

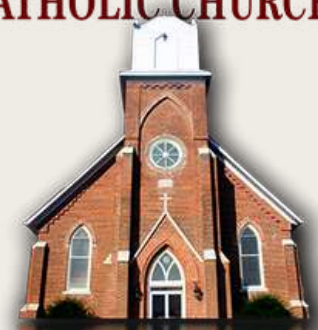
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JANUARY 2025

WELCOME TO OUR

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This week we are praying for Marriages as it is World Marriage Day on February 9!



Baby Shower

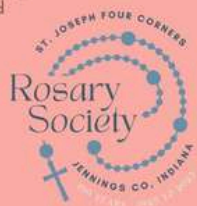
During the entire month of February, St. Joseph's Rosary Society invites you to join in providing items for moms and babies in need. Donations can be left in the back of St. Joe's.

Gabriel Project needs size 5 & 6 diapers and wipes. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office. Donations assist mothers with life expenses.

Missi's Hope Maternity Home is saving up for a new van and to purchase or build a home in North Vernon. Monetary donations can be made to www.supportmissyshop.org or mailed to:

Peggy Dyer-Bland
558 Daniel Drive
North Vernon, IN 47265

Clarity Pregnancy needs diapers (especially the larger sizes), wipes, clothing (up to 3T) for their baby boutique, blankets, bibs, bottles, baby wash, baby lotion, and Enfamil Infant Formula (yellow can) or Enfamil Gentlease Formula (purple can).



February is the Month of The Holy Family. And before we know it, Lent will be here! Go to page 2 to see what's coming with a Lenten Study with Fr. Byrd and a Women's Lenten Retreat about the Fatima messages with Fr. Vogel!

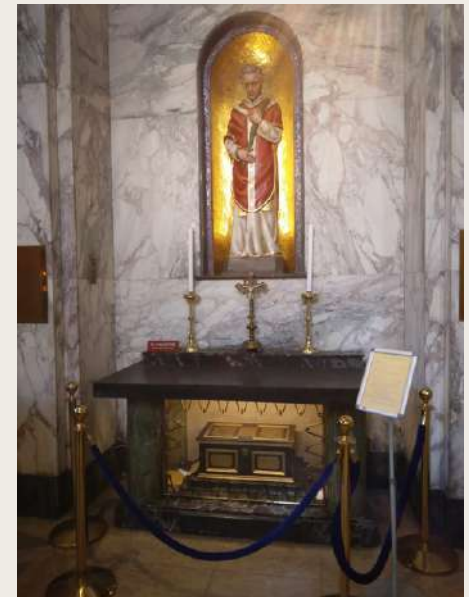


Photo by Alex Lindberg

Above: A relic of St. Valentine in Dublin, Ireland! St. Valentine did exist, because archaeologists unearthed a Roman catacomb in an ancient church dedicated to St. Valentine. In 496 AD Pope Gelasius marked February 14th as a celebration in honor of his martyrdom.

Add to your calendar:

- **Donut Sunday** Feb. 9 after 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary
- **Rosary Society Bake Sale** for Seminarians is Feb. 15 at SJ after the 6 pm Mass.
- **All-Month Baby Shower**, see flyer above!
- **Rosary in a Year**: Thursdays at 6 p.m. St. Mary Parish Center

See page 2!



DON'T MISS THESE TWO GREAT LENTEN EVENTS

LENTEN STUDY 2025

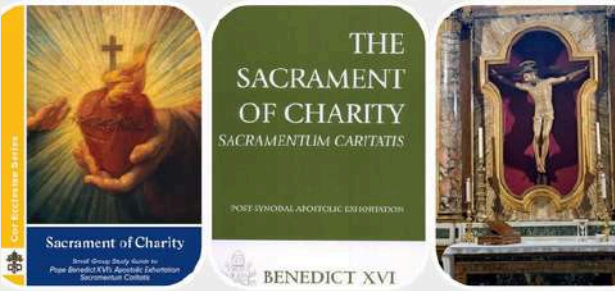
THE SACRAMENT OF CHARITY

MARCH 27, APRIL 3, AND APRIL 10
6 P.M. ST. MARY
SOUP SUPPER THEN STUDY WITH FR. BYRD


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WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

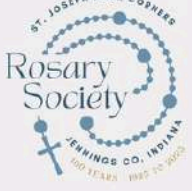
Saturday, March 8
8 am to 1 pm
St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Hall

Father Bobby Vogel (a son of St. Joseph parish) will bring to life the incredible message Our Lady spoke at Fatima, Portugal in 1917 and share how we can apply her message to our own lives today.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided. There will be the opportunity to go to confession and the day will conclude with a holy hour in the church.

All women are welcome. To RSVP call or text Cari Hauersperger at 812-521-4103

Sponsored by St. Joseph Rosary Society in honor of our 100th anniversary.



Hope Does Not Disappoint Weekly Feature for the Jubilee of Hope!

The beauty of using Candlemas candles at someone's deathbed

We just celebrated Candlemas on Feb. 2! John Paul II, during a homily in 1998, mentioned a tradition during surrounding these candles that was connected to a person's deathbed:

“Even more eloquent is the custom of putting the candle blessed on this day in the hands of a Christian on his deathbed, that it may illumine his last steps on the way to eternity.



Candlemas by Marianne Stokes--public domain

This practice is meant to show that, by following the light of faith, the dying person is waiting to enter the eternal dwelling place, where there is no longer “need of light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light” (Rev: 22:5).