

## St. Bonaventure Church

Rev. Fr. C. Paschal Ihediohanna  
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[www.stbonaventure-frmccartan.org](http://www.stbonaventure-frmccartan.org)  
 Founded in 1888

### St. Joseph Church, Hurricane Branch Founded 1878

St. Joseph collection 12/07/2024 \$1,148

### St. Raphael Church, Indian Grove Founded 1886

St. Raphael collection 12/13/2024 \$802

### Fourth Sunday of Advent Dec 22, 2024

Day of Adoration: First Friday from 8:15am Mass until 7pm  
 Ending with Rosary & Benediction. Reconciliation at **3:30pm**  
Reconciliation: 30 minutes prior to 400pm Saturday Mass  
 Anytime by appointment.

Baptism: Please call the rectory for information and to set a time and date.

First Eucharist: Any child properly prepared is eligible to receive first Eucharist.

Confirmation: Every Sunday at the School from 9-10:30am

Marriage: Please call the rectory to make arrangements and begin preparations. Catholic policy requires you contact the rectory at least six months in advance.

New Parishioners: Welcome to our parish. Contact the rectory or Fr. Paschal to register as a parishioner. Gold registration form found in book rack in back of the Church.

Sick Calls/Anointing of the Sick: Please call the rectory at any time day or night. 660-376-3239

### St. Bonaventure – Financial Information

Amount needed to meet Dec monthly expenses: **\$42,447**

	Envelopes/Loose	ACH	Donations
Week 1	2,930	3,020	302
Week 2	3,972		245
Week 3	3,563	960	3,880
Week 4			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>10,465</b>	<b>3,980</b>	<b>4,427</b>

Total School Income: 2,927  
**TOTAL INCOME + \$18,872**  
**\$21,799**

Needed to meet Goal: 20,648

### Father McCartan Memorial School

327 S Kansas Ave 660-376-3580  
 Kathy Harlan, Principal  
[principal@fathermccartan.com](mailto:principal@fathermccartan.com)  
 660-788-3502

**School Advisory Council – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 5:30 pm**

Alicyn Cupp, President 660 591-5420 [alicyncupp@gmail.com](mailto:alicyncupp@gmail.com)

**Home & School**

Kristin Hoskins, President 660-537-6543 ; [kristinallen0605@hotmail.com](mailto:kristinallen0605@hotmail.com)

**Memorial School Foundation**

PO Box 305 Marceline, MO 64658

**Easy Money Winner:** \$50 Gretchen Gregory, Columbia



**St. Bonaventure Pastoral Council** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 6:00pm  
 Paula Wright, President (660-349-6257) \* Glenn Ewigman, Vice President\*  
 Amanda Johnson, Secretary \*Levi Kelly, Tim Rodgers, Brian Mosier, Gabe Kelly, and Charles Krumpelman

**Liturgy & Worship Committee** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 5pm

**Finance/Admin Committee** 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 5:30pm

**Knights of Columbus** 1<sup>st</sup> Mon of even # mos  
 Randy Edgar, Grand Knight 660 734-4512 7:00pm

**Stewardship** James Stella 573-999-4910 [jstella042@gmail.com](mailto:jstella042@gmail.com)

**High School CYO Sponsors:** Donna Bell

**PSR Coordinator:** Paula Wright / Brittany Husky

**Confirmation Coordinator:** Tina Krumpelman

**St. Anne's Altar Society** (Watch the Bulletin for activity)

### Prayer Line Requests:

Beth Kearns 660-202-9388  
 Barbara Meissen 660-376-2983

### MASS SCHEDULE & Calendar (subject to change):

Sat.	Dec 21	4pm Mass @ Marceline 6pm Mass @ Hurricane Branch
Sun.	Dec 22	9am Mass @ Brookfield 10:45am Mass @ Marceline *PSR 9am
Mon.	Dec 23	NO MASS
Tues	Dec 24	***CHRISTMAS EVE*** 4pm Mass @ Marceline 6pm Mass @ Brookfield
Wed	Dec 25	***CHRISTMAS DAY*** 8am Mass @ Hurricane Branch 10am Mass @ Marceline
Thurs	Dec 26	8:15am Mass @ Marceline
Fri	Dec 27	8:15am Mass @ Marceline
Sat.	Dec 28	4pm Mass @ Marceline 6pm Mass @ Indian Grove
Sun.	Dec 29	9am Mass @ Brookfield 10:45am Mass @ Marceline *NO PSR

73 items delivered for Feed My Sheep month of December!

### Ministry Schedule

Saturday 12/28/2024	Sunday 12/29/2024
<b>Usher:</b> Ed Ewigman, Jacob Grotewiel, Larry Franklin, David Allen	<b>Usher:</b> CYO
<b>Lector:</b> Lori Rollison	<b>Lector:</b> CYO
<b>ComMin:</b> Glenn Ewigman, Martha Pope, John Bell	<b>ComMin:</b> Ryan Lodder, Dustin Kelly, Lindsey Krumpelman
<b>Servers:</b> Spencer Rollison, Mike Dubois	<b>Servers:</b> Evie and Archer Reigelsberger, Gill Lodder
<b>Music:</b> Laquetta Ewigman	<b>Music:</b> Denise or Greg

### MASS INTENTIONS

**SAT Dec 21:** St Bon – Jerry L Chrisman  
 HB – Gene Koehl

**SUN Dec 22:** St. Bon – John Krumpelman

**TUE Dec 24:** St. Bon – Tony Quinn

**WED Dec 25:** HB – Joe Koehl  
 St. Bon – Harold Joseph Neblock

**THU Dec 26:** St. Bon – Jim & Connie Ewigman

**FRI Dec 27:** St. Bon – Vern Schmitt

**SAT Dec 28:** St Bon – Raymond Marek  
 IG – Wayne Wald

**SUN Dec 29:** St Bon – John & Mary Spaight

Dec 22, 2024



## Why do Catholics do that??

### Why do we celebrate Christmas on December 25<sup>th</sup>?

There are many theories to answer this question. Many Christians claim that the date of Christmas was intended to provide an alternative to pagan celebrations and the Winter Solstice. It has been suggested that Christians in the fourth century assigned December 25th as Christ's birthday because pagans already observed this day as a holiday. This theory does not match the earliest source for the December 25th dating which comes from Saint Hippolytus of Rome in his *Commentary on Daniel* written around the year 205 A.D.

Another theory is that the church celebrated Christ's conception on March 25, because in Jewish tradition, March 25 was celebrated as the date of Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac, when the Lord promised to send a lamb to complete the sacrifice. It also marked the first day of the Creation, when God brought forth light. The early Christians easily recognized the connection between Christ the Lamb and the Light, and dated both his conception and death to March 25. If the Incarnation occurred on March 25, then it follows that the Nativity occurred nine months later on December 25. For the early Christians the decisive factor was the connection of creation and cross, and of creation and Christ's conception.

Regardless of how December 25 was chosen, Christmas is the day when Christ came to Earth to save each of us from our sins!

### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:

**Volunteer Liturgical Ministers are needed for Christmas Masses. Please sign-up on the GREEN sheet on the podium at the back of Church**

Christmas Eve: St. Bonaventure 4pm  
Brookfield IC 6pm

Christmas Day: Hurricane Branch 8am  
St. Bonaventure 10am

### This week on Formed:

To sign up, follow this link <https://shorturl.at/iDzAF>. Type your email address and use 64628 to find Immaculate Conception, Brookfield as our "Parish". Once you have signed up, you can use the apps for formed on your phones, TV's, or online!



Mary's Labor: What Does Catholic Tradition Have to Say?

Join Dr. Scott Hefelfinger and Dr. Michael Barber as they explain the Catholic Church's understanding of Mary's labor and the birth of Jesus Christ.

Follow this link to watch the above video!  
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/mary-s-labor-what-does-the-church-teach-catholic-commentary-on-the-chosen>

### Special Christmas Collection



The diocesan Christmas Special Collection is an opportunity to show our support for our diocesan seminarians and infirm priests. \$3,175 is what our Parish has been assessed and will have to pay.

### \*\*Pope Francis Special Intention for December

Heavenly Father,

May this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith and help us to recognize Christ in the midst of our lives. Transform us into pilgrims who bring Christian hope to the world.

### \*\*Bishop Shawn McKnight December Intention

For hope to find a home in our hearts as we embrace the joy of Christ's birth. Amid the jubilation, may we also find time in prayer to experience the calm and peace of God's presence in our lives.



### Christmas Flowers

Thank you for donations in memory of loved ones: Tony Quinn, Leroy Stallo, Patty Dell, Joseph Burch, Virginia and John L Burch, CV & Rosemary Gladbach Family, Harold Milner, Leo Ewigman, Jeanette Ewigman, Randy Ewigman, Mark Ewigman, Ella Ewigman, and Florence Ewigman.

### Fr. McCartan School News: (Kathy Harlan)

- Christmas Program to be rescheduled after the first of the year
- School Resumes Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>
- Save Prenger's receipts in Marceline or Brookfield, Best Choice labels, and empty ink cartridges. Drop them off at the office to help earn items for our school!

### Foundation:

Checks for 2025 Easy Money and Memberships will be cashed after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. Tickets that have already been received **WILL** be in the first drawing still.

### RCIA

St. Bonaventure has started discussion sessions for persons interested in learning more about our Catholic faith. You are welcome to attend and learn what Catholics believe in, in an open and welcoming environment. If you or someone you know would like to know more about our Catholic faith, please pass their name to or encourage them to call the rectory or Michael Krumpelman (660-376-2725 ; 660-240-1671).

### 2024-2025 Religious Education Program (PSR)

- Classes will resume after school starts back up
- No PSR until after school resumes. PSR will tentatively move to Thursdays from 3:15-5:30. More information about this change will be given to families

### Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) (Donna Bell)

Dec 29<sup>th</sup> – CYO Mass

### Home/Hospital/Nursing Home Visit or Anointing Requests:

If you would like a visit for communion, confession or anointing due to illness or impending surgery, or someone in your family is ill at home, in hospital or nursing home, please call the rectory at 376-3239 and leave details so Fr. Paschal can come to your aid.

### Mass Offerings

To have a Mass offered for a loved one, please put their name and \$10 per Mass in an envelope. Specify any special dates you request. You may drop the envelope in the collection or at the Rectory.

### Bulletin Prayer List Request

Parishioners who are ill or have a loved one who is ill may request to have the person remembered on our prayer list. Names will remain on the list for two months but may be resubmitted upon request. Please remember that permission must be given by the individual before the name can be published. To add or remove a name, please contact the parish office.

### Prayers needed: Pray for those on our prayer list & their care givers.

If you know of others you would like on this list, please contact the Rectory. We ask Jesus for healing & comfort for:

Laquetta Ewigman, Tricia Cohen, Cullen Bruner, Janelle Ewigman, Kathy Harlan, Mikey Behrman, Fred Henke, John Hartman, Barb Young, Marilyn Bixenman, John Noll, Mikey Behrman, Christine Atterbury, Gaila Donaldson, Janice Merritt, Randall Stonger, Bob Page, Dennis Neidholdt, Marilyn Atterbury, Janice Boss, Jeremy Lodder, Reyes Euceda, Dean Miller, McKenna Dorrell, Mary Ann Witthar, Geraldean Burriss, Bob Beaver, Ellen Beaver, George Graham, Mary Lou Neblock, Rose Bloss, Dennis Gladbach (from Jeff City), Amy McCambell and Alaysia, Bob Gladbach, Sabrina Ayers, Andrea Switzer, Barb Daller; & all who suffer from sickness, accidents, or aging, and doctors, nurses, caregivers, & emergency personnel. **Pray for those currently serving in our military & their families:** Dillon Craig, Steven Bussman, William Stephens, Logan Tubbs, Andrew Sergeant, Eric Stallo, Nick Cain, Tony Gladbach, Tyler Morris, Jimmy Summers, Jacob White, & Chase Billups.