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**St. Mary**  
Byzantine  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 26-31

(M=ST. NICHOLAS, MUNSTER; W=ST. MARY, WHITING)

Jan. 26	House Blessings (M)	
Jan. 27	Divine Liturgy (M)	9:30 a.m.
Jan. 30	THREE HOLY HIERARCHS	
	Divine Liturgy (M)	7 p.m.
	SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON	
Jan 31	Raising them Rite (M)	1-4 p.m.
	Vespertal Liturgy (M)	4 p.m.
Feb. 1	Festal Matins (W)	8:30 a.m.
	Divine Liturgy (W)	10 a.m.
	Parish & Finance Council Meeting	5:15 p.m.
	Vespers for Presentation (M)	7 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS.

Feb. 2	Matins & Liturgy for Presentation (W)	8:30 & 10 a.m.
Feb. 15	Forgiveness Vespers (M)	7 p.m.
Feb. 21	Lenten ECF starts (M)	2:45 p.m.

Glory to Jesus Christ!  
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Weekend Services:

Saturday: Vespertal Liturgy 4 p.m. (M)

Sunday: Matins, 8:30 a.m., Liturgy, 10 a.m. (W)

Parish Office Hours:

Monday 12 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Thursday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Confession:

Saturday before Vespers  
Sunday 9:15 a.m., or by appointment

Sacraments:

Contact Parish Office

Served by:

Fr. Andrew Summerson, S.Th.D.  
Cell: (216) 212-0295

Parish Secretary:

Marae Moore

Parish Pastoral Council:

Garrett Ashlock, Marina Klochan, Tony McCullough, Caitlin McEnery, Tony Mota, Denise Seeger, Donna Tang, Ben Yates

Parish Finance Council:

Tommy Abbott, Peter Baranko, Torie Cox, Leslie Flores, Paul Kuss, Peter McEnery, Melissa Noyola, Delana Yurkanin

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Raising Them Rite/Lenten ECF

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**Join in** a family catechetical day at St. Nicholas in Munster entitled, “Raising them Rite: Raising Children for an Everlasting Faith,” Jan. 31 at 1 p.m. All ages are welcome as we will be dealing with age-appropriate topics about how to live the faith in home. Cost is \$30 per family and includes food. Day will conclude with Vespers Divine Liturgy at 4 p.m. **To register, use the QR code or email: [infotaborlife@gmail.com](mailto:infotaborlife@gmail.com).**

**February 21,** we will begin ECF for all ages, every other week, on Saturdays at 2:45 p.m. at St. Nicholas. A Bible study will be held for adults. Please block off every other week in your schedule for ECF. Thank you to our Discipleship Committee for coordinating the ECF.

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Potluck Agape

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**New Agape Potluck:** Every first Sunday of the month, we are expanding our fellowship to include a potluck lunch as a way to be together. Bring a sidedish and a sidekick (a guest; guests are always welcome). **The first potluck will be Sunday, February 1, in the hall after the Divine Liturgy.** Please sign up and let us know what you will bring!

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Gala Committee News

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Did you receive some lovely baskets for Christmas and now don't know what to do with them, having enjoyed the goodies inside? Bring them to church before March 1, so we can reuse them for our auction baskets at the gala. Give baskets to Laura.

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Tithes & Offerings

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**Jan. 18, 2026**  
**\$2,366.00**

We need to live from the collection basket. Please consider adjusting your tithe to 10% of your weekly take-home pay. Donations can be made online through Tithe.ly. Your offering also helps the charities that appeal to us for help.

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Called by Name

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**Called by Name** is a program that identifies potential vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and monastic life. This program begins throughout the entire Byzantine Catholic Church this weekend. It offers an opportunity for us to pray for vocations; to recognize gifts and potential for leadership and service in members of our parish; and finally, to call forth and encourage these members to share their gifts through the priesthood, diaconate, and monastic life (men and women). Perhaps you know a man or woman (senior high school age or older) who would, in your opinion, have the qualifications to become a priest, a deacon, a monk or a sister. **Please recommend this person by filling out the nomination form available in the narthex and send directly to the Office of Vocations.**

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St. Michael: Soup & Salad

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Sunday, February 15, the St. Nicholas Apostolate at St. Michael in Merrillville will host a Soup and Salad Fundraiser from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. All you can eat! Adults are \$15, children under 12 are \$7; kids 5 and under are free!

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Prayer Requests

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*Please pray for:*

**PARISH FAMILY**  
John Beno, Arlene Bartko, Robert Clark, Susan Hlebasko, Laura Ieraci, Luke Jarman, Joanne Kuss, Marlene Mantich, Janet Mateyko, Oleksander Pushkarovich, Jeanette Stolarz, Lisa Sulich, Michael Yurkanin

**RELATIVES AND FRIENDS**  
Aaron Bauer, Helen Brown, Dillon Buenrostro, Greg Canner, Ann Rose Chicvara, Jerry Chicvara, Maria Diaz, Fr. Michael Evanick, Flaviano Fogli, Patsy Hale, Jon Kalena, Rose Kovach, Joan McEnery, Margaret Myers, Millie Myers, Mary Ochs, Wanda Onesko, Sophie Peterson, Palma Pozzebon, Marisol Rocha, Rose Rodish, Ruth Sandidge, Anthony Slinker, Sr. Audrey Rash, John Sadlowski, Margaret Sutcliffe, Fr. Ian Williams.

*Send prayer requests to the office.*

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Committee News

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*Fellowship Committee*

**Sign up for Agape:** Our smaller agape in the narthex has been lean on sign-ups. Please be generous in supporting this essential moment of communion after the Eucharist. Stay for coffee and sign up for a Sunday.

**Help with Agape/Agape Supplies:** Please consider donating consumable supplies (paper goods/coffee) for our Sunday Agape. We need to share the load.

**February 7:** There will be a cookie bagging session for shut-ins. See Claire for more info.

*Discipleship Committee*

**Sunday Evening Lenten Vespers** will be held at St. Mary's at 4 p.m. with talks given by parishioners. Come share faith and share life. We will have a modest social afterwards.

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Committee Meetings

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**Parish/Finance Council Meeting:** Feb. 1, 5:15 p.m., at St. Nicholas

**Gala Committee:** Feb. 2, 6:30 p.m., in the rectory

**Worship Committee:** Feb. 6, 9:30 a.m., in the rectory

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Anniversaries & Birthdays

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**January Birthdays**

Kristian Malesh	1/3/2005
Donna Tang	1/4/1957
Ramzi Karadsheh	1/5/2016
Haylee McCullough	1/12/2019
Norma Haddad	1/17
John McCullough	1/20
Joseph Yurkanin	1/25/1949
Pete McEnery	1/25/1973
Katrina Bobos	1/25/1990
Mileena Dimschultz	1/27/2009
Bistra McCullough	1/28