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304 Oak Street
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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.
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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

E-mail Address –
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 & Circle of Prayer –
Ginny Knochelmann (859) 431-0668

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

**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!**

Christmas 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Parish Calendar for the Week December 21st-December 29th

Sat.	12/21	4:00 p.m.	Mass – 54th Wedding Anniversary of Dennis & Bonnie Corrigan
Sun.	12/22	9:30 a.m.	Mass – Our Parish Family
Mon.	12/23	8:00 a.m.	Mass – John F. Delaney Family
		6:00 p.m.	Confession
Tues.	12/24	8:00 a.m.	Mass – Charles & Geneva Habermehl
		4:00 p.m.	Mass – Our Parish Family
Wed.	12/25	9:30 a.m.	Mass – The Poor Souls in Purgatory
		10:00 a.m.	Confession – Cancelled
		7:00 p.m.	Adoration – Cancelled
Thurs.	12/26	8:00 a.m.	Mass – Fred Habermehl, Sr. Family
Fri.	12/27	8:00 a.m.	Mass – Paul Insko
Sat.	12/28	3:00 p.m.	Confession
		4:00 p.m.	Mass – Guenther & Jasper Families (Living & Dead)
Sun.	12/29	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 & Fridays 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Closed: 12/23/24 – 1/3/25

ATTENDANCE

12/14 – 35 12/15 – 56

COLLECTIONS

Total Weekly Budgeted Collections - \$3,200
12/14 – **\$515.00** 12/15 – **\$4,301.00**

MASS INTENTIONS

Our parish is now accepting requests for Mass Intentions for 2025. 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. 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 a hospital, a local care center or infirmed at home, who would like a visit from Fr. Conrad to receive Confession and Eucharist, please call the parish office. We rely on family or friends to let us know when someone is in a 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 me 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.

ONLINE GIVING:

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**FEAST OF THE WEEK – DECEMBER 28TH**

The Feast of the Holy Innocents – also known as Childermas – is an observance of the Catholic Church that commemorates the massacre of children by King Herod in his attempt to kill the Christ child. The children that died at Herod's hand initially were regarded as the first martyrs of the early Church and were commemorated as part of the observance of Epiphany until the 5th century in 486 AD. After that time, it has been celebrated as a separate feast and eventually was designated as a saint's memorial feast day. The story of this event shows up in the Gospel of Matthew 2:1-18 when Herod was speaking to the wise men from the East following a star of a great king of Judea during this time. Herod was widely unpopular with the people of Israel due to his indifference to the Jewish religion. Although he was a Jew by birthright, he valued his allegiance with the Roman Empire in order to maintain his great political power and luxurious lifestyle that came with the position. He was a paranoid and highly suspicious man that feared at any time being killed or dethroned. His interest was to make sure he had no rivals or enemies and would take any measures to achieve these ends – no matter how brutal the means. As we know from Matthew's Gospel, the Magi decided to take an alternate route home as a result of a vision from an angel and did not pass through Jerusalem as Herod had requested. In his rage, Herod ordered that all male children under the age of two years were to be killed – slaughtered by the sword by the Roman legion of Judea. Today, children receive a blessing from the priest if in attendance at Mass on this feast. In 1962, priests were instructed to wear red investments instead of the customary violet from years previous. **Patrons of children.**

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE:

There will be an 8:00 a.m. Mass on Christmas Eve.
 Christmas Vigil (December 24) – 4:00 p.m.
 Christmas Day (December 25) – 9:30 a.m.
 Adoration and Confession on December 25 are cancelled
 New Year's Day (January 1, 2025) – 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Mass
 Adoration and Confession on January 1, 2025 are cancelled

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, January 21st**, anytime from 3:00-9:00 p.m.

BEREVEMENT 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 @ 859-653-9283.

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

The Office of Catechesis and Evangelization is announcing 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 mornings, 9:00-11:30 a.m., Curia Office.

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 covidio.org/bible-workshops. The Workshops will be held in Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium (Curia Office), 1125 Madison Avenue, Covington, KY 41011.

10TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL NATIVITY DISPLAY

Nativity sets from around the world will be on display at Bishop Brossart High School in Alexandria, KY. The display will feature Nativity sets made by artist and craftsmen from 83 different countries. More than 200 Nativities will be on display. The display is handicap accessible and is free and open to the public on the following days:

Sunday, December 22, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, December 24, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
 Sunday, December 29, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Enter at the main entrance: Bishop Brossart High School, 4 Grove Street, Alexandria, KY.

JUBILEE YEAR OPENING MASS

Opening Mass – Celebrate the Jubilee
 Join Bishop John Iffert for the Jubilee Year opening Mass on Sunday, December 29, 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica in Covington.

Every diocese worldwide will celebrate together on this day the beginning of the Holy Year. Mass will begin with a short procession from St. Mary's Park (across the street.) Please dress accordingly.

NEXT WEEK'S ITEMS FOR SVDP

Nonperishable Food
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 Psalm 93:1



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