

## PRAYER CHAIN

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## Sts. Mary & John Parish Council

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Immediately report suspected abuse or  
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Toll-free: 800-800-5556, or to  
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In the event of an allegation of sexual  
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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 25, 2026



## Sts. Mary and John Catholic Parish

St. Mary Church

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Turn in bulletin items Tuesdays by 4pm

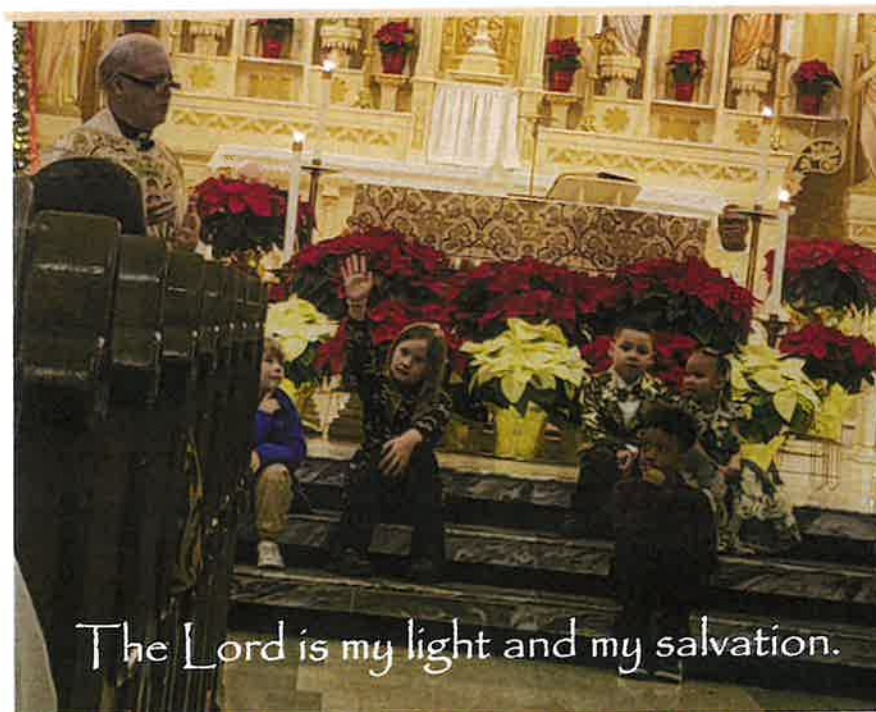
<b>Office Hours:</b>	<b>Food Pantry Hours:</b>
Monday-Friday	Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs
8 am- 4 pm	9 am-Noon and 1-3 pm

**Baptism, First Communion,  
Confirmation** Please contact  
the Parish Office about  
sacramental preparation, to  
schedule a Baptism or info  
on sacrament schedules.

**Become Catholic - OCIA**  
We welcome you and are  
here to help answer all those  
questions from the call that  
God is inviting you to follow.  
Contact the Parish Office.

**Marriage**  
Couples planning to marry  
need to contact the parish  
office at least 6 months  
prior to their anticipated  
wedding date.

**Anointing of the Sick**  
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anointed please contact the  
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The Lord is my light and my salvation.

A diverse, welcoming and vibrant Catholic community  
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## St. Mary Catholic Church

613 Cherry St. in downtown Evansville

Park in the back parking lot behind the church and enter through the gates

Join us for a 3-day Lenten Mission  
Sunday, February 22, 2026; 6-7:30 pm  
Monday, February 23, 2026; 6-7:30 pm  
Tuesday, February 24, 2026; 6-7:30 pm

Dr. James Ware presents...

**"The Mystery of the Christian Hope Unveiled."**

Prepare for a revolutionary Lenten journey in 2026 by joining us for our Lenten Parish Mission on February 22, 23, and 24 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm each night. Our speaker will be Catholic biblical scholar and author Dr. James Ware. The theme will be "The Mystery of the Christian Hope Unveiled." Come to grow in your faith by learning about the mystery that, although it is unknown to many Catholics, is at the heart of the Christian faith, the Bible, and the Mass! These truths will transform your life and your walk with Christ. Bring a friend!



Dr. Ware is a scholar of the Bible and Christian theology. He earned his PhD in New Testament and ancient Christianity from Yale University. He is professor emeritus of religion at the University of Evansville and teaches courses for Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology. He is the author of several books, his latest being a deep dive into 1 Corinthians 15, the great resurrection chapter of the Bible, entitled *The Final Triumph of God: Jesus, the Eyewitnesses, and the Resurrection of the Body in 1 Corinthians 15* (Eerdmans, 2025). He is a member of Annunciation Parish in Evansville.



## SOURCE + SUMMIT

### YOUTH RETREAT

MARCH 13, 14, 15, 2026  
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Registration includes speakers, breakout sessions, all meals, activities, and mass Saturday. Additional fees apply for overnight accommodations



### Keynote addresses by Catholic Inspirational Speaker Paul J. Kim on How to Bulletproof & Bless your Catholic Marriage

**Date:** Friday February 13, 2026 & Saturday February 14, 2026  
**Time:** Friday 6:00 pm (CST) Dinner 7:00 pm (CST) Welcome  
Saturday 7:30 am (CST) Doors Open & Breakfast served 8:30 am (CST) Conference Begins  
**Location:** Diocese of Evansville Offices & Sarto Retreat House  
4200 N. Kentucky Ave. Evansville, IN 47711  
**Cost:** \$150.00 a couple Friday & Saturday  
\$120.00 a couple Saturday Only  
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Contact Diocese of Evansville Office of Marriage, Family & Life for questions email Megan at [mknias@evdio.org](mailto:mknias@evdio.org) or Mary at [mwhelan@evdio.org](mailto:mwhelan@evdio.org)



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**Level 2 Parent/Student Event**  
6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade  
February 15, 6-8pm


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## 2026 Tri-State Creation Care Conference


### A PATH FORWARD IN TODAY'S ENVIRONMENT

**Saturday, Feb. 28, 9 am - Noon CST**  
Doors will open at 8:30 am for registration and exhibits  
A Tour of the Islamic Center will be offered at Noon


Islamic Center of Evansville 4200 Grimm Rd, Newburgh, IN

We are pleased to be hosted by Islamic Center of Evansville, whose mosque is a net zero building that won the 2024 Islamic Society of North America's Green Mosque Award and was one of only 39 faith congregations in the U.S. to have earned a 2021 EPA Energy Star certification.

**Keynote Speakers**



**Janet McCabe**  
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**Steven Phares**  
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## This Week in the Parish

Sunday 1/25	Monday 1/26	Tuesday 1/27	Wednesday 1/28	Thursday 1/29	Friday 1/30	Saturday 1/31
<b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Confession 9:15-9:45 am Mass 10:00 am CLOW  Confession 3:15 Mass 4:00 pm	Food Pantry 9-12; 1-3 Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 am Mass 12:05 PM	Food Pantry 9-12; 1-3 Adoration 11am Confession 11:30-11:55 Mass 12:05 pm <b>St. Vincent de Paul meets 5pm</b> <b>Choir Practice 6:30-8 pm</b>	Food Pantry 9-12; 1-3	Food Pantry 9-12; 1-3 <b>Women's Bible Study 10:00 am</b> <b>Ministry Ctr.</b> Adoration 11am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm	Adoration 11am Confession 11:30-11:55 am Mass 12:05 pm	<b>Blessing of Throats</b> Confession 3:15-3:45 pm Mass 4:00 pm

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**February 1, 2026**

1st Reading; Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

2nd Reading; 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Gospel; Matthew 5:1-12a

### Mass Intentions

Sat. 1/24	4:00 pm	Paul Webb
Sun. 1/25	10:00 am	Clarence and Freida Cronin
	4:00 pm	Rest of the Soul of William G. Greif
Mon. 1/26	12:05 pm	In memory of Carrie Ellen (Spear) Vix
Tues. 1/27	12:05 pm	Rest of the Soul of William G. Greif
Thurs 1/29	12:05 pm	Ginny Bonenberger
Fri. 1/30	12:05 pm	In Memory of Troy Hinderliter
Sat. 1/31	4:00 pm	James Cronin
Sun. 2/1	10:00 am	Needs and Intentions of the Parish
	4:00 pm	Eugene Latham
Mon. 2/2	12:05 pm	Communion Service
Tues. 2/3	12:05 pm	Thomas J. Rauk
Thurs. 2/5	12:05 pm	Jerry Marx
Fri. 2/6	12:05 pm	Erik Chandler
Sat. 2/7	4:00 pm	Ray Bigge

**MASS INTENTION envelopes in church. Please fill out and drop in the stewardship basket at Mass, or contact Lee Griggs in the parish office 812-425-1577 or [lgriggs@evdio.org](mailto:lgriggs@evdio.org).**

*Prayer Request*  
For the family of Bob Whitehouse, Helen MacDermott, Jaya Dodd, Basia Bazell and Renata Rafferty, Marilyn Cox, Lovella Martin, Chuck and Diane Hirsch, Marti Barrett, Dan and Jenny DiLegge, Jean Ann Priestly, Jim Wall, Ben Weaver, Bill O'Nan, Cap Berg, Paul Walker, Jim Lance, For Peace.

### Pray for our loved ones in the Military...

Connor Day	Staff Sgt. Shaun Nelson
William Russell	Staff Sgt. Nathan Ulrich
Lt. Noah Huelsing	LT Noah Algee
1st. Lt. Corey Cannon	

### Hello and Welcome to our Parish!

New to the area? Been attending here for some time? We invite you to become a registered member. Contact Lee in the parish office 812-425-1577 ext. 207 or email

[lgriggs@evdio.org](mailto:lgriggs@evdio.org)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

### Weekly Collections

Mass Time	1/17-18/2026
Saturday 4:00 pm	\$ 1,219.00
Sunday 10:00 am	\$ 2,107.00
4:00 pm	\$ 833.00
Electronic	\$ 3,151.83
Office Mail in	\$ 10,887.66
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 18,198.49</b>

**Alms \$500.00 StVdP \$1,070.00**

**Let us Pray...** That we as Christian Stewards may faithfully follow Jesus, wherever and whenever He calls.

### ON THE JOURNEY... Pray for our OCIA

**Catechumens:** David Tuley, Zak Ours, and Jacob Adler. and **Candidates:** Mark McDaniel, Kim Birkhead, Vasyl Liulka, Tanja Liulka, and Eliza Liulka.

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1/24 Sally Sunderman  
1/26 Gracelyn Berg, Pam Diehl  
1/27 Joe Day  
1/28 Mona Bowling

*We celebrate you!*

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2/1 David Unger, Margaret Willming  
2/3 Michael DiLegge, Mark Priestly  
2/4 Matthew Reidford  
2/7 Evelyn Baumgart  
2/8 Mary Abaray

### Next Week Ministers for Mass

**Sat. January 31; 4:00 pm** Lector Marge Schellhaus  
EMHC- Sheryl Lemmer, Sandi Render **Server**-Sheryl Lemmer **Ushers**- Ken Render

**Sun. February 1, 10:00 am**

**Lector**-Bob Stephens **EMHC**-Terri Schaefer, Rich Burek  
**Ushers**-Joe McConnell

**Sun. February 1, 4:00 pm**

**Lector**-Amanda Krause **EMHC**-Kody Johnson, Inese Lewis **Ushers**- Sam Kuester

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

This week we assisted nine neighbors with their rent; five we assisted with their Center Point bills which continue to be hardship due to high bills. We helped one neighbor who was behind on their water bill to catch up. We helped one person with an adult bed and one family with 2 children's beds. Thank you for your faithful support.



**WATCH OUR PARISH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE OR WFIE-14 FOR PARISH RELATED CANCELLATIONS OR WEATHER RELATED INFORMATION FOR THE PARISH.**

Fr. Benny Chacko invites you to join him for

## TRIUMPH of the HEART

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**FEBRUARY 15, 2026**

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**Sherwood Fellows**

### 3rd Sunday Ordinary Time

### Timely Stewardship

*"He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed Him."* MATTHEW 4:22

Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. In Stewardship to God, we should give our first and best of everything to Him: our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.

## OUTREACH... FOOD PANTRY NEWS

It was wonderful to see such a generous response to the Advent Food Drive! A HUGE Thank You to all who donated to our Parish Food Pantry. Your donations made a difference. **ALL YOU DO FOR OTHERS MAKES A DIFFERENCE!**

**CHOIR...** We invite interested singers to "come and see" a choir practice during the month of January. No audition is necessary reading music helpful, not required. Rehearsal in Rager Hall on Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Questions please either call 812-430-1594 or email [tina.tkraibley@evdio.org](mailto:tina.tkraibley@evdio.org).

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Opportunities at Ascension-St. Vincent Hospital, Evansville.** The Spiritual Care Department of Ascension-St. Vincent Hospital in Evansville is inviting Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to its team of volunteers to bring Holy Communion to our Catholic patients. If you believe that God is calling you to be an EMHC in a hospital setting, please contact the Spiritual Care Department to learn about the process of volunteering at 812-485-4150 or email: [tlvailes@ascension.org](mailto:tlvailes@ascension.org)

Greetings in Christ,  
Study is a work of prayer. Visit Saint Meinrad for the Graduate Theology Program Open House, Feb 14-15.



Tour campus, attend class, pray at liturgy, and meet professors and students. Learn more about our flexible and affordable offerings and register at [saintmeinrad.edu/openhouse](http://saintmeinrad.edu/openhouse). All are welcome.

### PARISH NEWS and DATES TO SAVE

**The Right to Life of Southwest Indiana Diaper Drive is from February 1 - March 1. Sts. Mary and John will again this year participate to collect diapers to help families in need. Look for Drop off boxes in church beginning Feb. 1**

**Save the date... MARDI GRAS POTLUCK Tuesday, February 17, 2026 in Rager Hall 6-8pm Bring a Potluck dish! Desserts are provided.**

**Parish Lenten Mission Sunday, Monday and Tuesday; February 22, 23 and 24, 2026. We welcome back Jim Ware for a three-day Mission.**