



CHRIST THE KING

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2025

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

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades,
Bishop of Fort Wayne/South Bend
Monsignor Tom Shoemaker, Pastor
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MASS

Saturday, November 22, Vigil, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

5:00 p.m. † David L. Abbott

Sunday, November 23, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community

9:00 a.m. † Lea Woodrum

11:00 a.m. † Bob & Midge Vodde

5:00 p.m. † Bob Tricker

Monday, November 24, St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priests and Companions, Martyrs

6:15 a.m. † Beth Aldrich

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions

8:15 a.m. † German Michel

6:30 p.m. † Justine McCarthy

Tuesday, November 25, Weekday, St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

6:15 a.m. † Louis & Patricia Coffee

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions

8:15 a.m. † Living & Deceased Members of the Frank & Helen Yeranko Family

6:30 p.m. † Living & Deceased Members of the Carl & Mary Fowler Family

Wednesday, November 26, Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Gerard Kessens

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions

8:15 a.m. † Living & Deceased Members of the Oliver & Ellna Byrne Family

6:30 p.m. † Alicia Heimann Eaton

Thursday, November 27, Weekday, Thanksgiving Day (ONLY ONE MASS TODAY)

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions

8:15 a.m. † Eugene "Bob" Wagner

Friday, November 28, Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Msgr. John Sulezer

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions

8:15 a.m. † Nancy Ziner

6:30 p.m. † Vicki S. Miller

Saturday, November 29, Weekday

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions

8:15 a.m. † Sue Christle

2:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions

Saturday, November 29, Vigil, First Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. † Jay McGraw

Sunday, November 30, First Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community

9:00 a.m. † Jim Haffner

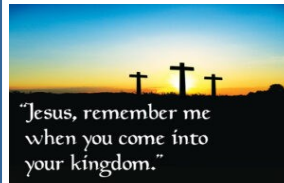
11:00 a.m. † Karen Schleinkofer

5:00 p.m. † Mike Donovan

HELP NEEDED

A woman would like a ride to Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. She resides at the corner of Trier and Goeglein Rd. If you can help, call Carol at 262-241-3074.

A **Rorate Caeli Mass** will be offered at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 6, in place of our usual 8:15 a.m. Mass. This special Mass is celebrated only by candlelight and concludes as the morning sun is rising. Please join us for this beautiful celebration in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary!



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Overcoming Difficulties

Reading I

Malachi 3.19-20a
(Messenger of the Covenant)

Reading II

2 Thessalonians 3.7-12
(Qualifications of various ministers)

Gospel

Luke 21.5-19 (The cataclysm to come)

Key Passage:

Jesus said, "You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Adults: When bad things happen, how do you deal with them?

Child: Have you ever worried about something that might happen? What can help you worry less?

Saturday, November 29

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Sam Harkenrider, Chris Hartman, Roby Kaufman, Kathy O'Neil, Linda Schneider
Altar Servers: Ronnie Buskirk, Justin Johnson, Kate Osenga, Marianne Zartman
Lectors: Donna Kaiser, Robert Vandell
Sacristan: Don Smith

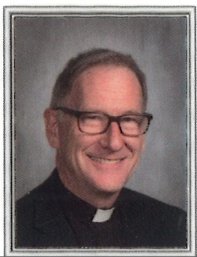
Sunday, November 30

7:30 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Cheryl Prater, Margie Stier, Max & Anne Tinkel (C Jane Relue)
Altar Servers: Andrew Jacob, Daniel Tippmann, Juliet Underwood
Master of Ceremonies: Danny Jacob
Lector: Cece Dunderman, Ron Russell, Jr.
Sacristan: Christy Jacob

9:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Tom Ade, Arianne Davis, John Magsam, Mackenzie Nord, Colleen O'Leary, Theresa Thissen (C Jan Hoy)
Altar Servers: Dwight Brown, Lilah Hilger, Jillian Scherschel, Haylee Ade
Master of Ceremonies: Lily Hilger
Lectors: Mary Lou Morris, Tara Christen
Sacristan: Joe & Maria Eifrid

11:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Grace Fischer, Nolan Hartman, Jerry & Sharon Nuerge, Gail Stoner, Rhonda Walton (C Tes Sanderlin)
Altar Servers: Violet James, Christina Lun, Zoe Tellez, Ada Rottinger
Master of Ceremonies: Will Hasselschwert
Lectors: Benjamin Franke, Beau Strack
Sacristan: Maria Ellinger

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Malachi Palumbo, Jill O'Sullivan, Carolyn Tyndall (1 Volunteer Needed)
(C Teresa Burke)
Altar Servers: Levigne Claycomb, Scarlett Lesh, Joey Williams, Eloise Eppe
Master of Ceremonies: Marco Cavacini
Lectors: Derek Pillie, Nathan Pillie
Sacristan: Carolyn Tyndall



A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

We celebrate Christ the King this weekend. I have just learned that this is the 100th Anniversary of the Church adding this feast day to the calendar and there is a movement to have processions and adoration in honor of that anniversary. We will have the Blessed Sacrament exposed in our church from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. this Sunday afternoon, Nov. 23.

On Tuesday evening, Nov. 25, we are invited to an interfaith Thanksgiving service at Achduth Vesholom, the Jewish Temple on Old Mill Road at 7:00 p.m. It will be a very interesting event with representatives from a wide variety of faith traditions. If you would like to carpool with other St. Charles parishioners, join us in our parking lot at 6:30 p.m.

On Thursday our nation stops for a day of rest and a day to thank the Lord for all of our blessings. All of us need to give thanks for our faith, for a nation which is prosperous and a nation that is not at war. We are blessed to be born into the time and place in which we find ourselves. I offer thanks too for this parish. We have a vibrant faith in this parish with lots of children, generous people, volunteers ready to help, and growing numbers taking part in the sacraments. I am blessed to be assigned here.

The parish office will be closed Thursday and Friday. Next Sunday marks the beginning of Advent. Advent can seem like a very conflicted time. Once Thanksgiving is over, our culture tells us to speed up our lives, decorate, shop, and celebrate Christmas. The Church tells us that we need to slow down and reflect in order to prepare for Christmas. Advent should be a time of extra prayer, a time for confession, and a time for quiet.

Fr. Tom

THANKSGIVING

And now, bless the God of all, who has done wondrous things on earth; Who fosters people's growth from their mother's womb, and fashions them according to his will! May he grant you joy of heart and may peace abide among you; May his goodness toward us endure in Israel to deliver us in our days. Sir 50:22-24

FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT

St. Charles Borromeo Parish is looking to hire a full-time maintenance worker. Call Steve Springer for an appointment to discuss, (260)969-4029.

SIGN UP NOW TO TAKE HOME THE ST. CHARLES VOCATION CROSS Months of **NOVEMBER & DECEMBER**

Sign-up book is located in the
Gathering Space.



Each Sunday a family, couple, or individual will come forward during the Parish Vocation Prayer to receive the **"Vocation Cross and A Special Book of Vocation Prayers"** written for each day of the week. In taking the cross, they commit themselves to pray during the week to encourage more vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. The Vocation Cross would need to be returned to the Sacristy before the following weekends Masses.

The King is bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh. The King is the servant-leader, who let go of his life for our sake. Who will follow the example of David, the example of Jesus, and renounce worldly power for the power of the children of God?



Knights of Columbus Council 451 will be hosting their 6th and final Red Cross Blood Drive of 2025 on **Saturday, Nov 29**, in the school cafeteria from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

To sign up to donate.
Go to Red Cross (2) "find a blood drive
3) type in knights451
as sponsor code

We will have in person sign ups in the Gathering Space after Mass November 22—23

Let's make this final drive a real success and push us over the 330 donated units for 2025 You can donate if you have NOT donated since October 4.



College Brunch

On Friday, November 28th
From 10am-12pm

At the St. Charles Youth Center: 4904 Trier Road



Mark your calendars for **Sunday, December 7**, of our Annual Pancake Breakfast, benefitting St. Charles Borromeo Athletics. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Prices are \$8.00 for adults and \$6.00 for school aged children—with a family max of \$40. Enjoy delicious food, fellowship, and a visit with Santa!



Volunteering is also greatly appreciated. Please sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BA9A723AAF9CF8-60272401-2025>

ST. CHARLES FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026

November 16, 2025

Budgeted Collection Needed	\$	42,320.00
November 16	\$	32,624.89
This Week	\$	(9,695.11)
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	5,237.59



ADVENT GIVING TREE 2025

November 22/23 - For St. Vincent DePaul

Monetary Gifts & Gift Cards (Kroger, Meijer)

November 29/30 - For St. Patrick's Pantry

Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Shampoo, Laundry Soap,
Dish Soap, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Tissues
(Kleenex), Body Lotion, Body Wash, Shaving Cream,
Razors,
Razor Blades

December 6/7 - For Walking With Moms in Need

Diapers (all sizes); Manicure Kits for Babies, Pac n
Play (new, lightly used), Strollers (new, lightly used);
Car Seats Infant (new, lightly used, not exceeded
expiration date or in an accident), Comb & Hair Brush
Set, Shampoo; Baby Soap & Lotion, Baby Bath Tub,
Diaper Bag, Formula, Baby Food & Cereal, Infant Toys,
Teething Gels, Bedding for Pac n Play (new, lightly
used), Baby Washcloth & Towel, Baby Laundry
Detergent, Changing Pads, Baby Thermometer,
Newborn Mittens

Gift Cards - Meijer, Krogers, Walmart

December 13/14 - For St. Charles Youth Ministry

Monetary Donations (Envelopes).

LAND OF PEACE AND BETHLEHAM CHRISTIAN FAMILIES

Following all Masses this weekend, Samer Awwad from the Bethlehem Christian Families, a not-for-profit organization through Land of Peace, will be with us to shed light on the struggles faced by Christians in the Holy Land. This mission aims to bring hope and support to Christian families and churches in the Middle East, who are enduring continuous violence and a decline in tourism. Your participation can help make a profound difference.

Available for purchase will be religious articles made from Olive Wood, a material native to the Holy Land and Bethlehem. These items, including crucifixes and rosaries, offer a tangible connection to a land that holds deep spiritual significance. We encourage you to join us and support this meaningful cause. For more information, please visit www.landofpeace.org.

BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS

A Baptism class will be held at St. Charles
Wednesday, December 3, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
in the **Parish Office Basement**. To register, please
call the Parish Office, 482-2186. Next class,
January 21, 2026.



SCIENCE FAIR JUDGES NEEDED!

The St. Charles Science Fair is quickly approaching. This means we are looking for 30 volunteers as judges! Backgrounds in Science, Engineering, Mathematics, Medicine/Health, and Physics are greatly helpful. The St. Charles School Science Fair is scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2026. All judging will start at 8:15 a.m. and continue until 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided for judges. If you are interested in helping to judge the science fair, please fill out this Google form: <https://forms.gle/Z57dyCmPbGFob5sH7>. All judges must have a current background check done with the parish/school. This can be done on the school website at <https://www.stcharlesschoolfw.org/safe-environment-certification>. Thank you for helping us with this wonderful tradition!

MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESE FORT WAYNE—SOUTH BEND

It remains important for our church to protect children and young persons from the evils of abuse. The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend remains committed to upholding and following its guidelines, policies and procedures that were implemented for the protection of children and young people. These can be reviewed on the diocese's website, www.diocesefwsb.org, under "Young Protection."

If you have reason to believe that a minor may be a victim of child abuse or neglect, Indiana law requires that you report this to civil authorities. If you or someone you know was abused as a child or young person by an adult, you are encouraged to notify appropriate civil authorities of that abuse. In addition, if alleged abuser is or was a priest or deacon of the Catholic Church, you are encouraged to contact Jodi Marlin, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at (260) 399-1447, or jmarlin@diocesefwsb.org; or Rev. Mark Gurtner, Vicar General of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, at P.O. Box 390, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46801; at (260) 399-1419; or at mgurtner@diocesefwsb.org. The diocese is committed to helping prevent the abuse or neglect of children and young people and to assist those who have suffered harm as a result of such abuse.

Sponsor of the Week

(Credo Family Medicine)

PLENARY INDULGENCE OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE 2025 JUBILEE YEAR

As part of the **Jubilee Year of Hope**, the faithful are invited to receive special indulgences by participating in particular acts of devotion and charity. By fulfilling the required conditions - including confession, Eucharistic Communion, Prayer for the Intentions of the Pope, and more - you can open the door to God's grace and mercy in a profound way. For the specific requirements for obtaining indulgences, visit diocesefwsb.org/jubilee25.



**You're Invited to the 8th Annual Borromeo Bash
Saturday, February 7, 2026 · Ceruti's Summit Park**

Dear Friends of St. Charles Borromeo Parish and School,

We're delighted to announce that the 8th Annual Borromeo Bash will be held at Ceruti's Summit Park on Saturday, February 7, 2026.

Each year, we have been able to gather in fellowship as a community, and we look forward to keeping that tradition alive this year! Your generosity has strengthened our ministries and funded needed improvements and initiatives that help keep our community safe and vibrant.

This summer, Borromeo Bash funding supported the long-awaited window project completion! A five-phase project replacing all original windows in 23 classrooms began last year and was fully completed in July 2025. This project transformed the exterior, brought much-needed light to interior classrooms, and increased the safety of each classroom.

On February 7, 2026 we'll gather again for a night of community and entertainment. This year's proceeds will help fund playground improvements, improved SBCS Athletics equipment and increased exterior safety features across school grounds.

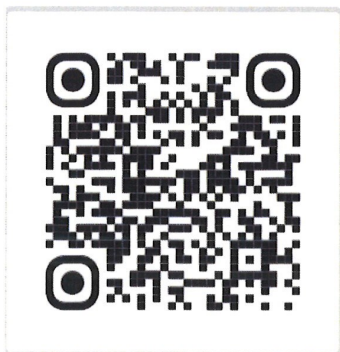
This year's sponsorship levels range from \$250 - \$5,000 with opportunities to sponsor the event in a variety of ways including Teacher Recognition, Event Sponsorship, Bar Sponsors (full or partial), and more! Additionally, we are always look for fun, unique and valuable donations to fill our silent auction. Both forms for donation can be found below. If you would prefer a paper form, please email borromeobash@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Borromeo Bash committee, thank you for your support and may God Bless You.

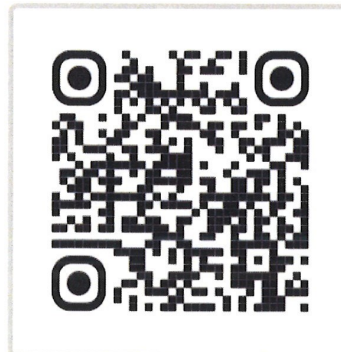
Sincerely,

**Monsignor Tom Shoemaker, Principal Rob Sordelet, Chris Kaufman (Chair),
and The Borromeo Bash Committee**

[Sponsorship Form:](#)



[Item Donation Form:](#)





**Mom's Night Out
HOLIDAY MOVIE**

Friday, December 5th
Doors open at 6:30 Movie begins at 7pm
St Charles Cafeteria

Join us for a holiday movie and hot cocoa bar! Bring a comfy chair, blanket and enjoy a kid free night out with friends.

SPONSORED BY HASA
THIS IS AN ADULT ONLY EVENT

Miss Virginia's Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

Miss Virginia's Food Pantry, located at 1312 S Hanna Street, is looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to support the Food Pantry operation, primarily on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

We distribute meat, bread, fruit, eggs, canned goods, and other items. Help is needed with bagging and distribution of food, to those in need in the Allen County and surrounding areas. Also includes light warehouse work, which includes sorting and restacking products received. All help and assistance are provided in the spirit of giving, set by the example of our founder Miss Virginia Schrantz. It is truly rewarding and meaningful work! If you are available from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and feel a need to give back what has been given to you, please contact:

Greg Witte, Pantry Director:
Cell: (260) 450-3575
Email: greg@missvirginiafoodpantry.com



**ST CHARLES BOY SCOUT TROOP 1
WREATH SALES**

WREATH \$30
LIT WREATH \$40
SWAGS \$20
TRIPOD \$5

ALL PROCEEDS GO BACK IN TO THE TROOP FOR CAMP-OUTS, BADGES AND MORE!

Thank you for your continued support!

Starting November 29 after the 5:00 p.m. Mass and after every Mass until they sell out of wreaths. For pre-orders, please text Nancy at 260-494-0671.



"The Society of St. Vincent de Paul USA harnesses the power of community and partnerships to feed, clothe, house, and heal individuals and families in our community."

If you have furniture, you no longer need, please consider donating it to the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store and arrange for pickup of your items by calling the Thrift Store at 260-456-3561. They will be happy to schedule a time for the pickup. Your generosity will be beneficial to the SVdP Thrift Store and the poor. The profits from selling those items will be returned to the parish SVdP Conferences so we can help more needy people.

During **October, 2025** we were able to help 249 individuals consisting of 168 adults and 81 children. Summary of assistances provided to our Neighbors includes bus passes \$ 5.20, other transportation \$ 59, food vouchers \$513, providing 2700 pounds of food, gift cards \$ 705, general assistance \$ 332, motel stays \$ 1,250, general household \$ 340, rent \$ 4,848, store vouchers \$ 308, utility payments \$4 ,985, partnering with local Parishes \$ 585, and \$ 200 monthly to St. Patrick's Parish. SVdP St Charles spent \$ 14,130.20 to help the needy in the community.

Your generosity enables SVdP St. Charles to help so many Neighbors. If you know a Neighbor in need, please contact the St Charles SVdP help hotline; the number can be reached any time at **(260) 446-3112** and please leave a message so our volunteers can assist you. If you would like to help our ministry, please call the help line so that we can contact you.

Wishing you a blessed Thanksgiving with gratitude for your continued prayers, support, and generosity!



Advent Series

For Young Adults in their 20's and 30's
Join us at 7pm
On Tuesday, December 2, 9, 16 & 23
Info & Sign-up
www.stcharlesfortwayne.org/YA

Cathedral Advent Women's Spiritual Retreat

Saturday, December 6 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sue Wilhelm, Spiritual Director and Retreat Leader from Lindenwood Retreat Ctr. will present an Advent Women's Spiritual Retreat at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 1102 S. Clinton St., in the Cathedral Center. The theme of the retreat is *Let It Be Done: Receiving Christ at Christmas*. The retreat will explore Mary's particular journey from the Annunciation to Christ's Birth and how attendees might deepen their own relationship with Mary and with Christ moment by moment through Advent. Bring a bible and rosary. Light breakfast and lunch will be served. No cost. Seating limited to 50. Register by emailing parishsecretary@cathedralfw.org by **Sunday November 23**.