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MASSES

Saturday, February 1, Vigil, The Presentation of the Lord

† Living & Deceased of the Matt 5:00 p.m. Woodrum Family

Sunday, February 2, The Presentation of the Lord

† Gary Vanderbilt 7:30 a.m. † Ann Marie Fisher 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. † Patrick A. Moreau

For Our Parish Community 5:00 p.m.

Monday, February 3, Weekday, St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop

6:15 a.m. † James & Vivian Henry

Living & Deceased of the Jack Graham 8:15 a.m. Family

† Deceased Members of the Ellenberger 6:30 p.m. Family

Tuesday, February 4, Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Robert & Marjorie Hensler

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions † Sue Christle 8:15 a.m. † Griffin O'Keefe 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 5, St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

6:15 a.m. † Msgr. Edward Hession

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions † Jose Villalon 8:15 a.m. 6:30 p.m. † Bob Vodde

Thursday, February 6, St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

6:15 a.m. † Daniel & Jackie Hilker

7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions † Earl DeGrandchamp 8:15 a.m.

6:30 p.m. † Walt & Nellie Wood 7:00 p.m. Confessions

Friday, February 7, Weekday, First Friday

6:15 a.m. † Steve Isch 7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions 8:15 a.m. † Rita Haifley

6:30 p.m. † Living & Deceased Members of Reszetylo Family

Holy Hour & Benediction 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 8, Weekday, St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

8:15 a.m. † John Creen 2:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions

Saturday, February 8, Vigil, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. † Charles Fleck

Sunday, February 9, Fifth Sunday in Ordinal Time

† Jim Sherron 7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. † For Quick & Full Recovery for John

Bannister

11:00 a.m. † Ronald Busch

5:00 p.m. For Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2

Sun., Feb. 2:Mal 3.1-4/Heb 2.14-18/Lk 2.22-40 Mon., Feb. 3:Heb 11.32-40/Mk 5.1-20 Tues., Feb. 4:Heb 12.1-4/Mk 5.21-43 Wed., Feb. 5:Heb 12.4-7,11-15/Mk 6.1-6 Thurs., Feb. 6:Heb 12.18-19,21-24/Mk 6.7-13 Fri., Feb. 7:Heb 13.1-8/Mk 6.14-29 Sat., Feb. 8:Heb 13.15-17,20-21/Mk 6.30-34

Saturday, February 8

5:00 p.m.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Edward Koors, Cheryl Morello, Terry & Cindy Stults, Laura Underwood Altar Servers: Maddy Marshall, Charles Tippmann, Daniel Tippmann Master of Ceremonies: Lorenzo Escueta Lectors: Anna Laisure, Chris Stock Sacristan: Rachelle Harkenrider

Sunday, February 9

7:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sean Digan, Judy Sherron, Max & Anne Tinkel (C Maggie Kleber)

Altar Servers: Luka Bacak, Ayden Denney,

Danny Jacob

Lector: Nik Kleber, Janaya Hoffman

Sacristan: Carolyn Tyndall

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

Tom Ade, Kevin Hoersten,

Mike & Susan Maskal, Mackenzie Nord,

Matt Smith (C Jan Hoy)

Altar Servers: Charlotte Pfeiffer,

Lena Pfeiffer, Samantha Voors Master of Ceremonies: Jillian Scherschel Lectors: Ann Isch, Emily Parker

Sacristan: Joe & Maria Éifrid

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

Ann Gabet, Kate Jones, Theresa Michel, Elaine Moser, Sharon Nuerge, Rhonda Walton

(C Norma Baisinger) Altar Servers: Seth Andes, Will Hasselschwert, Maddie Morris

Master of Ceremonies: Zach Barton Lectors: David Lonsway, Leanne Mensing Sacristan: Doug & Norma Baisinger

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

Debbie Stevens, Dave Stevens

(2 Volunteer Needed) (C Teresa Burke)

Altar Servers: Bryson Merrell, David Morris,

Declan Tippmann

Master of Ceremonies: Rafael J. Cucueco Lectors: Debra Rorick, Nicole Scott

Sacristan: Arlene Burgener

Catholic Apologetic Study

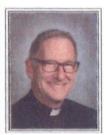
This program is to help Catholics explain our faith to other Catholics and non-Catholics. It will take place on Saturday mornings during Lent, 9:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m., starting on March 8 and ending on April 10. We will meet in the Community Room just off the Gathering Space. There will be two 30 to 40 minute talks with Q & A time. There will be study handouts so you can continue your studies at home. There will be coffee and refreshments available. The subjects are: Fr. Tom's Pope on a Rope, The Papacy/ Apostolic Succession, Early Church Fathers, End Times, Communion of Saints, Prayer, The Mass, Worship in Spirit Indulgences/Purgatory/Confession, Truth. Human Suffering, and The Trinity.



"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 Lynn Milner.

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



We remember this weekend the Presentation of the Lord as an infant in the Temple. This is a traditional day for blessing of candles and there is an ancient tradition of candle processions. Like Anna and Simeon in the Temple, we are here to welcome Jesus, the Light of the World.

We will offer the blessing of St. Blaise at the end of each weekend Mass. This traditional blessing of throats will take place at the end of each Mass.

A word about charity: A follower of Christ is called to take care of the poor. There is no question that we need to respond to that call. Sometimes, however, it is difficult to know how to help and it is difficult to judge if we are really helping. We occasionally have people who come to our church, asking priests and parishioners for money, often with very sad stories.

My recommendation: Our parish has a very active St. Vincent de Paul Society. Our group provides a lot of financial help to those who are legitimately in need. However, the society is organized not just to pass out cash. They check out the stories, make connections with other agencies and parishes, and see what can be done to help the long-term needs of the person. They also keep records and touch base with other parishes and agencies to track a person's history. If you are approached by someone at church, rather than giving money, have them call the parish. The greeting on our parish telephone number gives the number they need to leave a message for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Someone from the society will be in touch with them within the day. We have hard-working members in this society who want to be sure that we are really helping.

I offer a late reflection about Christmas decorations. With the exception of St. Charles, every parish that I observe decorates the church with artificial trees at Christmas. Since our Christmas season begins on Dec. 24 and spans nearly three weeks after Christmas, the cut trees available are just too dry to last that long. We are blessed to have Mike and Judy Reifenberg in our parish, owners of a Christmas tree farm here in town. Our trees are cut at the last minute and we decorate with very fresh cut trees.

Fo. Tom

Attention Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound!

The Diocese is asking people who take Holy Communion to non-family members, to receive their diocesan safe environment certification. The process of certification involves several steps including online training and passing a background check. Please contact Casey Ryan at the parish office to get started: 260-969-4026, or stcadulted@gmail.com

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY OF FORT WAYNE



Reminder: Please remember to return your "Baby Bottle" filled with spare change for the Christ Child Society of Fort Wayne. Bottles will be collected in the Gathering Space on the weekend of February 8/9 and also February 15/16. The organization is grateful for your generosity and support.

ROSARY, MASS ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Friday, February 7, 2025 Rosary—6:00 p.m. Mass—6:30 p.m. Adoration & Benediction

ST. CHARLES EUCHRE CARD "Saturday, February 8"

We will meet in the Hession Center with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. We will play from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. If you have any questions or are interested in joining the group, call Darlene at 260-403-3294. Bring your own drinks and a snack to share, if desired.





Council 451 is pleased to announce the 1st Scheduled Blood Drive of 2025 to be held **Saturday, February 15**, from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. To sign up on line, go to Red Cross.org. Use sponsor code

"knights 451". In addition, there will be in person signups in the Gathering Space on *Feb 8 and 9* after all Masses. In 2024, St Charles parishioners donated over 300 units helping over 1000 patients. Let's make 2025 even better!!!

Local Artist Exhibition

Calling all local artist to join us for the Art Exhibition Festival 2025. Artists will feature religious themed exhibits. Appetizers and Spirits will be available during this event

Date

Feb.22,2025 6:30 pm

Location

2304 Lower Huntington Rd

Space Fee /Reserve By Feb 1, 2025

35.00

Contact Us

260-747-9139

secretary@sttheresefw.org



SIGN UP NOW TO TAKE HOME THE ST. CHARLES VOCATION CROSS Months of FEBRUARY & MARCH

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.



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THEOLOGY ON TAP FORT WAYNE

Young people in their 20s and 30s are invited to the Winter 2024 Theology on Tap series titled "Body and Soul". The series dives deeply into themes centered on finding Christ in various aspects of faith and life through talks given by engaging speakers from the community. The weekly series runs every Tuesday, beginning February 4, at Charlie's Place, with optional dinner available for purchase. Doors, food, and the cash bar open at 6:30 p.m., and the week's talk will begin at 7:00 p.m. The series concludes on March 4, with a closing Mass at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, followed by a Mardi Gras party at The Hoppy Gnome at 7:15 p.m. Find the speaker lineup and more info at diocesefwsb.org/tot-fw.

INDULGENCES FOR THE POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY

Our prayers can help loved ones pass through Purgatory and into Christ's loving embrace in Heaven.

Move information can be found: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Z3knv2F9Gc&t=10s

Pamphlets on indulgences at the back of he Church.

Does Your Marriage Need A Tune-Up?

Are all your conversations with your spouse about the chore list or transporting kids? Does the busy-ness in your life leave you too tired for romance? Experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Fort Wayne, Saturday and Sunday, February 8-9. A Marriage Encounter Experience is a unique opportunity for married couples to get away from work, kids, other obligations and focus on each other. You deserve time to reconnect and rekindle the romance in your marriage. Enjoy time together and return to the comfort of your own home overnight. Apply at www.wwme-ni.org, or contact Jeff and Brenda with any questions at: application@wwme-ni.org or 260-484-1664. Other upcoming experience:

June 27-29, 2025, Lindenwood Retreat Center, Plymouth, IN.
Includes overnight stays and meals.



40 Days for Life-Spring Campaign

Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on Tuesday, March 4, at 5:30 p.m. in front of Planned Parenthood for a brief prayer and message to begin our 40 Days for Life spring campaign. Planned Parenthood is located at 2930 Lake Ave, Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Parking is available at the Right to Life office on 3106 Lake Ave. The spring campaign runs from March 4th to April 13th.

For more info, please visit www.ichooselife.org/40days or call 260-471-1849.

LECTOR TRAININGS

New and current Lectors are invited to attend free training organized by the Diocesan Office of Worship.

Lector training will be held on March 1, Fort Wayne, Our Lady of Good Hope Parish, 7215 St. Joe Rd., from 9:00 a.m. - noon. Advanced registration is required by Wednesday, February 26, prior to the training. For full details, frequently asked questions, and registration, visit diocesefwsb.org/trainings.

All trainings take place in the church.

FIRST ANNUAL SAINT ANNE COMMUNITIES GALA NIGHT

February 25, 2025

Doors Open at 5:30 p.m. Parkview Mirro Center 10622 Parkview Plaza Dr.—F.W.

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Contact Krista Gallaway
For Ticket and Sponsorship Information
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ST. CHARLES FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP 07/01/2024 - 06/30/2025 January 19, 2025

Budgeted Collection Needed	\$ 43,270.00
January 26 Collection	\$ 27,339.86
This Week	\$ (15,930.14)
Deficit Fiscal Year to Date	\$ (19.057.11)

Rekindle The Fire Men's Conference

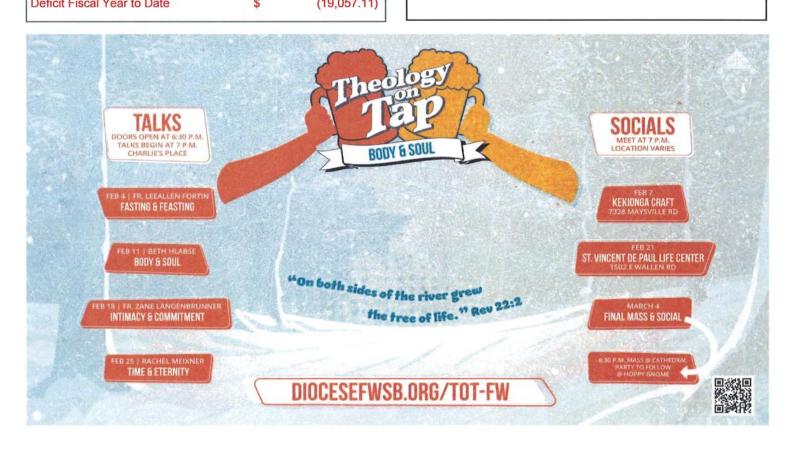
Calling all men join us for the 14th Annual Rekindle The Fire Men's Conference on Saturday, February 22, 2025, at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne. This powerful event features inspiring speakers, including Mark Hart, Mike Gormley, and Justin Fatica. The day includes fellowship, Eucharistic Adoration, and opportunities for confession. Registration is only \$50 for adults and \$20 for students. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in your faith and strengthen your relationship with Christ! Visit Rekindlethefire.net for more details and to register.

THANK YOU THANK YOU

The Anthony Wayne Lions Club thanks St. Charles Parishioners for their many donations in 2024 of used eye glasses and hearing aids in the collection box in the entrance to the Gathering Space. Your generosity has resulted in a large part to our collection of 2,381 glasses and 12 hearing aides for the Missions to Central American.

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