

Joy Advent

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019 THIRD 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, December 14, Vigil, Third Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. † Louis Schneider

Sunday, December 15, Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community

9:00 a.m. † Delbert & Rita Minnick

11:00 a.m. † Deceased of the Bobay Family

5:00 p.m. † Sarah Davis

Monday, December 16, Advent Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Agnes Schnelker

8:15 a.m. † Jessica Murphy

6:30 p.m. † Rocco & Anna Ciocca

Tuesday, December 17, Late Advent Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Jerry & Rosemary Minnich

8:15 a.m. † Joseph, Anita, Jeffery & Timothy Davis

6:30 p.m. † Paul & Jeanette Madden

7:00 p.m. PENANCE SERVICE

ST. JOHN'S, NEW HAVEN

Wednesday, December 18, Late Advent Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Poor Souls

8:15 a.m. † James Momper

6:30 p.m. † NO MASS

7:00 p.m. PENANCE SERVICE—ST. CHARLES

Thursday, December 19, Late Advent Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Mike Makovic

8:15 a.m. † Matthew Nagel

6:30 p.m. † Ann Kumbakkeel

7:00 p.m. PENANCE SERVICE-ST. JUDE'S

Friday, December 20, Late Advent Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Mary Stuck

8:15 a.m. † Joseph A. Henry

6:30 p.m. † David Obergfell

7:00 p.m. Adoration and Benediction

Saturday, December 21, Late Advent Weekday, St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:15 a.m. † Living & Deceased of the Leo Kuntz Family

Saturday, December 21, Vigil, Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. † Robert Hinga

Sunday, December 22, Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community

9:00 a.m. † Marjorie Krutsch

11:00 a.m. † Terry Fields

5:00 p.m. † Carl & Mary White

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 15

Sun., Dec. 15: Is 35.1-6a, 10/Jas 5.7-10/Mt 11.2-11

Mon., Dec. 16: Nm 24.2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21.23-27

Tues., Dec. 17: Gn 49.2, 8-10/Mt 1.1-17

Wed., Dec. 18: Jer 23.5-8/Mt 1.18-25

Thurs., Dec. 19: Jgs 13.2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1.5-25

Fri., Dec. 20: Is 7.10-14/Lk 1.26-38

Sat., Dec. 21: Sg 2.8-14/Lk 1.39-45

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.

ST. CHARLES FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

07/01/2019 - 06/30/2020

December 8, 2019

Budgeted Collection Needed	\$	36,750.00
December 8 Collection	\$	37,474.63
This Week	\$	724.63

THANK YOU for your continued support!

Each of us has his or her own role to play in the coming of the Kingdom of God. John the Baptist was called to be the herald of the Messiah, preparing the way of the Lord. To what is the Lord calling me?

Saturday, December 21

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Mary Ellen Gentis, Barb Heil, Margo Ludwig, Lena McMahon, Chuck Smith, Patty Sosenheimer, Mary Jane Steup, Larry & Linda Wellmann (C Carolyn Tyndall)

Servers: Elizabeth Onion, Kain Starkey, Luke Stratton, Samantha Walden (MC Auston Skarie)

Lectors: Steve Harper, Joe Tratnyek

Sacristan: Margo Ludwig

Sunday, December 22

7:30 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Margaret Digan, Diane Hunter, Cathy Jacob, James Langlet (C Maggie Kleber)

Servers: Theresa Bulanda, Efen Fuentes, Katia Fuentes (MC Camren Quinlan)

Lectors: Justin Braselton, Susie Hague

Sacristan: Judy Sherron

9:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Nolan Fischer, Colleen Jacobson, Mike & Susan Maskal, Phil Miguel, Sr., Colleen O'Leary, Stephen Shannon, Dan Vought, Sr. (C Kathy Suever)

Servers: Brooklyn Christle, Samantha Christle, Kyle Eddy, Nick Eddy (MC Noah Maskal)

Lectors: Bev Peters, Dennis Redding

Sacristan: Kate Schweigert

11:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Doug Baisinger, Carmen Crabill, Carole Fuller, Ann Gabet, Bill Jackson, David Lonsway, Teresa Michel, Elaine Moser, Gail Stoner, Judi Ueber, Laurie Whisler (C Norman Baisinger)

Servers: Avery Bailey, Leah McKenna, Brady Meyer, Zach Tippmann (MC Sam Ensley)

Lectors: Benjamin Franke, Beau Strack

Sacristan: Doug & Norma Baisinger

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Susan Badendorst, Debbie Stevens, Gene & Marilyn Tippmann (C Jill O'Sullivan)

Servers: Molly Fink, Evelyn Mena, Reid Smith, Jake Tippmann (MC Hayden Tippmann)

Lectors: Lucy Blakey, Retta Kohrman

Sacristan: Cathy Yaggy

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SCHEDULE MASSES FOR 2020

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

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Our Parish Penance Service will be held this Wednesday evening, December 18, at 7:00 p.m. After a short service, asking God's mercy, we will have many visiting priests to hear confessions. Please join us. This sacrament is Jesus' gift to us and can also be our gift to him.

We are coming very close to Christmas. I would encourage everyone to invite friends, neighbors and relatives to a Christmas Mass. This may be the easiest time of year to make an invitation. If you have relatives visiting, neighbors who don't go to a church, or someone who isn't very regular, invite them to come with you. As the angels brought the shepherds to the stable, we should do our best to do the same.

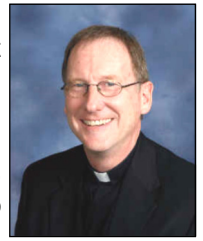
A few words on our Christmas Mass schedule: Our first Mass is 4:00 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve. This Mass begins with the baby carried in procession and placed in our manger scene. This is the most crowded Mass of the year, and seats will be filled early.

Our next Mass is at 6:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Seating is far more available at the 6:30 p.m. Mass. The children's choir will sing and children will be invited forward for the nativity blessing.

The Midnight Mass at St. Charles actually begins at midnight. (I don't know of any other Fort Wayne parishes waiting for a midnight starting time.) This is our most formal Mass. After a half hour of music, we will begin in darkness with the singing of the ancient Christmas proclamation and then as we sing Silent Night, congregational candles will be lit to fill the darkness. The parish choir will be joined by professional musicians in this beautiful liturgy. Incense will also be used at both 6:30 p.m. and midnight.

On Christmas morning, Mass will be celebrated with joy and with carols at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Let us keep this time of Advent holy. We are preparing for Jesus.



Fr. Tom

AND BLESSED IS
THE ONE WHO
TAKES NO
OFFENSE AT ME.



December 15
Third Sunday of Advent
Actions Worthy of Praise

† **Reading I**
Isaiah 35:1-6,10
(Israel's deliverance)

† **Reading II**
James 5:7-10
(Patience)

† **Gospel**
Matthew 11:2-11
(Christ's witness to John)

Key Passage: Jesus said, "Amen, I say to you, among those born of women, there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

Adult: What would Jesus see to praise about you right now?

Child: What good thing have you done so far during Advent to be like Jesus?

DID YOU KNOW ???

The **Rosary Sodality** is an active group of women that:

Prepare and serve meals for funeral luncheons

Sponsor a night of bingo for Byron residents in February

Bake cookies and pies for the November Craft Bazaar

Pray the Rosary at funerals

Provide a booth at the Christ Child Festival

Bake desserts for Parish Events

Any questions call Cathy Yaggy @ 418-6379.



GIVING TREE 2019

St. Charles Youth Ministry (date: 12/15 & 16). Monetary gifts.

Place your envelope marked "Youth Ministry" in the Sunday collection basket.

This Week in RCIA
December 17



This week in RCIA, we will take a look at the different parts of the Holy Mass to see what spiritual realities are happening during each. This is a continuation of our study of the Mass that began last week. Why do we start with a penitential rite and follow it with the singing of the Gloria? Why do we recite the Creed only on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation? What is up with all the standing, sitting and kneeling? Is this just Catholic calisthenics or is there a purpose to it all? 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.

OPLATEK

The Polish Christmas Wafer, is available again this year.

Please stop by the Parish Office to pick up the wafers.

(\$1.00 per package, three to a pack)

CONFESSION TIMES AT ST. CHARLES
ST CHARLES ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18—7:00 P.M.

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.



Christmas at St. Charles

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass - 4:00 p.m.
Prelude Music beginning at 3:30 p.m. by
The Jaenicke Woodwind Quintet

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass - 6:30 p.m.
(Incense Will Be Used)

Prelude Music beginning at 6:15 p.m.
by the Parish Children's Choir

Christmas Eve Midnight Mass
(Incense Will Be Used)

Prelude Music Begins at 11:30 p.m.

Music by the St. Charles Adult Choir
And Brass, Woodwinds and String Musicians.

Christmas Day Masses

7:30 a.m.	NO MASS
9:00 a.m.	Praise to Our Newborn King No incense will be used Prelude Music will begin at 8:45 a.m.
11:00 a.m.	Come and Celebrate No incense will be used Prelude Music Begins at 10:45 a.m. St. Charles Guitar Group
5:00 p.m.	NO MASS

Due to Christmas, the Parish Office will be closed on
Tuesday December 24, Wednesday, December 25, and
Thursday, December 26.

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We have been running a program at the parish called **Alpha** for the last 2 and a half years. We have been using it primarily as an enrichment program for our parishioners but its original intention is aimed at helping non-baptized people develop a relationship with Christ.

With the holy days approaching, there will be family gatherings or opportunities to evangelize. Consider these family gatherings as an opportunity to invite a family member who has been away from the Church or, perhaps, a family member who isn't baptized to attend Alpha **WITH** you. People will take a greater interest in the faith if you walk with them during the journey.

There are 10 sessions, so it doesn't last forever. The evening consists in sharing a catered meal, watching a short video and small group discussion. FREE baby-sitting is offered. Who doesn't want to eat a free meal and not have to do the dishes afterward? We start January 15. Registration is open on the parish website. <https://www.stcharlesfortwayne.org/alpha>

ST. CHARLES VOCATION COMMITTEE

Be patient until the Lord comes. Be patient and listen; ask the Lord what he wants of you. (James 5:7-10)



Next weekend, December 22, **The Scherschel Family** 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.

The **St Charles' Legion of Mary Ministry** needs more men and women to do the works of this Ministry. Our works are:



- * To bring back our brothers and sisters in Faith who have been away from the church, through the Sacraments.
- * The sanctification of our members.
- * Sacred Heart Enthronement in the homes of our praying and active members.
- * Visit our new parishioners to welcome them into the parish, its school, activities and parish ministries
- * To be one in prayers, with the multitude of Legionaries, worldwide, to promulgate

Holiness among the Faithful and the peoples of this world.

**Come to a Legion of Mary meeting at St. Charles,
Thursday evenings, 7:00 p.m.**

**MEETING IN THE
GATHERING SPACE—BRIDE'S ROOM!**

**HASA 300 CLUB 2019-2020
\$150.00 - December 15**

Darlene Simpson

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS—2019

You will note that an envelope was included in your envelope packet for December entitled "Christmas Flower Offering". In the past, we requested that you place your Christmas flower donation in a plain envelope and write names on the outside of the envelope. In lieu of this procedure, please write the names of your loved ones on this "new" envelope. Thank you.

ADVENT WREATH

Individuals or Families are invited to help light the candles of our Advent Wreath at all weekend Masses during the season of Advent. If you would like to volunteer, please sign up on the sheet in the back of church, near the Lectors' Room.



"CHOOSE JOY"

A WOMEN'S FAITH-SHARING GROUP

Choose Joy Women's Faith-Sharing Group is discussing Fr. Michael Gaitley's video series "Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told." Fr. Gaitley weaves a tapestry of wonder and beauty from the threads of the dramatic history of Poland, the transformative message of St. Faustina Kowalska, the prophetic apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, the powerful witness of St. Maximilian Kolbe and the world-changing papacy of St. John Paul II. We meet the third and last Saturdays of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room off the St. Charles Gathering Space. We welcome all women to join us to share and grow in our faith.

We will meet on **Saturday, December 21**, after the 8:15 a.m. Mass. Meeting lasting from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. All women are invited to the meeting.



BORROMEO BASH-FEBRUARY 1, 2020

We are having the silent and live auction again and need donations! We would love to have some unique experiences or tickets to fun events, electronics, fine jewelry, religious items, sporting equipment, spa visits, kids items, or whatever else you might want to donate. We are still in need of sponsors for some of the casino tables. If you would like to sponsor a table, it's \$750 and you will receive two tickets to the Bash! Your name or company logo will be featured in the program, website, and on the table. If you have questions please send an email to Borromeobash@gmail.com



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Altar Servers, Masters of Ceremonies, Sacristans

The new schedule is in preparation for **February thru May, 2020** so please submit your availability information via the web terminal, or email at ministries@scbfw.org. You may also call the office, 484-6570. **Deadline is January 6, 2020.**

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Religious give thanks. "This money is pure gift," writes a religious sister of the support made possible by the Retirement Fund for Religious. "It enables us to continue providing care for our elderly sisters." Your gift to last week's collection helps hundreds of religious communities meet pressing retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Thank you for your generosity!

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SCRIP NEWS

Third Week of Advent - We've passed the half way point of Advent; in fact, with Christmas on the Wednesday following the 4th Sunday of Advent, there is just 10 days until Christmas. The good news is you have this Sunday AND next Sunday to purchase **SCRIP**.

If you were planning to order something that needs to be ordered from **Great Lakes**, the absolute deadline for those special orders is **MONDAY, DECEMBER 16** at **9:00 A.M.**



SCRIP SHOPPING DAYS 'til CHRISTMAS

Saturday, Dec. 14 – SCRIP sales following the **5 pm Mass**.

Sunday, Dec. 15 – SCRIP sales following the **7:30 & 9 am Masses** and before the **11:00 a.m. Mass**.

Monday, Dec. 16 – School and phone orders filled, walk-in orders are welcome from **11:00 A.M. - NOON**.

Tuesday & Wednesday, Dec. 17 & 18 – SCRIP office open **8:30 a.m. – NOON**.

*****Friday, Dec. 20** – **SCRIP** sales in the Hession Center **8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**; phone orders filled; walk-in orders welcome from **11:00 a.m. – NOON**.

*****Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 21 & 22 – FINAL WEEKEND OF SCRIP SALES**

*****SCRIP sales resume Saturday, January 4, 2020*****

Picking Up Backorders – If your **SCRIP** order contained a backorder, please make sure you pick it up before the holidays. You can pick it up at **SCRIP next weekend**, the final week of sales, or at the **Parish Office before 4:00 p.m. on Monday, December 23**.



VOLUNTEERS:

Fri., Dec. 20 Jane Cavacini, Cathy Jacob, Berniece Williams, Amy Copeland
Fri., Dec. 20 **CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Sue Christle – Early dismissal
Sat., Dec. 21 Natalie Jackson, Bernadette Smith, Cindy Stults
Sun., Dec. 22 Sue Christle, Brenda Harter, Laurie Amstutz

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

The position of **Varsity Soccer Head Coach** for the Bishop Dwenger High School Lady SAINTS is open. Bishop Dwenger High School is one of four high schools in the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese. Bishop Dwenger is a 2A school with an enrollment of 1007 students. The Lady Saints compete in the Summit Athletic Conference. The ideal candidate for this position will have prior experience at the high school or collegiate level, preferably as a head coach. All applications will remain confidential. Letter of Interest and Resume may be submitted December 4 through December 17, 2019 to John Bennett, Athletic Director; Bishop Dwenger High School, 1300 E. Washington Center Rd., Fort Wayne, IN 46825, or JBennett@BishopDwenger.com. Questions may be directed to John Bennett, BDHS Athletic Director, 260.496-4733 or JBennett@bishopdwenger.com.

Attention **St. Charles 8th graders!** Bishop Dwenger High School is currently accepting 2020-2021 applications for incoming 9th graders. The online application may be found at BishopDwenger.com. Application deadline is **January 15**. Questions or thinking of transferring to Bishop Dwenger? Contact Cindy Johnson, Admissions Coordinator, cjohnson@bishopdwenger.com or 260-496-4703.

SAVE THE DATE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

January 19, 2020
Boys and Girls—Ages 9 –14
More Information coming soon!

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Come watch diocesan priests and seminarians battle over basketball in the annual Cupertino Classic on **Friday, Dec. 27**, from 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. This event will be held at Marian High School, 1311 S. Logan

St. The seminarians look to continue building on their two-year win streak, while the priests have been reloading their roster via ordination. Who will capture this year's Cupertino Classic? Come out and support our priests and seminarians.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2019

Tuesday, December 30, 2019 is the deadline for receiving 2019 contributions to be credited to your 2019 record. Please place your contributions in the collection basket, or drop off any donations you wish credited for the year 2019 to the Parish Office before this deadline.

Visit the Fort Wayne Museum of Art November 30-March 8 for "Theotokos: Contemporary Visions of Mary by Elly Tullis."

In this exhibition, Tullis has been inspired by the masters of art history to create over 30 contemporary paintings of Mary, the Mother of God. Though we think of Mary as beautiful, history hasn't recorded her particular features. In these paintings, Tullis explores the beauty of Mary through inspiration from history's master painters as well as her own interpretations of Mary. Meet the artist December 12, at 6:30 p.m. for a gallery talk and tour through her exhibition. Cash bar and appetizers will be offered and admission is free. Visit www.fwmoa.org to learn more.

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.