

AUGUST 2025



2457 Massachusetts St. , Gary IN 46407

Baptism

OUR NEWEST DISCIPLE: SHARDIA JOINER



Celebrating New Life in Christ: The Baptism of Shardia Joiner

August 10, 2025, was a day of joy and spiritual celebration at St. John as we witnessed the baptism of Shardia Joiner. Surrounded by her church family, Shardia publicly professed her faith in Jesus Christ and was baptized by Rev. Cedric Howard in a heartfelt and moving service.

With Deaconess Mary Williams and fellow witnesses standing in support, the congregation rejoiced as Shardia took this sacred step in her walk with God. Her sincere declaration of belief and the presence of the Holy Spirit made it a truly memorable occasion.

To God be the glory for the things He has done!

Farewell MacBeth Harris



A Fond Farewell to Mr. MacBeth Harris

It is with the utmost appreciation and gratitude that we bid farewell to Mr. MacBeth Harris, the beloved Minister of Music at St. John Baptist Church. For many years, Mr. Harris has faithfully served our congregation, bringing his passion, talent, and unwavering dedication to the St. John Mass Choir. Under his leadership and instruction, the choir has grown in both musical excellence and spiritual depth.

Mr. Harris brought with him a wealth of musical experience, having taught in public schools and served in numerous area churches. His impact extended beyond the church walls, reaching deep into the Gary community where he is equally admired and respected.

Due to health concerns, Mr. Harris will be relocating to McKinney, Texas, to be closer to his family. While we are saddened by his departure, we are thankful for the many years of service and the legacy he leaves behind. He is deeply loved by the St. John family and the entire Gary community. We send him forth with our prayers, love, and best wishes for health, peace, and continued blessings in this new chapter of life.

Thank you, Mr. Harris. You will always have a home in our hearts.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH

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