

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The mission of St. Charles is to spread the life-saving message of Jesus Christ through the Sacraments, Prayer and Service to others.

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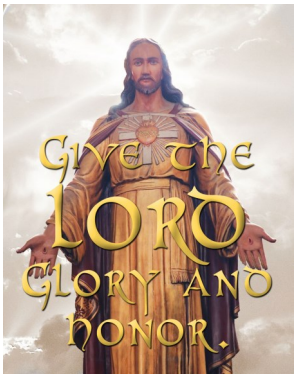
MASSES

Saturday, October 17, Vigil, Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m. † Shirley Koskiniemi
Sunday, October 18, Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Mission Sunday
7:30 a.m. † Susie Wilhelm
9:00 a.m. † Cathy Schubert
11:00 a.m. † Jack Lorenc
5:00 p.m. For Our Parish Community
Monday, October 19, Sts. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs
6:15 a.m. † Raymond and Catherine Heck
7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions
8:15 a.m. † Robert Carroll
6:30 p.m. † Fritz Dunderman
Tuesday, October 20, Weekday, St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
6:15 a.m. † Carl Fowler
7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions
8:15 a.m. † Living & Deceased of Rowe and Walter Families
6:30 p.m. † John Stoody
Wednesday, October 21, Weekday
6:15 a.m. † Debra Nelson
7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions
8:15 a.m. † Deceased Members of Oliver & Ellna Byrne Families
6:30 p.m. † Joseph Mikolay, Sr.
Thursday, October 22, Weekday, St. John Paul II, Pope
6:15 a.m. † John, Jean & Joe Bragg
7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions
8:15 a.m. † William Livingston
6:30 p.m. † David L. Abbott
7:00 p.m. Confessions
Friday, October 23, Weekday, St. John of Capistrano, Priest
6:15 a.m. † Ray Serrani
7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions
8:15 a.m. † Harry & Inez Wellnitz
6:30 p.m. † Florence Mikolay
7:00 p.m. Adoration & Benediction
Saturday, October 24, Weekday, St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions
8:15 a.m. † Dene Dahm
2:30 p.m. Wedding—Katie Miller—Andrew Stein
2:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions
Saturday, October 24, Vigil, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m. † Donald Tippmann
Sunday, October 25, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community
9:00 a.m. † Keaton Whitman
11:00 a.m. † Robert Koell
5:00 p.m. † Katherine Thrower



Please pray for the following members of our parish community who will soon marry.

III Katie Miller—Andrew Stein



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILIT

Reading I
Isaiah 45.1,4-6
(Rewards to Cyrus, King of Persia)

Reading II
1 Thessalonians 1.1-5b
(A model for believers)

Gospel
Matthew 22.15-21
(Paying tax to the emperor)

Key Passage: At that Jesus said to them "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.

Adults: How much responsibility do you feel the government should take for meeting the needs of the less fortunate in our society? How willing are you to contribute?

Child: who needs help in your neighborhood or community? What could you and your family do to help?

Saturday, October 24

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Edward Koors, Kathy O'Neil, Chuck Smith, Phillip Tyndall, Emily Walden
Altar Servers: Duke Ley, Harry Welch, Leo Welch
Master of Ceremonies: Cohen O'Rourke
Lector: Susie Hague, Dr. Tom Ryan
Sacristan: Carolyn Tyndall

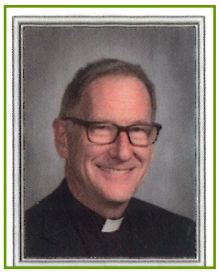
7:30 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Sean Digan, Ezenwa Opara, Mona Sproat, C.J. Steigmeyer (C Jane Relue)
Altar Servers: Matthew Bulanda, Lilyanna Ealing, Joey Gabet
Master of Ceremonies: Henry Gabet
Lector: Ken Klausing, **Volunteer Needed**
Sacristan: Melina Firestine

9:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Tom Ade, Chuck Luther, John Magsam, Mary Lou Morris, Matt Smith, Theresa Thissen (C Kathy Suever)
Altar Servers: Allan McCann, Alexander Moga, Joseph Scherschel
Master of Ceremonies: **Sub Requested**
Lector: Jillian Scherschel, Deb Wagner
Sacristan: Amanda Scherschel

11:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Doug Baisinger, Edwin Capuyan, Carole Fuller, Ann Gabet, Bill Jackson, Judi Ueber (C Norma Baisinger)
Altar Servers: Wesley Baron, Kathryn Henry, Emily Barton
Master of Ceremonies: Lorenzo Escueta
Lector: Jerry Nuerge, Dave Nuerge
Sacristan: Doug & Norma Baisinger

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Sara Bentz, Malachi Palumbo, Andy Stauffer **(Volunteer Needed)**)
Altar Servers: Deacon Hartman, Melina Rodriquez, Joey Williams
Master of Ceremonies: Declan Tippmann
Lectors: Nathan Pillie, Derek Pillie
Sacristan: Lynn Adamson

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



We welcome the Summit Awakening Retreat taking place in our parish this weekend. We live in an era when there is legitimate worry about young adults falling away from the faith. Especially in this context it is exciting to see the depth of this group. I am also encouraged by what I have seen with the retreat for young adults offered by our parish three weeks ago, the Mastodon Catholic activities at IPFW, the number of young adults attending our parish Mass on Monday evenings, and the number of young adults in our OCIA. There are many young adults in our midst with a vibrant faith life.

As we are approaching November, I will point out that All Saint's Day falls on Sunday this year and All Souls' Day, November 2, is on a Monday. We will have our candlelight Memorial Mass on that Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. We will read the names of all those who have had a St. Charles funeral in the past year and light a candle for each. If you have had a loved one pass this year, please join us and invite family as well. If a family member died in the past year and the funeral was not in our parish, give us a call and we will add them to the list of names read at the Mass. Our parish office number is 482-2186.

A miscarriage is a tragic family event, and a family going through that grief is in need of our love and prayer. If the child will be buried, we often gather the family for a simple prayer service at the cemetery. We also have a group in the parish which offers prayer along with a box with remembrances and prayers for the family in grief. Feel free to call the parish if you are in need.

The Franciscan Center asked if they could have a food drive in our parish a couple of weeks ago. Though I agreed, I was apprehensive. We had just taken up a food drive for Catholic Charities, a baby item drive for Walking with Moms, a drive for candy for Cardinal Fest, and drives for money for St. Vincent de Paul and the Annual Bishop's Appeal. However, with just a simple notice in the bulletin, the results were amazing. We received a note of thanks from the Franciscan Center with this: "Thank you for the overwhelming generosity you showed in our food drive. Your response was incredible – one of the largest we've seen in our 37 years – and we are truly humbled." I am also overwhelmed by the generosity of this parish.

Fr. Tom

Catholic Apologetic Study
1 Peter 3:15

"Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope". We will be studying Beginning Apologetics from a 10 book series by San Juan Catholic Seminars. This study will begin on Nov.3 and run through Feb 16, 11 weeks in all. We will be meeting in rooms C&D in the Hession center, 7:15 p.m.—9:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. You may ask, what is apologetics? It is the study on how it give an explanation to support an idea or a truth. In this case, the Catholic Church. This series study covers a wide variety of subjects, the Sacraments, the Bible, Salvation, Mary and other faiths.
There will be a cost of $26 for the book set. Please register for the study by Oct 15, we need to order the books. Email; scbb.study@gmail.com Come and learn how to defend our Catholic faith.



PROJECT RACHEL HEALING AFTER ABORTION

If you are hurting after an abortion, you are not alone. It's normal to grieve a pregnancy loss, including loss through an abortion. It can form a hole in one's heart, a hole so deep that sometimes it seems nothing can fill the emptiness. There is healing through God who is Love and Mercy. Project Rachel is a post-abortion reconciliation program offered by the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. Project Rachel ministers and counsels individuals regardless of religious affiliation. For more information, please visit-diocesefwsb.org/project-rachel

JUST NEIGHBORS

Help is needed once again to provide dinners for **Just Neighbors**, a homeless shelter for families located down the street from St. Charles. This fall, St. Charles will provide dinners for Just Neighbors families during the week of October 25-30. Volunteers are needed to prepare main dishes, side dishes, and desserts. A sign-up table will be available in the Gathering Space on the weekend of October 17-18. If you would like to volunteer prior to those dates, please contact Lori Stock at 260-341-4113 or Lockestocklori@gmail.com.

In the past, we have donated new sheets and towels to the Just Neighbors families. However, this summer/fall Just Neighbors is under construction as they are building a space to provide emergency shelter for homeless individuals and families, thus, their space is temporarily limited. Their greatest needs at this time are pillows and gift cards for gas and groceries. Please consider donating. These will be collected during the meal sign-up on October 17-18.

ST. CHARLES FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027		October 11, 2026
Budgeted Collection Needed	$	43,010.00
October 11	$	36,647.17
Deficit This Week	$	6,362.18
Surplus Fiscal Year to Date	$	2,880.59



ST. CHARLES MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY
ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH, FORT WAYNE
DIOCESAN MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRIES
CATHOLIC CHARITIES FORT WAYNE+SOUTH BEND

SPIRITUAL PEER SUPPORT GROUP

You are not alone. You are *welcome* here.

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month 7–8 pm.

Community Room off the gathering space of church

Safe, faith based space to share, listen and support one another on our journeys toward healing and wholeness.

All Are Invited!

Help navigating all mental health related struggles. Confidential and respectful

Together, we can find strength, hope, and healing.

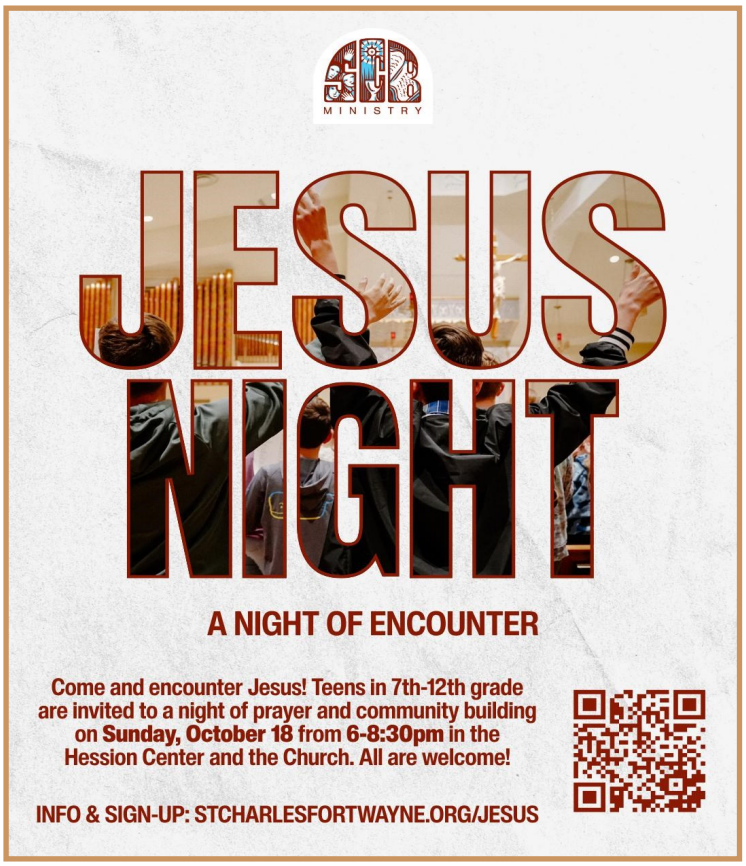
Contact: mental.health.wellness@scbfw.org

The Church Nursery is now open at the 9:00 a.m. Mass and new this year at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Children under the age of 5 are welcome. Our nursery is staffed by parishioner volunteers. We are in need of more volunteers; adults 18 and older and teens are needed. This is a good opportunity for teens to earn service hours. Stop by on Sunday to pick up a volunteer form or for more information and sign up at email: wwmomsinneed@gmail.com

Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver Support Group
Monday, November 9, 2026 6:00 p.m.
Meets the 2nd Monday of Each Month
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
Community Room

Group Description: This Alzheimer's and Dementia Support Group creates a safe, confidential, & supportive environment to educate & inform participants about dementia & help caregivers develop methods & skills to solve problems.

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, PRAY FOR US





HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

You are invited to a Holy Hour
at St. Vincent de Paul Church
1502 E. Wallen Rd., F.W. 46825

Thursday, October 29
7:00 p.m.
The presider will be
Fr. Zane Langenbrunner



LEADERS OF RENEWAL

NOVEMBER 7TH

THE OUR LADY PATRONESS OF AMERICA CENTER
PRESENTS

AARON RICHARDS



Saturday:

10:25 AM- Patriotic Rosary
11:00 AM- Mass with Fr. Ryan Timossi
12:00 PM- Light Lunch
12:45 PM- Presentation by Aaron

Through his work as Executive Director with Damascus and Catholic Youth Summer Camp, Aaron Richards has developed a love for presenting the Gospel message of freedom, dignity, power and identity in a way that is engaging, entertaining, and direct. Aaron is a gifted and personally invested worship leader, musician, teacher, and evangelist, a native of Columbus OH, holds a BS in Theology and Chemistry from Ohio Dominican University, and has 20+ years of experience in professional ministry. He and his wife Monica have worked in leadership with CYSC since 2001 and are raising a mission family with their five beautiful children.

Pre Planning Funeral/Cremation & Cemetery Needs Seminar
Dinner/Seminar Regarding Pre-Funding
& Pre Planning Funeral and Cemetery Needs.
Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m.
Summit Grill Kitchen
6525 Covington Rd
DO. McCombs & Sons and Dignity Memorial Funeral Homes
& Cemeteries.

Please RSVP with Guy Dupuis #260-740-7961 by Oct 26. .

RIGHT TO LIFE OF NORTHEAST INDIANA
Upcoming Event
Right to Life Workshop

Learn to speak intelligently and graciously to the most pressing issue of our time-abortion. You will leave prepared to confidently persuade others by exposing the logical fallacies of the abortion choice rhetoric without the need for angry dialogue.

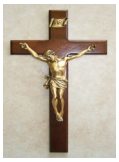
Our Lady of Good Hope Catholic Church
November 21—9:00 a.m.—12 Noon
Any questions, call Lucy Papaik, 260-471-1849

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

Thank You! —To all those who have already pledged to the Annual Bishop's Appeal. The Church needs everyone's help. Please give online at www.diocesefwsb.org/aba or scan the QR code as this is a more secure method. If you are unable to give this year, please return your pledge card with a zero so as not to receive the follow-up letter. Please do not send in a pledge card if giving online.

SIGN UP NOW TO TAKE HOME THE ST. CHARLES VOCATION CROSS
Month of SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

Sign-up book is located in the Gathering Space



We are in need of more people to take home the Vocation Crucifix. Simply pick up the crucifix in the old sacristy before or after Mass and pray the short prayers in the included booklet each day to encourage more vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. The Vocation Cross would need to be returned to the Sacristy before the following weekend Masses. If you have questions, please ask a priest, or call the parish office.

What do we have that belongs to God? How do we make a return for that gift?

St. Therese Parish Hall
2222 Lower Huntington Rd., F.W. 46819
Art Exhibition—Sip and Shop
October 24—9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Enjoy Food, Mimosa and Wine, Artists, Crafts, Come see Religious
For more information, 260-747-9139
Enjoy A Day Of Shopping!



ON THE LAST PAGES OF OUR BULLETIN are business ads. Because of them, this bulletin is cost-free to the parish. When you patronize one of them, tell them you saw their ad in our bulletin.

Sponsor of the Week

(DO McComb and Sons Funeral Home)

Thank You, St Charles Parishioners.
Once Again, You Have Shown Your Generosity.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The Blood Drive on October 4 netted 47 units, helping 141 people. This brings our 2026 total, after 5 drives, to 268 units, helping 804 patients. Special thanks, as always, to Steve who opened the cafeteria doors, Vince, who brought the donuts, the K of C volunteers, and especially the A Team Red Cross Personnel. There was NO waiting

Our final drive of the year will be Saturday, November 28, (yes, right after (Thanksgiving!) in the school cafeteria. You can donate if you have NOT donated after October 4.

Let's plan for 50 units to get a new yearly donation record !!!

ST. CHARLES DAY AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD
2930 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne
Thursday, October 29 –8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Watch for Sign Up Sheets on the table in the back of Church

RIGHT TO LIFE OF NORTHEAST INDIANA



TIME TO UPDATE THE MILITARY SERVICE BOARD IN THE BACK OF CHURCH

Please send any updated information to (email address) stcparishoffice@yahoo.com. **Updated pictures are to be dropped off at the St. Charles Parish Office. (Hard Copies only)** If your son, daughter, niece, nephew, etc is on the board, please send updated information. If we don't hear from you, they will not be included on the board. If the information on the board along with the picture does not need to be changed, please send an email stating that fact. Be sure to include the name of the person. Also, if the person listed on the board is no longer in the military, please advise us of this information.

The **Annual All Soul's Mass** will be on **Monday, November 2,** at 6:30 p.m. We will have a candlelight Mass, reading names of our deceased over the past year and lighting a candle for each. We have the names of those who have died this year with a St. Charles funeral. You are asked to call the Parish Office, 482-2186, if a loved one has died this year and didn't have a St. Charles funeral. Their names will be added to the list.

A 9-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO NORTHERN FRANCE
With Fr. Nicholas Ward & Fr. Daniel Koehl
May 18—26, 2027
Register at stcharlespilgrimages.com/ward-koehl

SPECIAL REQUEST

A resident at Georgetown Place would like to attend the 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Charles. If you would be interested in taking her to the 11:00 a.m. Mass, please call Ann, 260 -579-7264 with any questions you have and she can give you the persons name, and any other information needed.