

Dec 14th, 2025. 3rd Sunday of Advent.

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

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MASS TIMES

Wednesday 6:00pm, Saturday 5:00pm and
Sunday Mass at 8:30am.
Active Families at St. Charles 162 Families.
Confessions hours at St. Charles
Wednesday evening 5:00pm to 6:00pm,
and Saturday 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Psalter III, Advent Week 3. Gaudete Sunday.

Sun the 14th: Isa 35:1-10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Matt 11:1-11

Mon the 15th: Num 24:1-17; Ps 25:4-9; Matt 21:23-27

Tue the 16th: Zeph 3:1-13; Ps 34:1-23; Matt 21:28-32

Wed the 17th: Gen 49:1-10; Ps 72:1-17; Matt 1:1-17

Thu the 18th: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-19; Matt 1:18-24

Fri the 19th: Judg 13:1-25; Ps 71:3-17; Luke 1:5-25

Sat the 20th: Isa 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Luke 1:26-38

Today we celebrate Gaudete Sunday – The 3rd Sunday of Advent is Joy. In the midst of Advent's quiet waiting, the Church invites us to rejoice because the Lord is near. The rose candle and vestments are not simply a change of color; they are a spiritual reminder that God's promises are already unfolding, even if we do not yet see their fullness.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, Dec 14th is the Parish Encounter starting at 6:00pm until 8:00pm at St. Nicholas Church Join us this Advent season on Sunday Dec 14th through Wednesday Dec 17th with The Children of Mary Sisters.

Wednesday, Dec 17th. No Mass at St. Charles

6:00 pm + No Mass at St. Charles

Saturday, Dec 20th

5:00 pm + For All St. Charles Parishioners

Rosary: 4:35pm Joyful Mysteries

Rosary: Joe Moll

Lector: Sherri Kleinholz

Servers: Molly Knecht and Joey Lloyd

Gift Bearers: Linda Combs and Linda Lauber

Ushers: Charlie Meier

Sunday, Dec 21st

8:30 am + For Louis Retzner.

Rosary: 8:05am Joyful Mysteries

Rosary: Pat Hunger

Lector : Kim Pierce

Eucharistic Ministers: Marvin Wheeler

Servers: Sophie Riehle and Molly Redwine

Gift Bearers: Bart Gauck

Ushers: Rose Gauck

Please Pray for All Expecting Mothers and Their Unborn Babies.

St. Charles Collection for Dec 7th, 2025

The Budget for 2025 / 2026 is **\$3112.00 per week.**

Collection last weekend was \$3,459.00

St. Charles Parish was **Above Budget by \$347.00**

There were 59 families who used their envelopes last week.

The average of the 59 families per envelope was \$51.12

Cash received in the weekly collection basket was **\$463.00**

Parish Participation using their weekly envelopes is **36.42%**

Adoration hours are Always open in the Divine Mercy Chapel at St. Nicholas Church, They are looking to have 2 adorer's per hour as their goal for the chapel to run smoothly. **There is now 5 open times starting on Sun 11pm, Wed 12:00am, 1:00am & 2:00am and Fri 2pm.** Please contact Jennifer at her email address at /jenniferjmj@aol.com /or her cell phone at 812-584-5073

The United Catholic Appeal is much more than a fundraiser; it is a response to our baptismal call to holiness and mission. Without it, many of the Church's vital works simply would not be possible. Through the Appeal, we cultivate a culture of vocations, aid the most vulnerable, fortify families and parishes, bolster Catholic education, uphold human dignity, foster stewardship and provide for our retired priests. For more information visit www.archindy.org/uca

St. Charles will be accepting donations for the Christmas Poinsettia flower memorial for your loved ones. The cost will be a donation of \$10 per Poinsettia for each loved ones. Please make out your checks to St. Charles and mark in the memo line for Christmas Poinsettia Flowers. **The last day to donate for a Poinsettia will be Sunday Dec 21st, 2025.**

Wreaths donations for Dec 7th were \$244.00

Up Coming Events at St. Charles in Dec 2025

Finance Council Meeting on Thu Dec 18th at 6:00pm

Parish Council Meeting on Thu Dec 18th at 7:00pm.

There will be No Christmas Eve Mass Dec 24th at St. Charles. Christmas Eve Mass at St. Nicholas at 4:00pm and midnight. Christmas Day at St. Charles Dec 25th at 9:30am

“We will begin to have a Eucharistic Minister at Saturday evening Mass, just like Sunday morning. If you are interested, please speak with Joe in the parish office, Fr. Shaun or Steve Knecht at 812-584-7646. Fr. Shaun will conduct a brief training course once it's been determined who will be joining the roster. Thank you!”

St. Nicholas Parish Encounter: Join us this Advent for our Parish Encounter Sunday, December 14th- Wednesday, December 17th. The Children of Mary Sisters will hold a 4-night Parish Encounter at St. Nicholas Church from 6-8pm each night. Every night includes a talk, a Holy Hour, and opportunity for confessions to strengthen us in our devotion to the Eucharist. All are invited to attend and experience this very special Advent encounter

Sympathy — Our thoughts and prayers are extended to the family of David (Karen) Simpkins and Sam (Tori) Simpkins. David's mother Mary Joan Lezzoni passed away on Friday Dec 5th, 2025. May God comfort all her family. **May Mary Joan Lezzoni Rest In Eternal Peace.**

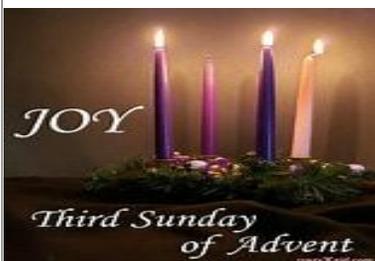
Sympathy — Our thoughts and prayers are extended to the family of Jean Johnson her brother Roger Hartman passed away on Monday Dec 8th, 2025. May God comfort all his family. **May Roger Hartman Rest In Eternal Peace.**

New 2026 Catholic Parish Calendars are in back of our Church. They printed and donated by Moore Funeral Homes.

Wreaths Across Ripley County will be laid this Sat Dec 13th at both St. Charles and St. Pius Cemeteries.

Prayer List:

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| Bob Volz | Tino Famanila & Family | Beth Nare |
| Abby Thome | Mary Ann Cryer /Mom Rita | Jon Hopkins |
| Martha John | Tony Schrichte | Angel Hartman |
| Jina Berger | Malcom Hartman | Laura Nickol |
| Donald Farfsing | Leah Schornick | Don Niehoff |
| Donna Barton | Helen Huffman | Evie Wandstrat |
| Judy Collins | David Derby | Dave Holman |
| Fr. Frank Eckstein | Mary and Tom Nierlich | Myrtle Hildebrand |
| Irma Kreimer | Carmella Weber | Merrill Hutchinson |
| Willy Stinchcomb | Anna Mae Jones | Linda Lauber |
| Judy Cloppert | Gene White | Moll Family |
| Marilyn Weil | Wendell Carpenter | Jan Joseph |
| Roberto Famanila & Family | Paul Strassel | Ryet Aquilizan |
| | Carol Seward | |



Thank you to all who continue to support our Parish with your weekly or monthly Tithings. St. Charles 2025 / 2026 Tithing Budget is \$161,802.00 from July 1st, 2025, to June 30th, 2026. St. Charles received from Tithing from July, Aug, Sept, and Oct 2025 Total was \$51,131.00 against a Budget of \$53,934.00 for July, Aug, Sept, and Oct, 2025. Thank you for your continued financial support. Costs for Oct 2025 were \$13,463.84 see details below.

Share your Treasure	
12-7-25 Reg. Coll. Envelope	\$2,996.00
Loose Cash / Checks	\$463.00
Total Collection.	\$3,459.00
Christmas Flowers	\$375.00
Weekly Budget	\$3,112.00
Above Budget	\$347.00

1. Archdiocese of Indy \$5,024.40
2. Church Supplies \$353.70
3. Water, Sewer, and Trash \$233.56
4. ACS Technologies \$50.00
5. Electric for St. Pius \$108.00
6. Milan Food Pantry \$150.00
7. Fresh Flowers for Church \$60.00
8. Cleaning, DRE, Office pay \$2,997.16
9. Southeaster Water System \$168.00
10. OCP \$425.60
11. Bookkeeping \$595.12
12. Duke Energy \$587.02
13. St Charles Natural Gas \$35.78
14. Great Plain Communications \$228.53
15. Organ Playing for Masses \$180.00
16. Lawn & both Cemeteries \$1,600.00
17. CCD Snacks \$113.65
18. The Office Shop \$63.17
19. New CCD Books & Background Check \$231.15
20. New Harvest Dinner Raffle Drum \$259.00