

Hope Advent

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**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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MASSSES

Saturday, November 30, Vigil, First Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. Lee Ratliff

Sunday, December 1, First Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community

9:00 a.m. † Deceased of the Barrand Family

11:00 a.m. † Living & Deceased of the Knorr & Miller Families

5:00 p.m. † Leo Houser

Monday, December 2, Advent Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Richard Shoemaker

8:15 a.m. † Mary Ann Gilbert

6:30 p.m. Special Intention (R. & M.W. Anniversary)

Tuesday, December 3, St. Francis Xavier, Priest

6:15 a.m. † Carmela Saggese

8:15 a.m. † Kenneth & Mary Federspiel

6:30 p.m. † **NO MASS**

7:00 p.m. PENANCE SERVICE

OUR LADY OF GOOD HOPE

Wednesday, December 4, St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

6:15 a.m. † Anna Gerdorn

8:15 a.m. † Deceased of the Ralph J. Miller Family

6:30 p.m. † Barbara White

Thursday, December 5, Advent Weekday

6:15 a.m. † William & Carole Schneider

8:15 a.m. † Gene Curran

6:30 p.m. † Bob Gonya

Friday, December 6, Advent Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Peter Rutzinski

8:15 a.m. † Living & Deceased Members of the Hackman Family

6:30 p.m. † Patty Hickey

Saturday, December 7, St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:15 a.m. † Timothy Kelly

Saturday, December 7, Vigil, Second Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. † Patricia Frost

Sunday, December 8, Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community

9:00 a.m. † Elmer Evard

11:00 a.m. † Michael & Richard Zurbuch

5:00 p.m. † Living & Deceased of the Charles & Carol Voglewede Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 1

Sun., Dec. 1: Is 2.1-5/Rom 13.11-14/Mt 24.37-44

Mon., Dec. 2: Is 4.2-6/Mt 8.5-11

Tues., Dec. 3: Is 11.1-10/Lk 10.21-24

Wed., Dec. 4: Is 25.6-10a/Mt 15.29-37

Thurs., Dec. 5: Is 26.1-6/Mt 7.21,24-27

Fri., Dec. 6: Is 29.17-24/Mt 9.27-31

Sat., Dec. 7: Is 30.19-21,23-26/Mt 9.35-10:1,5a,6-8

Weekly ROSARY Times in Chapel

Monday-Friday: after the 6:15 a.m. & 8:15 a.m. Masses

Monday-Friday: before the 6:30 p.m. Mass

Saturday: 7:45 a.m. and after the 8:15 a.m. Mass

Sunday: All four sets of mysteries begin at 1:00 p.m.

SPECIAL NOTE: Due to the Feast of the Immaculate Conception falling on Sunday, Dec. 8...the Feast has been moved to Monday, December 9— but it is **NOT** a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are at their regular scheduled times.

ST. CHARLES FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP 07/01/2019 - 06/30/2020

November 24, 2019

**Due to early bulletin deadline,
The collection figures for November 24
are not available.**

"At the hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come," says today's Gospel. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are and strive to live in readiness for His coming.

Saturday, December 7

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**
Tom & Gerry Brubaker, Cathy Jacob, Cheryl Morello, Audrey Stauffer, Philip Tyndall, Laura Underwood, Kirk & Lisa York
(C Carolyn Tyndall)

Servers: Cecelia Hughes, Dominic Hughes, Logan Kien, Drew Stauffer (MC Ashton Skarie)

Lectors: Ronald & Loretta Russell

Sacristan: Lisa York

Sunday, December 1

7:30 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**
Margaret Digan, Debra J. Nelson, Judy Sherron, Margie Stier (C Maggie Kleber)

Servers: Dominik Elkins, Erica Jacob, Danny Ley (MC Joseph Bulanda)

Lectors: Diane Hunter, Dorothy Oross

Sacristan: Margaret Digan

9:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**
Audrey Clauser, Kevin Hartman, Stephanie Keefer, Mike & Susan Maskal, Becky McEntee, Kate Sweigert, Grace Webster
(C Kathy Suever)

Servers: Isaac Clauser, Sophia Francke, Jane Sweigert, Lillian Tellman (MC Noah Maskal)

Lectors: David & Sharron Oberstar

Sacristan: Kate Sweigert

11:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**
Doug Baisinger, Joseph Barile, John Elsasser, Ann Gabet, Bill Jackson, Teresa Michel, Tim Miller, Elaine Moser, Cindy O'Shaughnessey, Gail Stoner, Laurie Whisler
(C Tes Sanderlin)

Servers: Kaylee Birely, John Michael Fabini, Blake Sturges, Benjie Tippmann
(MC Tyler Birely)

Lectors: David Lonsway, Leanne Mensing

Sacristan: Julie Weingartner

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**
Jeff Schneider, Gene & Marilyn Tippmann, Judi Ueber (C Beth Schneider)

Servers: Max Redman, Mason Schneider, Dakota Tadsen, Jake Tippmann
(MC Hayden Tippmann)

Lectors: Derek Pillie, Nathan Pillie

Sacristan: Jill O'Sullivan

USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2019—TEAM C

"It is a good and holy thought
to pray for the dead."
(2 Maccabees 12)

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the families and friends of **Chris Smith and James Zurbuch.**



A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Next weekend Sr. Genevieve will offer some words about our annual collection to help support retired religious. We have had sisters in our school since it first opened; this collection gives us a chance to support those who have given so much for us. There is an envelope in the envelope packet or you may indicate on a check that you are making a donation for the retired religious collection.

We received this week a generous gift from the estate of Betty Richards. Please remember her in prayer.

We received two very nice thank-you letters this week. Redeemer Radio gave us a final report: Our parish donated \$11,020 for the fall Sharathon. They offered a beautiful letter of thanks, reminding us that we are helping to keep Christ known through the airwaves. We also received a very nice thank you note from St. Patrick's Food Bank. They estimate that our recent drive provided 4500 pounds of non-perishable food. (The *fill a truck* slogan must have been a good motivator. We had to call for a second truck.) St. Patrick's Food Bank serves a large population and they were extremely grateful for this "outpouring of love." This is a generous parish indeed.

St. Patrick's Parish offers their *Our Lady of Guadalupe* celebration on December 12, with music and a pageant and dancing at 5:00 a.m. and Mass at 6:00 a.m. We have had St. Charles members attending for the past two years and they have invited our parishioners again this year. I would encourage anyone who is able to get up that early to join us. It is a great exposure to our Catholic faith lived in a Latino culture.

Finally, we join in prayer remembering Chris Smith, who died in Indianapolis last week at age 42. Before leaving the priesthood, Fr. Chris served at St. Charles from 2003-2006. May the Lord welcome him into the Kingdom.



Fr. Tom

THEREFORE, STAY
AWAKE! FOR YOU
DO NOT KNOW ON
WHICH DAY YOUR
LORD WILL COME.



December 1
First Sunday of Advent
Putting on the Light of Christ

† **Reading I**
Isaiah 2:1-5
(Zion, the messianic capital)

† **Reading II**
Romans 13:11-14
(Christian use of time)

† **Gospel**
Matthew 24:37-44
(The need for watchfulness)

Key Passage: Let us throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

Adult: What will you do during Advent so that others can see that you have put on the light of Jesus Christ?

Child: What will you do during Advent so that others can see the light of Jesus in you?

**ANNUAL BOY SCOUT
CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE**

St. Charles Boy Scouts Troop 1 will be selling fresh **Douglas Fir Christmas Wreaths and Door Swags** this year after the Masses on **November 30 & December 1**. Each wreath has an outside diameter of 22" - 24" and will have at least 2—3 pine cones as well as a beautiful red or burgundy velveteen bow of your choice. The cost is \$27 per wreath and \$17 each Swag. Optional wreath stand is \$5. You may pay via cash, check or credit/debit card after each of the Masses. You can also place an order after one of the Masses on November 23 & 24 for pick-up the following weekend (November 30 & December 1). If you have any questions, please contact Dave Hogan, 260-486-7858.



RCIA

A JOURNEY IN FAITH

This Week in RCIA

December 3

This week in RCIA, we will take a look at the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. The Eucharist is the font and apex of the Christian life because it is Christ Himself. The institution of the Holy Eucharist took place during the Last Supper which celebrated, in an anticipatory way, the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross. Jesus, in the Gospel of John, stated the importance of the Eucharist, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you" (John 6:53). May we gain a better understanding of the mystery of the Eucharist. Please pray for our catechumens and candidates, Kayla, Josh, Stephanie, Andrew, Nate, and Caitlin, as they continue their journey in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

Winter Christmas Concert!

St. Charles School Fine Arts' students perform their annual Christmas Concert on **Thursday, December 5, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Hession Center gym. This concert is free of charge for all and is a wonderful way to prepare for the sacred seasons of Advent and Christmas. Students in the intermediate and advanced bands will perform several selections each. The hand chimes ensemble showcases a group of students who play individual chime tones creating beautiful music. The string orchestra is comprised of violin, viola and cello students who perform at the beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels. Young men and women who form the school choir will also perform several selections. Please plan on an hour of enjoyable entertainment and support the school fine arts' programs. 7:00 p.m. marks the beginning, but there is no ending to the enjoyment you will experience!



HASA 300 CLUB 2019-2020
\$150.00 - December 1

Steve & Diane Uebelhoer

CONFESSION TIMES AT ST. CHARLES

Monday thru Saturday—7:30 a.m.—8:00 a.m.
Thursday Evening—After the 6:30 p.m. Mass
Saturday Afternoon—2:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

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GIVING TREE 2019

St. Vincent de Paul Society (date: 11/23 & 24) - Grocery certificates, department store certificates (Walmart, Meijer, and Monetary Gifts) Please place all monetary gifts in a marked envelope, St. Vincent de Paul Giving Tree, in the Sunday collection basket. *Consider purchasing St. Charles SCRIP certificates for your gift certificates.*

St. Patrick's Food Pantry (date: 11/30 & 12/1) - Diapers, baby powder & lotion, dish soap, canned food items (vegetables & fruit), dry food products (beans, noodles, rice, macaroni, spaghetti, cereal, powdered milk), hygiene products (toothpaste, toothbrushes, bar soap, deodorant, shampoo, shaving cream, disposable razors, toilet paper). Return items to Church.

Franciscan Center (date 12/7 & 8) Body wash, shampoo, conditioner, diapers - sizes 4,5 & 6 only, pull ups, toothpaste, adult vitamins (all kinds), children's vitamins, cold/allergy medicine for adults & children, cleaning supplies.

St. Charles Youth Ministry (date: 12/15 & 16). Monetary gifts. Place your envelope marked "Youth Ministry" in the Sunday collection basket.

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ST. CHARLES VOCATION COMMITTEE

Stay Awake! Be ready! God needs you to make known his imminent presence. (Romans 13:11-14)



Next weekend, December 8, **Jim & Cheryl Roy** will take home the Vocation Cross. They will pray daily throughout the week for an increase and strengthening in vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

**AS THE ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY
CONTINUES TO PRAY
FOR AN INCREASE IN VOCATIONS TO THE
PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE
CONSIDER SIGNING UP TO TAKE HOME THE
VOCATION CROSS BEGINNING IN JANUARY, 2020.**

Sign up book is in the Gathering Space.

AREA ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 3—Our Lady of Good Hope

Wednesday, December 11—St. Vincent

Tuesday, December 17—St. John, New Haven

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18
ST. CHARLES**

Thursday, December 19—St. Jude

ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS'SUNDAY DECEMBER 8—6:15 P.M.

St. Francis Chapel—University of St. Francis
Prepare Your Hearts for the Celebration of Our Savior's Birth!
Join a quarter of young adults from Toledo, OH and Fort Wayne, IN as they reflect on the wonder and beauty of the Incarnation through an evening of sacred music, Scripture, and prayer.

The celebration of Holy Mass for the 2nd Sunday of Advent will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel, immediately following Lessons and Carols. Free and open to the public! For more information, email Jessica Schuster, Director—Jessica.schuster.155@gmail.com.

PLEASE KEEP OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND ST. CHARLES SECOND GRADE STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES IN YOUR PRAYERS AS THEY MAKE THEIR FIRST RECONCILIATION ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7.

OUR FATHER'S PLAN

A Catholic Bible Study of Salvation History



Based on the Film Series with
Scott Hahn & Jeff Cavins

OUR FATHERS PLAN BIBLE STUDY

Luke 24:27 "Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, He interpreted to them what referred to Him in all the Scriptures."

OFP Bible study follows the same path of study as Jesus did. You will see God's plan for mankind throughout the Old Testament culminate with Luke's Gospel and the book of Acts. This is a 24 session study series that includes a short video, Scripture readings and group discussion questions.

There are two ways to take part in study; Small group home study. You can pick a group of friends or family, meet in a home and schedule the study as you want. Or there will be a large group study in the Hession Center Room D on Tuesday evenings starting Jan 7. This group will be limited to 40 participants.

If you want to form a small group home study, send an email to SCB.study@msn.com and the links for the study materials will be sent to you.

If you would like to join the large group study send an email to SCB.study@msn.com to sign up. First 40 to email by Dec.6, will be sent a return email to confirm. We will have an organizational meeting on December 10, at 6:30 p.m. in Room D in the Hession Center. Please have \$11.56 for the study book.

Prayerfully consider this study to see how God has worked his saving plan out throughout the ages.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RECENT EVENTS



NOVEMBER 11
VETERANS DAY MASS

HONORING VETERANS LIVING
AND DECEASED



Congratulations to **Kevin O'Sullivan, Gregg Rounds, Andrew Stein, Benji Walley, and Michael Friend** for becoming members of the Knights of Columbus Council 451 and to Ryan Rogers for becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus St. Joe Hessen Cassel Council and to William Landgraf for becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus St. Peters Council at a First Degree Ceremony that was held on Wednesday November 13, inside the St. Charles Parish Hall.

Thanks to all Brother Knights who came to celebrate with the new members. A great time was had by all.

New members pictured below with Council 451 Grand Knight Tom Ryan and Council 451 Chaplain Father Dennis Di Benedetto.

If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the Knights of Columbus please contact Justin Purdy at purdjd01@gmail.com



The Saint Charles Knights of Columbus Council 451 was busy on **Saturday, November 16**, volunteering to build a new home for a deserving local family for Habitat for Humanity on E. Pettit Ave. in Fort Wayne. Brother Knights spent the day hanging and finishing drywall as they worked to Build on Faith, Build up Families, and Build Community Together! If you or someone you know would like to participate in activities such as this, please consider joining the Knight of Columbus today. Please contact Justin Purdy at purdjd01@gmail.com for more information.

SCRIP NEWS



We pray that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Regardless how you spent the day - with family and friends, serving the needs of others, or quietly at home, hopefully you found time to reflect on the things in your life for which you are grateful. We would like to say "Thank you" to all the people who help to make our SCRIP program so successful. We positively cannot do what we do without all of you.; we are truly blessed!

We're Open! - This weekend is the official start of Christmas shopping and, YES, we are open for business as well! Please don't be deterred if you see a line; our room is pretty small and it doesn't take many people before the line is out the door. We simply ask for your patience so we can fill each order as efficiently as possible. If you would rather not wait in line, you are welcome to drop off your order or call the **SCRIP** office during the week to place your order. We will fill it and have it ready for you to pick up either at the Parish Office or at the **SCRIP** sales table at your convenience. If your order is really large, *which we love*, it is helpful if you can give us a week to fill the order. By planning ahead, you give us the time to fill your order carefully and completely.



The "**Giving Trees**" located in the Gathering Space and the North vestibule, are full of tags and opportunities to share with those who are less fortunate. It is a wonderful way to embrace the true meaning of the season. **SCRIP** gift cards are a great way to share with others. We have gift cards for **Meijer**, **Target** and **Wal-Mart** in a variety of denominations.

Attention VOLUNTEERS – The next four weeks are our busiest weeks of the year, we need your help more than ever. If you are unable to work on your designated day, please find a sub or let us know as soon as possible so we can find someone to fill your spot.

Fri., Dec. 6	Kara Straessle, Sarah Ealing, Kristina O'Neal, Amy Copeland
Fri., Dec. 6	CLASSROOM DELIVERY - Leeandra Camos
Sat., Dec. 7	Amy Lin, Audrey Stauffer, Diane Keefer
Sun., Dec. 8	Nancy Hartig, Arianne Davis, Lisa York

**CONTACT THE COORDINATORS,
PEGGY OR MADONNA, WITH ANY ?'s
REGARDING SCRIP PROGRAM,
(260) 969-4027.**

ST. MARY'S, HUNTINGTON

860 Cherry St., Huntington, IN 46750
(Fr. Tony's Parish)

Open House – Christmas Open House at the Rectory, December 8, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Come see the beautifully restored 1859 Rectory decorated for Christmas.

Christmas Concert, December 29, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. in the Church featuring their parish choir and local musicians.

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend has an opening for a part time **Diocesan Safe Environment Database Specialist**. The Safe Environment Program Database Specialist is responsible for the input of safe environment information into the diocese's Safe Environment database. For more information and to view other openings in the diocese and at parishes, visit www.diocesefwsb.org/Current-Job-Postings

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE, 482-2186, TO SCHEDULE MASSES FOR THE 2020 YEAR. MANY OPENINGS IN THE MONTHS OF JANUARY & FEBRUARY.

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Please join us for the **2019 Saints Alive! Holiday Tables Luncheon**. This festive event is the perfect way to ring in the holiday season by enjoying a delicious lunch surrounded by the Dwenger Family and Mrs. Patsy Dumas' extensive collection of Christmas China! Every table has a different setting of seasonal china and decorations. A good will donation is collected during the event; all to help to support the school. Please consider being a part of this special BD tradition **Wednesday, December 4** at 11:30 a.m. Fill a table with your friends or come on your own and meet new ones! Tables range from 4-12 guests. RSVP to Dayna Horner by phoning 260-496-4804 or emailing

CYO Saints Wrestling 2020 Season

The first conditioning practice for this season will be December 3, 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Bishop Dwenger Wrestling Room (Door #8) for Boys grades 5 thru 8. Come prepared to run, exercise and learn the basics of wrestling. Please make sure you have your school physical on file to participate, registration details will be provided. For more information contact Dan Delaney (email: dadelaney@frontier.com or (260) 443-6120).

Motor-Coach Trip to Biltmore Estate & Asheville, NC, benefiting the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Fort Wayne on April 20-23, 2020. Bus departs from St. Peters Catholic Church, F.W. \$440.00 per person, double occupancy. Add \$90 for single occupancy. Trip includes 3 nights lodging, 6 meals. Guided tour of Asheville, NC, full day visit to the Biltmore Estate, guided drive along the Blue Ridge Parkway, visit to the famous Folk Art Center, visit to the Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center. \$75 due upon signing, final payment due 2/13/2010. For pictures, video and information, visit: www.GroupTrips.com/stvincentdepaul. Contact Neil or Kathy Coonrod, (260) 623-6708 for more information and to register.

Divine Mercy Funeral Home is expanding it's greet staff. Please call 260-426-2044 and ask for Casey or Bob.