

2017 SUMMER SOCIALS

The Message invited parishes in the Diocese of Evansville to submit information about summer socials in 2017. Responses are printed on this page.

May

May 27, Saturday, St. Francis Xavier Parish, Vincennes, "Des Fraises" Strawberry Festival, Old Cathedral Courtyard, 207 Church St, Vincennes, 7 a.m.-12 p.m. serving homemade French toast topped with delicious strawberry topping; homemade strawberry pies available for purchase; festival of events planned during the day.

June

June 1, 2 and 3, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Holy Rosary Parish, Evansville, grounds open Thurs. 5-9 p.m., Fri. and Sat. 5-10 p.m.; serving cafeteria-style pork chop or fried chicken dinners with made from scratch chicken and dumplings, dressing, green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, slaw and your choice of dessert each night 5-7:30 p.m.; handicap dining available in the Parish Hall along with a drive thru or carry out (enter by Raben Tire); carnival rides, games for all ages, huge silent/chance auction, quilt raffle, food booths featuring festival food including a Latino food booth; car/cash raffle to win your choice of a 2017 Chevrolet Camaro 1LS Coupe, Colorado 2WD Ext. Cab Truck, Trax LS FWD SUV or \$20,000, plus four other cash prizes, tickets \$25 each or seven for \$100 before May 29.

June 2 and 3, Friday and Saturday, Monastery Immaculate Conception, Ferdinand, grounds open Fri. 5-10 p.m., Sat. 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; two concerts on Friday, Color Run on Saturday, 35 booths, virtual almighty duck race, quilt raffle, grand raffle, Friday night Fish Fry, Saturday chicken dinners, barbeque, pork chops, baked goods; for details visit www.thedome.org/event/social or call 812-367-1411; sponsored by Sisters of St. Benedict of Ferdinand.

June 3 and 4, Saturday and Sunday, Holy Redeemer Parish, Evansville, Saturday 4:30-8 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m.-3 p.m.; fried chicken dinners with dumplings, dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, slaw, hot rolls and dessert; adults \$10, children (4-10) \$7, children (under 4) free; carry out and drive thru available; Big Raffle with \$2,250 in cash prizes, quilt raffles, theme baskets, half pots, pull tabs and kid's games.

June 3 and 4, Saturday and Sunday, Our Lady of Hope Parish, Washington, Saturday Bingo begins at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday Bingo begins at 12 p.m. in air-conditioned, smoke-free multi-purpose room; Sunday 11 a.m.-3 p.m., all-you-can-eat fried chicken and roast beef dinners with homemade noodles served in air-conditioned cafeteria; \$10/adults, \$5/ages 6-12, under 5 free, \$7/carry out; Grand Raffle with 30 prizes including \$1,000 cash to first name drawn who is present; corn hole tourney, zip line, dunk tank, rock climb slide, obstacle course, inflatables, train rides, theme basket raffles, flower wheel, kids games, food stands.

June 3 and 4, Saturday and Sunday, St. Boniface Parish, Evansville, grounds open Sat. 5-9 p.m. and Sun. 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sat. night serving grilled pork chop dinner with American potato salad, baked beans, slaw, Amish bread, dessert, and drink, 5-7 p.m., \$9/adults, \$4/children (hamburger plate with choice of one side, dessert and drink); Sun. lunch serving fried or grilled chicken dinner with chicken and dumplings, green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, slaw, Amish bread, dessert, and drink, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., \$9/adults, \$5/children, carry out available both days; Grand Raffle with \$7,750 in prizes, air-conditioned bingo, live music Saturday night, quilts, paddle wheel, games, gold fish booth, chance auction (adult's and children's), theme baskets, silent auction, patio booth, Fry Shop, Papa John's pizza, hamburgers, brats, lemon shake-ups, fudge/divinity/homemade treats, ice cream.

June 4, Sunday, St. John the Baptist Parish, Newburgh, Summerfest, 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; serving fried chicken dinners with multiple sides, bread, dessert and drink from 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. in air-conditioned dining room, \$10/adults, \$4/children; food and outside booths 1-7 p.m., snack and ice cream booths, new multicultural food booth; treasures booth; specialty basket booth, game booths, cash raffle with \$2,500 grand prize, \$1,500 2nd prize, \$1,000 3rd prize; Quilt Raffle with 6 handmade quilts, Ducky Downs Races; for information, call 812-490-1000 or visit www.sjbnewburgh.org.

June 4, Sunday, St. Joseph Parish, Jasper, grounds open 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; serving fried chicken or roast beef, corn or green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, slaw, bread, dessert and beverage beginning 10:30 a.m., \$10/adult, \$5/children (10 and under); drive thru and carry out starting at 10 a.m., outside food booths, mock turtle soup, hamburgers/cheeseburgers, homemade potato chips, authentic fajitas and tacos, lemon shake ups, ice cream floats; Grand Raffle with \$7,500 in cash prizes, quilts, pick a prize raffle, free inflatables for kids, Country Store, theme basket raffle, bingo, music entertainment on the plaza and Activity Center; 5K run/walk, June 3.

June 4, Sunday, St. Joseph Parish, Princeton, Strawberry Festival, 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., festival includes BBQ Dinner in air-conditioned gym featuring Dewig's BBQ, Kid-Zone featuring games and inflatable water slide, basket raffle, Chinese auction, corn-hole tournament and games of chance; food choices include hamburgers and hot dogs, strawberry pies (whole pie or by the slice) and chocolate-dipped strawberries; for information call 812-385-2617.

June 9 and 10, Friday and Saturday, Annunciation Parish, Evansville, grounds open on the Holy Spirit campus 5-10 p.m. both days; Friday and Saturday, serving fried chicken and chicken and dumplings, 5-7 p.m. in air-conditioned school cafeteria; \$10/adults, \$5/children; Friday night talent show, Luck of the Draw, basket raffle, cash and quilt raffles, inflatables in the gym, outside food booths, live bands, games and beer tent both nights; lighted off-street parking behind church.

June 11, Sunday, St. Clement Parish, St. Rupert Church, Red Brush, annual dinner 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; serving fried chicken or grilled pork chop, St. Rupert dumplings, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, corn, slaw, dessert, drink; \$10/adults, \$4/children; carry out available.

June 22, 23 and 24, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Good Shepherd Parish, Evansville, grounds open 5-10 p.m. nightly; fried chicken and pork chop dinners with homemade chicken and dumplings and all the trimmings served nightly from 5-7 p.m. in air-conditioned facility, carry-out available, \$10/adults, \$5/children ages 4-12; rides, games for all ages, food booths, used book and media sale, silent auction, Luck of the Draw, quilt raffles, nightly cash bingo from 7-9 p.m. in air-conditioned facility; Big Cash Raffle, tickets \$10 each or 3 for \$25; June 25, Bingo with \$1,000 payouts for all specials, no additional buy in, doors open for bingo at 4 p.m.; call 812-477-5405 for more information.

July

July 4, Tuesday, St. John the Evangelist Parish, St. Mary Church Hall, Shoals, BBQ pork roast dinner, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., includes sandwich, chips, dessert and a drink; BBQ by the pound available for purchase; quilt and cash raffle.

July 9, Sunday, St. Matthew Parish, Mount Vernon, grounds open 11 a.m.-9 p.m.; serving fried chicken or pork chop with corn, green beans, roll, mashed potatoes and gravy, dumplings, dessert, drink, \$9/adult, \$7/children 12 and under, carry out available; paddle wheel, children's activities and games, live entertainment, food booths, inflatables; \$10,000 Big Money Raffle drawing will be held at the end of the evening.

July 16, Sunday, St. Martin I Parish, St. John Chrysostom Church, New Boston, roast beef and fried chicken dinners beginning at 10 a.m. in air-conditioned Father Heck Hall; Bingo begins at 11 a.m.; silent auction, Chinese auction, New Boston famous soup, country store, hamburgers, Big Raffle drawing at 4 p.m.; for more information email kwanger@evdio.org.

July 30, Sunday, St. Francis Xavier Parish, Vincennes, Summer Picnic begins at 11 a.m. serving famous Fricassee and fried chicken dinners and jumbo hamburgers in air-conditioned Highland Woods Community Center and Highland Woods Park; carry-out available; theme baskets, games and prizes for kids; all are welcome for good food, fun and fellowship.

July 30, Sunday, St. Joseph Parish, Vanderburgh County, chicken dinners served family style with all the trimmings, beginning 10:30 a.m., carry outs available; win beautiful quilts, Grand Raffle prizes, hand crafted items and lavish theme baskets; play Bingo and enjoy other games of chance while eating hamburgers, fried pickles, onion rings, Pronto pups, delicious ice cream and peaches; special games and fun for children.

August

August 6, Sunday, St. James Parish, Haubstadt, Mass times 7 and 9 a.m.; serving chicken or roast beef buffet dinners starting at 10:30 a.m. in air-conditioned Madden Hall, handicap accessible, carry out available; \$1,500 money prizes will be given away, handmade quilts plus "Quilt of the Month" tickets for sale; burgoo (bring your own containers), ice cream, shakes, lunch stand, paddle wheel, adult and children's auction, Country Store, silent auction, Bingo, over 30 theme baskets, Pedal Pull, kids' games, dunk booth; \$25 hourly attendance prizes starting at noon.

August 12 and 13, Saturday and Sunday, St. Philip Parish, Posey County, serving pork chop dinner Saturday, 5-7:30 p.m., fried chicken dinner Sunday, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.; dinners served in air-conditioned cafeteria, drive-thru available both days; sandwiches, ice cream, pizza, air-conditioned Bingo, paddle wheel, pull tabs, Big Raffle, inflatables, special raffles, theme baskets, quilts, children's games and more.

August 19, Saturday, St. Bernard Parish, Rockport, grounds open 4-11 p.m.; outside food tent with snack booths; menu includes fried chicken, roast beef, dumplings, hamburgers, tenderloins, mock turtle soup, carry out available; children's play zone, quilt raffles, grocery giveaway, money wheel, cake stand, Bingo, dime pitch, Coke toss, silent auction.

August 20, Sunday, Precious Blood Parish, Jasper, serving indoor all you can eat family style fried chicken, roast beef, chicken and dumplings, dressing, mashed potatoes, corn, green beans, tomatoes, cake and beverage beginning 10 a.m.; \$12/adults, \$6/children under 12, \$9/drive thru chicken dinners; outside dining; mock turtle soup by the gallon; activities begin at 10:30 a.m., quilts, Bingo, kid's games, basket raffle, silent auction, Country Store, special quilt raffle, raffle for TV and iPad, Grand Raffle with grand prize of \$3,000; for information, call 812-482-4461.

August 26, Saturday, St. Benedict Cathedral, Evansville, noon-11:30 p.m.; inflatables, rides and games for children (until 9 p.m.); snacks and grilled items for lunch; home-cooked fried chicken dinners with all the trimmings; beer and wine garden with snacks and grilled items; \$5,000 Big Raffle, Luck-of-the-Draw auction, silent auction, live auction, and Quilt Raffle.

August 27, Sunday, St. John the Evangelist Parish, St. Martin Church, Whitfield, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Annual Hog Roast; BBQ, potato salad, baked beans, homemade bread, dessert and drink; carry out available.

August 27, Sunday, Christ the King Parish, St. Ferdinand Church, Ferdinand, Picnic 11 a.m.-4 p.m., serving chicken dinners with trimmings, carry out available; mock turtle soup (bowl or bulk), rides, inflatables, Quilt Raffle, Bingo, silent auction, food court, games for children and adults; annual Car Show, registration 9 a.m.-12 p.m., awards 3 p.m.; car show registration (until July 1) \$10, registration on day of car show, \$15; call parish office, 812-367-1212 for information.

Help us cover your summer social!

BY THE MESSAGE STAFF

Again this year, **The Message** plans to publish photos from as many of our diocese's summer socials (and similar events) as possible. To do that, however, we need your help.

Please consider taking your digital camera along and shooting some photos that you can email to **The Message**. We will consider photos taken with cell phone cameras, but they must be high quality and high-resolution.

With that in mind, please make sure the digital camera you use (either stand-alone or a phone camera) is set to save images in the best quality it offers. Also, please make sure to provide the names of people in your photo, and tell us what they are doing. Identify groups from left to right. And please include the photographer's name so we can give credit.

The Message will publish the photos as quickly as possible, but there could be a delay of one or two weeks. Please be patient with us.

September

September 9 and 10, Saturday and Sunday, St. Wendel Parish, St. Wendel, grounds open Sat. 5-10 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday night serving grilled pork chop dinner with dessert, 5-7:30 p.m.; Sunday, serving fried chicken dinner with dessert, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; drive through and carry out available; inflatables, \$10,000 Grand Raffle, paddle wheel, pull tabs, Bingo, baskets of plenty, Luck of the Draw, family fantasy booth, quilts, book resale, dunking booth, children's games, kiddie tractor pull on Sunday.

September 10, Sunday, St. Bernard Parish, Snake Run, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., serving fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, corn, green beans, slaw, dessert and drink, \$9/adults, \$4/children 3-10, under 3 eat free; carry out available; Country Store, flea market, craft stand, cash and quilt raffles, children's games.

September 10, Sunday, St. Mary Parish, Ireland, grounds open 10 a.m.; indoor, air-conditioned family style fried chicken and roast beef dinners with mashed potatoes, dressing, green beans, slaw, corn, dessert, beverage beginning 10:30 a.m., drive thru chicken dinners and outside dining available; quilt wheel (win a handmade quilt or cash), Bingo, chicken noodle soup by the bowl or gallon, kid's games, Grand Raffle, TV raffle, Quilt Raffle, theme basket raffle, food booths, mum booth, Country Store, inflatables; call 812-482-7041 for information.

September 17, Sunday, St. Mary Parish, Huntingburg, 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m., fried chicken or roast beef dinners with homemade mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, green beans, slaw, dessert and beverage; dine in or drive thru; \$10/adults, \$6/children ages 12 and under; outside food booth with hamburgers, cheeseburgers, BBQ sandwiches, brats, hot dogs, chips, soup and crackers, caramel apples, cake, pie and drinks; Grand Raffle, Quilt Raffle, inflatables for kids, Country Store, Bingo, game booths, musical entertainment and more!

September 24, Sunday, St. John the Evangelist Parish, Daylight, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., theme baskets, raffle, Quilt Raffle, Country Store and baked goods; fried chicken or beef dinners with mashed potatoes and gravy, chicken and dumplings, slaw, vegetables, rolls, dessert, and beverage, \$10/adults, \$5/children ages 4-12 from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., carry out available; call for info 812-867-3718.

September 24, Sunday, Holy Family Parish, Jasper, grounds open 10:15 a.m.; serving fried chicken, roast beef, dressing, green beans, slaw, bread, dessert, beverage beginning 10:15 a.m., \$9/person, dine-in, carry-out and drive-thru available; mock turtle soup (bowl or gallon), hamburgers, hot dogs, ice cream; inflatables, games, Grand Raffle, silent auction, quilt wheel and raffle, meat stand, Bingo, pull-tab Bingo, theme baskets, Country Kitchen, mason jar stand and more.

October

October 1, Sunday, St. Isidore Parish, St. Raphael Campus, Dubois, Mass times 8 a.m. at St. Celestine Church and 9:30 a.m. at St. Raphael Church; chicken and roast beef dinners served family style, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m., carry out available; Grand Raffle, special quilt raffle, Country Store, buried treasures, Bingo, theme baskets, children's games, homemade turtle soup by the bowl or bulk, sandwiches, drinks.

October 1, Sunday, St. Martin Parish, Chrisney, grounds open 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; Norb's Famous Soup by the bowl or gallon, pork chop and grilled chicken dinners served in the dining room; sweet shop, outside food stand, Quilt Raffle, silent auction, Chinese auction, kid's games, Giant Raffle; for more information, e-mail kwanger@evdio.org.

October 8, Sunday, Divine Mercy Parish, St. Anthony Campus, St. Anthony, Dinners served dine in or carry out; Country Store, theme basket and quilt raffles, Bingo, half pot drawing, kids' games, Grand and Mini Raffles, food stands, attendance prizes; 5K Run/Walk.

October 22, Sunday, St. John the Evangelist Parish, Loogootee, Fall Festival, Mass at 12 p.m., meal with freewill offering; entertainment and children's games.

October 29, Sunday, St. Isidore Parish, Celestine, Annual Shoot, Mass times 8 a.m. at St. Peter Celestine Church and 10 a.m. at St. Raphael Church; fried chicken and dressing dinners served 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; Celestine Community Club grounds, 7742 E. Ellsworth Rd., Celestine; dine in or carry out; homemade chicken soup by the bowl or bulk, sandwiches, drinks; 20 handmade quilts, Country Store, theme baskets, Bingo, 240 Wheel, kids shoot, inflatables and kid's games, quilt and grand raffle drawing; ham shoot begins at 11 a.m., beef shoot closed match begins at 2 p.m.