

North Deanery

St. Francis Xavier Parish, Vincennes, 8:30 a.m. early soup sale, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. eat-in, June 25, Highland Wood Community Park, 1377 Hart Street Road, Vincennes, IN 47591; more information, call 812-882-5638, visit stfrancisxaviervincennes.com or email saintfrancisxavier1@gmail.com.

Our Lady of Hope Parish, Washington, 6-10 p.m., June 3, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 4, 315 NE 3rd St., Washington, IN 47501; more information on Facebook at Catholic Community of Washington.

South Deanery

St. Boniface Parish, Evansville, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., June 4, 418 N. Wabash Ave., Evansville IN 47712; more information, call 812-423-1721, email dlehman@evdio.org or visit www.saintbonifaceparish.com/.

Holy Rosary Parish, Evansville, 5-9 p.m., June 1, 5-10 p.m., June 2-3, 20th Summer Social, 1301 S. Green River Rd., Evansville, IN 47715; more information, call Christine at 812-477-8923 ext. 224, email cgilles@evdio.org or visit hrparish.org/social.

Good Shepherd Parish, Evansville, 5-10 p.m., June 22-24, Bingo June 25, 2301 N. Stockwell Rd., Evansville, IN 47715; more information, call 812-477-5405 or visit gsparish.org.

East Deanery

St. Bernard Parish, Rockport, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Aug. 20, 547 Elm St., Rockport, IN 47635; more information, call 812-649-4811 or visit stbernardrockport.org.

Following is a schedule of summer socials in parishes and organizations across our diocese. We thank our parishes for providing this information. Please contact parish offices directly with questions or for information from parishes you don't see listed here. All times listed are local times.



St. Martin I Parish, Chrisney, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 1, 58 S. Church St., Chrisney, IN 47611; more information, call 812-649-4811 or visit stmartinchrisney.org.

St. Mary Parish, Ireland, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Sept. 10, 2831 N. 500 W., Jasper, IN 47546; more information, call 812-482-7041, email dgogel@evdio.org or visit www.stmaryireland.com.

Precious Blood Parish, Jasper, 10 a.m., Aug. 20, 1385 W. 6th St. (Hwy 56 West), Jasper, IN 47546; more information, call 812-482-4461 or visit www.preciousbloodjasperin.org.

Mary, Help of Christians Parish, Mariah Hill, 10 a.m., Aug. 13, 6827 E. County Road 1930 N., Dale, IN 47523; more information, visit www.sfrancisofassisi.org/.

West Deanery

St. Joseph Parish, Princeton, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 4, 7th Annual Strawberry Festival, 410 S. Race St., Princeton, IN 47670; more information, call 812-385-2617, visit www.stjosephprinceton.org/ or on Facebook at St. Joseph Catholic Church-Princeton, Indiana.

St. James Parish, Haubstadt, 10 a.m., Aug. 6, 12300 S. 50 W., Haubstadt, IN 47639; more information, call 812-867-5175, visit stjameshaubstadt.com or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SJChurchHaub.

St. Wendel Parish, St. Wendel, 5-9 p.m. Sept. 9, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sept. 10, 10542 W. Boonville-New Harmony Rd., Evansville, IN 47720; more information soon on Facebook at St. Wendel Social.

Corpus Christi Parish, Evansville, Sept. 16-17 and Sept. 23, Harvest Fest, 5528 Hogue Rd., Evansville, IN 47712; 3rd Annual Chili Cook-off Sept. 23.

St. Matthew Parish, Mt. Vernon, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., July 9, 421 Mulberry St., Mt. Vernon, IN 47620; more information, visit www.stmatthew-parish.us.

St. Bernard Parish, Snake Run, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Sept. 10, 5342 E. State Road 168, Fort Branch, IN 47648; more information, visit stbernardsnakerun.org or on Facebook at St. Bernard Snake Run.

We Remember in Prayer

Following is a feature in *The Message*, designed to help draw together the People of God in southwestern Indiana.

- **The Message** has received word that **Kathrinamma Natha** died May 1 in India. She is the mother of Father Simon Natha, administrator of St. Peter Parish in Linton and Holy Name Parish in Bloomfield. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated May 2 in India. Please keep Kathrinamma, Father Simon and the Natha family in your prayers.

Please send information for **WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER** to **Tim Lilley at The Message, P.O. Box 4169, Evansville, IN 47724** or e-mail tlilley@evdio.org.

Memorial Day Mass at St. Joseph Cemetery

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery invites everyone to attend its annual Memorial Day Mass at 10 a.m. CDT May 29 in the mausoleum chapel. **The Message** received the following about the Mass: "Please join us as we honor all the deceased veterans who are buried in our cemetery. Together, let us remember the gift of service that they have given to us and to our country."

Project Rachel active here

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Project Rachel is a ministry of the Diocese of Evansville that operates through the Office of Family and Life. From the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops:

"Project Rachel is an ongoing ministry of the Catholic Church in the U.S. to those who have been involved in abortion. It is a diocesan-based network of specially trained priests, religious, counselors and laypersons who provide a team response of care for those suffering in the aftermath of abortion.

In addition to referring for Sacramental Reconciliation, the ministry provides an integrated network of services, including pastoral counseling, support groups, retreats and referrals to licensed mental-health professionals." **Phone: 812.483.7812**

Remember . . . there is hope after abortion. For more information, please visit www.hopeafterabortion.com. All inquiries are confidential.

St. John–Newburgh discontinuing 5:30 p.m. Sunday Mass

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St. John the Baptist Parish in Newburgh will discontinue its 5:30 p.m. Sunday Mass effective June 1.

Moving forward, St. John the Baptist will continue its other four weekend Masses at the same times: 5 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m., 8:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday.

From the parish: "We are hoping that, as we move into this new schedule, the liturgical ministers and other volunteers from the 5:30 p.m. Sunday Mass are able to transition to the four other Masses. We encourage all parishioners to become

truly active members by:

- Worshipping with the community on the weekend
- Engaging in some activity of the parish — spiritually, socially or in a volunteer capacity
- Supporting the parish through Sunday giving — either in envelopes, direct debit or online

"We are very appreciative of all our volunteers and will work hard to make this transition go as smoothly as possible."

If you have any questions, would like to talk to someone or wish to volunteer, please call the parish office at 812-490-1000.

ICC

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fee, a cigarette-tax increase or an alcohol-tax increase are all viable options."

One major win for the ICC and advocates for the poor was the first meaningful update in decades for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program in Indiana. The budget also saw

increases in funding for food banks statewide.

In addition, the ICC hailed the passage of changes to Indiana's Earned Income Tax Credit, including better aligning the state tax credit with the federal credit, eliminating the current marriage penalty, and extending credits for larger families, including those with foster children.

"This is a big step in recognizing that married couples,

foster parents and parents with more than two children shouldn't have to face penalties," said Alexander Mingus, associate director of the ICC.

Mingus also pointed to new budget allocations of \$10 million for land conservation and \$30 million for trail usage in Indiana's state parks. Although those figures fell short of what the governor called for in his State of the State address, Mingus said the

ICC was pleased "to see some investment in those areas."

At the conclusion of this long legislative session, which saw the ICC's steady presence at the Statehouse, Espada reflected on the past four months.

"After every legislative session, people like to count wins and losses," she said. "The ICC is obviously happy with the expansion of school choice, the eventual increases to

TANF and the success of many of our other priorities. However, we are more pleased that legislators are willing to listen to the ICC and their constituents. We are also pleased that people are willing to get engaged and reach out to their lawmakers.

"It takes all of us."

For more information and ways to get involved with the ICC and its mission, visit www.indianacc.org.