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The Church in Central and Southern Indiana



ST. MEINRAD CATHOLIC CHURCH

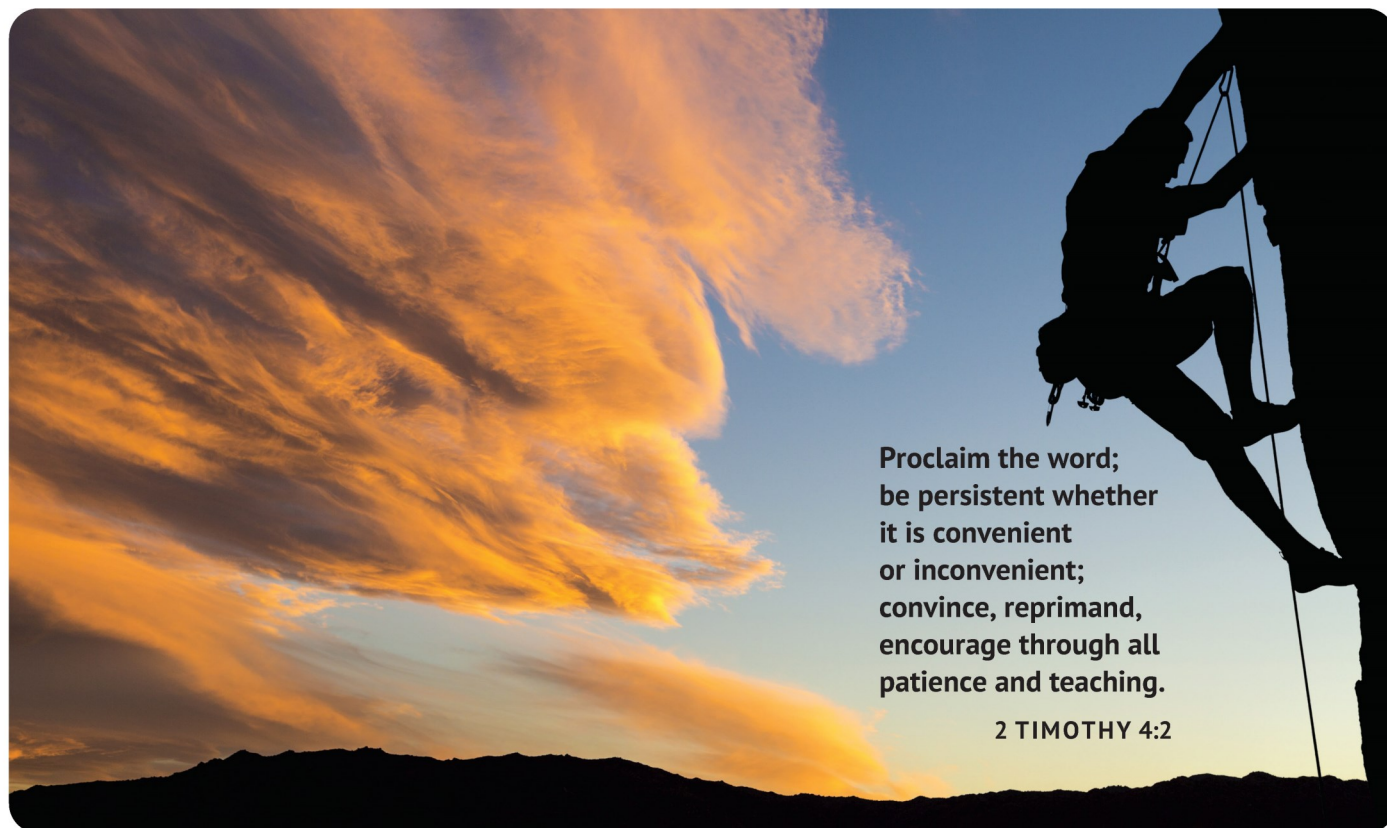
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October 19, 2025

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Exodus 17:8–13 / 2 Timothy 3:14–4:2 / Luke 18:1–8

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Proclaim the word;
be persistent whether
it is convenient
or inconvenient;
convince, reprimand,
encourage through all
patience and teaching.

2 TIMOTHY 4:2

The Widow God

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

I have a friend who likes to say that God always answers prayers; it's just that sometimes God says "no." He'll say that not always getting what

we pray for seems to fit the way life is. My difficulty with that piece of religious folk wisdom is that God then comes off as someone who sits around sorting out answers to prayers from the billions of daily requests sent God's way. When I object to my friend's saying, he's quick to remind me that God wants us to pray. Doesn't this week's parable about the widow who plagues the dishonest judge say just that? Don't give up praying. Yet God isn't like a dishonest judge who cares not for any human being. It also presumes that the sheer multiplication of words sent God's way increases the chances that we'll get a positive hearing,

and that God needs to be convinced to do good for us, or at least what we presume is good. But then that presumes that we know better than God.

So perhaps God is not like the judge but like the widow, continually pleading that we might give him a hearing. The purpose of our prayer, then, is not to get God to do what we want, but rather to open ourselves to what God wants for us. That does take some trust, but don't we believe that God knows us better than we know ourselves? That's why the parable ends with the question, "When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?" ●

Reflect

When I talk to God, do I also listen?

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One Family In Faith

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sanctuary Lamp
October 19, 2025
Luminary

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ORDO (Order of Prayer)

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| Liturgy of the Hours | I |
| Lectionary | 147 |
| Eucharistic Prayer | II |
| Mystery of Faith | C |

St Boniface Parish *Living Members of the 1847 Society*
St. Meinrad Parish *+Robert "Bob" Joseph Heeke*

| DATE / TIME | CALENDAR EVENT | LOCATION |
|---|---|--|
| THIS WEEKEND IS INTENTION WEEKEND FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE'S UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL | | |
| SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18 | | |
| 7:00 a.m. | Mass (May - October at 7 a.m.; November - April at 8 a.m.) *Mass begins at 7 a.m. through Saturday, October 25, 2025 | Monte Cassino Shrine |
| 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. | Eucharistic Adoration | 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) |
| 4:00 p.m. | Mass +Paul Louis Harpenau (Anniversary of Death) | Historic Church (SB) |
| SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19 | TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | |
| 6:00 a.m. | Mass Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People" | Historic Church (SB) |
| 8:05 a.m. | Rosary (For an increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life) | Church (SM) |
| 8:30 a.m. | Mass +Hilbert "Hip" Stephen and +Alberta "Bert" Mary (Vaal) Graman | Church (SM) |
| 8:40 a.m. | Children's Liturgy of the Word | Church (SM) |
| 9:30 a.m. | Mass (parishioners, pilgrims and guests welcome) | Archabbey Church |
| MONDAY, OCTOBER 20 | | |
| 3:50 p.m. | Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb) | Historic Church (SB) |
| 4:15 p.m. | Mass +Frank Lee Rahman (Anniversary of Birth) * Third Monday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council * Fourth Monday, 5:15 to 6 P.M. Pastoral Council Officers <i>No meetings in April, July, August, November</i> | Historic Church (SB) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 Parish Office: Room G |
| TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21 | | |
| 7:15 a.m. | Mass +John Henry Kunkler Sr. (Anniversary of Death), +Anna Mae (Becher) Kunkler (Anniversary of Birth), and +Brandon Michael Kunkler (Anniversary of Death) | Church (SM) Parish Office: Office C Parish Office: Room G-A Parish Office: Room H |
| 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. | Reserved for Team C | |
| 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. | Parish Staff Meeting * First and third Tuesdays of month, 6 to 7:30 p.m. <i>Formation sessions for sacraments and pastoral counseling</i> * Second and fourth Tuesdays of Month, 6 to 7:30 p.m. <i>Parish Commission Meetings</i> | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 |
| WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22 | | |
| 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. | Mass +Walter Martin Troesch (Anniversary of Birth) | Church (SM) |
| 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. | Church reserved for liturgical music practice | Church (SM) |
| 6:15 to 7:20 p.m. | F3 Programs and Activities for Kindergarten - Grade 6 | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) |
| 6:15 to 7:20 p.m. | F3 Programs and Activities for Grades 7-9 | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) |
| THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23 | | |
| 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. | Church cleaning | Church (SM) |
| 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. | Private event (usage agreement on file) | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) |
| 11:40 a.m. | Rosary (For increased vocations to priesthood, diaconate & consecrated life) | Church (SB) |
| 12:05 p.m. | Mass +Mildred Frances (Sitzman) Holtzman | Historic Church (SB) |
| 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. | Church reserved for liturgical music practice | Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM) |
| FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24 | | |
| 7:15 a.m. | Mass +Gerald Erwin Jacob | Church (SM) |
| 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. | Private event (usage agreement on file) | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) |

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

PARISH WEBSITES

sbcatholic.church
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

PARISH STAFF

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| Reception/Main Number | Monday-Wednesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday 9 to 11 a. m. | 812-357-5533 |
| <i>To email a staff member: Use first name, first initial of last name, @myparishfamily.church</i> | | |
| 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 | <i>Actively seeking to fill position</i> | 812-357-6058 |
| Office Assistant | Ms. Teresa Ippoliti | 812-357-6059 |
| Parish Office Custodial Services | Ms. Sue Wiederkehr | 812-357-6053 |
| Parish Secretary | <i>Position open</i> | 812-357-6051 |
| Pastor | Father Paul Nord, OSB | 812-357-6739 |
| Permanent Deacon | Deacon Mike Fish | 812-357-6055 |
| Sacramental Assistant | Father Joseph Cox, OSB | 812-357-5533 |
| Sacramental Assistant | Father Michael Reyes, OSB | 812-357-5533 |
| Seminarian Intern | Seminarian Kris Garlitch | 812-357-6611 |
| Cemetery Sexton <i>Records and Plot Sales</i> | <i>Actively seeking to fill position</i> | 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 or 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](#).

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
- St. Meinrad: 3rd Sunday in September
smcatholic.church/fall-picnic

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

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
Office Closed Holy Days and Observed Holidays

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.





October 'Wish List' for Families Served by Catholic Charities Tell City



The October "Wish List" for Catholic Charities Tell City is **soup and Vienna sausages in pop-top cans.**

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](mailto:Ms.SueKloeck), Service and Outreach Commission Chair.

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October 'Wish List' for North Spencer Community Action Center



The October "Wish List" for North Spencer Community Action Center is **canned tuna and canned chicken.**

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.

For more information, contact [Ms. Sue Kloeck](mailto:Ms.SueKloeck), 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

October: For collaboration between different religious traditions



"That all may be one" (John 17:21). Lord, how difficult your word is for me today! It is a call to fraternity and therefore a call to openness to your Father who is the Father of all.

Lord, give us the understanding in our hearts that only with the awareness of being children who are not orphans can we live in peace with one another.

You are one God, living and active in the world... But how hard it is for us to find agreement among those of different religions! We need your grace to recognize and value the many things we have in common and to realize that it is possible to find a way of living together in serenity, order, and peace.

You are the starting point, the gaze of God, your gaze, because you look with the heart and love each person regardless of their religion. We bring before you our desire to work together for the common good, to accompany life, sustain hope, and be signs of unity. Lord, make us artisans of peace! Amen.

Join Us in the Ministry of Prayer

Recent Prayer Requests Received

Updated October 16, 2025

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

- For the repose of the souls of John and Jamie (Wethington) Adkins and for God's mercy and compassion to all impacted by their deaths, especially their immediate families. (10/16)
- For God's care and protection of all law enforcement personnel, EMTs and first responders, especially those who serve in our local area. (10/16)
- Mother and unborn baby, St. Meinrad Parish, safe and healthy delivery (10/15)
- Delores W, St. Meinrad Parish, recovery from brain bleed without surgery (10/6)
- Sharon S, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (9/30)
- David B, St. Boniface Parish, health and healing (9/30)
- Claire B and family, daughter of Eric and Rachel B, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (9/17)

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.

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Grades 7-12 Invited to Youth Group Halloween Party on October 26



Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to a Halloween party on Sunday, October 26, 2025, from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the St. Boniface Parish Center.

Events include pumpkin decorating, saint costume contest (dress as your favorite saint and win a prize!), and tacos.

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

Make Plans to Attend Cemetery Service and All Saints Day Mass



The Masses for All Saints Day will be Friday, October 31, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church (vigil Mass) and on Saturday, November 1, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church.

The Mass for All Souls' Day will be the regular Sunday schedule. Reading of the Honor Roll will follow the homily with candles lit for each deceased in the past year.

Also, candles honoring this past year's deceased are available for pickup after Mass or during the day, near the Mary and Joseph altars. Please use the handicap entrance.

The annual prayer services for the commemoration of the faithful departed will be on Saturday, October 25, at 5 p.m. at St. Boniface Cemetery (following the 4 p.m. Mass) and on Sunday, October 26, at 9:30 a.m. at St. Meinrad Cemetery (after the 8:30 a.m. Mass).

After the blessing at the cemetery's large crucifix, the priest or deacon will visit family graves to offer a blessing.



Patriot Doubles Team Wins Individual Sectional Title

Congratulations to Heritage Hills' #1 Doubles Tennis team, which won their individual sectional title over Evansville Central on October 7.

Great job, Marshall Snyder of St. Boniface Parish and Brayden Oxley, nephew of Jodi Fetter of St. Meinrad Parish. They will play the winner of the

Brownsburg Sectional on Saturday, October 18.

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Monte Cassino Pilgrimages Planned for Sundays in October



Saint Meinrad Archabbey's pilgrimages to honor the Blessed Mother at the Monte Cassino Shrine have been scheduled for each Sunday in October. The pilgrimages begin with an opening hymn and a short sermon, followed by a rosary procession.

The services end with the Litany of the Blessed Virgin and a hymn.

Speakers and topics for the pilgrimages are:

- October 19 – Br. Jean Fish, OSB, "Mary: A Model for Friendship"
- October 26 – Fr. Michael Reyes, OSB, "Behold the Handmaid of the Lord"

Services begin at 2 p.m. Central Time. The public is welcome. The Monte Cassino Shrine is located one mile east of the Archabbey on State Road 62 in Saint Meinrad.

For more information, call Krista Hall during business hours at 812-357-6501. For updates on the day of the event, call 812-357-6611.

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Fulda Trick-or-Treat Planned for Sunday, October 26



The Fulda 4-H Club and the Spencer County Jr. Leaders will lead youth through Fulda on Sunday, October 26, 2025, for trick or treating.

Everyone can gather at 11 a.m. at St. Boniface Parish parking lot and basketball court to begin.

Anyone not on the trick-or-treat route through town is welcome to join the fun, view costumes, and hand out treats to the trick or treaters. Join the line on

the basketball court, and the children will pass by as they start the walk through town. For more information, contact [Vickie Snyder](#).

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St. Meinrad American Legion to Sell Barbecue Chicken, Pork Chop Meals

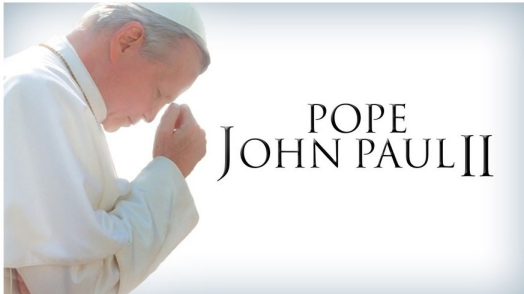
St. Meinrad American Legion Post #366 will sell barbecue chicken and pork chop dinners on Sunday, October 26, 2025, beginning at 7 a.m. until the dinners are sold out.

The dinner includes cole slaw, German fries, and green beans. Cost is \$15 per dinner. For more information, contact the Legion at 812-357-5583.

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This Week on Formed

Week of October 19, 2025



Pope John Paul II

Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.



Slaves and Kings

Following the life of St. Anthony Mary Clare—Archbishop, writer, publisher, social reformer, and confessor to the Queen of Spain—this film tells the compelling story of one of Spain's most popular preachers and founder of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

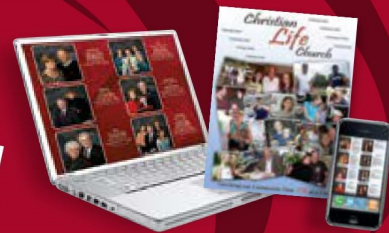


Saint John Paul II | Lukas Storyteller

Lukas, tired of seeing the same bored look on his friends' faces, decides to tell them a captivating story. Not just any story, but a tale of a young Karol Wojtyła, who would one day become Pope John Paul II! The kids wouldn't believe the adventures young Karol had, and how they would inspire them to create their own unforgettable day.

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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.

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*Gathering families,
Connecting generations.*



More Photo Dates Have Been Added!

New Dates: Thursday - Saturday, December 4-6, 2025

St. Boniface and St. Meinrad parishioners can make a photo appointment online for the new parish directory by searching for **"directory"** on the parish website.

If you need assistance with making an appointment, call the Parish Office at 812-357-5533. Appointments are now available on Thursday through Saturday, December 4-6, 2025, at the St. Boniface Parish Center in Fulda.

If you have questions, please [contact Jessica Fischer](#), Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator.



PASTOR'S LETTER

God's People Should be Firm in Faith and Persistent in Prayer

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, C

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13; Response: Psalm 121:1-8; Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2; Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At this weekend's Masses, we are showing a short video about this year's "United Catholic Appeal" for our Archdiocese.

Additional information can be found in this week's bulletin — including a special inserted envelope about the UCA.

Next weekend (25-26 October), we will have All Souls' Prayer Services in St. Boniface Cemetery after the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass, and in St. Meinrad Cemetery after the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

If you can come, please do. Perhaps invite your family also. It is a beautiful opportunity to remember and honor our loved ones who sleep in Christ. If you wish, Deacon Mike Fish and I will pray with you at the graves of your loved ones who are buried in our parish cemeteries. Together we await Jesus Christ's return in glory, when those who sleep in Christ will rise to new life in God.

Going forward, I plan to continue attaching my weekly "Sunday Scripture" column written for the diocesan newspapers of Evansville and Belleville Dioceses. Below is my column for this week.

This Exodus reading occurs after God rescues his people Israel from Egypt. Despite their new freedom, the Israelites grumble against God in the wilderness. In response, God provides them with food and water. After this, there is a battle between Amalek and the Israelites, which is today's reading (Exodus 17:8-13).

The same event is mentioned in Deuteronomy 25:17-18: "Bear in mind what Amalek did to you on the journey after you left Egypt, how he surprised you along the way, weak and weary as you were... he did not fear God." The Amalekites were descendants of Esau, the brother of the patriarch Jacob. Thus, they were distant

relatives of the Israelites.

Joshua was Moses' trusted assistant. Moses charges Joshua with leading the Israelites into battle against Amalek. Moses has a more important task to do – seeking God's protection of the Israelites during the battle. Standing on top of a hill, Moses raises high "the staff of God" in his hand. Moses' staff is first mentioned in Exodus 4:2-4, where God commands Moses to throw his staff on the ground, whereupon God miraculously turns the staff into a snake. In this way, God gives Moses a sign to convince the Israelites that Moses is sent by God. Thereafter, Moses – or his brother Aaron – performed additional signs with this staff, always at God's command.

Aaron struck the Nile with the staff, and the Nile's water turned into blood (7:20). The staff was also used when God sent the plagues of frogs, gnats, hail, and locusts (Exodus 8-10).

In 14:16-22, God commands Moses to stretch out his staff over the Red Sea, and then God splits the sea into two for the Israelites to pass safely through. Lastly, in 17:5, God commands Moses to strike the rock in Horeb with his staff, whereupon God provides water from the rock for the Israelites to drink.

In today's reading, God does not command Moses to stretch out his staff over the battle versus the Amalekites. Rather, this is apparently Moses' idea – unlike the examples described above. Still, Moses' actions have the desired result. "As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight" (17:1). Because of this, when the Israelites finally won the battle, they knew that this came not by their own might, but by God's power. The image of Aaron and Hur supporting Moses' hands is quite striking.

Today's responsorial psalm begins with an image and question: "I lift up my eyes toward the mountains; whence [from where] shall help come to me?" The answer follows: "My help is from the LORD, who made heaven and earth." The psalm develops this image of God as a protector. The second stanza begins with the prayer:

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October Birthdays

- 1 Betty Buechler
- 2 Irene Greulich, Amy Dilger, Karen Springston, Tim Fetter
- 3 Lee Niehaus
- 4 Carol Troesch, Steve Troesch, Tom Gravatte, Mary VanHoosier, Grady Johannemann, Lisa Brinksneider
- 5 David Fromme, Raphael Schaefer, Randy Hedinger, Jan Gogel
- 6 Julia Lutz, Tony Waninger
- 7 Darlene Brown, David Schaefer, Derek Scherzer, Joe Lasher, Tina Boehm
- 8 Denise Richlen, Aidan Haefling, Phyllis Roos
- 9 Dolores Scherzer, Carol Schwoeppe, George Schaefer
- 10 Janet Braunecker, Mary Schilling
- 11 Edmund Sitzman, Benny Rickelman, Faith Schaefer
- 12 Diane Flaherty, J.D. Springston, Jonathan Brandes
- 13 Martha Demuth, Lydia Fromme, Taylor Forler
- 14 Delores Welp
- 15 Cameron Klem, Tyler Scherzer, Logan Woebkenberg
- 16 Cora Fischer, Dave Schaefer
- 18 Gary Scherzer, Carter Welp, Deb Schum
- 19 Ginger Mullis, Kelly Greulich, Kyson Sitzman
- 20 Claudia Ebert, Lilly Gruber, Cody Tempel
- 21 Mary Jo Vaal, Ty Weyer, Ed Haefling
- 22 Kelly Cassidy
- 23 Michael Altman, Ruth Ann Denning, Brody Berg, Jake Arnold
- 24 Ellen Haefling, Lillian Musgrave
- 25 Mary Ellen Seifrig, Leah Woebkenberg, Debbie Zimmerman
- 26 Mildred Troesch, Jeff Mohr, Diana Gogel, Janice Gramelspacher, Kade Hildenbrand, Beckett Kress, Kenny Waninger
- 28 Brian Greulich, Ashley Schroer
- 29 Gerald Wiederkehr, Marilyn Mullis
- 30 Janice Denning, Noah Collignon, Jim Gogel, Ryan Waninger
- 31 Linda Gatwood, Amanda Gudorf



The Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson
Archdiocese of Indianapolis
1400 N. Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202-2367
317-236-1403

Make A Difference Today:

- **Online:** Scan QR code below to make a one-time or recurring gift using debit card or credit card, and ACH (US only).
- **Envelope Packet:** An envelope for the World Mission Sunday Collection is included in your monthly packet.
- **Reminder:** Please make your check payable to the parish church, clearly marking in the memo: **World Mission Sunday #4028.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Sunday, October 19, we celebrate World Mission Sunday, a powerful reminder of our shared responsibility to proclaim the Gospel to all nations. It is a day when Catholics around the world unite in prayer and solidarity to support the missionary work of the Church. This year's theme, "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples," is particularly moving because, even though it was chosen by Pope Francis, it reflects both the heart of our faith and the vision of our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV.

Pope Leo XIV, who spent most of his priestly ministry as a missionary in the remote regions of Peru, reminds us that The Pontifical Mission Societies are "the primary means for awakening missionary responsibility among all the baptized, supporting ecclesial communities in areas where the Church is young." His personal witness deepens the meaning of this year's celebration, inviting us all to renew our commitment to the Church's mission in the world.

The second collection for World Mission Sunday supports the work of The Pontifical Mission Societies, the Pope's official means of assisting Catholic communities in the world's poorest and most remote regions. Our contributions provide essential resources for the Church's mission: the formation of seminarians and religious sisters and brothers, the training of lay catechists, the education of children in Catholic schools, medical care in Church-run hospitals and clinics, and construction of churches and parish centers where the faithful can gather for worship and grow in their relationship with the Lord Jesus.

Let us go forth as Missionaries of Hope bringing God's love and mercy to all people. Thank you for your prayers and generosity to the collection for World Mission Sunday.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *Charles C. Thompson*

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Archbishop of Indianapolis



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"May he not suffer your foot to slip; may he slumber not who guards you." The next line affirms that God, "the guardian of Israel," will do this.

The third stanza speaks to the experience of anyone who has suffered intense sunlight. It says: "the LORD is your shade." Indeed, the Lord protects from sunlight and moonlight: "The sun shall not harm you by day, nor the moon by night." God "made heaven and earth" – he can and will guard us from all harm.

Note the repeated "guardian" language: "The LORD is *your guardian*." "The LORD will *guard you* from all evil; he will *guard your life*. The LORD will *guard your coming* and your going."

In the next reading, Paul gives Timothy this exhortation: "Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed." Since Timothy had a Jewish mother, he had been well educated "from infancy" in "the sacred Scriptures" – that is, the Old Testament. This gives Timothy a good foundation for "faith in Christ Jesus," whom the prophets foretold.

"All Scripture is inspired by God" is a favorite text for "*sola scriptura*" Protestant Christians, but we should note that Paul insists that Scripture makes us "equipped for every good work." Thus, our faith should be expressed in good works.

More exhortations follow. First: "proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient." Proclaiming the Gospel of Christ requires persistence through difficulties. Second: "convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching." These exhortations suggest that Timothy was pastoring a Christian community for an extended time. Patience would be necessary. The ancient Christian historian Eusebius records that Timothy was the first Bishop of Ephesus. In this leadership role,

Timothy would have discerned when to encourage and when to reprimand his people – as this text suggests.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about how a widow forces a "dishonest judge" to render for her "a just decision." This is a surprising outcome because the widow was powerless, while the judge held a powerful position. Despite this, the widow's persistence secures a just decision. Jesus then contrasts the "dishonest judge" versus God, who will answer our prayers with speedy justice.

Now we return to the narrator comment that Luke makes before the parable began. Luke tells us that the parable's lesson is: "about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary." Therefore, the widow's persistence is a model for us to be persistent in prayer. While the widow is petitioning a dishonest judge, we are petitioning a good and merciful God who attends to our prayers.

Jesus ends his parable with a curious comment about "the Son of Man." By calling himself "the Son of Man," Jesus is proclaiming that he is an agent of God's justice. Jesus fulfills Messianic prophecy that foretells the arrival of God's kingdom. Until then, God's faithful people suffer in anticipation.

This fits with Jesus' parable, which emphasizes that God's people should persevere in prayer, even through difficulty. Such difficulties test our faith. This explains Jesus' question: "But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" Jesus' disciples should be firm in faith and persistent in prayer.

In Christ Jesus,

Father Paul, OSB



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The Church in Central and Southern Indiana

From Sports to Sacraments

Thomas Robbins wasn't looking for faith—just friends and fun. But through intramural sports, an outreach of the Office of Young Adult and College Campus Ministry, he found authentic community and a path to Christ. Ten years later, on June 22, he entered the Catholic Church in full communion.

Your gift to the **United Catholic Appeal** helps lead young people like Thomas to Christ.

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New Emergency Phone Number Available for Contacting Priest

To provide the best response to "in danger of death" or sacramental emergencies, such as impending deaths and emergency infant baptisms, a new direct phone number is now available for parishioner use.

For sacramental emergencies at any time, call 812-357-6600.

During office hours, this number will ring at the Parish Office. After hours, it will ring at the Archabbey Switchboard or Security Office.

This number has been provided to hospital chaplains, long-term care centers, and hospice personnel to ensure immediate access to the parish priest on call.

When calling, please be prepared to provide your name, location, and contact information. Father Paul or the priest on call will respond as soon as possible.

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Trunk or Treat Scheduled for Friday, October 31, at St. Meinrad Parish



The annual Trunk or Treat has been scheduled for Friday, October 31, 2025, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the St. Meinrad Catholic Church parking lot.

Volunteers are needed to host trunks. Please RSVP to [jessica.fischer](mailto:jessica.fischer@smccatholic.church) by Monday, October 27.

Prizes will be awarded for best theme, most creative, and best overall.

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Winner Named in Fulda Development Cash Bonanza



Thank you to all who supported the 2025 Fulda Development Cash Bonanza drawings, making this year's fundraiser a huge success.

Congratulations to our first \$500 winner, Karen Kern, and good luck to all participants in the upcoming weeks.

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Celebrate Respect Life Month with Gift to Support Local Agencies



In October, the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is designated as Respect Life Sunday.

Make a gift to support local agencies whose mission and ministry align with ours through the end of October by using the designated envelope in the

October envelope packet or by scanning the QR code.

Please make sure your check is payable to your parish, clearly marking in the memo: **RLS Fund # 4046**. Gifts may also be dropped off at the parish office using the convenient slot located below the window of the door in the carport.

- [Catholic Charities Tell City](http://CatholicCharitiesTellCity.com)
- [Spencer County Right to Life](http://SpencerCountyRightToLife.org)
- [Little Way Pregnancy Cetner of Kentuckiana](http://LittleWayPregnancyCetnerofKentuckiana.org)
- [St. Elizabeth | Coleman Pregnancy and Adoption Services of Southern Indiana](http://St.ElizabethColemanPregnancyandAdoptionServicesofSouthernIndiana.org)



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Open House Planned for Trotter House of Spencer County



You are invited to attend the grand opening and open house of Trotter House of Spencer County on Saturday, November 1, 2025, at 2827 W State Road 66, Suite G, in Rockport, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Trotter House is a Christ-centered pregnancy and family resource center dedicated to walking alongside women, men, and families in the community.

Trotter House Spencer County provides

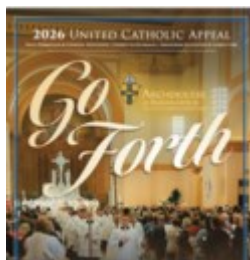
free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, mentoring, life skills courses, fatherhood resources, a baby boutique, community referrals, adoption referrals and a biblically based abortion recovery program – all with the mission of strengthening families and offering hope in the name of Christ.

This open house is an opportunity to tour the new facility, meet the team, and learn how local churches, organizations, and individuals can partner with Trotter House to bring life-affirming support to families in Spencer County.

For more information, visit the website, <https://www.thosc.org/>.

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Your Gift to United Catholic Appeal Will Assist Archdiocesan Ministries



The weekend of October 18-19 is the archdiocesan annual United Catholic Appeal (UCA) intention weekend for St. Boniface and St. Meinrad parishes.

The archdiocesan goal for this year's appeal is \$6.3 million. The money will be distributed to ministries and organizations throughout central and southern Indiana, providing help that

no single parish or deanery could independently offer.

If you have not yet made a gift, intention cards will be available at all Masses this weekend. You can learn more by searching for "United Catholic Appeal 2026" on the parish websites.

Or scan the QR code to make your gift now.



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Visit the parish website for more News and Events:
sbccatholic.church or smccatholic.church



TRUNK-OR-TREAT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025
5:30-7 PM (CENTRAL)

MUSIC • GAMES • PRIZES

Trunk Decorating Contest

We need volunteers to host trunks!

RSVP by October 27, 2025

jessicaf@myparishfamily.church

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MOST CREATIVE
BEST OVERALL



St. Meinrad Parish Parking Lot

19630 4th Street
St. Meinrad, IN 47577


FREE FAMILY FUN!

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.

|  Liturgical Ministry Schedule Ministry Scheduler Pro | Saturday, October 18 at 4 p.m. Vigil Mass for Sunday Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church | Sunday, October 19 at 6 a.m. Mass for Sunday Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church | Sunday, October 19 at 8:30 a.m. Mass for Sunday St. Meinrad Catholic Church |
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| | | | |
| Porter | Ryan Hildenbrand Kyler Hildenbrand | LeeRay Tempel Clara Tempel | Alex Graman Jeff Graman |
| Sacristan | Courtney Blalock | Brian Meunier | Janelle Brentlinger Mike Brentlinger |
| 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 NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #2 LeeRay Tempel - Tower Bell #3 | |
| Livestream for Rosary | NOT FILLED | | NOT FILLED |
| Rosary Leader | Amanda Gudorf Carol J. Waninger | | NOT FILLED |
| Livestream for Mass | NOT FILLED | NOT FILLED | NOT FILLED |
| Hospitality (Greeters) | Karen Peters - Main Door | NOT FILLED - Main Door | Nancy Graman and Gary Graman - Main Door |
| Priest | Father Paul Nord, OSB - Principal Celebrant | Father Paul Nord, OSB - Principal Celebrant | Father Paul Nord, OSB - Principal Celebrant |
| Deacon | NOT FILLED | NOT FILLED | NOT FILLED |
| Acolyte of the Altar | Parker Gudorf | Marshall Snyder | J.D. Brentlinger |
| Acolyte of the Word | Waylon J. Wampler Wyatt A. Wampler | Tanner Wilson | Chloe Mohr |
| Crucifer (Cross Bearer) | Charlotte Sitzman | Beckett Kress | Lyla Kate Gray |
| Candle Bearer | Edmund Sitzman Livy Schaefer | Liam Kress Ayla Schroer | Avery Beier Eli Gentry |
| Proclamation of the Word | Karen Peters - First Reading Pam Davis - Second Reading Michelle Blalock - Prayer of the Faithful | Vickie Snyder - First Reading Faith Schaefer - Second Reading Marshall Snyder - Prayer of the Faithful | Karen Springston - First Reading Leah Brentlinger - Second Reading Carol Schwoeppe - 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 Michael Gudorf Kasen Hildenbrand | Denny Rickelman Pat Berg Jim Mullis NOT FILLED | Jeff Ebert Gary Graman Peyton Gray Hunter Gray |
| 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) | Michelle Blalock - Paten Amanda Gudorf - Paten Karen Peters - Paten Pam Davis - Chalice Maddie Gudorf - Chalice Carsten King - Chalice Becky Wesner - Chalice Michelle Blalock - Pyx (loft) Carsten King - Chalice (loft) | Michelle Blalock - Paten Courtney Blalock - Chalice Marshall Snyder - Chalice Michelle Blalock - Pyx (loft) Courtney Blalock - Chalice (loft) | Marlin Flaherty - Paten Caleb Mohr - Paten Martha Sitzman - Paten Ben Ebert - Chalice Brienne Hopf - Chalice Carol Schwoeppe - Chalice Jerry Sitzman - Chalice Caleb Mohr - 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 |

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AREA AGENCIES

Catholic Charities Tell City

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

Knights of Columbus #5599 (SM)

Mr. Luke Mullis 812-660-0913 (m)

Martin's Cloak Food Pantry

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL

OFFICERS

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

COMMISSION CHAIRS

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Evangelization and Discipleship | Position open |
| Facilities and Grounds (SB) | Neil Collignon |
| Facilities and Grounds (SM) | Jerry Sitzman |
| Finance (SB) | Shannon Tuley |
| Finance (SM) | Pam Davis |
| Heritage and Marketing (SB) | Position open |
| Heritage and Marketing (SM) | Position open |
| Pastoral Ministries and Activities | Position open |
| Strategic Planning and Stewardship (SB) | Position open |
| Strategic Planning and Stewardship (SM) | Position open |
| Service and Outreach | Sue Kloeck |
| Worship | Taylor Blalock |

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:
sbcatholic.church/sunday-holy-day/
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.

ST. BONIFACE

ST. MEINRAD

| | PARISH CENSUS | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| | FY 2025-2026 | |
| 176 | # of Households | 224 |
| 430 | # of Souls | 456 |
| | MASS COUNT | |
| In-Person | September 29 - October 5, 2025 | Livestream |
| 16 | Monday | 16 |
| 15 | Tuesday | N/A |
| 11 | Wednesday | 9 |
| 14 | Thursday | 13 |
| 17 | Friday | 10 |
| 96 | Saturday (Vigil for Sunday) 4 p.m. | 37 |
| 59 | Sunday 6 a.m. | 12 |
| 139 | Sunday 8:30 a.m. | 18 |
| Church capacity: 360 (SB), 430 (SM) | | |
| | FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP | |
| Updated 10/13/2025 | September 29 - October 5, 2025 | |
| \$335 | Online Giving | \$845 |
| \$1,430 | Offertory | \$1,827 |

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One Family In Faith

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sanctuary Lamp
October 26, 2025
Luminary

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



| ORDO (Order of Prayer) | |
|------------------------|-----|
| Liturgy of the Hours | II |
| Lectionary | 150 |
| Eucharistic Prayer | III |
| Mystery of Faith | A |

St Boniface Parish **+Deceased Members of +Paul Conrad and +Rosalie (Knable) Linne Family**
St. Meinrad Parish **+Sandra Kay VanHoosier**

| DATE / TIME | CALENDAR EVENT | LOCATION |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25 | | |
| 7:00 a.m. | Mass (May - October at 7 a.m.; November - April at 8 a.m.) • Mass begins at 7 a.m. through Saturday, October 25, 2025 | Monte Cassino Shrine |
| 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. | Eucharistic Adoration | Church (SM) |
| 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. | Private Event (usage agreement on file) | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) |
| 12:15 to 1:00 p.m. | Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance) | Church (SM) |
| 1:30 p.m. | Sacrament of Marriage: Mary Ruth Puckett and Eddison Kenneth Peters | Historic Church (SB) |
| 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) |
| 4:00 p.m. | Mass +Deceased Members of +Hugo Joseph and +Ardella Marie (Rickelman) Beier Family | Historic Church (SB) |
| 4:10 p.m. | Children's Liturgy of the Word | Historic Church (SB) |
| 5:00 p.m. | Cemetery Blessing for All Souls' Day | St. Boniface Cemetery |
| SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 | THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | |
| 6:00 a.m. | Mass Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People" | Historic Church (SB) |
| 8:05 a.m. | Rosary (For an increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life) | Church (SM) |
| 8:30 a.m. | Mass +Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender | Church (SM) |
| 8:40 a.m. | Children's Liturgy of the Word | Church (SM) |
| 9:30 p.m. | Cemetery Blessing for All Souls' Day | St. Meinrad Cemetery |
| 9:30 a.m. | Mass (Parishioners, pilgrims and guests welcome) | Archabbey Church |
| 10:30 a.m. | Sacrament of Baptism: Lane Alan Luebbehusen [Parents: Klint Alan and Mariah Dawn (Zogelman) Luebbehusen Godparents: Chance Michael Zogelman and Fulda Trick or Treat - begins at Parish Center - west parking Youth Group (CYO) Halloween Party | Church (SM) Celia Lynn (Berg) Luebbehusen] Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) |
| 11:00 a.m. | Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb) | Historic Church (SB) |
| 6 to 7:30 p.m. | Mass +Helen Marie (Collignon) Gunn | Historic Church (SB) |
| MONDAY, OCTOBER 27 | • Third Monday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council • Fourth Monday, 5:15 to 6 p.m. Pastoral Council Officers Pack 102 Cub Scout Meeting | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 Parish Office: Room G Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) Rooms 103, 104, 106 |
| 3:50 p.m. | | |
| 4:15 p.m. | | |
| 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. | | |
| TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28 | | |
| 7:15 a.m. | Mass +Jacob Raymond and +Violet Veronica (VanWinkle) Schaefer (Wedding Anniversary) | Church (SM) |
| 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 | Office: Room G-A Parish Office: Room H |
| | • First and third Tuesdays of month, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Formation sessions for sacraments and pastoral counseling | |
| | • Second and fourth Tuesdays of Month, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Parish Commission Meetings | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 |
| WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29 | | |
| 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. | Mass +August Frank and +Clara Marie (Niehaus) Ringeman | Church (SM) |
| 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. | Church reserved for liturgical music practice | Church (SM) |
| 6:15 to 7:20 p.m. | F3 Programs and Activities for Kindergarten - Grade 6 | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) |
| 6:15 to 7:20 p.m. | F3 Programs and Activities for Grades 7-9 | Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) |
| THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30 | | |
| 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) | Historic Church (SB) |
| 12:05 p.m. | Mass +Paul Conrad and +Rosalie (Knable) Linne | Historic Church (SB) |
| 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. | Church reserved for liturgical music practice | Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM) |
| FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31 | | |
| 7:15 a.m. | Mass Adam Joseph and Jessica Nicole (Webb) Fischer (Wedding Anniversary) | Church (SM) |
| 4:30 p.m. | Vigil Mass for All Saints Day Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People" | Historic Church (SB) |
| 5:30 to 7 p.m. | Trunk or Treat - south parking | Church (SM) |



Dear Padre,

What is the Church's view on having crystal stones or sage in the home to bring in positive energy?

The Church does not have an official position on every possible human action or activity. The Church believes in the discerning principle of maturity and fully expects that the people of God will use the ability that has been entrusted to them by the Creator in a positive manner. The Church understands the power of mystery and the power of symbols but rightfully assigns any "energy" that mystery and symbols may generate to the power of the Holy Spirit. Inanimate objects, by the very definition of "inanimate," do not generate energy. They may be symbols of energy, but they do not have energy in and of themselves.

If you enjoy crystals because of their beauty or because of the way they diffuse light, then there is no harm in having them in your house. If you like the smell of sage, then use it and enjoy it. All symbols have different meanings, depending on how they are understood and used by the people who gathered, collect, and store them for use. These symbols have no power in and of themselves for good or for evil. However, if you live in a culture that has identified the meaning of a symbol, and that assigned meaning contradicts Christian belief and practice, it would be best to avoid that symbol. ●



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Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Peace is first and foremost a gift. It is the first gift of Christ: "My peace I give to you" (John 14:27).... It engages and challenges each of us...demanding that first of all we work on ourselves. Peace is built in the heart and from the heart, by



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eliminating pride and vindictiveness and carefully choosing our words. For words, too, not only weapons, can wound and even kill.

AUDIENCE OF THE
HOLY FATHER, ROME,
MAY 16, 2025

Monday

October 20
Weekday
Rom 4:20-25
Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday

October 21
Weekday
Rom 5:12, 15b,
17-19, 20b-21
Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday

October 22
Weekday
Rom 6:12-18
Lk 12:39-48

Thursday

October 23
Weekday
Rom 6:19-23
Lk 12:49-53

Friday

October 24
Weekday
Rom 7:18-25a
Lk 12:54-59

Saturday

October 24
Weekday
Rom 8:1-11
Lk 13:1-9

Sunday

October 25
Thirtieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Sir 35:12-14, 16-18
2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18
Lk 18:9-14

