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MASSES

Saturday, October 11, Vigil, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m. † Rose Gibson

Sunday, October 12, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † Living & Deceased of the Joseph Kraft

Family

9:00 a.m. † Living & Deceased Members of the

Lauer Family † Gerard Kessens

For Our Parish Community 5:00 p.m.

Monday, October 13, Weekday

11:00 a.m.

6:15 a.m. † Joe Bragg 7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions

8:15 a.m. † Living & Deceased of the Witte & King

Families

6:30 p.m. † Raymond & Catherine Heck

Tuesday, October 14, Weekday, St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

6:15 a.m. † Living & Deceased Members of the Ly Family

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

> 8:15 a.m. † Harry & Inez Wellnitz

6:30 p.m. † NO MASS

Wednesday, October 15, St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and **Doctor of the Church**

6:15 a.m. † NO MASS 7:30-8:00 a.m. **NO Confessions**

> 8:15 a.m. † NO MASS **Communion Service**

6:30 p.m. † NO MASS

Thursday, October 16, Weekday, St. Hedwig, Religious: St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

6:15 a.m. † NO MASS 7:30-8:00 a.m. **NO Confessions** 8:15 a.m. † NO MASS

6:30 p.m. † Elaine Baumgartner

7:00 p.m. Confessions

Friday, October 17, Weekday, St Ignatius of Antioch 6:15 a.m. † Kenneth Vondrell

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions 8:15 a.m. † Carol Offerle 6:30 p.m. † Mary Jane Bruck

Saturday, October 18, St. Luke, Evangelist

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions † Karen Gorman 8:15 a.m. 2:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions

Wedding—Freiburger—Wirtner 2:30 p.m. Saturday, October 18, Vigil, Twenty-Ninth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m. † Jack Lorenc

Sunday, October 19, Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary

7:30 a.m. † Fritz Dunderman 9:00 a.m. † Sandy Palmersheim 11:00 a.m. John Stoody

For Our Parish Community 5:00 p.m.

ST. CHARLES DAY AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD

2930 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne Thursday, October 16 Sign up Sheets on the Table in the Back of Church





TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAYING THANK YOU

Reading 1 2 Kings 5.14-17 (Elisha's cure of Naaman)

Gospel: Luke 17.11-19 (Ten lepers)

Reading II 2 Timothy 2.8-13 (Paul's faithfulness to the gospel)

Key Passage:

When one of the lepers saw he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him.

Adult: Whose generosity do you tend to take for granted? How will you change this?

Child: When have you failed to say thank you? Why does this matter?

Saturday, October 18

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

Kathy O'Neil, Linda Schneider, Ed Koors

(2 Volunteers Needed)
Altar Servers: Claire Macejak, Charles Tippmann, Daniel Tippmann,

Marianne Zartman Master of Ceremonies: Ronnie Buskirk Lectors: Donna Kaiser, Robert Vandell

Sacristan: Don Smith

Sunday, October 19

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

Stephanie Eifrid, Lori Stock, Anne Tinkel

(1 Volunteer Needed)
(C Maggie Kleber)
Altar Servers: Luka Bacak,
Danny Jacob, Andrew Jacob
Lector: Nik Kleber, Lillian Lothamer
Sacristan: (Volunteer Needed)

9:00 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Tom Ade, Arianne Davis, John Magsam, Colleen O'Leary, Theresa Thissen,

Kathy VandeZande (C Kathy Suever)

Altar Servers: Joseph Lavelle, Miles Till Allan McCann, Joseph Scherschel Master of Ceremonies: Jillian Scherschel

Lectors: Bev Peters, Dennis Redding

Sacristan: Jill Redding

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

Edwin Capuyan, Carole Fuller, Bill Jackson,

Gail Stoner, Kelly Tippmann, Kathleen Wiley (C Norma Baisinger)

Altar Servers: Abby Hasselschwert,
Josh Tippmann, Zack Tippmann, Duke Ley
Master of Ceremonies: Will Hasselschwert

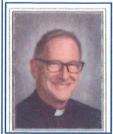
Lectors: Cindy O'Shaughnessey, Matthew O'Shaughnessey Sacristan: Betty Dobosz

5:00 p.m.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Grace Fischer, Andy Stauffer (2 Volunteers Needed) (C Susan Badenhorst)
Altar Servers: Marco Cavacini,

Liam Shannon, Zoe Tellez. Skylar Tellez Master of Ceremonies: Rafael J. Cucueco Lectors: Debra Rorick, Nicole Scott

Sacristan: Carolyn Tyndall



A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

All of the Priests of the Diocese will be gathering at a conference center near Plymouth from Tuesday afternoon until Thursday afternoon this week for our Annual Continuing Education Days. There will be neither Mass nor Confessions in the parish from Tuesday afternoon, 10/14, until Thursday afternoon, 10/16. We will return in time for our Thursday evening Mass and confessions.

With no parish Mass on Wednesday, Deacon Rob will lead a Communion Service at 8:15 a.m. The daily Mass readings will be read, along with a reflection, and then Holy Communion will be offered to those who are present.

Our monthly Wednesday morning coffee and donuts will be offered in the Community Room this week after the Communion Service on 10/15.

As reported in a recent video in church, Bishop Rhoades has called for a Diocesan Synod in the fall of 2026. The Priests of our Diocese, in our days away this week, will be taking part in a "Priest Consultation" to help prepare for that synod. On February 22, we will have a similar "parish consultation" at St. Charles. Similar consultations are being organized in convents, colleges, jails, homeless centers and nursing facilities in the diocese. The goal is to have a wide variety of people praying and thinking about the questions: What is working well in the Catholic Church in our diocese...and where do we really need to focus more attention? The discussion questions for the Diocesan Synod in 2026 will be drawn from the insights people bring to these many consultations. Watch the bulletin for more information, and mark your calendar for the afternoon of February 22.

Next weekend, we will have a rite at the 9:00 a.m. Mass for adults who are preparing to join the Catholic Church. Those who have not yet been baptized will become *Catechumens*. Those who have been baptized in a different Christian faith tradition will be welcomed and officially recognized as *Candidates* for the other Sacraments in the Catholic Church.



CATHOLIC APOLOGETIC STUDY

This fall there will be a 10 week study on Beginning Apologetics. We will meet in Rooms C & D in the Hession Center, Tuesday evenings, 7:15 p.m.-8:45 p.m. Sessions run October 14 through December 16. The book series being used is; Beginning Apologetics by San Juan Catholic Seminars. There will be a \$26 cost for the books. Email scbb.study@gmail.com. Come and learn more about your Catholic faith and how to explain it to others.

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who pledged for the **Annual Bishop's Appeal**. The first statements will be mailed in early December. Payments should be made directly to the Diocese. Checks can be made out to the "Annual Bishop's Appeal". You can still pledge by scanning



the QR code or online on our website at www.stcharlesfortwayne.org or on the diocesan website at www.diocesefwsb.org/aba. Please do not send in a pledge card if giving online.

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

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.

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? In gratitude, ask him how he would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow him as a Priest, Deacon, Sister, or Brother?

HELP IS NEEDED

Help is needed to provide dinners at Just Neighbors - a homeless shelter for families (just 'down the street' from St Charles on State Street). St Charles volunteers to make dinners for a full week three times a year. Our next week to provide dinner is October 26 -31. We will need volunteers for a main dish, side dish, salad, and desserts. We will have a table in the Gathering Space on the weekend of October 18/19 for sign ups for food. If you'd like to sign up now, please contact Maggie Kleber at 485-4717 or maggiekleber@msn.com.

***Also, we will be collecting new Twin size sheets (regular or XL) and new Bath Towels (only bath size is needed) during sign ups!

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Once again, St Charles parishioners, **THANK YOU** so much! You stepped up and donated 55 units at our October 4 Blood Drive. This brings our 2025 total to 260 units helping 780 people!

Next blood drive is **Saturday, November 29**. You are eligible to donate if you have NOT donated after October 4, 2025.

INDULGENCES FOR THE POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY
Our prayers can help loved ones pass through Purgatory and into
Christ's loving embrace in Heaven. More information can be
found: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=923knv2F9Gc&t=10s

Pamphlets on Indulgences are available at the back of Church.



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

II Maddie Freiburger—Justin Wirtner

Ashley Cooper—Dustin Jackson



Fr. Bobby offered a Mass for our Parish at the Church of Saints Ambrose and Charles in Rome. The body of St. Charles Borromeo is entombed in the Cathedral of Milan, but his heart is entombed in this altar.



Knights of Columbus Council 451

Become a Knight!



Our Knights of Columbus council is having their membership drive
October 18 and 19.

Join them in the gathering space or in the cafeteria on Sunday after all morning Masses for coffee and donuts and discover how you can get involved.

FRIENDS OF ST. ZELIE MOM'S GROUP

Come join the Friends of St. Zelie Mom's Group for fellowship, prayer and community on **Sunday**, **October 12**, 1:30 p.m. in the Community Room adjacent to the Gathering Space. We will be discussing St. Carlo Acutis and Eucharistic Miracles. Child Care will be provided in the nursery.

St John's Holy Name Society is sponsoring a *Dine-In or Drive Thru Fish Fry* on Friday, Oct. 17, from 4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 943 Powers St., New Haven. This ia a Fundraiser Event in Support of BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD Campaign. The October Fish Fry profits will be donated to the Campaign.

Cathedral Seeking Business Manager

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, is seeking a Business Manager. For a complete job description and to apply, visit diocesefwsb.org/careers.



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

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of **Carl Kratzman**.

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September 24, 2025

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Each year, on the second-to-last Sunday in October, Catholics around the globe celebrate World Mission Sunday, a time of prayer and giving to support the missionary work of the Church. On the weekend of October 18-19, every parish in every country in the world will take up a collection to fund the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, which supports 1,124 mission territories in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe. These are regions where the Church is still young, growing, and often facing poverty, conflict, or persecution.

The theme of this year's collection is "Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples." Pope Leo chose this theme in reference to the Jubilee Year of Hope. He reflected on its meaning in his letter for World Mission Day:

"Through his disciples, sent to all peoples and mystically accompanied by him, the Lord Jesus continues his ministry of hope for humanity. He still bends over all those who are poor, afflicted, despairing and oppressed, and pours 'upon their wounds the balm of consolation and the wine of hope' (*Preface "Jesus the Good Samaritan"*). Obedient to her Lord and Master, and in the same spirit of service, the Church, the community of Christ's missionary disciples, prolongs that mission, offering her life for all in the midst of the nations. While facing persecutions, tribulations and difficulties, as well as her own imperfections and failures due to the weakness of her members, the Church is constantly impelled by the love of Christ to persevere, in union with him, on her missionary journey and to hear, like him and with him, the plea of suffering humanity and, indeed, the groaning of every creature that awaits definitive redemption. This is the Church that the Lord always and for ever calls to follow in his footsteps: 'not a static Church, but a missionary Church that walks with her Lord through the streets of the world' (*Homily at the Concluding Mass of the Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops*, 27 October 2024)."

The funds raised in this collection foster the proclamation of the Gospel, the building of churches and schools and the provision of food and medical care in vulnerable communities. It is good to remember that the Church in the United States was once a mission territory and would never have grown as it did without the support of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Between 1822 and 1908, American dioceses received the equivalent of more than \$250 million in today's dollars to build parishes, schools, and seminaries. How beautiful it is that the Church in our country now has the opportunity to extend the same kind of financial support that was once bestowed upon us.

I would be grateful if you would keep the Church's missionary efforts in your daily prayers and give generously to this important collection, which serves the spiritual and material well-being of so many of our brothers and sisters throughout the world.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ Karri C. Rhoader

Most Reverend Kevin C. Rhoades Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend

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Pre Planning Funeral/Cremation & Cemetery Needs Workshop

We would like to invite you, your spouse or a family member to one of our free workshops about pre-funding funeral and cemetery needs. We will be talking about the **importance** and the **steps** families can take to put arrangements in place ahead of time. A complimentary dinner served.

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SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT

VIRTUAL SUPPORT GROUP

Join Catholic Charities for a free virtual support group based on the program "When a Loved One Dies by Suicide: Comfort, Hope, and Healing for Grieving Catholics," compiled and edited by Deacon Ed Shoener and Bishop John P. Dolan.

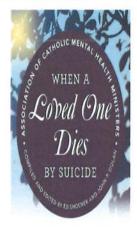
The 8-week program includes a 20-minute video and time for discussion, facilitated by Dr. Melanie Williams, Psy.D., HSPP.

Free Virtual Support Group

Time & Date: Wednesday's from 7:00 to 8:00 pm

SESSIONS:

- November 12
 December 10
- November 26 January 7
- December 3 January 12



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Mental Health Sunday 2025

The mental health crisis is a profound challenge to the Church and to society. Catholics can respond with generosity, hope and compassion to everyone who needs help. The USCCB invites all people of good will to pray for mental health wellness with a special nationwide novena beginning on World Mental Health Day (October 10), continuing on the feast of Saint Luke, patron of healthcare (October 18). See usccb.org/mentalhealth for more information.

"Whoever suffers from mental illness 'always' bears Gods image and likeness. "

Pope St. John Paul II







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