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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 / 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 / Luke 18:9-14

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Like the Rings of a Tree

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

For some, going to confession can bring a sense of relief—as if the slate has now been wiped clean; as if we have gotten a do-over with life or the past has been left behind as though it never happened. Our past, however, is always with us—the good and the bad, the joys and the sadness, the grace and the sin. There are no do-overs. We carry with us the marks of our lives simply because every experience, every kindness and cruelty, every moment of generosity and selfishness, all have made us into who are. We are much like a tree that adds a ring to its trunk each year. The ring always bears the marks of that year, whether it has been a year of rain or drought, whether insects have attacked, or whether Mother Nature has been kind. The tree always remembers and carries with it forever the rings of what life has been.

Our lives are the same. The story of the Pharisee and the tax collector tells this tale. Like the Pharisee, we have much good in our lives. We too have prayed and have been generous. We have been kind and honest and cared for the poor. We have tried to be faithful. The Pharisee's downfall was that he forgot about his sinfulness; he forgot he needed God's mercy. The tax collector, on the other hand, remembered his failings. Both were in need of God's love. Only the tax collector seemed to realize it. ●

Reflect

**How has my life been a mixture
of sin and grace?**

[Jesus said,] "Everyone who
exalts himself will be humbled,
and the one who humbles himself
will be exalted."

LUKE 18:14



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One Family In Faith

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Sanctuary Lamp
October 26, 2025
Luminary

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

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

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 Private Event (usage agreement on file) Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance) Sacrament of Marriage: Mary Ruth Puckett and Eddison Kenneth Peters Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the south entrance) Rosary (For an increase of vocations to the single chaste life and marriage)	Monte Cassino Shrine
9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
12:15 to 1:00 p.m.		Church (SM)
1:30 p.m.		Historic Church (SB)
3:15 to 3:45 p.m.		Historic Church (SB)
3:35 p.m.		Historic Church (SB)
4:00 p.m.	Mass +Deceased Members of +Hugo Joseph and +Ardella Marie (Rickelman) Beier Family Children's Liturgy of the Word Cemetery Prayer Service for All Souls' Day	Historic Church (SB)
4:10 p.m.		Historic Church (SB)
5:00 p.m.		St. Boniface Cemetery
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26		
6:00 a.m.	Mass Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People" Rosary (For an increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life)	Historic Church (SB)
8:05 a.m.		Church (SM)
8:30 a.m.	Mass +Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender Children's Liturgy of the Word Cemetery Prayer Service for All Souls' Day	Church (SM)
8:40 a.m.		St. Meinrad Cemetery
9:30 a.m.		Archabbey Church
9:30 a.m.	Mass (Parishioners, pilgrims and guests welcome) F3 Programs and Activities for Grades 7-9 Sacrament of Baptism: Lane Alan Luebbehusen [Parents: Klint Alan and Mariah Dawn (Zoglman) Luebbehusen Godparents: Chance Michael Zoglman and Fulda Trick or Treat - begins at Parish Center - west parking Youth Group (CYO) Halloween Party	Parish Office (SM) Church (SM) Celia Lynn (Berg) Luebbehusen]
9:45 to 11:00 a.m.		Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
10:30 a.m.		Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
11:00 a.m.		Historic Church (SB)
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.		Historic Church (SB)
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27		
3:50 p.m.	Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb) Mass +Helen Marie (Collignon) Gunn • 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
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) Reserved for Team D Parish Staff Meeting Girl Scouts Meeting • 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	Church (SM) Parish Office: Office C Office: Room G-A Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) Parish Office: Room H
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.		Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.		
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.		
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29		
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction) Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance) Mass +August Frank and +Clara Marie (Niehaus) Ringeman Church reserved for liturgical music practice F3 Programs and Activities for Kindergarten - Grade 6 F3 Programs and Activities for Grades 7-9	Church (SM) Church (SM) Church (SM) Church (SM) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
3:15 p.m.		
4:15 p.m.		
5:00 to 9:00 p.m.		
6:15 to 7:20 p.m.		
6:15 to 7:20 p.m.		
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30		
8:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Church cleaning Rosary (For increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life) Mass +Paul Conrad and +Rosalie (Knable) Linne Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Church (SM) Historic Church (SB) Historic Church (SB) Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM)
11:40 a.m.		
12:05 p.m.		
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.		
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31		
7:15 a.m.	Mass Adam Joseph and Jessica Nicole (Webb) Fischer (Wedding Anniversary) Vigil Mass for All Saints Day Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People" Trunk or Treat - south parking	Church (SM) Historic Church (SB) Church (SM)
4:30 p.m.		
5:30 to 7 p.m.		

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

Reception/Main Number	Monday-Wednesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday 9 to 11 a. m.	812-357-5533
To email a staff member: Use first name, first initial of last name, @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	Position open	812-357-6059
Parish Office Custodial Services	Ms. Sue Wiederkehr	812-357-6053
Parish Secretary	Position open	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>	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 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.



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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.Sue.Kloeck), 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.Sue.Kloeck), Service and Outreach Commission Chair.

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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 21, 2025

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

- For the repose of the soul of Marilyn Seger, Ferdinand, who died on October 17, 2025 (10/21)
- Romilda P, St. Boniface Parish, in thanksgiving for family and friends, health and healing (10/20)
- For the repose of the soul of Pauline (Bockhold) Schaefer, St. Meinrad Parish, who died on October 19, 2025 (10/20)
- 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)

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



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.

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Bookmobile Stop in Adyeville will be Monday, November 3



Perry County Bookmobile stops occur in all areas of the county. At these stops, a wide range of materials is available, including the newest books for adults and children, current and classic DVDs, magazines, and MiFi's.

You can also pick up books that were put on hold, return books, get a library card, and ask questions of the staff. The [Perry County Bookmobile](#) will visit Adyeville from 9 to 9:45 a.m. on Monday, November 3. For information, call the library at 812-547-2661.

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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.

The speaker and topic for the final pilgrimage is:

- 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 26, 2025



Practicing Catholic Podcast

A weekly podcast for everyday holiness featuring real conversations and practical wisdom to arm you in the ordinary pursuit of sanctification.



All Saints Day

Join Brother Francis in this special episode as he explores the lives of the saints.



Who is St. Jude? | Catholic Saints

Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. James Prothro discuss this lesser-known apostle St. Jude.

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FAMILY FAITH

Grade 1

Chapter 8: Our Father in Faith

Abraham had faith in God and became the father of God's people.

Chapter Summary

God's plan of love continued to unfold through Abraham. His plan was to prepare the world for the coming of the Savior. He began by calling Abraham, a very faithful man, to be the father of the Chosen People. God made three promises to Abraham: he would have a great land, a great name, and many descendants. God called Abraham to move away from his home with his family to the land that God had promised. Abraham is called our "father in faith" because he is a great example of always believing and obeying God.

More for Parents

Family life requires faith. We enter into marriage but cannot see the future of our health, our spouse's health, or where careers will take us. Nor can we guarantee that our spouse will always make the right decisions. We raise children, but we cannot foresee our children's future. We live well amid uncertainty by being rooted in belief in God and what He teaches us. Faith helps us know that God is true. Unlike those who lived before Christ's coming, we have been given intimate knowledge of God and His plan for our salvation. We no longer need to live in fear. With faith, we step into this plan of God with belief and certainty that God is faithful to us.

Virtue in the Family

The virtue of faith helps us believe in God and in what He teaches us. It helps us give our lives to God in accordance with His will. Faith also unites God's family. We are united as baptized children of God and as a community of believers in God, our loving Father.

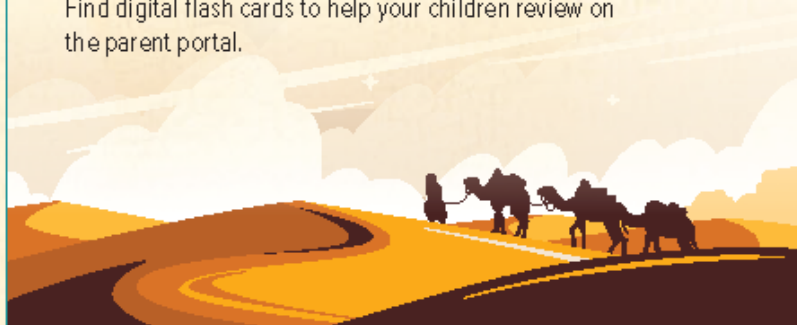
Growing in the Virtue of Faith

- Prayer activity
 - Spend five to ten minutes reflecting on the virtue of faith and how to nurture it as a family.
 - Ask God to teach you about Himself (what/ how He loves, why He created you, what His plan is for you).
 - Express to God your belief in Him and the teachings of His Church.
 - Ask God to increase and strengthen in you the virtue of faith.
 - Conclude by reciting together as a family, "Lord, I believe in You, and I give my whole life to follow You."
- God promised Abraham that his descendants would be as many as the stars in the sky. In today's world, city lights hide many of the stars, so the full impact of this promise is lost on us. Take your family out of the city, go to a planetarium, or find pictures online of the night sky with no light pollution. Let the magnitude of God's promise sink in as you look at the myriad of stars in the heavens.
- Share with your children about your faith in God, including when you were in a difficult moment.

Vocabulary Words for Your Children to Review

- **Chosen People**
- **descendants**

Find digital flash cards to help your children review on the parent portal.



For more family faith formation resources, go to the parent portal.



PASTOR'S LETTER

Sunday Scripture Commentary by Father Paul Nord, OSB

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, C

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18;

Response: Psalm 34:2-3, 17-19, 23;

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18;

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Today's reading from Sirach begins: "The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites." The following verses develop this idea. God "hears the cry of the oppressed." But God is not "unduly partial" toward "the weak" – synonymous here with "the oppressed." God does justice for all. Next the text proclaims that God hears "the wail of the orphan" and the "complaint" of the widow. These are the marginalized of the society whom God hears.

God also hears "the one who serves God." The petition of such a person "reaches the heavens." Similar imagery follows: "The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds." Prayer is depicted here as ascending from the earth and breaching the boundary between earth and heaven.

Prayer is then personified – prayer "does not rest... nor will [prayer] withdraw." This expresses certainty that God hears the prayer of the lowly person, and the prayer of those who serve God. These prayers reach God the Most High, and He responds. God judges justly without delay. In conclusion, this Sirach reading expresses confidence in the power of prayer and certainty that God is just. God will surely respond to those who suffer injustice and call out to Him.

In the Second Timothy reading, St. Paul anticipates that his life and apostolic ministry will soon end. Paul says: "the time of my departure is at hand." Recall that Paul is writing this letter from prison, as he says in 2 Timothy 1:8: "So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake."

Anticipating death, Paul compares his life to a "libation" which is "poured out."

Libations are the practice of pouring out a

liquid as a sacrificial offering to a god. Libations were a common practice of many ancient religions. In this verse, Paul is likely suggesting that *his blood* is being "poured out" as a liquid sacrifice to God. Both then and now, the shedding of blood is a common image for the giving of one's life, especially as a victim of violence. As Paul anticipates, he will be martyred for his faith in Christ Jesus.

Libations were also a part of ancient Jewish religious practice. In the Temple of Jerusalem, the daily burnt offering (animal sacrifice) was offered twice per day. It was always accompanied by a vegetable offering and a libation of *wine*. This practice was based on Exodus 29:38-42 and Numbers 28:3-8. Also, during the Feast of Tabernacles, water was drawn from the Pool of Siloam and poured onto the Temple altar – a *water* libation.

Paul continues: "I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith." Paul anticipates his life coming to an end. But Paul is confident that he has completed the mission given to him – to proclaim Jesus, the redeemer of the world. Paul believes "the crown of righteousness awaits me." Paul trusts that the Lord will judge him favorably because the Lord is a "just judge." Paul anticipates "that day." This is the day of judgment – Christ's "appearance." Christ "will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead" – as we profess in the Nicene Creed.

Paul laments: "At my first defense no one appeared on my behalf, but everyone deserted me." But Paul says that the Lord "gave me strength." Paul's subsequent mention of "proclamation" suggests that Paul was able to speak boldly at his trial – witnessing to Christ Jesus. Paul considers the Gentiles (not his fellow Jews) as his primary audience for proclaiming Christ's Gospel. Paul is thankful that God gave him strength to accomplish this witness. In 4:11, Paul writes "Luke is the only one with me." Paul's imprisonment limits his contact with fellow believers in Christ.

Paul continues: "I was rescued from the lion's mouth." The ancient Christian historian Eusebius suggests that this

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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
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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*

Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson
Archbishop of Indianapolis



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Pauline text refers to Paul escaping execution under the Roman Emperor Nero – “the lion.” Perhaps Paul was released or received a lighter sentence – although Paul later would be martyred. Paul trusts that God “will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom.” Paul is nearing the conclusion of his letter. He says:

“To him [God] be glory forever and ever. Amen.” This letter’s remaining verses (4:19-22) consist primarily of the exchange of greetings between Paul (sender) and the recipients of his letter.

In the Gospel, the narrator introduces Jesus’ parable by explaining that it concerns “those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else.” This parable is typical of Luke’s Gospel, which often emphasizes that Jesus’ teachings cause a “reversal of expectations” among those who hear Him.

In this case, Jesus’ audience would have expected Pharisees to be righteous, and tax collectors to be sinners. But Jesus’ parable reverses this expectation. The Pharisee is proud – he boasts before God in prayer. He says: “I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.” Jesus insists that the Pharisee did not come home justified before God – because “whoever exalts himself will be humbled.”

In contrast, the tax collector approaches God with humility – he “would not even raise his eyes to heaven.” He humbly prays: “O God, be merciful to me a sinner.” The tax collector also beats his breast – a penitential gesture. Jesus teaches that this tax collector “went home justified” because “the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” Jesus’ parable would have greatly surprised – and probably upset – his audience.

The Pharisee views the tax collector (and the rest of humanity)

as “greedy, dishonest, adulterous.” But Jesus teaches that the Pharisee is not justified before God because of his pride. God’s judgment is different from human judgment. God knows our hearts, and he forgives those who are truly penitent in their prayer.

Immediately before this parable, Jesus told the parable of the widow who was persistent in demanding justice from an unjust judge. Both the “persistent widow” parable (18:1-8) and today’s “penitent tax collector” parable emphasize the importance of sincere, fervent prayer.

In Christ Jesus,

Father Paul, OSB

**IF YOU'RE
WAITING
FOR A SIGN
THIS
IS IT.**

**Thinking of Becoming
Catholic?**

Not Baptized?

**A Parishioner, but never
Confirmed?**

**Join Deacon Mike on the
Journey.**

It Starts November 2025.

**[mikef@myparishfamily.
church](mailto:mikef@myparishfamily.church)**

Time Change Means Clocks ‘Fall Back’ One Hour on November 2



Daylight saving time will end on Sunday, November 2, 2025, when clocks “fall back” one hour at 2 a.m.

The time will change again in the spring when clocks gain one

hour on Sunday, March 8, 2026.

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Visit the parish website for more News
and Events:

sbcatholic.church or smcatholic.church



A Calling that Wouldn't Let Go

As a boy, John McCaslin asked deep questions about faith and purpose. Though he built a life and career after college, something was missing. The call to the priesthood never left him.

It returned in quiet moments—in prayer, in people, in the ache for something more.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

3:30 - 5:30 PM CDT

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PIES | BREADS | ROLLS | COOKIES | CAKES

CHILI SOUP SOLD BY THE QUART OR GALLON

QUART \$5 | GALLON \$20

We welcome Cash or Check

*Children are invited to come and participate in a
fall-themed coloring contest and win prizes!*



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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](#) by Monday, October 27. Prizes will be awarded for best theme, most creative, and best overall.

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Pauline (Bockhold) Schaefer, St. Meinrad Parish, Dies October 19



In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Pauline M. (Bockhold) Schaefer, age 86, of St. Meinrad Parish. She died peacefully in the Lord, fortified by the sacraments of the Catholic Church, at Scenic Hills at the Monastery in Ferdinand, IN, on Sunday, October 19, 2025.

Arrangements are in the care of Becher Funeral Home.

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Winner Named in Fulda Development Cash Bonanza

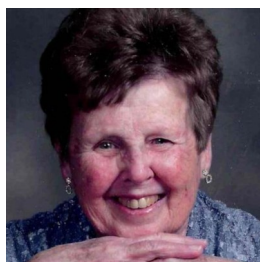


Thank you to all who supported the 2025 Fulda Development Cash Bonanza drawings, making this year's fundraiser a huge success.

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

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Marilyn Seger of Ferdinand Dies at Her Home on October 17



In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Marilyn Seger, age 82, of Ferdinand, IN, who died at her home on October 17, 2025.

She is the mother of Joyce Hoppenjans of St. Boniface Parish. Arrangements are in the care of Becher Funeral Home.

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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.

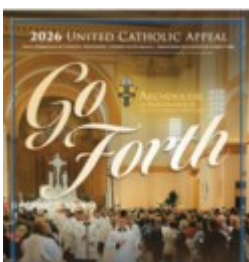
Trotter House Spencer County provides free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, mentoring, life skills courses, fatherhood resources, a baby boutique, community referrals, adoption referrals and a biblically based abortion recovery program – all with the mission of strengthening families and offering hope 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 was 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, 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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Resources for New Liturgical Year Available in Churches Next Week


Liturgical ministers and musicians are encouraged to pick up resources for the new liturgical year, which begins November 30, 2025. Resources will be available in the back pews at both churches the weekend of November 1-2. Items will be clearly labeled with the recipient's name or family name.

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 25 at 4 p.m. Vigil Mass for Sunday Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Sunday, October 26 at 6 a.m. Mass for Sunday Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Sunday, October 26 at 8:30 a.m. Mass for Sunday St. Meinrad Catholic Church
Porter	Ryan Hildenbrand Kyler Hildenbrand	Alfred Birchler	Alex Graman Jeff Graman
Sacristan	Maddie Gudorf	Eric Tuley	Keith 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	NOT FILLED		NOT FILLED
Rosary Leader	Amanda Gudorf Michael Gudorf		Susan Ippoliti
Livestream for Mass	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED
Hospitality (Greeters)	Mark Hildenbrand and Peggy Hildenbrand - Main Door	NOT FILLED - Main Door	Jerry Sitzman and Martha Sitzman - Main Door
Priest	Father Paul Nord, OSB - Principal Celebrant	Father Paul Nord, OSB - Principal Celebrant	Father Paul Nord, OSB - Principal Celebrant
Deacon	Deacon Mike Fish	Deacon Mike Fish	Deacon Mike Fish
Acolyte of the Altar	Aidan Haefling	Michael Blalock	Brenley Beier
Acolyte of the Word	Kade Hildenbrand	Emerson Schaefer	Anna Springston
Crucifer (Cross Bearer)	Parker Gudorf	Axl Schroer	Lyla Kate Gray
Candle Bearer	Leo Chaney Livy Schaefer	Liam Kress Ayla Schroer	Nicholas Lutz Thomas Lutz
Proclamation of the Word	Carol A. Waninger - First Reading Adele Harper - Second Reading Deacon Mike Fish - Prayer of the Faithful	Lily Hubert - First Reading Kerry Snyder - Second Reading Michael Blalock - Prayer of the Faithful	Julia Lutz - First Reading Penelope Lutz - 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 Haefling Nick Hildenbrand Wyatt Gudorf Kasen Hildenbrand	Denny Rickelman Pat Berg Jim Mullis Paul Gerlach	Dalton Fetter Tom Kloeck Mark Ruxer Brad Wilmes
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 Michelle Blalock - Paten Jenny Kunkler - Paten Pam Davis - Chalice Deacon Mike Fish - Chalice Karen Peters - Chalice Becky Wesner - Chalice Jenny Kunkler - Pyx (loft) Pam Davis - Chalice (loft)	Courtney Blalock - Paten Deacon Mike Fish - Chalice Marshall Snyder - Chalice Courtney Blalock - Pyx (loft) Marshall Snyder - Chalice (loft)	Ginger Mullis - Paten Kathy Ruxer - Paten Cindy Sitzman - Paten Mary L. Denning - Chalice Deacon Mike Fish - Chalice Landon Mullis - Chalice Keyan Mullis - Chalice Kathy Ruxer - Pyx (loft) Keyan Mullis - 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)	Renae 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 Haepling
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).
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- 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:
sb catholic.church/sunday-holy-day/
sm catholic.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	October 6-12, 2025	Livestream
N/A	Monday	N/A
N/A	Tuesday	N/A
N/A	Wednesday	N/A
N/A	Thursday	N/A
N/A	Friday	N/A
N/A	Saturday (Vigil for Sunday) 4 p.m.	N/A
N/A	Sunday 6 a.m.	N/A
N/A	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	N/A
Church capacity:	360 (SB), 430 (SM)	
	FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP	
Updated 10/22/2025	October 6-12, 2025	
\$115	Online Giving	\$460
\$1,265	Offertory	\$2,765

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One Family In Faith

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed



Sanctuary Lamp
November 2, 2025

Luminary

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



St Boniface Parish +Raymond Joseph Peters

St. Meinrad Parish +Elmer "Billy" Dominic and Clarissa Eleanor (Mehling) Fischer

ORDO (Order of Prayer)

Liturgy of the Hours	III
Lectionary	668
Eucharistic Prayer	IV
Mystery of Faith	B

DATE / TIME	CALENDAR EVENT	LOCATION
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1	ALL SAINTS	Monte Cassino Shrine
8:00 a.m.	Mass (May - October at 7 a.m.; November - April at 8 a.m.) • Mass begins at 8 a.m. through Saturday, April 25, 2026	
8:30 a.m.	Mass +Deceased Members of Our Parish Family	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 All Souls' Day	Historic Church (SB)
4:10 p.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Historic Church (SB)
3:30 to 5:30 p.m.	St. Boniface Ladies Sodality Bake Sale	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) Rooms 103, 104, 106
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2	THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED	
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 All Souls' Day	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
9:45 to 11:00 a.m.	F3 Programs and Activities for Grades 7-9	Parish Office (SM)
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3		
3:50 p.m.	Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb)	Historic Church (SB)
4:15 p.m.	Mass +Nina Marie (Rothgerber) Mullis (Anniversary of Death)	Historic Church (SB)
	• Third Monday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
	• Fourth Monday, 5:15 to 6 P.M. Pastoral Council Officers	Parish Office: Room G
	No meetings in April, July, August, November	
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Gerald Erwin Jacob	Church (SM)
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	Parish Office: Room G-A
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts Meeting	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
	• First and third Tuesdays of month, 6 to 7:30 p.m.	Parish Office: Room H
	Formation sessions for sacraments and pastoral counseling	
	• Second and fourth Tuesdays of Month, 6 to 7:30 p.m.	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
	Parish Commission Meetings	
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5		
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 +Eugene "Gene" William Gudorf	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, NOVEMBER 6		
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.	Mass +Harold Edward (Anniversary of Death) and +Diane Therese (Letourneau) Schefdore	Historic Church (SB)
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM)
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Leander Claude and +Elizabeth "Betty" Louise (Borho) Wollenmann	Church (SM)



Parishioners and guests, scan QR code for giving options.



Dear Padre,

Is it wrong for children to dress up as zombies and devils and other evil creatures for Halloween?

No. It is perfectly acceptable to choose these kinds of costumes and to participate in the festivities of Halloween. Halloween is primarily a secular celebration. Although it is true that the original celebration is deeply rooted in the Christian tradition, that tradition is more properly celebrated during the great feast days of the Church that follow Halloween: All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day.

Mythological representations, and the costumes that remind us of these kind of characters, are to be understood with a sense of fun and mischief. There is no difference between a ghost, a goblin, a zombie, Captain America, Superman, or one of the Mario Brothers. They are all fictional characters in the very human stories we share with each other. The meaning we assign to them must be proportional to what they represent. On Halloween, they represent nothing more than a person in costume. It could be an entirely different story under different circumstances in which there might be the possibility of a misunderstanding about the meaning of such a costume. Halloween pretty much blurs that distinction and takes away the misunderstanding. It is meant to be entertaining and fun. That is all. ●

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



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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

My own story is that of a citizen, the descendant of immigrants, who in turn chose to emigrate. All of us, in the course of our lives, can find ourselves healthy or sick, employed or unemployed, living in our native land or in a foreign country, yet our dignity always remains unchanged: it is the dignity of a creature willed and loved by God.

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



STEFANO SPAZIANI

Monday

October 27
Weekday
Rom 8:12-17
Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday

October 28
Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Eph 2:19-22
Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday

October 29
Weekday
Rom 8:26-30
Lk 13:22-30

Thursday

October 30
Weekday
Rom 8:31b-39
Lk 13:31-35

Friday

October 31
Weekday
Rom 9:1-5
Lk 14:1-6

Saturday

November 1
All Saints
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14
1 Jn 3:1-3
Mt 5:1-12a

Sunday

November 2
The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Wis 3:1-9
Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9
Jn 6:37-40
(These readings or any from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead)



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