servant, with the precious body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, not for any merit of mine, but only because of Your merciful goodness. And I pray that this Holy Communion, far from condemning me to punishment, may bring about my pardon and salvation, encompassing me with the armor of faith and the shield of a good will. By it, let my vices be done away, all lustful desires extinguished. May it advance me in charity, patience, humility, obedience, and every other virtue. Let it be strong defense against the wiles of all my enemies, visible and invisible, allaying for me every disturbance of flesh and spirit, binding me firmly to You, the one true God, and bringing my last hour to a happy close. I pray, too, that it may be Your pleasure to call my sinful self one day to that banquet, wonderful past all telling, where You, with Your Son and the Holy Spirit, feast Your saints with the vision of Yourself, who are true light, the fulfillment of all desires, the joy that knows no ending, gladness unalloyed, and perfect bliss: through the same Christ our Lord.*

# Giving Tree



Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Traditionally, as we near Advent, we place the Giving Tree in the rear of church. The branches are filled with white doves listing a gift or toy for people in our community who need our help during the upcoming Christmas season.

As in the past, we ask you to select one or more doves from the tree, purchase the item listed, wrap the gift, and **most importantly**, attach the white dove securely to the outside of the package. Please place a blank gift tag on the package with the number of the dove on the tag. If the item is small, please place it in a small box or gift bag with the dove and a blank tag attached to the outside.

Please bring the gifts to the church and place them under the tree. Then put a red dove on the tree. All gifts must be under the tree by Sunday, **December 15th**. The gifts will be distributed the following weekend.

If you want to participate, but are unable to shop, Becky will be happy to assist you. As always, thank you for your generosity.

Happy Thanksgiving,

Becky Russell

## **Helpful Tips**

- We suggest a limit of \$30.00 per gift.
- Please do not buy additional gifts since each child gets several. This could result in one child in the family getting six gifts and the rest get two ... oops this is not what is intended!
- Do not take the dove with you when shopping to prevent it being lost. It is important that they are returned with the gift.
- If possible, put a gift receipt in with the gifts, especially if it is shoes or clothing.

**ONLINE GIVING:**

Please visit this link to give today or scan the QR Code. <https://stsbonifaceandjames.flocknote.com/give/27463>

**SAINT OF THE WEEK – DECEMBER 4TH**

St. Barbara was believed to have been born sometime in the mid-3rd Century in Heliopolos, Phoenicia (present day Baalbek, Lebanon). What we know about St. Barbara does not come from written documentation, but rather, oral tradition that has been passed down through the ages. She was the daughter of a wealthy pagan named Dioscorus, who carefully guarded over her from the outside world. After she rejected several of his attempts to arrange her marriage, he locked her away in a tall tower. Barbara had secretly become a baptized Christian and had vowed her virginity to God. Before going on a journey, her father commanded that a private bath-house be erected for her use near her dwelling. During his absence, Barbara had three windows put in it, as a symbol of the Holy Trinity, instead of the two originally intended. When her father returned, she acknowledged herself to be a Christian. Unable to convince her to renounce her Christianity, he dragged her before the prefect of the province, Martinianus, who had her cruelly tortured. Barbara held true to her Christian faith. During the night, the dark prison was bathed in light and new miracles occurred. Every morning, her wounds were healed. Torches that were to be used to burn her went out as soon as they came near her. Finally, she was condemned to death by beheading. Her father himself carried out the death sentence. However, as punishment, he was struck by lightning on the way home and his body was consumed by flame. Barbara was buried by a Christian, Valentinus, on what was believed to be December 4th in the year 267 AD. Her tomb became the site of many miracles. St. Barbara's legend became widely known in Rome during the 7th Century and her feast day was established in the 12th Century. She was named one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers and her bodily relics are now preserved at St. Volodymyr's Cathedral in Kyiv, Ukraine. The Roman Catholic Church removed her from the Roman Calendar of saints feasts in 1969, replaced by St. John Damscene Patron of armourers, mathematicians, architects, firemen, artillerymen, miners and prisoners.

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION :**

December 9th is a Holy Day of Obligation commemorating the feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**PARISH SERVICE DAY:**

Parish Service Days for December and January have been cancelled.

**ALTAR SOCIETY –****SKYLINE PARISH BENEFITS NIGHT**

Our next monthly parish Skyline Benefits night will be on **Tuesday, December 17th** anytime from 3:00-9:00 p.m.

**ALTAR SOCIETY RAFFLE:**

The Altar Society will be having a raffle the weekend of December 8.

**BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE:**

We are looking for volunteers for the bereavement committee to help plan funerals and help at funeral Masses. Any questions please call Linda Gormley at 859-653-9283.

**THE CATHEDRAL CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES ITS 48TH SEASON WITH ADVENT PROGRAMS:**

December 8, 3:00 p.m., the Bishop's Choir presents the "Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols." Bishop John Iffert will preside at this annual observance. The Program will be held at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, Covington. All are welcome with no admission charge; freewill offerings gladly accepted. Visit <https://cathedralconcertseries.org> for season 48

**COAT DISTRIBUTION**

Join us for our annual coat drive distribution, helping to put donated coats in the hands of our neighbors in need! Volunteers are needed to help with all aspects of these events:

**Life Learning Center** – Setup 12/6; Distribution 12/7

**Newport Intermediate School** – Setup 12/6; Distribution 12/7

**John G Carlisle Elementary School** – Setup 12/13;

Distribution 12/14

**Cristo Rey Catholic Church** – Setup 12/13; Distribution 12/14

**2024 – 2025 WORKSHOPS ON THE OLD TESTAMENT WITH FATHER TIMOTHY P. SCHEHR**

The Office of Catechesis and Evangelization is announcing nine individual workshops on the Books of the Old Testament presented by Father Timothy P. Schehr. Father Schehr is a retired biblical scholar and former professor at Mount St. Mary's School of Theology at the Athenaeum of Ohio. He has a B.A., M.Div. and an M.A. from the Athenaeum of Ohio. He also has a Ph.D. from Hebrew Union College. Workshops are all held Saturday morning, 9:00-11:30 a.m., Curia Office  
Remaining 2024 Workshops – Leviticus: December 7, Numbers: December 14.

2025 Workshops – Deuteronomy: March 8, Joshua: March 15, Judges: March 22, Ruth: May 17, 1 & 2 Samuel: May 24.

Everyone is welcome to attend! The cost for each workshop is \$35.00. For more information and to register, visit [covdio.org/bible-workshops](http://covdio.org/bible-workshops). The workshops will be held in Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium (Curia Office), 1125 Madison Avenue, Covington, KY 41011.

**ANNUAL BAMBINELLI AND CHRISTMAS TREE BLESSING:**

Bishop John Iffert invites you and your family and friends to attend the third annual Bambinelli and Christmas Tree Blessing on Saturday, December 14, 2024, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Park (Diocesan Curia). Come see the blessing and lighting of the diocesan Christmas tree, listen to live parish and school choirs, enjoy homemade cookies and hot cocoa, and hear a Nativity story. Bring the Baby Jesus figure from your home Nativity to receive a special blessing from Bishop Iffert and be part of a Catholic Advent tradition! No RSVP required. All are welcome!

**NEXT WEEK'S ITEMS FOR SVDP**

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