

# *St. Patrick's Catholic Church*

## *Know, Love, and Serve*

### *Masses:*

Saturday: 5 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM & 10 AM

Wed, Thurs, & Fri: 8 AM

Tues: 7 PM (6 PM Dec-Feb)

Reconciliation: Sat 3:30-4:30 PM

### *Religious Education:*

Roberta Davis

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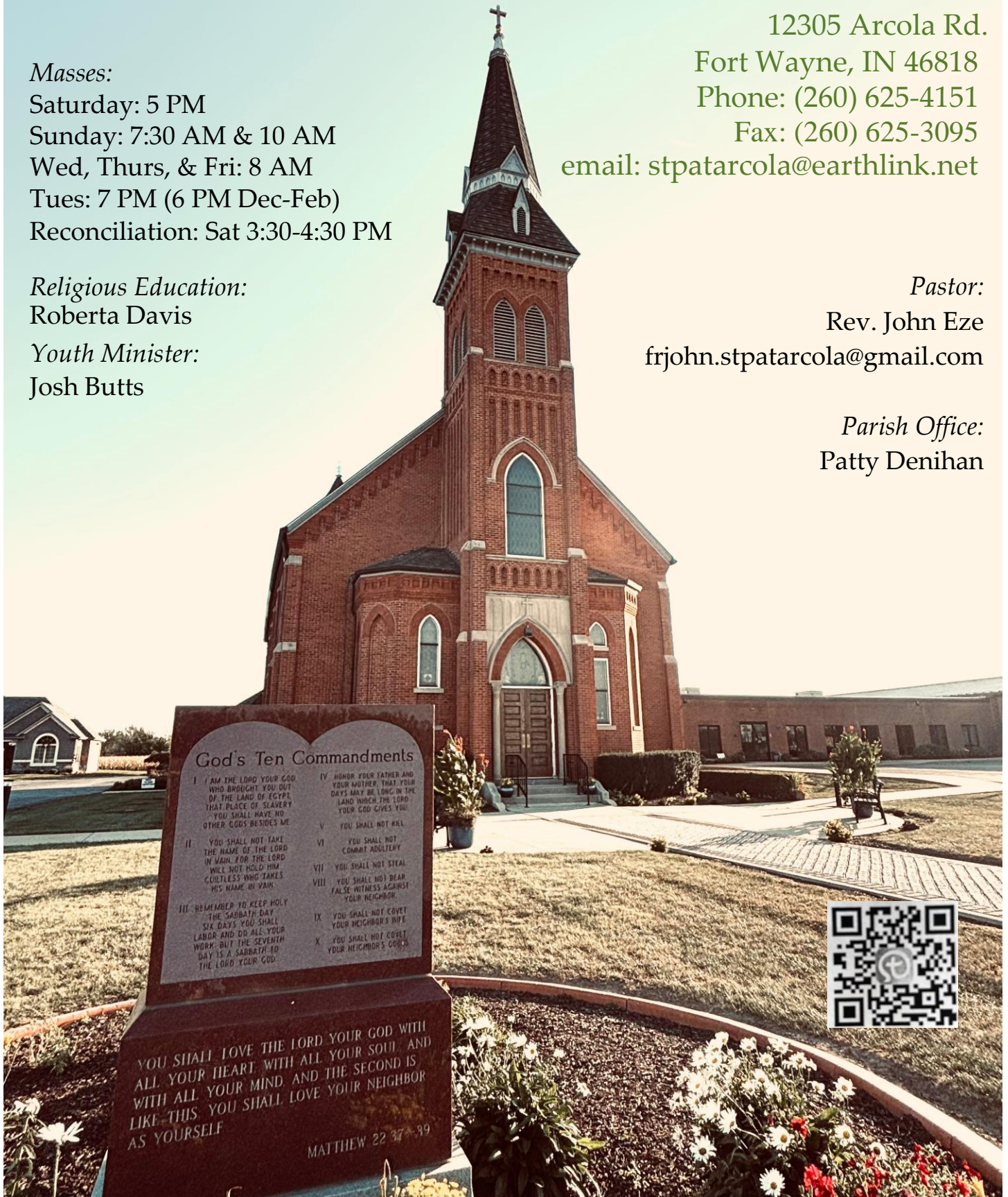
### *Pastor:*

Rev. John Eze

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### *Parish Office:*

Patty Denihan



### God's Ten Commandments

- I I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD WHO BROUGHT YOU OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT THAT PLACE OF SLAVERY YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER GODS BESIDES ME
- II YOU SHALL NOT TAKE THE NAME OF THE LORD IN VAIN FOR THE LORD WILL NOT HOLD HIM CUILTLESS WHO TAKES HIS NAME IN VAIN
- III REMEMBER TO KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH DAY SIX DAYS YOU SHALL LABOR AND DO ALL YOUR WORK BUT THE SEVENTH DAY IS A SABBATH TO THE LORD YOUR GOD
- IV HONOR YOUR FATHER AND YOUR MOTHER THAT YOUR DAYS MAY BE LONG IN THE LAND WHICH THE LORD YOUR GOD GIVES YOU
- V YOU SHALL NOT KILL
- VI YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY
- VII YOU SHALL NOT STEAL
- VIII YOU SHALL NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOR
- IX YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S WIFE
- X YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S GOODS

YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART WITH ALL YOUR MIND AND THE SECOND IS LIKE THIS YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF

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## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### Masses for the Week

#### Sunday, December 15

7:30am Jerry and Jean Zorger  
10:00am Living & deceased parishioners

#### Monday, December 16

**NO MASS**

#### Tuesday, December 17

**6:00pm** James and Sophie Wormcastle

#### Wednesday, December 18

8:00am Special intention: Scott & Raylene

#### Thursday, December 19

8:00am Healing for Bryan Umberg

#### Friday, December 20

8:00am Special intention: Maria Jones

#### Saturday, December 21

5:00pm Bud Van Allen

#### Sunday, December 22

7:30am St. Patrick's parishioners  
10:00am Bethany Calder

### Liturgical Ministries

#### **December 21 & 22**

##### Lectors

5:00pm Thomas Beber  
7:30am Keith Lipke  
10:00am Kim Pirrung

##### Eucharistic Ministries

5:00pm P. Bottone, M. Korte, S. Moore, R. Rospond  
7:30am B. Beery, M. Butts, R. Davis, C. Trahin  
10:00am A. Deckena, N. Duffy, T. Frazier, S. Harber

##### Gifts

5:00pm Dave Burelison family  
7:30am Jason Johnson family  
10:00am Ken Miller family

##### Ushers

5:00pm C. Keefer, E. Keefer, B. Lane, T. Lane  
7:30am P. Denihan, A. Hinen, P. Hinen, Z. Hinen  
10:00am C. Deckena, D. Frazier, H. Frazier, K. Kammer

##### Servers

7:30am Jack J, Marshall H, Matthew N, Peter S  
10:00am Chuck D, Julian T, Xavier T, Levi T

##### Church Cleaning

**December 21** Abby Johnson, Nicole German

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [www.stpatrickarcola.org](http://www.stpatrickarcola.org)

### ‘GAUDETE’

### “REJOICE, THE LORD IS NEAR”

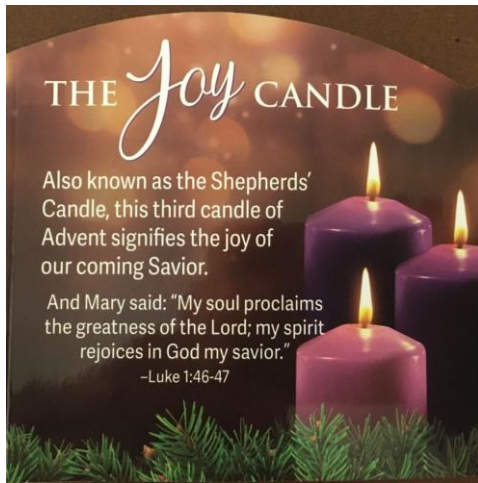
The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally known as the ‘Gaudete’ a word that means ‘rejoice’ All Christians are called to be joyful. The readings of this Sunday invite us to rejoice because the Lord is nearby. Despite the hardship and distress the people of Israel were passing through, Prophet Zephaniah invites them to rejoice and dance for joy because God has repealed their sentence and removed the judgment against them. St. Paul, writing from his prison cell continues the invitation to God’s children to rejoice always because “the Lord is near” Christians of today who are surrounded by bad news of wars, violence, hatred, and injustice must never despair but confidently tell the Lord their needs in prayer and thanksgiving, this complete reliance on divine providence will bring us to peace and joy. In the Gospel John the Baptist presents us with practical steps to true joy: Sharing your goods with those who are on the margins of life. Don’t use your position to exploit the poor and the weak or oppress anyone.

### CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULES

DAYS & DATES	MASS TIME	MASS TIME	MASS TIME
TUES. DEC. 24TH	4PM	4PM IN THE HALL	11PM
WED. DEC. 25TH	8AM	10AM	
SAT. DEC. 28TH	5PM		
SUN. DEC. 29TH	7:30AM	10AM	
TUES. DEC. 31ST	5:PM		
WED. JAN. 1ST	9AM		

**P.S.** Morning Masses on Thursday and Friday after Christmas and New Year will be at 9am there will be no Exposition and Adorations. **Fr. John Eze.**

# December 15, 2024



## Weekly Offertory Collection

**December 2 – December 8**

Regular Collection ..... \$3,738

Online Collection ..... \$2,542

TOTAL Giving ..... \$6,280

Pro-Life A person is a person no matter how small.

Advent Reflections on Wednesday Evenings on **December 18 from 7pm till 8pm**. Scripture reading Luke 2:1-20. Subject: What's Next for Me? All are welcome!

GIVING TREE – The Giving tree will be in the church's sanctuary with a list of items decorated on the tree that are needed for the Women's Care Center for needy families. Please place your unwrapped gift under the Giving tree. Thank you!

NO Religious Education Classes on Sunday, December 22 and 29. Wishing everyone a very joyous Christmas and a blessed New Year 2025! Classes will resume on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>!

Knights of Columbus Meeting will be held on **Thursday, December 19 at 7pm** in the parish hall.

## ADVENT CONFESSION PROGRAM DEC.17<sup>TH</sup> – DEC.22<sup>ND</sup> 2024

DAYS & DATE	CONFESSIONS	TIME
TUES. DEC. 17TH	CONFESSIONS	5PM -- 6PM
WED. DEC. 18TH	CONFESSIONS	8:30AM – 9:30AM
THURS. DEC. 19TH	CONFESSIONS	8:30AM – 9:30AM
FRI. DEC. 20TH	CONFESSIONS	8:30AM – 9:30AM
SAT. DEC. 21ST	CONFESSIONS	3:30PM – 4:30PM
SUN. DEC. 22ND	CONFESSIONS	8:45AM – 9:45AM
SUN. DEC. 22ND	CONFESSIONS	11:15AM-12:15PM

The Order of Christian of Adults (OCIA) is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and for those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. We will meet on **Wednesday evening December 18 from 7:00-8:00 pm in the library**. Topic: "Baptism and Confirmation"

2025 Catholic Calendars are at the church entrances.

Christmas Memorial Flowers Donation Envelopes are at the church entrances for donations to help decorate the church for Christmas.

2025 Offertory Envelopes – Please pick up your 2025 offertory envelopes located on the table in the back of church.

## Life Defenders Trip to the National March for Life

College-aged and high school students are invited to join the Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on a bus trip to the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. Leaving the evening of **January 22<sup>nd</sup>** and return home early morning on Saturday, **January 25<sup>th</sup>**. Learn more at [www.ichooselife.org/dc](http://www.ichooselife.org/dc) or call 260.471.1849. Thank you for partnering with us for life. Proverbs 31:8-9.

## Mark your Calendars! Regional Rally and March for Life on **Saturday, January 18, doors open at noon**.

Starting at the Tin Caps Stadium (not at the USF performing Arts Center like it has been in past years, as the building is closed for construction currently). Rally at will begin 12:30pm and the March will begin after the Rally. Learn more at [www.ichooselife.org/march](http://www.ichooselife.org/march).

AVA's Grace December Gathering If you have suffered miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant loss and would like to gather online with others who know this deep grief, we invite you to attend the online Advent Ava's Grace gathering on **Wed., Dec.18, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.** as we discuss how to navigate grief during the Christmas holidays. Please email Lisa Everett at [leverett@diocesefwsb.org](mailto:leverett@diocesefwsb.org) for the Zoom meeting link and passcode. For more information about Ava's Grace, the diocesan ministry which offers spiritual, emotional, and practical support to those grieving the loss of a baby before or after birth, visit [diocesefwsb.org/avasgrace](http://diocesefwsb.org/avasgrace).

## Christmas Choir Practice Schedule

**Christmas Choir Practices!** (Held in the choir loft):

Sunday, **December 15th**, from **1:00pm-2:00pm**

(for Christmas Day 8am Mass)

Sunday, **December 15th**, from **3:30pm-4:30pm**

(for Christmas Eve 11pm Mass)

Sunday, **December 15th**, from **5:30pm-7:30pm**

(for Christmas Eve 4pm Mass)

Sunday, **December 22nd**, from **2:30-4:30pm**

(for Christmas Eve 11pm Mass)