

The Epiphany of the Lord



ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

**The mission of St. Charles is to spread the life-saving message
of Jesus Christ through the Sacraments,
Prayer and Service to others.**

**Come,
let us
adore
Him.**

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MASSES

Saturday, January 4, Vigil, The Epiphany of the Lord

5:00 p.m. † Bob Wagner

Sunday, January 5, The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community

9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving to Ed & Judy Tobey

11:00 a.m. † Carl Bobay

5:00 p.m. † Linda Till

Monday, January 6, Christmas Weekday, St. Andre Bessette, Religious

6:15 a.m. † Richard Shoemaker

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

8:15 a.m. † John Culver

6:30 p.m. † Donald P. Cuney, Sr.

Tuesday, January 7, Christmas Weekday, St. Raymond of Penafort, Priest

6:15 a.m. † Gerald Stefanek

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

8:15 a.m. † Tom & Kathy Devine

6:30 p.m. † Kyle Trabel

Wednesday, January 8, Christmas Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Cindy Sterba

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

8:15 a.m. † Cindy Wesolowski

6:30 p.m. † Dr. David & Suzanne Steigmeyer

Thursday, January 9, Christmas Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Richard & Dorothy Van Auken

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

8:15 a.m. † Edward Muhlenkamp

6:30 p.m. † Clement Lothamer

7:00 p.m. Confessions

Friday, January 10, Christmas Weekday

6:15 a.m. † Carl & Mary White

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

8:15 a.m. † Living & Deceased of the Davis & Ade Families

6:30 p.m. † Robert & Sally Weigand

7:00 p.m. Holy Hour & Benediction

Saturday, January 11, Christmas Weekday

8:15 a.m. † Vincent & Mary Jo Tippmann

2:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions

Saturday, January 11, Vigil, Baptism of the Lord

5:00 p.m. † Ginny Gibson

Sunday, January 12, Baptism of the Lord

7:30 a.m. For Our Parish Community

9:00 a.m. Special Intentions of Priests, Deacons & Seminarians

11:00 a.m. † Fred Jehle

5:00 p.m. † Karen Schleinkofer

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 5

Sun., Jan 5: Is 60.1-6/Eph 3.2-3a,5-6/Mt 2.1-12

Mon., Jan 6:1 Jn 3.22-4.6/Mt 4.12-17,23-25

Tues., Jan 7:1 Jn 4.7-10/Mk 6.34-44

Wed., Jan. 8:1 Jn 4.11-18/Mk 6.45-52

Thurs., Jan 9:1 Jn 4.19-5.4/Lk 4.14-22

Fri., Jan 10:1 Jn 5.5-13/Lk 5.12-16

Sat., Jan. 11:1 Jn 5.14-21/Jn 3.22-30

**Indulgences – Plenary vs. Partial
Help to free souls from Purgatory**

More information can be found:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Z3knv2F9Gc&t=10s>

Pamphlets on indulgences at the back of the church.

EPIPHANY
Overcoming Jealousy
Reading I

Isaiah 60-1-6

(Glory of the new Zion)

Reading II

(Ephesians 3.2-3,5-6)

(Commission to preach God's plan)


Gospel

Matthew 2.2-12

(The visit of the magi)

Key Passage: Then Herod sent the (magi) to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.

Adult: When have you been jealous or fearful of another person? When are such feelings harmful?

Child: When have you been jealous because something good happened to another person instead of you? What is the problem with feeling that way?

Saturday, January 11

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Lynn Gonzales, Roby Kaufman, Becky Kien, Edward Koors, Phillip Tyndall

Altar Servers: Juliana Bird, Jozlynn Bird, Maddy Marshall

Lectors: Christine Sweigert, Nicole Scott

Sacristan: Cindie Rosswurm

Sunday, January 12

7:30 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Sean Digan, Stephanie Eifrid, Cheryl Prater, Marijo Sliger (C Maggie Kleber)

Altar Servers: Lilah Hilger, Danny Jacob, Andrew Jacob

Master of Ceremonies: Danny Jacob

Lector: Susie Hague, Barb Hartman

Sacristan: Abel Reyes

9:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Tom Ade, John Magsam, Jill Redding, Matt Smith, Kate Sweigert, Kathy VandeZande (C Jan Hoy)

Altar Servers: Vincent Mathews, Kate Osenga, Julia Sweigert

Master of Ceremonies: Charlotte Sweigert

Lectors: Bev Peters, Dennis Redding

Sacristan: Audrey Clauser

11:00 a.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Bill Jackson, Kate Jones, Teresa Michel, Beth Miller, Elaine Moser, Rhonda Walton (C Darlene Simpson)

Altar Servers: Kathryn Henry, Maddie Morris, Alexander Tellmann

Master of Ceremonies: Ronnie Buskirk

Lectors: Tara Christen, Ken Nelson

Sacristan: Betty Dobosz

5:00 p.m. **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Sara Bentz, John Rorick, Jill O'Sullivan

(1 Volunteer Needed)

(C Susan Badenhorst)

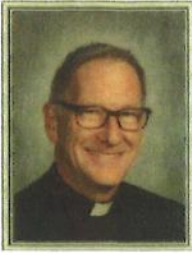
Altar Servers: Gabby Colone, Justin Johnson **(1 Volunteer Needed)**

Master of Ceremonies: Marco Cavacini

Lectors: Janaya Hoffman, Retta Kohrman

Sacristan: Lynn Adamson

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



I begin the new year by offering a word of thanks to all in this parish. This is a very generous parish. We see that in the tithing and offertory donations, the volunteer hours given in the church and in the school, the number of people jumping in to help with parish activities, the donations for our Advent Giving Tree and our special collections, and the people stepping up to help one another.

We are blessed with a generous parish. And that generosity is evidence of strong faith.

We are receiving letters of thanks for all of the generosity of our parish in helping those in need. This from St. Patrick's Food Pantry: "Please convey to your parishioners our utmost gratitude for their generosity to our Food Pantry. We are so incredibly grateful for the generosity outpoured."

I have given many times a presentation about Church history called "Pope on a Rope." I'm going to offer that presentation at St. Vincent's on Tuesday evening, 1/7 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Anyone who would like to join us is welcome. I'll be offering it again at St. Charles on a Saturday morning in March, sponsored by our apologetics group.

An item which I find humorous: Divine Mercy Funeral Home generously donated the 2025 Catholic calendars which we gave away before Christmas. When September rolls around, you may be perplexed by the picture in the calendar. The photo shows a tray of small plastic cups, such as many Protestant churches use for distributing communion. Someone at the calendar company goofed. As Catholics, we would never put the Sacred Blood of Christ into disposable plastic cups which can't be purified and would be thrown away after Mass. Oops. Skip the September picture and it is a great calendar.

Another curious item: I was recently given a medal and holy card which identify St. Charles Borromeo as the Patron Saint of those who are dieting. That's right....Dieting. I am not sure why. We have portraits of St. Charles and he doesn't look overweight. He was known for feeding the hungry in times of famine, but I don't know that he ever started a Weight Watchers group. In any event, we may want to ask for his help especially after Christmas. Knowing that St. Charles is the Patron Saint of Seminarians, we offer a vocation prayer at the end of every Mass. Maybe during the month after Christmas we should substitute a St. Charles prayer for dieters!

Fr. Tom

Christmas Time Is A Time of Great Joy!

Saint Vincent de Paul (SVdP) is so grateful that you have chosen the SVdP Giving Tree to support our mission of serving "Neighbors" in need during the Christmas season. We adopted 36 families, 49 adults, and 92 children. Your generous donations provided food, clothing, household goods, gift cards, and boxes filled with Christmas cookies, and treats for each family.

We deeply appreciate your commitment and love for helping those in need.

ATTENTION:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Sacristans



The next scheduling period will be from **February 1 thru May 31, 2025**. Please remember to inform us of any dates you will not be available to serve in this period before Friday, January 10. So please submit your availability information by the web terminal, or email at ministries@scbfw.org. You may also call Karen's office, 484-6570.

The **Anthony Wayne Lion's Club** has placed a collection box for used eye glasses and hearing aids in the entrance to the Gathering Space from the Parking Area. The Lions, after collection, clean glasses, determine their prescription and send them and repaired aids to **Medical Missions in Central America**.



ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE: FORT WAYNE

Do you long to grow more in your Catholic faith? You should enroll in the St. Cyril of Jerusalem Catechetical Institute! Crafted for those seeking a richer formation and understanding of the faith, this new diocesan initiative will continue expanding in January 2025. We would be honored if you joined us! The next Course in Fort Wayne will ask "What is a biblical worldview? How are the Old Testament a New Testament deeply connected? How do we understand our own spiritual journey within the story of salvation?" Join Dr. Alexander Giltner, Assistant Professor of Theology and Director of the Assisi Program for Discipleship and Leadership at the University of St. Francis, as he unpacks these questions and more in "Salvation History," one of the foundational courses of the Institute. The course runs on Tuesdays from January 21 through March 25, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the University of St. Francis, Fort Wayne. Cost is \$75 for 10 classes. Register at <https://diocesefwsb.org/cyril-institute/>.



ROSARY, MASS ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Friday, January 10, 2025
Rosary—6:00 p.m. Mass—6:30 p.m.
Adoration & Benediction

SIGN UP NOW TO TAKE HOME THE ST. CHARLES VOCATION CROSS

Months of JANUARY & FEBRUARY

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.

The astrologers brought gold, frankincense, and myrrh. What treasures do I have to give to the Lord? Is he calling me to be a Priest, Brother or Sister?



**St. Charles Borromeo School
Pre-K4 & Kindergarten Registration**

St. Charles Borromeo School Pre-K4 and Kindergarten registration day is Wednesday, January 15. Registration will be held in the afternoon from 1:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. in Rooms C & D of the Hession Center, or you may attend the evening session from 6:00 p.m - 7:00 p.m. All parents are asked to park in the rear of the school in the church parking lot and enter through door # 3 near the gym. If unable to attend, please call the school office (260-484-3392) to arrange for an alternate registration day.

Kindergarten: For this coming school year 2025-2026, full-day Kindergarten is available with a classroom size limit of 24 students per class with an aide assisting the teacher. The school day runs from 7:50 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If needed, for an additional fee, BeforeCare and AfterCare service is available for all students. The registration fee of \$50 is included in the overall tuition costs and is not a required payment at this time.

Pre-Kindergarten four-year-old Program: We offer five-day Pre-K4 classes (A.M., P.M., or Full-Day). Our morning program runs from 7:50 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and our afternoon program runs from 11:50 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. A separate \$50 Pre-K registration fee is required.

The January registration for Kindergarten and Pre-K4 programs is early enough to ensure that parish families of St. Charles Borromeo have a first opportunity to register their children.

Please bring to registration:

1. A copy of your child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate even if baptized at St. Charles
2. A copy of your child's immunization record
3. Pre-K4 only: \$50 non-refundable registration fee (cash or check only)

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the school office (260-484-3392) or email schooloffice@stcharlesschoolfw.org.



Bishop Dwenger High School new student enrollment is open for the Class of 2029! Now through January 15, all students can apply to become a Saint! Continue your Catholic education by attending Bishop Dwenger.

Founded on the four pillars of spirituality, service, academics, and active, all students are taught to be "Citizens of Two World" by embracing a college preparatory curriculum rooted in the Catholic Faith. Join the Class of 2029 today by going to bishopdwenger.com > **Menu button (top right)** > **Admissions** > **New Student Application**. All applications are completed online through the link provided on the page. You will need a copy of your child's birth certificate and current grades. There is a \$125 registration that can be paid at the time of application, or you can defer that fee until after acceptance in early February. If you have any questions regarding Admissions, contact the Admissions Coordinator, Cindy Johnson at 260-496-4703 or at cjohnson@bishopdwenger.com. If you would like to schedule a tour or shadow for a day, please contact Andrea O'Neill at 260-496-4726 or at aoneill@bishopdwenger.com.

Save the Date!



The St. Charles Knights of Columbus Council 451 will host a **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** on **Thursday, January 30**, from 4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. in the St. Charles cafeteria. Proceeds from the dinner will be sent to

Help Hope Live, a nonprofit in support of the medical needs of transplant patients, **in honor of John Hope** (brother of Music Director, Karen Hope). John is in need of a heart transplant and is waiting in an Indianapolis hospital. *Free will donation for dinner*. Online donations are tax deductible. (scan the QR code).



Ladies!
Join us in January for Kingdom Builders

Sometimes we can experience an overabundance of food, screens, events, and stuff over the holidays. Our souls are longing for a refreshing reset of grace and order.
Ladies - join us in January for a royal reset and rest in the Divine.

Thursday, January 9 at 7 p.m.
Saint Vincent de Paul Church, 1502 E. Wallen Rd.

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www.BuildingThroughHim.com

**MEN'S REGIONAL CHRIST RENEWS RETREAT
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Knights of Columbus has an aluminum can recycling program at St. Charles. All parish families are encouraged to save their cans and drop off at the Knights collection building located by the softball diamond on the southeast side of the parking lot.—near the maintenance building.

Monies raised thru the collection of aluminum cans will be donated to Charitable Cause(s).



You Are Invited! To the 7th annual Borromeo Bash Saturday, February 1, 2025 at Ceruti's!

Dear Friends of St. Charles Borromeo Parish & School,

We are pleased to announce that the 7th annual Borromeo Bash will be held at Ceruti's Summit Park on Saturday, February 1, 2025. Seven months ago, our St. Charles Borromeo School & Parish Community gathered together for a delightful evening of food and fellowship and successfully raised over \$80,000 bringing our six-year total to just over \$450,000 raised. With this funding, we have been able to support the ministries of our Parish & School, financially assisting with needed improvements, program funding, and various initiatives to keep our community safe and vibrant!

Over the summer, BB funding helped with two long-awaited projects. The first was the successful renovation of our school's original 3rd through 8th grade restrooms - new flooring, partitions, paint, etc. They look great! Our second, larger school project, which began in June, is the replacement of all the windows, also original, in the 23 classrooms encompassing grades 3 through 8. This project has five phases with a target completion date of February 22nd. The first phase, which was the southern exposure of the junior high wing, has completely transformed the exterior of the school and brought much needed light and modern design to the interior classrooms. The success of both projects can be attributed, in great part, to your generosity and support! Thank you for being involved!

On February 1st, we will again gather as a family for a night of community and fun. Our proceeds will assist with renovations to our grades 1 & 2 restrooms and our Youth Ministry Center. We are hoping for a sellout again this year, so mark your calendars for February 1st and join us for our 7th annual celebration!

Thank you! The Borromeo Bash Committee & Chris Kaufman, Chair

The Borromeo Bash Committee is again seeking individual and corporate sponsorships, and collecting items for both Silent and Live Auctions. As a Borromeo Bash donor, your kindness will help the school and Parish, and you will gain direct visibility with the 2,100 families within our community and receive recognition in multiple ways.

Opportunities for Borromeo Bash sponsorships are:

Royal Flush Sponsor	\$5000	Full page ad in program, individual signage at event, Logo on event website, reserved table.*
Four Aces Sponsor	\$3500+	Full page ad in the program, Logo on event website, as well as 10 dinner tickets.** <i>This donation can be designated in partnership with the committee to potentially help sponsor an Event Activity, Prize, or Live Auction Donation Drive.</i>
Bar & Matching Donation Sponsor	\$2500+	See details on the reverse side.
Four of a Kind Sponsor	\$2000	Half page ad in program, Logo on event website, and a reserved table with 10 dinner tickets.*
Full House Sponsor	\$1500	Quarter page ad in program, Logo on event website, and 6 dinner tickets.**
Teacher Recognition Sponsor	\$750	Sponsor complimentary tickets for St. Charles' Teachers, includes logo in program, on event website, and at a teacher table as well as 2 dinner tickets for the donor.**
Two of a Kind Sponsor	\$250	Logo in program and on event website.



* A Reserved Table includes 10 seats.

**Additional Pre-sale Tickets are available at time of initial donation for sponsorship levels of \$750+ [\$85/Seat Pre-sale Price]

Last year's Cash Call helped raise over \$10k in donations. These donations help offset some of the lost revenue from our inability to collect donations during the casino event due to gaming laws. If you would be interested in supporting the cash call during the event through matching donations either anonymously or via a title sponsorship, please reach out for more info at borromeobash@gmail.com.

To set up a sponsorship online, visit our website at bidpal.net/BorromeoBash. You can request an invoice by sending email to BorromeoBash@gmail.com, or mailing the enclosed form.

You can also support Borromeo Bash by donating items from our auction wish list below (or other items you consider interesting and valuable). All auction donations will be acknowledged in the event program.



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Gift certificates or Gift Cards, Restaurant Gift Cards



We greatly appreciate any sponsorship or donations you can provide. **For sponsorships and donations to be acknowledged in event materials, the transaction or a commitment for a January 2025 transaction must be made by December 31, 2024.** Because St. Charles is a 501(c)3 charitable organization, your donation may be tax deductible to the extent provided by law. Donations can be dropped off or mailed to St. Charles Borromeo School, c/o Borromeo Bash, 4910 Trier Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46815; or a committee member will gladly pick up donations. You can arrange pick-up by sending email to BorromeoBash@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Borromeo Bash committee, thank you for your support and may God Bless you.

Father Tom Shoemaker
Parish Pastor

Rob Sordalet
School Principal

Chris & Roby Kaufman
2025 Chairs

Casino tables are for entertainment purposes only, and free and open to the public.

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Thank you in advance for your support!

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Bar Sponsor	\$3500-7000	Full Page ad in the program, logo on event website, as well as <u>10</u> dinner tickets. * <i>This donation will represent a partial or full sponsorship of the bar. You will also be recognized with signage at the event. (\$3500 = 1/2 Sponsorship, \$7000 = Full Sponsorship)</i>
Matching Cash Call Sponsor	\$2500+	Help us raise funds in the cash call at the end of the live auction by being a Title or anonymous sponsor. Your donation will be used to help raise additional individual donations during this period. Depending on the donation level dinner/event tickets and advertising will be included.
Four of a Kind Sponsor	\$2000	Half page ad in program, Logo on event website, and reserved table with <u>10</u> dinner tickets.. *
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* Reserved Table includes 10 seats.
 ** Additional Pre-Sale Tickets are available at time of initial donation for sponsorship levels of \$800+ (\$85/Seat Pre-Sale Price to guarantee seating)

Return or mail to: St. Charles Borromeo School, c/o Borromeo Bash, 4910 Trier Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46815

Parishioner Address Changes: Please let us know if you are changing parishes, have moved, or if the address on your envelope packet is not correct. Every month we have several packets returned with the notation "forwarding order expired". Each returned packet costs the parish triple postage.

BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS

A Baptism class will be held at St. Charles **Wednesday, January 29, 2025, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** in the **Parish Office Basement**. To register, please call the Parish Office, 482-2186.



DIVINE MERCY FUNERAL HOME CATHOLIC CEMETERY

Pre-Planning
 Dinner and Discussion
 Wednesday, January 15, 2025 or
 Tuesday, January 21, 2025
 5:30 p.m. at

Divine Mercy—Cedar Canyons
 Limited Seating—Call to Reserve
 Your Spot at 260-426-2044

We invite you to join us for a complimentary dinner where we will be discussing the benefits of pre-planning your funeral and cemetery arrangements.

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.

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