

Lucy Bruns, Resignation as Parish Business Manager St. John

Dear Parishioners,

It is with sadness that we announce the resignation of Lucy Bruns as Parish Business Manager at St. John. Lucy was hired early July 2023 and was looking forward to learning this new position, but also with a set amount of hours she wanted to work while also enjoying her semi-retirement years. We were also looking forward to Lucy joining our staff and hoping that she would be able to fulfill the responsibilities of the position in the 20 hours per week initially agreed upon. The position became more than what Lucy felt she could fulfill and after discussion with several staff, tendered her resignation. Lucy continues to have a deep concern for the financial responsibilities of St. John and graciously offered to assist with those until we are able to hire a new Parish Business Manager or make other arrangements. Paul Gagel and Joan Heitkamp have offered to handle the financial responsibilities on an interim basis. We are grateful for Lucy's brief time with our parish staff and wish her blessings in her semi-retirement years.

Working with St. John staff and Finance committee members, we are adding a few more hours to the Business Manager position and are looking at ways to further streamline and systemize the accounting system at St. John and within the Marion Cluster so that is less time consuming and more efficient. We are hopeful to have those changes made in the next few weeks.

Below is the Business Manager position advertisement. This is a vital role in our parish operations and essential as we look to the future. Please help us identify and encourage parishioners who may be able to fulfill the responsibilities of the position and enjoy working for the church. And please pray for the success of our search and hiring process. We trust that God will guide our efforts and help find the person meant for this role.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Ken Schnipke, C.P.P.S., Pastor

PARISH BUSINESS MANAGER

St. John Parish, Maria Stein, OH, of the Northwest Family of Parishes, is seeking an experienced, organized and people oriented Parish Business Manager part-time. A minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in business or accounting and/or 5 to 10 years of business experience is preferred for this part-time position. Primary responsibilities include overseeing and executing the day-to-day financial, human resources, administrative and facilities management functions at St. John's. Resumes and references should be sent by sent by September 11, 2023 to: **Fr. Ken Schnipke, C.P.P.S., Marion Catholic Community, 7428 State Route 119, Maria Stein, OH 45860; frkencpps@gmail.com**