

Love Advent

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2019 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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MASSES

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. † Marge Krutsch

11:00 a.m. † Terry Fields

5:00 p.m. † Carl & Mary White

Monday, December 23, Advent Weekday, St. John of Kanty, Priest

6:15 a.m. † Vivian Welch

8:15 a.m. † Mildred Vought

6:30 p.m. † Tom & Vivien Cooney

Tuesday, December 24, Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. † Jan Elaine Schleinkofer Service

6:30 p.m. † Msgrs. Edward Hession & John Suelzer

Midnight † Ed Morris

Wednesday, December 25, Christmas Day

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

11:00 a.m. For Our Parish Community

No 7:30 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day

Thursday, December 26, St. Stephen, The First Martyr

6:15 a.m. † Robert L. Sweet

8:15 a.m. † John Stody

6:30 p.m. Intentions of Terri & Marcia Giraldo

Friday, December 27, St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

6:15 a.m. † Nicholas Wyss

8:15 a.m. † Conrad Cierniak

6:30 p.m. † Richard Shoemaker

7:00 p.m. Adoration and Benediction

Saturday, December 28, The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

8:15 a.m. † Edward & Dorothy Miller

Saturday, December 28, Vigil, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

5:00 p.m. † Mary Alice Kleber

Sunday, December 29, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:30 a.m. † Living & Deceased of the William Donnelly Family

9:00 a.m. † Barbara Lyons

11:00 a.m. † Margaret Fortier

5:00 p.m. For Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 22

Sun., Dec. 22: Is 7:10-14/Rom 1.1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Mon., Dec. 23: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66

Tues., Dec. 24: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13.16-17, 22/25/Mt 1.1-25

Midnight Mass: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 1.1-14

Wed., Dec 25: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1.1-6/Jn 1.1-18

Thurs., Dec. 26: Acts 6.8-10; 7.54-59/Mt 10.17-22

Fri., Dec. 27: 1 Jn 1.1-4/Jn 20.1a, 2-8

Sat., Dec. 28: 1 Jn 1.5-2:2/Mt 2.13-18

ST. CHARLES FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

07/01/2019 - 06/30/2020

December 15, 2019

Budgeted Collection Needed	\$	36,750.00
December 15 Collection	\$	61,833.63
This Week	\$	25,083.63

THANK YOU for your continued support!

When he discovered that Mary was with child, Joseph resolved to end their engagement with as little disgrace as possible. But obedient to the voice of God, he changed those plans and became instead the protector of the child Jesus and His mother Mary. God grant that I may be as open to the leading of the Holy Spirit!

Saturday, December 28

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Kathy Johns, Bob & Nancy Leszczynski, Cheryl Morello, Ronald Russell, Lisa Schleinkofer, Philip Tyndall, Kirk & Lisa York (C Carolyn Tyndall)
Servers: Ryan Groves, Logan Kien, Chloe Tippmann, Devota Tippmann (MC Pete Steigmeyer)
Lectors: Chris Stock, **Volunteer Needed**
Sacristan: Lisa York

Sunday, December 29

7:30 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Kevin Hartman, Marijo Sliger, Larry & Linda Wellman (C Jane Relue)
Servers: Salomon Guzman, Courtney Krohn, Mikey Kuras (**MC Volunteer Needed**)
Lectors: Cece Dunderman, Carol Merkel
Sacristan: Linda Braselton

9:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Julia Grubbs, Jan Hoy, Becky McEntee, Mary Lou Morris, Stewart & Debbie Schenkel, Theresa Thissen, Cecilia Wehrly (C Pat Slater)
Servers: Carson James, Adam Schenkel, Isabella Scherschel, Alex Schlatter (MC Nathan James)
Lectors: Tara Christen, Martin Sweigert
Sacristan: Audrey Clauser

11:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Kathy Bennett, Sarah Brust, Edwin Capuyan, Betty Dobosz, Maria Ellinger, Phil Kramer, Beth Miller, Tim Miller, Sharon Nuerge, Pam O'Keefe, Kelly Tippmann (C Tes Sanderlin)
Servers: Sydney Fischer, Lillian Tellman, Porter Tellman, Peter Thiel (MC Joseph Schipper)
Lectors: Cindy O'Shaughnessey, Matthew O'Shaughnessey
Sacristan: Julie Weingartner

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** Sara Bentz, Christina Gates (**2 Volunteers Needed**) (C Teresa Burke)
Servers: Giselle Carrillo, Angelena Kohaut, Blake Sturges, Dominick Wallace (MC Vincent Wallace)
Lectors: Derek Pillie, Nathan Pillie
Sacristan: Maria Cavacini

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 **Charlotte Selby and Yiordana Quandt.**



A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

We welcome the guests and family members and visitors who join us this week for Christmas. We are honored to have you join us for our celebration of the Lord's birth.



If any guests are looking for a church home, you are always welcome at St. Charles. If you are not Catholic, the RCIA is a program designed to learn more about the Catholic faith. If you are Catholic but haven't been active lately, *Alpha* is a great program beginning on Jan. 15 and including 10 Wednesday evenings with a great chance to become better grounded in the faith and also to get to know other good people. (*Alpha* Wednesdays also include a free dinner!) We have many other parish organizations and ministries which might interest you also. Please call on us at the parish office. We would love to hear from you.

For those reading this bulletin before Christmas, a reminder that we have Christmas Eve Masses at 4:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and Midnight. Christmas morning Masses are 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass always has an overflowing crowd; you will need to come early for a seat. The 6:30 p.m. Mass features our children's choir and the Midnight Mass is our most solemn liturgy, with a candle procession and the singing of the ancient Christmas Proclamation.

We are grateful to the folks from St. Patrick parish who invited us to their Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration last week and offered a warm welcome. I think that all of us who attended from St. Charles were moved by the exuberant Latino Catholic expression of faith.

Fr. Tom

"She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."



**December 22
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Welcoming Light**

† **Reading I**
Isaiah 7:10-14
(Birth of Emmanuel)

† **Reading II**
Romans 1:1-7
(Greetings from Paul)

† **Gospel**
Matthew 1:18-24
(The birth of Jesus)

Key Passage: When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.

Adult: Whom do you find it difficult to welcome in your life? What can you do to overcome that?

Child: What could you do this week to make someone feel welcome, as Joseph welcomed Mary?



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.**

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.

**This Week in RCIA
December 24**



RCIA
A JOURNEY IN FAITH

This week in RCIA, we will not be meeting because of the Solemnity of Christmas. 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.

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.

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

Monday thru Saturday before the 8:15 a.m. Mass—
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.

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.



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

Stop asking for a sign and become one. Consider becoming a Priest or Religious. (Isaiah 7:7-10)



Next weekend, December 29, **Mike Freygang** will take home the Vocation Cross. He 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 22

Ron & Bonita Straessle

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.



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

SAVE THE DATE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

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

"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 28**, 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.

Parishioner looking for a ride to Church for 5:00 p.m. Saturday night Mass. Please give Mary Ellen a call, 260-760-7667.

Sponsor of the Week

(Honest Abe)

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SCRIP NEWS



4TH SUNDAY of Advent – Believe it or not, it's here! In just a few short days we will once again celebrate the birth of our Savior, Christmas. It is truly a glorious reason to celebrate. We want you to be able to enjoy the beauty of the season, so we will still be available this weekend to help you with any last minute gifting needs. **SCRIP** sales will take place after the normal Masses and the office will be open until noon on Monday, December 23.

Picking Up Backorders – If your **SCRIP** order contained a backorder, please make sure you pick it up before the holidays. It is probably available at the **SCRIP** sales table this weekend or at the **Parish Office**. Be sure to pick it up **before 4:00 p.m. on Monday, December 23.**



Christmas Break – We have truly enjoyed helping everyone tackle their Christmas lists and are grateful that so many of you chose **SCRIP** as a way to purchase items for your loved ones and friends. There will be **NO SCRIP sales** until the first weekend in the New Year – **JANUARY 4 & 5, 2020.** School will be resume on Monday, January 6, and the SCRIP office will be open to fill school orders and phone orders. Walk-in customers will be welcome after 11:00 a.m.

VOLUNTEERS: Thanks for all your dedication and help during this busy time of year. We could not have done it without all of you. We are incredibly blessed.

Sat., Jan. 4 Lois Ewald, Maryann Quinn, Cindie Rosswurm
Sun., Jan. 5 Angela Bauer, Molly Elsass, Sandy Franke
Mon., Jan. 6 CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Jen Prado
Fri., Jan. 10 Mary Jo Amorini, Tom Neuhaus, Dorla Rice, Judy Smith
Fri., Jan. 10 CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Donna Kaiser

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



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.

STS. PETER AND PAUL HUNTINGTON
860 Cherry St., Huntington, IN 46750
(Fr. Tony's Parish)

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

Epiphany Concert at St. Vincent de Paul

All are invited to an Epiphany Concert at St. Vincent de Paul Church on **Friday, January 3**, at 7:00 p.m. Members of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic will help us celebrate the 10th Day of Christmas with beautiful music. No charge. Reception in Gathering Space following concert.

BISHOP DWENGER NEWS

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, @cjohanson@bishopdwenger.com or 260-496-4703.

BDHS ALUMNI APPLICATION NIGHT-JANUARY 10

BD & CC Alumni, join your fellow alumni and friends to support the Saints' Varsity Basketball teams on Friday, January 10, 2020. The Saints will take on the Carroll Chargers – Girls at 6:00 p.m. and Boys at 7:30 p.m. in the BDHS Main Gym. Please visit bishopdwenger.com for more information.

BISHOP DWENGER HIGH SCHOOL'S TRIVIA NIGHT

You are invited to Tuffy's Trivia Night on **Saturday, January 18**, at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$150 per team. You can carry in food; cash bar will be available. Must be 21 or older to attend. Register online at bishopdwenger.com/trivianight or call Molly Schreck at 496-4775. *Sponsorship opportunities available!*

Our Lady of Good Hope Healing Service

Our Lady of Good Hope will hold a Healing Service in the Church on **Monday, January 13**, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please join us if you are in need of physical, spiritual or emotional healing, or seeking a greater infilling of the Holy Spirit and His Gifts. Come expecting an encounter with the Lord.

BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS- A Baptism class will be held at St. Charles **Wednesday, January 22, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** in the **Parish Office Basement**. To register, please call the Parish Office, 482-2186. Next class is Wed., March 11, 2020.



The **Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne** is offering a six session program concerning the history of the Holocaust. Beginning on January 21, there will be six Tuesday 7:00 p.m. sessions, held at the Rifkin Campus on Old Mill Road. The series is offered for adults and juniors and seniors in high school. The cost is \$5. Please register by January 7, at 260-456-0400, or office@fwjf.org.

We are anointed with Sacred Chrism oil at Baptism and Confirmation as the sacramental sign of receiving the Holy Spirit. What does this anointing mean for your identity and purpose in life? How can you live more fully through the supernatural power of the Holy Spirit? Join fellow young adults in their 20s & 30s for a chance to explore ways of increasing the role of the Holy Spirit in your life! Jan. 18 and 19, at Lindenwood Retreat Center, Plymouth. Enjoy relevant talks, inspiring music, Mass, adoration, confession, and social time. Cost: flexible. More info: diocesefwsb.org/yam-retreats.

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 2/13/2020. For pictures, video and information, visit: www.GroupTrips.com/stvincentdepaul. Contact Neil or Kathy Coonrod, (260) 623-6708 for more information and to register.