



August 24, 2025

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

Isaiah 66:18–21 / Hebrews 12:5–7, 11–13 / Luke 13:22–30

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[Jesus said to the crowd,]  
“Strive to enter through  
the narrow door, for many,  
I tell you, will attempt  
to enter but will not be  
strong enough.”

LUKE 13:24



## The Narrow Gate

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**S**ome people find love in their lives; others complain of loneliness. Some find peace, while others seem to be perpetually angry. Some live comfortably amid human diversity, yet others insist that the rest of the world be like them. There are those who are able to forgive and compromise and offer compassion and those who cannot. The difference seems to be the ability to forgo one’s own desires for the sake of a greater good or the common good. Such may be the narrow gate through which some may not be strong enough to enter.

Phrases like *the kingdom of God* or *the kingdom of heaven* are not just references to places to which we go

but also ways of being or states of existence. They all refer to God’s presence, to life with God. You’ve heard people say they were so happy that they felt it was like heaven on earth. It wasn’t a place they went but an experience of being filled with joy and peace. It’s pure gift. No one ever finds it by focusing on oneself. It is the narrow gate by which we find our way into such a life. It is the doorway of caring for others. ●

### Reflect

**What is the “narrow gate” before me now—the most difficult challenge as a follower of Jesus?**

## HISTORIC ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Listed on National Register of Historic Places

Parish Founded 1847

www.sbcatholic.church



## ST. MEINRAD CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Founded 1861

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One Family In Faith

# Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sanctuary Lamp  
**August 24, 2025**  
Luminary

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**St Boniface Parish** +Charles "Charlie" Dennis Peters  
**St. Meinrad Parish** +Robert "Bob" Joseph Heeke

### ORDO (Order of Prayer)

Liturgy of the Hours	I
Lectionary	123
Eucharistic Prayer	II
Mystery of Faith	A

DATE / TIME	CALENDAR EVENT	LOCATION
<b>SATURDAY, AUGUST 23</b>		
7:00 a.m.	Mass (May - October at 7 a.m.; November - April at 8 a.m.) • <b>Mass begins at 7 a.m. through Saturday, October 25, 2025</b>	Monte Cassino Shrine
7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (May - October at 7 a.m.; November - April at 8 a.m.)	Church (SM)
12:15 to 1:00 p.m.	Confession (confessional located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
3:15 to 3:45 p.m.	Confession (confessional located at the south entrance)	Historic Church (SB)
3:35 p.m.	Rosary (For an increase of vocations to the single chaste life and marriage)	Historic Church (SB)
3:40 p.m.	Communal Anointing of the Sick	Historic Church (SB)
4:00 p.m.	<b>Mass +Rosalie "Rose" Caroline (Wink) Waninger</b>	<b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
<b>SUNDAY, AUGUST 24</b>	<b>TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
6:00 a.m.	<b>Mass Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People"</b>	<b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
8:05 a.m.	Rosary (For an increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life)	Church (SM)
8:10 a.m.	Communal Anointing of the Sick	Church (SM)
8:30 a.m.	<b>Mass +Claude William and +Rose Mary (Gogel) (Anniversary of Death) Sitzman</b>	<b>Church (SM)</b>
9:30 a.m.	<b>Mass</b> (parishioners, pilgrims and guests welcome)	<b>Archabbey Church</b>
<b>MONDAY, AUGUST 25</b>		
3:50 p.m.	Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb)	Historic Church (SB)
4:15 p.m.	<b>Mass +Eugene "Gene" William Gudorf</b>	<b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
5:15 to 6:00 p.m.	<b>FOURTH MONDAY OF MONTH:</b> Pastoral Council Officer Meeting (No August Meeting)	Parish Office: Room G
6:00 to 7:00 p.m.	<b>THIRD MONDAY OF JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH, MAY, JUNE, SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER AND DECEMBER</b> (no meeting April, July, August and November): Pastoral Council Meeting	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
<b>TUESDAY, AUGUST 26</b>		
7:15 a.m.	<b>Mass +James "Jim" Lee Ebert</b>	<b>Church (SM)</b>
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Reserved for Team D	Parish Office: Office C
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.	Parish Staff Meeting	Parish Office: Room G-A
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	<b>FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS OF MONTH:</b> Reserved for formation sessions for sacraments, pastoral counseling and scheduled meetings with pastor	Parish Office: Room H
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	<b>SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAYS OF MONTH:</b> Parish commission meetings	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
<b>WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27</b>		
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction)	Church (SM)
3:15 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
4:15 p.m.	<b>Mass +Kenneth "Kenny" Gervase Faulkenberg</b>	<b>Church (SM)</b>
5:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Church (SM)
6:15 to 7:15 p.m.	<b>F3 Programs and Activities for Kindergarten - Grade 6</b> *Grades 7-9 begin on Sunday, September 14, with mandatory student-parent meeting, Parish Office, Room 106, 7:30 a.m. or 10 a.m.	<b>Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)</b>
<b>THURSDAY, AUGUST 28</b>		
8:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Church cleaning	Church (SM)
11:40 a.m.	Rosary (For increased vocations to priesthood, diaconate & consecrated life)	Church (SB)
12:05 p.m.	<b>Mass +Helen Maria (Collignon) Gunn</b>	<b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM)
<b>FRIDAY, AUGUST 29</b>		
7:15 a.m.	<b>Mass +Deceased Members of +Alvin Henry "Cotton" and +Mary Helen (Gunselman) Denning Family</b> (Wedding Anniversary)	<b>Church (SM)</b>



# INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PARISH

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### PARISH OFFICE

#### LOCATION

19630 N. 4th St.

Saint Meinrad, Indiana

**PHONE:** 812-357-5533 (Main Number)

[info@myparishfamily.church](mailto:info@myparishfamily.church)

### PARISH WEBSITES

[sbcatholic.church](http://sbcatholic.church)

[smcatholic.church](http://smcatholic.church)

### MAILING ADDRESS FOR PARISH OFFICE AND

### ALL LOCATIONS

PO Box 8

Saint Meinrad, IN 47577-0008

### ST. BONIFACE PARISH CENTER

#### LOCATION

11715 E. County Road 1550 N

Fulda, Indiana

**PHONE:** 812-357-2100

## WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS

### Want to support the mission and ministry of our parish family?

Scan the QR code to make a one-time or recurring gifts using debit cards, credit cards, or eChecks (ACH).



## DATES FOR PARISH PICNICS

- St. Boniface: 1st Sunday in August  
[sbcatholic.church/summer-picnic](http://sbcatholic.church/summer-picnic)
- St. Meinrad: 3rd Sunday in September  
[smcatholic.church/fall-picnic](http://smcatholic.church/fall-picnic)

**Note:** No weddings are scheduled on picnic weekends or on weekends of parish patron feasts.

## PARISH STAFF

**Reception/Main Number** Monday-Wednesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 812-357-5533  
Saturday 9 to 11 a.m.

**To email a staff member:** Use first name, first initial of last name, [@myparishfamily.church](mailto:myparishfamily.church)

**Communications** Ms. Mary Jeanne Schumacher 812-357-6056

**Evangelization and Discipleship** Ms. Jessica Fischer 812-357-6065

**Facilities and Safety** Mr. George Schaefer 812-357-6054

**Facilities and Grounds Assistant** Ms. Maddie Gudorf 812-357-6052

**Gift Recorder** Ms. Chloe Mohr 812-357-6053

**Liturgical Music** Actively seeking to fill position 812-357-6058

**Office Assistant** Ms. Teresa Ippoliti 812-357-6059

**Parish Office Custodial Services** Ms. Sue Wiederkehr 812-357-6053

**Parish Secretary** Position open 812-357-6051

**Pastor** Father Anthony Vinson, OSB 812-357-6728

**Permanent Deacon** Deacon Mike Fish 812-357-6055

**Sacramental Assistant** Father John McMullen, OSB 812-357-6558

**Sacramental Assistant** Father Paul Nord, OSB 812-357-6739

**Cemetery Sexton** *Records and Plot Sales* Actively seeking to fill position 812-357-6050

• **St. Boniface Cemetery Commission** Mr. Alan Waninger, Chair 812-357-6050

• **St. Meinrad Cemetery Commission** Mr. Brian Greulich, Chair 812-357-6050

## PREPARING FOR SACRAMENTS/SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY

Parishioners seeking sacraments should visit the Sacraments tab on our website to begin enrollment and required preparation. To access this information, enter "sacraments" in the search feature at [sbcatholic.church](http://sbcatholic.church) or [smcatholic.church](http://smcatholic.church).

**Baptism Preparation:** Families seeking baptism should contact Jessica Fischer, Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator, to schedule preparation and formation sessions at least two months before the child's birth.

**Marriage Preparation:** Couples wishing to marry at St. Boniface or St. Meinrad churches must contact Jessica Fischer, Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator, at least six months before their wedding date to arrange marriage preparation and formation sessions. At least one person in the couple must have been a parishioner for one year.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the Parish Office to request a priest for this sacrament of healing. **If you require a priest due to severe illness or danger of death, please call 812-357-6600.** Be prepared to provide your name, location and contact information. The priest on call will respond as soon as possible.

Families should use this number immediately when a loved one is admitted to an area hospital, long-term care center or hospice. Hospital, long-term care and hospice chaplains do not always contact the Parish Office promptly, which can leave parishioners and families without needed parish-based pastoral care or the [Last Sacraments](#).

Information About Your Parish

## BECOME A MEMBER

We would love to have you as a parish family member if you are new to the area. If you have remained under your parent's membership but are now an adult, we encourage you to register independently. Register at the parish office or [contact us](#) using the QR code, so we can welcome you.



## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Counter Hours: Monday - Wednesday  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 9-11 a.m.**  
(Central Time)

By appointment: Thursday and Saturday

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

### MONDAY 11 A.M.

Generally, each issue's copy deadline is Monday, six days before the Sunday cover date. Scan the QR code to fill out a form with news for the bulletin.



## VIEW CEMETERY INFO ONLINE

To visit the parish cemetery directories, type "cemetery" in the search box on the parish website. You can view gravestones, locate family graves, and see what plots are available.

## LOCKED OUT? REPAIRS NEEDED?

To report a safety concern or maintenance or repair need, type "maintenance" in the search box on the website. When you fill out an online form, a parish staff member or Facilities and Grounds Commission member will respond as soon as possible.

**In an emergency that requires immediate assistance from the police, fire department or emergency medical personnel, call 911 immediately.**





## August 'Wish List' for Families Served by Catholic Charities Tell City



The August "Wish List" for Catholic Charities Tell City is **spaghetti and spaghetti sauce**.

To deliver items, please use the handicap entrance at each church and place items in the container marked North Spencer Community Action Center at the Marian Altar or in the box in the narthex near the prayer intentions book.

Parish churches are open daily from dawn to dusk. Catholic Charities will distribute the items to local individuals or families in need. For information, contact [Ms. Sue Kloeck](#), Service and Outreach Commission Chair.

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## August 'Wish List' for North Spencer Community Action Center



The August "Wish List" for North Spencer Community Action Center is **peanut butter and jelly**.

To deliver items, please use the handicap entrance at each church and place the items in the container marked North Spencer Community Action Center at the Marian Altar or in the box in the narthex near the prayer intentions book.

Parish churches are open daily from dawn to dusk. NSCAC will distribute these items to local individuals or families in need.

To learn more about North Spencer Community Action Center, contact Ms. Bobbi Fromme, NSCAC Director, at 812-937-2796 or visit [www.northspencercac.com](http://www.northspencercac.com).

For more information, contact [Ms. Sue Kloeck](#), Service and Outreach Commission Chair.

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## How to Contact the Prayer Line

### Do you have a request or special need?

- Type **PRAYER REQUEST** in the search box on the website to submit an online request
- Call 812-357-6063 or scan the QR Code with your smartphone



## Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention

### August: For mutual coexistence



Jesus, Lord of our history, faithful companion and living presence, You who never tire of coming to meet us, here we are, in need of Your peace.

We live in times of fear and division. Sometimes we act as if we were alone, building walls that separate us from one another, forgetting that we are brothers and sisters.

Send us Your Spirit, Lord, to rekindle within us the desire to understand one another, to listen, to live together with respect and compassion.

Give us the courage to seek paths of dialogue, to respond to conflict with gestures of fraternity, to open our hearts to others without fear of differences.

Make us builders of bridges, able to overcome borders and ideologies, able to see others through the eyes of the heart, recognizing in every person an inviolable dignity. Help us create spaces where hope can flourish, where diversity is not a threat but a richness that makes us more human. Amen.

## Join Us in the Ministry of Prayer

### Recent Prayer Requests Received

Updated August 15, 2025

*\* Intentions listed for 30 days, unless otherwise requested.*

- John B, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (8/15)
- Repose of the soul of Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender (8/15)
- Tony C, St. Paul Parish, health, peace of mind and heart (8/15)
- Garrett S., St. Boniface Parish, as he recovers from recent surgery. For his healing, restored health, and continued physical strength during his recovery. Please also keep his family and caregivers in your prayers as they support him through this time. (7/31)
- Repose of the soul of Linda Ann Bertke (7/30)
- Repose of the soul of Justin Ray Mullis (7/22)
- Repose of the soul of Shellie P, St. Wendel (7/15)
- Mike B, St. Meinrad, health and healing (7/9)
- Repose of the soul of Xavier Thomas Dawson, step-great-grandson of Charlie and Earlene Schaefer, St. Boniface Parish (7/8)
- Claire B and family, daughter of Eric and Rachel B, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (7/3)

**To add a prayer request**, type "prayer request" in the search box on the parish website, or scan the QR code.



## The Mission of Our Parish Family

St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish exist to nurture an intentional faith-filled Catholic Community which inspires and empowers all people to follow Jesus Christ. We will continue to "Keep our eyes fixed on Jesus" (Hebrews 12:2) by living the Word of God, celebrating the sacraments with meaningful worship, and calling one another to prayer, Christian service, and fellowship rooted in the living tradition of a rich German-Catholic heritage.





*United*  
in the Eucharist



[www.archindy.org/UCA](http://www.archindy.org/UCA)

Did you know that a staggering 94% of individuals served by Catholic Charities Indianapolis come from low-income households? These are families living at or below 185% of the federal poverty level—often referred to as the working poor. Catholic Charities' programs are specifically tailored to provide essential assistance to these families during their time of crisis, empowering them to achieve self-sufficiency.

Through initiatives like the Crisis Office and the Holy Family Shelter, Catholic Charities offers a lifeline to families struggling with homelessness, providing a safe refuge and support as they work towards securing permanent housing.

Through your generous support of the United Catholic Appeal, we stand united in the Eucharist. Your commitment to serving Christ is evident as you extend a helping hand to our most vulnerable brothers and sisters through your donation to the United Catholic Appeal. Thank you for your unwavering compassion and support.

**If you have not made your gift to the United Catholic Appeal, please scan the QR code and make an online donation. Thank you. For the parish goals and progress, visit the chart on Page 11.**



# This Week on Formed

## Week of August 24, 2025



### The Confessions of St. Augustine | Littlest Saints

A child, a sinner, a saint. Join us as we share the story of St. Augustine, tailored to our children, as he wrestles with God and comes to the faith.



### Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.



### The Confessions of Saint Augustine

Actor Leonardo DiCaprio captures the poetry and passion of Saint Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430) in a performance that is accessible and deeply moving. The play is astonishingly relevant for our own times. Augustine struggled with promiscuity, fathered a child out-of-wedlock and dabbled in a "new age" style cult. Be inspired by his relentless pursuit of Truth and encouraged by the prayerful perseverance of his faithful mother, Saint Monica.

Our parish has a Formed subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](https://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.



August 14, 2025

ASP 2025 Gross Receipts Report

This weekend's bulletin includes a special insert with the gross receipts report by stand for the 2025 Annual Summer Picnic at St. Boniface Parish, along with a copy of the form submitted to the Indiana Gaming Commission – Charitable Gaming Division within the required 10-day period for single activity gaming licenses.

All invoices have been reviewed by parish commission members. Invoices and reimbursement requests with proper documentation have been processed and paid. Most vendors received payment via ACH, while vendors without ACH capabilities were paid through our bank's bill payment service.

On behalf of parish Finance Commission Chair Shannon Tuley and the parish accounting team, thank you to all who helped submit information to complete this time-sensitive task. All raffle winners were notified of their winnings and how they would receive their prizes. Checks were prepared and mailed—now to see how the U. S. mail performs!

Just a few weeks ago, I received a Christmas card postmarked December 17, 2024, mailed to the physical address at St. Boniface Parish, which does not exist in the postal service delivery system and was not sent to PO Box 8. Patience is a virtue! In the thank you note I sent after receiving the card, I returned the enclosed check with a note explaining it was received only a few days ago and that the date on the check does not allow for a legal transaction.

The ASP 2025 Net Report by cohorts (Hospitality/No Food Preparation, Foods and Food Safety, and Charitable Gaming) will be available from the parish website and in an upcoming weekend bulletin.

For accounts payable and receivable questions, contact: [finance@myparishfamily.church](mailto:finance@myparishfamily.church).

Tandem Accounting & Advisory Services LLC

Prepared and Reviewed on August 12, 2025

Father Anthony M. Vinson, OSB

14 August 2025

Join Us

ST. BONIFACE PARISH

Annual Summer Picnic

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in August

Fulda, Indiana



## Preliminary Gross Receipts Report: Income by ASP Cohort

Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church		(DBA (St. Boniface Parish))	Parish # 076
Fund Summary: Annual Summer Picnic (ASP)			
May 1 - August 12, 2025   Multiple Funds   All Payment Types			
Cohort	Key Location/Stand by #: 076-0000	Total	
Charitable Gaming	ASP 50/50 Raffle \$1 Ticket (e-gift) 076-5652	\$ 1,082.00	
Charitable Gaming	ASP Bingo Chit \$ ? 076-4445	\$ 405.33	
Charitable Gaming	ASP Cash Raffle \$1 Ticket ( e-gift) 076-4450	\$ 200.00	
Charitable Gaming	ASP Cash Raffle (stand) 076-4450	\$ 2,688.00	
Food/Food Safety	ASP Dinners (stand) 076-4404	\$ 6,554.00	
Food/Food Safety	ASP Drinks n/a beverage (stand) 076-4405	\$ 258.50	
Hospitality/No Food Preparation	ASP Family Fun Center	\$ 200.00	
Food/Food Safety	ASP Food Court (stand) # 076-4407	\$ 5,607.50	
Food/Food Safety	ASP Fulda's Famous Soup gallon (stand) 076-4412	\$ 15,579.00	
Food/Food Safety	ASP Ice Cream (stand) 076-4409	\$ 477.50	
Hospitality/No Food Preparation	ASP Kountry Kitchen (stand) 076-4406	\$ 914.75	
Hospitality/No Food Preparation	APS Sponsor / Honor Roll Gift 076-4403	\$ 24,450.00	
Charitable Gaming	ASP Operating Account 076-4401	\$ 800.00	
Charitable Gaming	ASP Quilt Wheel (stand) 076-4460	\$ 2,747.00	
Charitable Gaming	ASP Special Quilt \$1 Ticket ( e-gift) 076-5657	\$ 65.00	
Charitable Gaming	ASP Special Quilt \$1 Ticket (stand) 076-4465	\$ 879.00	
Charitable Gaming	ASP Theme Basket (stand) 076-4470	\$ 1,883.00	
Total Gross Receipts To Date:		\$ 64,790.58	



## PADRE'S POST

**"For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last."**

Luke 13:30

Our cultural standards are different from God's standards. We often rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards. When God asks you, "What have you done with the gifts I have given you?" how will you respond?

### The Wide Invitation of God: The Narrow Door of Discipleship

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, C**

**Luke 13:22-30 CCC 521**

**G**od's kingdom extends a universal invitation to all nations and peoples, yet entering requires our wholehearted, personal response demonstrated through the narrow door of discipleship.

As we gather in word and sacrament on this 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition both call us to embrace the expansive vision of God's all-encompassing love and the demanding path of authentic discipleship that transforms belief into action.

#### Sacred Scripture — Catholic Faith

Today's readings reveal a creative tension between God's universal call and the challenge of discipleship. The prophet Isaiah shares God's plan to "gather all nations and tongues" to see His glory—a grand invitation extending far beyond Israel. The prophet envisions foreigners becoming priests and Levites, roles once held only by God's chosen people. This bold inclusion challenges our conventional thinking about who belongs in God's kingdom.

The Gospel reading from Luke initially seems to contradict Isaiah's expansive vision. Jesus speaks of a narrow door and warns that "many will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." Yet this isn't a contradiction—it's a clarification. God's invitation is indeed universal, but entrance

requires genuine commitment, not casual interest.

The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that "those whom the Lord loves, he disciplines." This divine discipline isn't punishment but formation, preparing us for the narrow door that leads to eternal life.

#### Sacred Tradition — Catholic Life

The Catholic tradition has always held these two truths in creative tension. The *Catechism* teaches us that Christ died for all humanity, yet also emphasizes the necessity of personal conversion and perseverance. Our tradition recognizes that while God desires all to be saved, we must cooperate with his grace through prayer, the sacramental life, especially found in the gift and mystery of the Holy Eucharist and responding to our baptismal vocation.

Our communion in the mysteries of Jesus Christ enables us to live in Him all that He Himself lived, and He lives it in us. As the *Catechism* states:

By his Incarnation, he, the Son of God, has in a certain way united himself with each man. We are called only to become one with him, for he enables us as the members of his Body to share in what he lived for us in his flesh as our model: We must continue to accomplish in ourselves the stages of Jesus' life and his mysteries and often to beg him to perfect and realize them in us and in his whole Church... For it is the plan of the Son of God to make us and the whole Church partake in his mysteries and to extend them to and continue them in us and in his whole Church. This is his plan for fulfilling his mysteries in us. (CCC, 521)

St. Augustine captured this powerfully: "God created us without us, but he will not save us without us." We cannot earn our salvation, but neither can we remain passive recipients. The narrow door requires our active participation in the life of grace.

#### Our Catholic Faith — From Belief to Action

"Faith without works is dead," as St. James reminds us (James 2:26). Today's readings challenge us to move beyond comfortable belief to transformative action. Like the foreigners in Isaiah who become messengers of God's glory, we too are called to share what we have received.

The narrow door isn't narrow because God

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## August Birthdays

- 1 Hayden Obermeier, Albert "Erfle" Denning, Sara M. Vaal
- 2 Polly Hagedorn
- 3 Charlie Vaal
- 4 Elizabeth Schaefer, Cory Hedinger
- 6 Phillip Rahman, Connor Sitzman, Misty Zoglman, Hailey Masterson
- 7 Alana Weyer, Braili Schipp
- 8 Maddie Gudorf, Kort Schaefer, Benjamin Ebert, Jaxson Sitzman
- 9 Arlo Mullis, Mimi Lutz, Cody Seifrig
- 11 Bo Weyer, Jeff Seifrig
- 13 Austyn Oeding, Mark Seckinger, Jessica Bertke
- 14 Brian Sitzman, Logan Troesch
- 15 Jennie Blessinger, Blayr Ficker, Claire Hildenbrand, Kenny Hoppenjans, Danny Tempel, Chloe Mohr, Donna Gessner
- 16 Evan Collignon, Kris Gunn, Joann Waninger, David Bertke, Adam Fischer
- 17 Wyatt Gudorf, Christopher Ferguson, Wyatt Sitzman
- 18 Brock Ficker
- 19 Jessy Bullis, Eric Schepers, Ty Hoffman, Megan Bennet
- 20 Carly Tempel
- 21 Taylor Blalock, Darlene Fischer, Mason Welp
- 22 Greg Kleiser, Jane Schaefer, Stacy Schaeffer, Eugene "Smokey" Waninger
- 23 Sheryl Schaefer
- 24 Michael Blalock, Lilly Gogel, Adley Schroer, Mary Ann Troesch, Cindy Sitzman, John Hedinger
- 25 Neil Collignon, Karen Ubelhor
- 26 Joe Braunecker
- 27 Mary Rahman, Molly Scherzer
- 28 Grant Doyle
- 29 Jackie Deom
- 30 Paul Gerlach, Mike Waninger
- 31 Ryleigh Vaal





## Community Cleanup Day Planned for Saint Meinrad on September 13

### ST. MEINRAD MATTERS:

#### CLEAN & GREEN

Let's Work Together On:

SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 7 a.m. to 12 p.m.

St. Meinrad Community Center

Bring your Junk and Recyclables:

- Trash
- Bigger Items
- Yard Items /Limbs

Bring Your Tires 2 per household (\$3 per tire)

Boy Scouts will be collecting aluminum cans & recyclables.

Roadside Pick Up: starting at 7:00 a.m. - Hwy 545 and 62 Meet at Community Center

Volunteers Needed- Many hands make light work for all!!



Protecting our town, preserving our legacy  
Keeping St. Meinrad Beautiful

Sponsored by your SMART Board and the Parks Vision Board

A community-wide cleanup day has been scheduled for Saint Meinrad on Saturday, September 13, 2025, from 7 a.m. to noon.

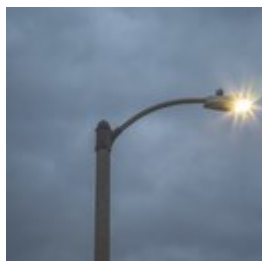
Residents are asked to help with roadside pickup beginning at 7 a.m. Meet at the St. Meinrad Community Center for instruction.

Boy Scouts will be collecting aluminum cans and recyclables. Residents can bring their trash, bigger items, yard items and limbs. Old tires (limit of two; \$3 each) will be collected.

The event is sponsored by the SMART board and the Parks Vision board. For more information, contact [Pam Davis](#).

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## Fulda Residents Asked to Pay Street Light Dues Now



The Fulda Development Corporation would like to remind Fulda residents that annual street light dues are being collected at this time.

The \$25 dues may be mailed or delivered to Don Berg (15406 N SR 545, Evanston, IN 47531-8025) or Greg Kleiser (PO Box 95, Fulda, IN 47536-0095).

Please make checks payable to Fulda Development Corporation. If you have questions, contact [Greg Kleiser](#).

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## Pilgrimage of Hope for Creation Planned for Saturday, September 6



Monastery Immaculate Conception and Saint Meinrad Archabbey are planning a Pilgrimage of Hope for Creation, a spiritually transformative journey that blends prayer, reflection, and a deep commitment to caring for God's creation.

The pilgrimage will be on Saturday, September 6, 2025. The public is

welcome. Pilgrims will travel from the Sisters of St. Benedict in Ferdinand to Saint Meinrad Archabbey in Saint Meinrad, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Central Time.

For more information and to register, visit [thedome.org/pilgrimage/](http://thedome.org/pilgrimage/).

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## Mass Time Changed for Labor Day



The Mass time for Labor Day, Monday, September 1, 2025, will be at **12:05 p.m.** at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church, instead of the usual 4:15 p.m. time.

It is hoped that the time will be more convenient for those who wish to attend Mass on that Monday. The Mass intention is for the sanctification of human labor.

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## Volunteers Needed to Help Clean Soup Containers for Fall Picnic



Two work sessions have been scheduled to clean soup containers for the St. Meinrad Parish Annual Fall Picnic.

Volunteers are needed on Wednesday, September 3, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and on Friday, September 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the St. Boniface Parish Center, Room 104.

For information or questions, contact [Nancy Graman](#).

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## Family Faith Formation (F3) Sessions Begin August 27 for Grades K-6



Family faith formation sessions for grades K-6 begin Wednesday, August, 27, at the Saint Boniface Parish Center from 6:15 to 7:20 p.m.

A new curriculum, [Word of Life](#), will be used this year.

Students preparing for sacraments, [The Signs of Grace](#), will use a new Augustine Institute curriculum.

The curriculum utilizes the FORMED platform already used throughout parish life to help meet the archdiocese's 30-hour instruction requirement.

**Grades 7-9: The information session with mandatory student-parent meeting has been rescheduled** to Sunday, September 14, at the Parish Office, at either 7:30 a.m. or 10 a.m. Please use the carport entrance. The schedule and materials will be distributed at this time.

For more information, contact [Jessica Fischer](#), Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator.

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Visit the parish website for more News and Events:

[sbcatholic.church](http://sbcatholic.church) or [smcatholic.church](http://smcatholic.church)



is exclusive—it's narrow because it demands everything from us. It requires dying to self, taking up our cross, and following Christ even when it's difficult. This path transforms not just our eternal destiny but our present reality.

When Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6), He's not limiting access but clarifying the method and defining the tools for discipleship—tools readily available and accessible through the Church, through Jesus who we believe to be present in the Church. Through Him, the narrow door becomes navigable, the burden becomes light, and the impossible becomes possible.

### **Living Your Faith — Transforming Community Through Catholic Values**

Our response to God's universal call must be both personal and communal. We cannot simply worry about our own salvation while ignoring our parish family and the wider world. Isaiah's vision shows us that those who encounter God's glory immediately become missionaries to others.

In practical terms, this means embracing the Catholic Social Teaching on Immigration and the Movement of Peoples:

**Welcoming the stranger**, recognizing that God calls people from "east and west" to his kingdom

**Sharing our faith** with gentleness and respect, becoming missionaries within our parish family and beyond

**Building bridges** across cultural and social divides, remembering that God makes no distinction between insider and outsider

**Persevering in prayer and worship** through daily prayer and reflection, gathering and participating in Eucharistic prayer and worship, actively receiving the sacraments—positioning ourselves to allow God's discipline and respond to our call to active discipleship, forming us for service

**Discerning our unique vocation**, whether as parents, single persons, religious, or ordained ministers

*How do you Live, Love and Teach the faith of Jesus Christ, the faith of the Church founded in 33 AD?*

*How do we Live, Love and Teach these values through the mission and ministry of our parish family?*

The narrow door isn't meant to exclude but to ensure we're properly prepared for the feast of the kingdom. Like athletes training for competition or musicians practicing scales before a concert, we must be spiritually fit for the journey ahead. The discipline required isn't punishment but preparation for something magnificent.

### **With a Grateful Heart**

As we reflect on today's Scripture readings, let us give thanks for God's expansive love that reaches across all boundaries of nation, language, and culture. Let us also be grateful for the clarity Christ provides about the path forward—challenging though it may be. The same God who opens his arms to all nations also walks beside us through the narrow door. He who disciplines us does so in love, preparing us not for punishment but for participation in His divine life.

May we embrace both the width of God's invitation and the focus required for discipleship. May we be both welcoming to others and demanding of ourselves. And may we trust that the narrow door, though difficult, leads to the spacious kingdom where people from every nation gather at the eternal feast.

In responding to God's call, we discover that the narrow door isn't a constraint but a freedom, not a barrier but a breakthrough—freeing

us to become who God created us to be and empowering us to help others find their way home.

### **Communal Anointing of the Sick This Weekend**

#### **Emergency Requests**

For severe illness or danger of death, call **812-357-6600** immediately. Tell the attendant this is an emergency. Do not ask to speak to a priest or if a priest is available. The attendant will complete a brief online form sent to parish staff responsible for pastoral care. You should not be forwarded to the parish office or voicemail. Provide your name, location, and contact information. The priest on call will respond as soon as possible.

**Important:** Contact us immediately when a loved one is admitted to any hospital, long-term care center, or hospice. Hospital chaplains do not always notify the Parish Office promptly, which can delay needed pastoral care and Last Sacraments.

#### **Non-Emergency Contact**

For non-emergency requests, call **812-357-5533** during office hours: Monday-Wednesday 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-noon CT. You can also use the website's "Leave a Message" feature at [sbccatholic.church/leave-a-message](http://sbccatholic.church/leave-a-message) or [smccatholic.church/leave-a-message](http://smccatholic.church/leave-a-message), or search "**Leave A Message**" on the website to relay information about hospitalized loved ones.

### **Communal Anointing Schedule**

**Saturday, August 23, 2025, at 3:40 p.m.** (before 4 p.m. Mass)  
Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church

**Sunday, August 24, 2025, at 8:10 a.m.** (before 8:30 a.m. Mass)  
St. Meinrad Catholic Church

**Seating Instructions:** Those receiving the sacrament should sit at the end of center aisle pews. Individuals needing assistance should use front pews and will be served first.

### **Who Should Receive This Sacrament**

The Church encourages anointing for:

- Anyone with serious illness (not limited to life-threatening conditions)
- Those facing surgery or dangerous illness
- Elderly persons in weak condition
- Children with sufficient understanding to be comforted by the sacrament

The sacrament may be repeated if health conditions worsen or new illnesses develop.

For more information, search "**Anointing of the Sick**" on the parish website or contact the Parish Office.

### **Attitude and Effort**

As we approach the Labor Day holiday weekend and the close of summer, we wish everyone safe travels whether you're enjoying barbecues, water activities, or other end-of-season gatherings.

Please note the special Mass time for Labor Day, Monday, September 1, 2025: 12:05 p.m. at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church (instead of the usual 4:15 p.m.). This earlier time should be more convenient for those wishing to attend Mass on the holiday. The Mass intention will be for the Sanctification of Human Labor.

We encourage you to make plans to join us in prayer and worship on this day dedicated to honoring work and workers.

A blessed week to all. May we remember this Sunday's Gospel call to "strive to enter through the narrow gate" and God's invitation to gather people from all nations into his kingdom. Remembering you in my daily prayer.

PAX -

*Foster Anthony, OFM*





## St. Meinrad Parish Fall Picnic Preview set for Sunday, August 24



A special preview of the St. Meinrad Parish Fall Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 24, 2025, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the parish church.

Parishioners, friends and neighbors are invited to attend. On display will be quilts, samples of theme baskets, raffle tickets, flyers, sign-up sheets, yard signs, flyers, and samples of items

needed for the Country Store.

The St. Meinrad Parish Fall Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 21. Visit the website for details: [smatholic.church/fall-picnic](http://smatholic.church/fall-picnic). For more information, contact [Nancy Graman](mailto:Nancy.Graman@smatholic.church), picnic chair.

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## On the Hill 5K set for September 27 at Saint Meinrad Archabbey



Saint Meinrad Archabbey will host an in-person and virtual On the Hill 5K walk/run on Saturday, September 27, 2025. Registration is now open for the event. Registration is \$25 per person before September 15, and \$30 after. Children

ages 17 and under are \$10 each before September 15, and \$15 after. All participants who pre-register will receive a free t-shirt. The registration form is at <https://wellness.saintmeinrad.edu/event/on-the-hill-5k-2/>.

The On the Hill 5K begins at 8:30 a.m. Central Time, with registration open at 8 a.m. The start/finish line is at the former Archabbey Gift Shop building, along Indiana State Road 545. Parking is available in the Abbey Caskets and former Gift Shop parking lots.

This year's On the Hill 5K will feature chip timing for the first time, thanks to a partnership with To the Finish, LLC. The update ensures more accurate results and a smoother experience for all participants, whether running or walking.

Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female in each age range (under 12, 12-17, 18-30, 31-50, 50+), as well as attendance prizes (must be present to win). Participants are welcome to join the Saint Meinrad monks for Mass in the Archabbey Church before the race at 7:30 a.m. (running clothes are welcome).

Proceeds from this year's On the Hill 5K will aid Saint Meinrad's Wellness Program. The Wellness Program supports the health and well-being of Saint Meinrad monks, students, and co-workers through personal training, weight management, wellness coaching, presentations, and other events.

For more information, contact Jill Memmer at 812-357-6616 or [jmemmer@saintmeinrad.edu](mailto:jmemmer@saintmeinrad.edu).

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## Communal Anointing of the Sick Scheduled for August 23-24



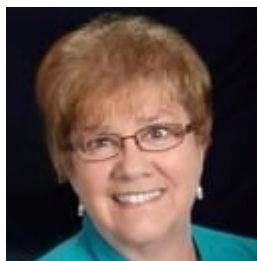
Communal Anointing of the Sick will be held on Saturday, August 23, 2025, at 3:40 p.m. prior to the 4 p.m. Mass at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church and on Sunday, August 24, at 8:10 a.m. prior to the 8:30 Mass at St. Meinrad Catholic Church.

Those who wish to receive this sacrament should move to the end of the pew on the center aisle. The infirm and individuals needing assistance seated in the front pews will receive this sacrament first.

For more information about receiving this sacrament, visit <https://smatholic.church/anointing-of-the-sick>.

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## Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender, St. Meinrad Parish, Dies on August 12



In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender, St. Meinrad Parish, who died on August 12, 2025, at Heart-to-Heart Hospice House in Evansville, Indiana. Arrangements are in the care of Rainey Funeral Home of Dale, Indiana.

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## United Catholic Appeal Update

### St. Boniface Parish (#076)

<b>Parish Goal</b>	<b>\$8,455</b>
<b>Amount Pledged</b>	<b>\$7,335</b>
<b>Percentage to Goal</b>	<b>87%</b>
<b>Number of Households</b>	<b>36</b>

### St. Meinrad Parish (#137)

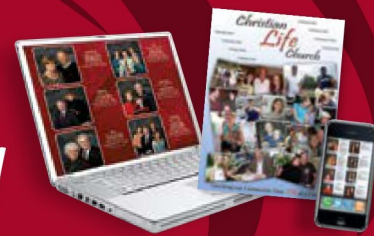
<b>Parish Goal</b>	<b>\$12,673</b>
<b>Amount Pledged</b>	<b>\$6,585</b>
<b>Percentage to Goal</b>	<b>52%</b>
<b>Number of Households</b>	<b>37</b>

Archdiocesan UCA Goal Amount	\$6.3 million
Total Amount Pledged Archdiocesan Wide	\$5.6 million
Updated June 2025	

Together, we are making a difference beyond the scope of any individual parish by helping meet the needs of our brothers and sisters throughout central and southern Indiana. Scan the QR code to make your gift today!



# Dear Church *family,* It's time for a New Directory!



*Celebrating faith.  
Connecting families.  
Sharing hope.*

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

*Directory Committee*

## Connections Event

***Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.***

• **Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at church or simply go online and follow the instructions below.**

If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.

• **Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!**

• **Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church!** You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!



*Gathering families,  
Connecting generations.*



**Schedule Your Appointment Now for Your Directory Photo!**

**Photo dates: October 9, 10, 11, 2025**

St. Boniface and St. Meinrad Parishioners: Photos for the upcoming church directory will be taken on October 9, 10, and 11 at the St. Boniface Parish Center in Fulda. New to the parish? Contact Teresa at [info@myparishfamily.church](mailto:info@myparishfamily.church) to register.

• To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to [ucdir.com](http://ucdir.com), click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **in1999** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field.

#### **Important Notes:**

- Adult children are encouraged to assist their parents with sign-up and to ensure they have transportation to their appointments
- Parish ministry, program, and activity photo sessions must be scheduled during September to be included in this edition of the directory

If you have questions, [contact Jessica Fischer](#), Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator and staff liaison to the Parish Directory ad hoc committee, for the 2025 directory. If you have questions, [contact Jessica Fischer](#), Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator and staff liaison to the Parish Directory ad hoc committee, for the 2025 directory.




**Liturgical Ministers:** To reset your password or username in Ministry Scheduler Pro, go to the log in page and click on "Forgot Password." MSP will ask for your email address and send you instructions on making the change. If you don't see the email right away, check your Spam/Junk folder (or Gray Mail folder for PSC users).

**Still having problems?** Scan the QR code to contact Jessica Fischer, Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator, via the MSP Feedback Form.

**Substitutes:** Thanks to those who have been using the substitute request, which goes to all those in your subgroup (e.g., lectors for 8:30 a.m. Sunday). To accept a request, please log in and accept so everyone in your subgroup can see the request has been filled.

**Deadlines:** Deadlines to submit your ministry availability are: November 1 (for December 1-January 31 schedule), January 1 (February 1-May 31 schedule), May 1 (June 1-August 31 schedule), and August 1 (September 1-November 30). Changes submitted after these dates do not update the schedule.

 <b>Liturgical Ministry Schedule</b> Ministry Scheduler Pro	Saturday, August 23 at 4 p.m. <b>Vigil Mass for Sunday</b> Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Sunday, August 24 at 6 a.m. <b>Mass for Sunday</b> Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Sunday, August 24 at 8:30 a.m. <b>Mass for Sunday</b> St. Meinrad Catholic Church
Porter	Ryan Hildenbrand Kyler Hildenbrand	Alfred Birchler	Jeff Graman
Sacristan	Maddie Gudorf	Eric Tuley	Amanda Kern
Bell Ringer (Five minutes before Mass, three assigned liturgical ministers peal bells for 2 minutes.)	NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #1 NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #2 Ryan Hildenbrand - Tower Bell #3	NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #1 Clara Tempel - Tower Bell #2 NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #3	
Livestream for Rosary	Stacy Schaeffer		Sally Gravatte
Rosary Leader	Michael Gudorf Amanda Gudorf		Sally Gravatte
Livestream for Mass	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	Michael Blalock
Hospitality (Greeters)	Mark Hildenbrand and Peggy Hildenbrand - Main Door	NOT FILLED - Main Door	Hailey Masterson, Aili Masterson, Avery Masterson - Main Door
Priest	Father Anthony Vinson, OSB - Principal Celebrant	Father Anthony Vinson, OSB - Principal Celebrant	Anthony Vinson, OSB - Principal Celebrant
Deacon	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED
Acolyte of the Altar	Wyatt A. Wampler	Michael Blalock	NOT FILLED
Acolyte of the Word	Waylon J. Wampler	Tanner Wilson	Chloe Mohr
Crucifer (Cross Bearer)	Charlotte Sitzman	Beckett Kress	Lyla Kate Gray
Candle Bearer	Edmund Sitzman NOT FILLED	Liam Kress Ayla Schroer	Avery Beier Eli Gentry
Proclamation of the Word	Michael Gudorf - First Reading Adele Harper - Second Reading Michelle Blalock - Prayer of the Faithful	Michelle Blalock - First Reading Lily Hubert - Second Reading Michael Blalock - Prayer of the Faithful	Julia Lutz - First Reading Penelope Lutz - Second Reading Kazhia Kolb - Prayer of the Faithful
Offertory Collection (Review listed Mass Intention. Invite family members to present the offertory gifts at the Offertory Procession.)	Paul Haeffling Nick Hildenbrand Wyatt Gudorf Michael Gudorf	Pat Berg NOT FILLED Eric Tuley Denny Rickelman	Jeff Ebert Tom Kloeck Mark Ruxer Larry Waninger
Signal Bell at Consecration (At the time of the <i>Epiclesis</i> , when the acolytes kneel at the altar, ring the tower bell until the acolytes again stand following the proclamation of the mystery of faith.)	Ryan Hildenbrand - Bell #3	NOT FILLED - Bell #3	
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Individuals assigned to patens gather near Altar of St. Joseph, chalices near the Altar of Mary)	Courtney Blalock - Paten Jenny Kunkler - Paten Karen Peters - Paten Michelle Blalock - Chalice Pam Davis - Chalice Amanda Gudorf - Chalice Becky Wesner - Chalice Courtney Blalock - Pyx (loft) Amanda Gudorf - Chalice (loft)	Alison Collignon - Paten Courtney Blalock - Chalice Faith Schaefer - Chalice Alison Collignon - Pyx (loft) Courtney Blalock - Chalice (loft)	Jessica Fischer - Paten Caleb Mohr - Paten Kathy Ruxer - Paten David Fromme - Chalice Brienne Hopf - Chalice Jerry Sitzman - Chalice Martha Sitzman - Chalice Jessica Fischer - Pyx (loft) Brienne Hopf - Chalice (loft)
Livestream for <i>Memorare</i> (Camera angle to include statue of Blessed Virgin Mary above BVM altar)	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED
Angelus Bell (Post-Mass)	Ryan Hildenbrand - Bell #1	NOT FILLED - Bell #1	
Hospitality (Post-Mass)	Joe Harper	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED



## AREA AGENCIES

### Catholic Charities Tell City

Sister Michele Intravia, OSU 812-547-0903 (o)

### Knights of Columbus #5599 (SM)

Mr. Rodney Vaal 812-357-7514 (h)

### Martin's Cloak Food Pantry

Mrs. Ramona Gehlhausen 812-309-1256 (m)

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

### OFFICERS

<b>Chair</b>	Amy Dilger
<b>Vice Chair</b>	David Fromme
<b>Secretary</b>	Sue Kloeck
<b>Member-at-Large (SB)</b>	Ellen Haefling
<b>Member-at-Large (SM)</b>	Position open

### COMMISSION CHAIRS

<b>Evangelization and Discipleship</b>	Position open
<b>Facilities and Grounds (SB)</b>	Neil Collignon
<b>Facilities and Grounds (SM)</b>	Jerry Sitzman
<b>Finance (SB)</b>	Shannon Tuley
<b>Finance (SM)</b>	Pam Davis June 30, 2024
<b>Heritage and Marketing (SB)</b>	Position open
<b>Heritage and Marketing (SM)</b>	Position open
<b>Pastoral Ministries and Activities</b>	Position open
<b>Strategic Planning and Stewardship (SB)</b>	Position open
<b>Strategic Planning and Stewardship (SM)</b>	Position open
<b>Service and Outreach</b>	Sue Kloeck June 30, 2025
<b>Worship</b>	Taylor Blalock June 30, 2027

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

### Bereavement Luncheon Ministry (SB)

Mary Wagner, coordinator 812-357-2002 (h)

### Bereavement Luncheon Ministry (SM)

Dolores Scherzer, coordinator 812-357-2571 (h)

### Cemetery Commission (SB)

[Alan Waninger](#), chair

### Cemetery Commission (SM)

[Brian Greulich](#), chair

### Fall Picnic (SM)

Nancy Graman, chair

### Men's Society (SB)

Jim Gogel, chair

### Ladies Sodality (SB)

Brenda Kleiser, chair

### Summer Picnic (SB)

Position Open, chair

Note: Only landline phones are listed due to the risk of scams.

## ONLINE GIVING: HOW TO GET STARTED



**If you would like to switch to online giving, here are some tips:**

- St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish both use Realm for online giving. It is easy to use and secure.
- With online giving in Realm®, you can make one-time or recurring gifts using debit cards, credit cards, or eChecks (ACH).
- All gifts made online immediately show up in your giving history, along with any other online, text, or offline contributions.

- Whether a new or lifetime parishioner, a friend or neighbor, or an area business that supports the mission and ministry of St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish in Spencer County, Indiana, Realm Online Giving 24/7 and Realm Mobile Giving will work for all your giving needs.
- With Realm Mobile Giving, giving is never out of reach. Parishioners can give online with their mobile phones by signing into Realm from their mobile browser. Realm also takes advantage of mobile phone cameras. iPhone users can save time by scanning a credit card to quickly enter their payment method.
- Here are links to get started:
  - \* <https://sbcatholic.church/sunday-holy-day/>
  - \* <https://smcatholic.church/sunday-holy-day/>
- If you have questions or need help setting up an account, contact the Parish Office at 812-357-5533 or email [info@myparishfamily.church](mailto:info@myparishfamily.church).

### ST. BONIFACE

### ST. MEINRAD

	PARISH CENSUS	
	FY 2025-2026	
169	# of Households	211
389	# of Souls	431
	MASS COUNT	
In-Person	August 4-10, 2025	Livestream
13	Monday	11
13	Tuesday	12
15	Wednesday	6
8	Thursday	8
15	Friday	5
101	Saturday (Vigil for Sunday) 4 p.m.	25
51	Sunday 6 a.m.	17
118	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	14
Church capacity: 360 (SB), 430 (SM)		
	FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP	
Updated 8/19/2025	August 4-10, 2025	
\$235	Online Giving	\$395
\$1,658	Offertory	\$1,169



## HISTORIC ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Listed on National Register of Historic Places

Parish Founded 1847

www.sbcatholic.church



## ST. MEINRAD CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Founded 1861

www.smcatholic.church

One Family In Faith

# Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sanctuary Lamp  
**August 31, 2025**  
Luminary

To make a memorial  
gift for a luminary,  
scan the QR code.



### ORDO (Order of Prayer)

Liturgy of the Hours	II
Lectionary	126
Eucharistic Prayer	II
Mystery of Faith	B

**St Boniface Parish** *+Deceased Members of Paul Conrad and Rosalie (Knable) Linne Family*  
**St. Meinrad Parish** *+Louis William and +Lillian "Bebsy" Helen (Fischer) Schwoeppe*

DATE / TIME	CALENDAR EVENT	LOCATION
<b>SATURDAY, AUGUST 30</b>		
7:00 a.m.	Mass (May - October at 7 a.m.; November - April at 8 a.m.) • <b>Mass begins at 7 a.m. through Saturday, October 25, 2025</b>	Monte Cassino Shrine
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration	Church (SM)
12:15 to 1:00 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
3:15 to 3:45 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the south entrance)	Historic Church (SB)
3:35 p.m.	Rosary (For an increase of vocations to the single chaste life and marriage)	Historic Church (SB)
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Mass +Earl Anthony Peters</b>	<b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
<b>SUNDAY, AUGUST 31</b>		
6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Reserved for Private Group (usage agreement on file)	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
<b>6:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Mass Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People"</b>	<b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
8:05 a.m.	Rosary (For an increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life)	Church (SM)
<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Mass +Eugene "Gene" William Gudorf</b>	<b>Church (SM)</b>
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Mass</b> (Parishioners, pilgrims and guests welcome)	<b>Archabbey Church</b>
<b>MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1</b>		
11:40 a.m.	<b>LABOR DAY (PARISH OFFICE CLOSED)</b>	
<b>12:05 p.m.</b>	Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb) <b>Mass Sanctification of Human Labor</b> (Monday Mass scheduled for 4:15 p.m. is commuted to 12:05 p.m. due to the holiday)	Historic Church (SB) <b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
5:15 to 6:00 p.m.	<b>FOURTH MONDAY OF MONTH:</b> Pastoral Council Officer Meeting	Parish Office: Room G
6:00 to 7:00 p.m.	<b>THIRD MONDAY OF JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH, MAY, JUNE, SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER AND DECEMBER</b> (no meeting April, July, August and November): Pastoral Council Meeting	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
<b>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2</b>		
<b>7:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Mass +Leo B. and +Eulalia Marie (Fischer) Hagedorn</b>	<b>Church (SM)</b>
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Reserved for Team A	Parish Office: Office C
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.	Parish Staff Meeting	Office: Room G-A
6:00 p.m.	NCYC Deanery Chaperone Information Meeting	St. Paul Catholic Church, Tell City
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	<b>FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS OF MONTH:</b> Reserved for formation sessions for sacraments, pastoral counseling and scheduled meetings with pastor	Parish Office: Room H
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	<b>SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAYS OF MONTH:</b> Parish commission meetings	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
<b>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3</b>		
8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	St. Meinrad Parish Annual Fall Picnic Soup Container Cleaning	Parish Center (SB)
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction)	Church (SM)
3:15 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
<b>4:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Mass +Leander Claude and +Elizabeth "Betty" Louise (Borho) Wollenmann</b>	<b>Church (SM)</b>
5:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Church (SM)
<b>6:15 to 7:15 p.m.</b>	<b>F3 Programs and Activities for Kindergarten - Grade 6</b>	<b>Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)</b>
<b>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4</b>		
8:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Church cleaning	Church (SM)
11:40 a.m.	Rosary (For increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life)	<b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
12 Noon to 9:00 p.m.	Reserved for family celebration (usage agreement on file)	Church (SM)
12 Noon to 9:00 p.m.	Reserved for family celebration (usage agreement on file)	Parish Office: Rooms E, F, G, LL
<b>12:05 p.m.</b>	<b>Mass +Bruno Carl Heckel</b>	<b>Historic Church (SB)</b>
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM)
<b>FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5</b>		
<b>7:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Mass +Richard Norman and +Suzanne "Suzy" Marie (Stewart) Lutz</b>	<b>Church (SM)</b>
9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Reserved for family celebration (usage agreement on file)	Church (SM)
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	St. Meinrad Parish Annual Fall Picnic Soup Container Cleaning	Parish Center (SB)

Upcoming Events In Our Parish Family

Ministries, Programs & Activities



# Dear Padre,

***My wife mentioned that neither the Book of Mormon nor the Catholic Bible mentions purgatory. Please comment.***

A not-uncommon frustration is when a person searches the Bible for a particular word or phrasing. Frankly, it is expecting too much from the religious text to be able to faithfully record a particular word or phrase that originated hundreds of years after the ancient text was composed. Purgatory is one such example of this frustration. The concept of purgatory is referenced in the biblical text, particularly in 2 Corinthians 5:10 and 7:1, Hebrews 9:27 and 12:14, and 2 Maccabees 12:46, but the word is never used.

This should come as no real surprise because it was not until the writings of St. Thomas Aquinas (1225–1274) that the concept was expanded and formed into a theological statement of belief that has become central to Roman Catholicism. And what is that belief? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* is clear: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned” (CCC, 1030, 1031a). The Book of Mormon never references purgatory, but it does speak about the afterlife and the experience of “waiting” in the spirit world for the completion of earthly time. ●

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## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

***The narrow door is an image that could scare us, as if salvation is destined for only a select few, or for perfect people. But...a little further ahead, [Jesus] confirms, “Men will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.”***

***Therefore, this door is narrow, but is open to everyone!***

**ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 21, 2022**

### Monday

August 25

Weekday

1 Thes 1:1–5, 8b–10

Mt 23:13–22

### Tuesday

August 26

Weekday

1 Thes 2:1–8

Mt 23:23–26

### Wednesday

August 27

St. Monica

1 Thes 2:9–13

Mt 23:27–32

### Thursday

August 28

St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

1 Thes 3:7–13

Mt 24:42–51

### Friday

August 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

1 Thes 4:1–8

Mk 6:17–29

### Saturday

August 30

Weekday

1 Thes 4:9–11

Mt 25:14–30

### Sunday

August 31

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 3:17–18, 20, 28–29

Heb 12:18–19, 22–24a

Lk 14:1, 7–14

