



January 25, 2026

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 8:23–9:3 / 1 Corinthians 1:10–13, 17 / Matthew 4:12–23 or 4:12–17

Judged or Invited?

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matthew 3:2) is the message preached by Jesus after the arrest of John the Baptist. It is important to place this message in context. Jesus is not repeating the preaching of the Baptist. His message is unique and compelling.

Look closely at what Jesus is saying. Do not automatically fill in the blanks with the memories of every sermon you have heard. Try to hear Jesus’ words again, for the first time. Is the emphasis on “repent,” or is the emphasis on the announcement, “The kingdom of heaven is at hand”? Does it make any difference?

Repeat these words and change the emphasis each time. Play with the words. Let the words play with you. Notice how you respond. Notice what makes a difference. Notice how you react, and, most of all, notice whether you feel invited or you feel judged.

The Baptist made no bones about it. You are being judged: “Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees” (Matthew 3:10). Jesus, on the other hand, seems not to judge but to invite: “for the kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matthew 4:17).

In the invitation, we are challenged to see in a different way. Use different skills. Refrain from automatic judgments. Seek to understand but, most of all, to accept and to love. ●

Reflect

What does “repent” mean to me?
A threat or an invitation?



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THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY



**“Repent, for the kingdom
of heaven is at hand!”**

MATTHEW 3:2

HISTORIC ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Listed on National Register of Historic Places
Parish Founded 1847
sbcatholic.church



ST. MEINRAD CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Founded 1861
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One Family In Faith

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sanctuary Lamp
January 25, 2026
Luminary

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ORDO (Order of Prayer)

Liturgy of the Hours	III
Lectionary	67
Eucharistic Prayer	IV
Mystery of Faith	C

St Boniface Parish +**Viola F. (Gramelspacher) Zoglman**
St. Meinrad Parish +**James "Jim" Lee and +Kathleen Ann (Seng) Ebert**

DATE / TIME	CALENDAR EVENT	LOCATION
SATURDAY, JANUARY 24		
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	Monte Cassino Shrine
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 <i>Missa Pro Populo</i> "Mass for the People"	Historic Church (SB)
SUNDAY, JANUARY 25	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
6:00 a.m.	Mass +Deceased Members of +Hugo Joseph and +Ardella Marie (Rickelman) Beier Family	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 +Marlene Marie (Gessner) Gehlhausen	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)
9:45 to 10:45 a.m.	F3 OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)	Church: South Sacristy (SM)
MONDAY, JANUARY 26		
3:50 p.m.	Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb)	Historic Church (SB)
4:15 p.m.	Mass +Eugene "Gene" Wiliam Gudorf • Third Monday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council • Fourth Monday, 5:15 to 6 p.m. Pastoral Council Officers No meetings in April, July, August, November	Historic Church (SB) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 Parish Office: Room G
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Pack 102 Meeting	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Pauline M. (Bockhold) Schaefer	Church (SM)
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Reserved for Team D	Parish Office: Office C
1:15 to 2:45 p.m.	Parish Staff 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	Parish Office: Room G-A Parish Office: Room H Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
6:00 p.m.	Fulda 4-H Club Meeting	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28		
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction)	Church (SM)
3:30 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
4:15 p.m.	Mass +Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender	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, JANUARY 29		
8:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Church cleaning	Church (SM)
11:40 a.m.	Rosary (For an increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life)	Church (SB)
12:05 p.m.	Mass +Ronald "Ron" James Zoglman	Historic Church (SB)
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM)
FRIDAY, JANUARY 30		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender	Church (SM)

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
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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	<i>Actively seeking to fill position</i>	812-357-6058
Office Assistant	<i>Position open</i>	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	812-357-6611
Sacramental Assistant	Father Michael Reyes, OSB	812-357-6611

Cemetery Sexton Records and Plot Sales	Actively seeking to fill position	812-357-6050
• St. Boniface Cemetery Commission	<i>Position open</i>	812-357-6050
• St. Meinrad Cemetery Commission	Mr. Brian Greulich, Chair	812-608-0756

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.





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



The January "Wish List" for Catholic Charities Tell City is **size 5 diapers**.

To deliver items, please use the handicap entrance at each church and place items in the container marked Catholic Charities 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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January 'Wish List' for North Spencer Community Action Center



The January "Wish List" for North Spencer Community Action Center is **macaroni and cheese and Hamburger Helper**.

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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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

January: For prayer with the Word of God



O Lord Jesus Christ, open the eyes of my heart that I may hear your Word, and understand and do your will, for I am a sojourner upon the Earth. Hide not your commandments from me, but open my eyes, that I may perceive the wonders of your Law. Speak unto me the hidden and secret things of your wisdom.

On you do I set my hope, O my God, that you shall enlighten my mind and understanding with the light of your knowledge; not only to cherish those things which are written, but to do them; For you are the enlightenment of those who lie in darkness, and from you comes every good deed and every gift. Amen.

Join Us in the Ministry of Prayer

Recent Prayer Requests Received

Updated January 15, 2026

Intentions listed for 30 days, unless otherwise requested.

- Rick M, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (1/15)
- Katelyn H, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (1/14)
- Gary S, St. Meinrad Parish, health, healing and for the Holy Spirit to remain with him and his family (1/14)
- John B, St. Meinrad Parish, health, peace of mind and heart (1/12)
- Sharon S, St. Meinrad Parish, recovery from recent surgery (1/2)
- Romilda P, St. Boniface Parish, health and healing (1/2)
- Karen K, St. Boniface Parish, health, peace of mind and heart (12/29)
- For the repose of the soul of Tim Waninger, St. Boniface Parish, who died on January 1, 2026. Son of Raymond and Leona (1/2)
- For the repose of the soul of Mary S. (Malott) Bertke, Dale, IN, who died on December 17, 2025; wife of Dan Bertke and sister-in-law of Yvonne Bertke of St. Boniface Parish (12/26)
- For the repose of the soul of Larry Edward Aders, Herrin, IL, who died on November 25, 2025 (12/10)
- Easton K, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (12/8)

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

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.



SMART Plans Pizza Fundraiser for Super Bowl Sunday



St. Meinrad Chamber of Commerce (SMART) is making unbaked pizzas for the Super Bowl. Pickup will be from 9 a.m. to noon on Sunday, February 8, 2026, at the Saint Meinrad Knights of Columbus.

Patrons are asked to preorder by February 1 and prepay. Six choices are available. The funds raised support the

preservation and renovation of the ballfield and park.

Call or text 812-661-9110 to preorder. Visit sbccatholic.church/news or smccatholic.church/news to view the flyer and order details. You can order online at <https://saintmeinradchamber.com/pizza-fundraiser/smart/>.

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Information About Reporting Abuse

If you are a victim or know of anyone who is a victim of any type of sexual misconduct, please contact our victim assistance coordinator at (317) 236-1548 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1548, or at victimassistance@archindy.org to make a report.

You can also make a confidential report through our EthicsPoint reporting system by visiting <http://www.archindy.org/abuse/reporting.html> or by calling 888-393-6810.



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Blessing of Throats Will Take Place January 31-February 1 Weekend



Since the local custom is to transfer the Feast of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, to the Sunday closest to or on February 3, blessing of the throats will be offered after all weekend Masses on January 31 and February 1. Blessing of throats also will be offered at daily Mass on Tuesday, the actual feast day.

Those wishing to participate in this sacramental celebration can get in line as if receiving Communion. The infirm and individuals needing assistance seated in the first two rows will receive the blessing first. The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord, also called Candlemas, will be celebrated on Monday, February 2, so candles used for liturgical celebrations during the coming year will be blessed at the 4:15 p.m. Mass at St. Boniface.

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2025 Financial Statements will be Available on February 1



The 2025 financial stewardship statements soon will be ready for you to access online. From February 1 to April 30, you can print a copy of your financial stewardship statement. This statement does not include nondeductible gifts, according to IRS guidelines for churches and religious organizations.

Beginning February 1, here's how to get your statement:

1. Sign in to your Realm site, using the RealmConnect smartphone app or visit [OnRealm.org](https://onrealm.org). [<https://onrealm.org/>]
2. Click **Giving** in the main menu.
3. Click **Contribution Statement** for the current year.
4. Click **Print**. A preview of your statement will display.
5. Click the printer icon for a physical copy or download for a PDF.
6. If you need assistance, type "leave a message" in the search box of the parish website and fill out the form so you can receive another invitation to your account.

Parishioners who do not have an email account on record on January 31, 2026, will receive a giving statement via the U.S. Postal Service, as well as parishioners whose primary address is at a long-term care center. All other requests to receive a mailed giving statement are to be received in writing by February 6, 2026.

You can submit a request at finance@myparishfamily.church or Parish Office, PO Box 8, Saint Meinrad, IN 47577-0008.

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Plan to Attend Perry County Annual Meeting of SWCD on February 10

The Perry County Soil & Water Conservation District will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 6 p.m. Central Time at Bristow Community Center. The center address is 20569 Huffman Mill Road, Bristow.

Topics include a talk by Don Lamb, director of the Indiana State Department of Agriculture, and updates on the FFA organizations at Perry Central and Tell City high schools.

Cost of dinner is \$5 per person. Reservations are required and must be received by 1 p.m. Monday, January 26. Call 812-547-4686 or email darlene-fischer@iaswcd.org to reserve your place.

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If you require a priest due to severe illness or danger of death, please call: 812-357-6600.

Be prepared to provide the attendant with your name, location, and contact information. Father Paul or the priest on call will respond as soon as possible.



Job Opening: Administrative Assistant Sought for Parishes



Applicants are being sought for the part-time position of Administrative Assistant for St. Boniface and St. Meinrad parishes. Details are below:

Position Type: Part-time, 25 hours weekly | Non-exempt

About the Role: Saint Boniface and Saint Meinrad Catholic Parishes seek a Parish Administrative Assistant to provide essential administrative support for two parish communities sharing one location in Spencer County, Indiana. This position serves as a key point of contact for parish staff, parishioners and visitors while managing time-sensitive tasks and maintaining strong service focus.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Serve as initial point of contact via phone, mail, in person and electronic communications
- Maintain and manage membership registration and database records
- Prepare and transmit official records to ecclesiastical, governmental and approved parties
- Schedule and prepare resources for pastoral council, parish commission and staff meetings
- Support interactive parish media and communication platforms
- Manage office filing systems, supplies inventory and equipment operation
- Prepare accounts payable documentation for finance team processing
- Assist with membership engagement, solicitation letters and special events
- Maintain welcoming and helpful attitude when greeting visitors

Qualifications:

- Experience as administrative secretary or assistant, or associate degree in business administration or similar field
- Database experience required
- Proficient in Microsoft 365 applications (Excel, OneNote, Outlook, PowerPoint, Word)
- Familiarity with Canva or similar design platforms preferred
- Excellent organizational, time management and communication skills
- Strong attention to detail and ability to follow established procedures
- Ability to work collaboratively with staff, volunteers and visitors
- Pleasant and respectful interpersonal manner
- Reliable attendance and punctuality

- Willingness to support the Church's mission

Work Environment:

- Parish office located at 19630 North Fourth Street, Saint Meinrad, Indiana
- Regular schedule during parish office hours
- Standard office environment with moderate noise level

Compensation: Competitive pay based on experience

To Apply: Send resume and cover letter to communications@myparishfamily.church or submit at Parish Office by using the dropbox in the front door.

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Parishes Receive Capital Credits from PSC Fiber



St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish recently received \$2,483.31 in capital credit refunds from PSC Fiber, for the years 2000-2001.

The funds will be used to furnish an area in the Parish Office that is used for sacramental preparation and pastoral care meetings.

PSC Fiber delivers internet service, streaming local TV, and local and long-distance phone service. The cooperative also provides hosted voice services, managed business service, and phone systems to business clients in the region. Headquartered in Saint Meinrad, Indiana, PSC Fiber has been serving customers for more than 70 years.

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United Catholic Appeal Update

St. Boniface Parish (#076)

Parish Goal	\$8,209
Amount Pledged	\$3,350
Percentage to Goal	40.8%
Number of Households	32

St. Meinrad Parish (#137)

Parish Goal	\$12,535
Amount Pledged	\$6,945
Percentage to Goal	55.4%
Number of Households	29

Archdiocesan UCA Goal Amount	\$6.3 million
Total Amount Pledged Archdiocesan Wide	\$4.7 million
Updated January 2026	

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





The Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson
Archdiocese of Indianapolis
1400 N. Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202-2367
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14 January 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The parishes of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis will take up the annual **Collection for the Church in Latin America**, on January 24-25, 2026. For more than 50 years, this collection has given Catholics in the United States an opportunity to share faith in unity with our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout Latin America and the Caribbean Islands.

The year 2025 marked the 60th anniversary of the promulgation of *Dei Verbum*, the document on Divine Revelation issued during the Second Vatican Council. In that document the Council Fathers call for all Christian faithful to have “easy access to Sacred Scripture” so that they might more deeply know and love God through understanding and meditating on the Scriptures (no. 22).

To commemorate this important anniversary and help the bishops fulfill their mission to proclaim the Word of God to all people, the Catholic Biblical Federation used funds received through the *Collection for the Church in Latin America* to gather 130 participants for a Bible conference in Mexico City. This gathering of pastoral ministry leaders from countries throughout Latin America came together to discuss the teachings of *Dei Verbum* and for the opportunity to collaborate with and encourage one another in the critical ministry of making the Word of God available to everyone.

Your support of the *Collection for the Church in Latin America* helps church leaders throughout Central and South America and the Caribbean to fulfill their mission to preach the Word of God and to awaken a love for Scripture. Please be as generous as you are able.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ *Charles C. Thompson*

Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson
Archbishop of Indianapolis

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 Church in Latin America is included in your monthly packet.
- **Reminder:** Please make your check payable to the parish church, clearly marking in the memo: **CLA Annual Appeal #4048.**





Church in Latin America Annual Appeal Set for January 24-25

Share **YOUR** Faith



Support the Church in Latin America

uscbb.org/latin-america

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Join our brothers and sisters throughout the Archdiocese of Indianapolis on the weekend of January 24-25, 2026, by supporting the annual appeal for the Church in Latin America collection. Please offer your prayerful and vocal support.

For more than 50 years, this collection has been a way for Catholics in the

United States to unite more closely with our brothers and sisters in faith throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Donations support diocesan pastoral, catechetical and family life ministries; seminary studies; and formation programs for religious sisters and brothers.

An envelope for the Church in Latin America Annual Appeal is included in the monthly envelope packet. Please make sure your check is made payable to the parish church, clearly marking in the memo Church in Latin America (4048).

When using online giving, make a one-time or recurring gift with a debit and credit card by using the links at sbccatholic.church/cla/ or smccatholic.church/cla/.

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'Blessed Are You' Lenten Retreat Series Explores the Beatitudes

A Lenten retreat, led by Fr. Kolbe Wolniakowski, OSB, invites participants to journey deeper into the heart of the Gospel through the transforming wisdom of the Beatitudes. The series is designed to guide participants in reflecting on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount as a roadmap for authentic discipleship.

Each session will explore one or two Beatitudes in depth, connecting their spiritual richness to daily life. Through Scripture study, prayer, discuss "Blessed Are You," a four-week Lenten retreat, will be offered on Tuesdays, February 24, and March 3, 10, and 17, 2026, at the Saint Meinrad Guest House and Retreat Center.

tion, and practical exercises, participants will discover how poverty of spirit, mercy, peacemaking, and the other blessings can reshape relationships with God, self, and others.

Sessions will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Central Time. The fee for the retreat is \$75 per guest and includes all four sessions.

Fr. Kolbe is a monk of Saint Meinrad Archabbey. He entered the community in 2015, professed solemn vows in 2019, and was ordained to the priesthood in 2022. He is passionate about helping others encounter God through the beauty of monastic life.

To register, visit www.saintmeinrad.org/retreats or call the Guest House and Retreat Center at 812-357-6611.

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Saturday Confession Time Moved to Sunday at St. Meinrad Parish



Beginning on the weekend of January 31 - February 1, the confession time at St. Meinrad Catholic Church will move from Saturday at 12:15 p.m. to Sunday at 7:45 a.m. It is hoped the change will make it more convenient for those who wish to take advantage of the sacrament.

Other confession times remain:

- Saturday, 3:15 p.m., Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
- Wednesday, 3:30 p.m., St. Meinrad Catholic Church

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Is it Possible to Experience God Face-to-Face?

Many have.

So can YOU!



Kick Up Your Lent In Just 3 Weeks

Join Deacon Mike as we look to the Old Testament to see who has experienced God face-to-face and what we can learn from those experiences.

Dates: Tue. 2/24, 3/3, 3/10

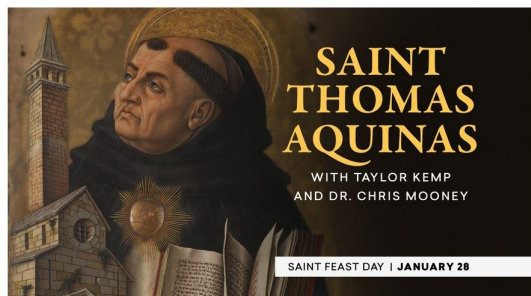
Time: 8:15 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Place: Parish Office, St. Meinrad Parish

Each session covers different encounters. Attend one, two, or all three sessions.

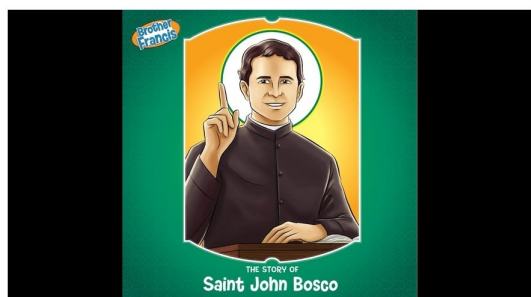
This Week on Formed

Week of January 25, 2026



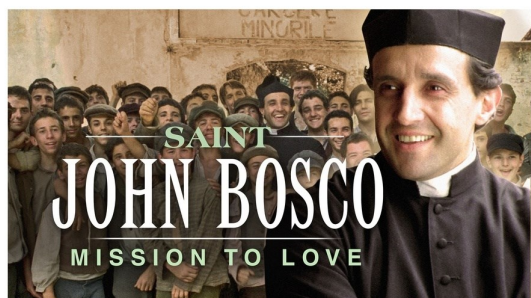
St. Thomas Aquinas | Catholic Saints

St. Thomas Aquinas was given one of the greatest minds in history. He devoted his life to studying God. Not only did St. Thomas cover almost all of theology, but he also did it while maintaining theological accuracy.



The Story of St. John Bosco

Learn the inspiring story of the life of St. John Bosco in this audio reflection intended for kids. We celebrate his feast day on January 31.



Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that he had to overcome from his childhood all the way to founding his religious order.

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PASTOR'S LETTER

Sunday Scripture Commentary by Father Paul Nord, OSB

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

First Reading: Isaiah 8:23 - 9:3

Response: Psalm 27: 1, 4, 13-14

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
Starting the weekend of 31 January – February 1, the Sacrament of Confession will be offered at St. Meinrad Church from 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. Sundays (preceding the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass). Confessions will no longer be offered at 12:15 to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. But Confession will continue to be offered at two other times: Saturdays 3:15 to 3:45 p.m. at St. Boniface (before the 4 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass). Also on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:00 p.m. at St. Meinrad during Eucharistic Adoration. See the bulletin calendar for more information.

During Wednesday Faith Formation, we have been offering Eucharistic Adoration at St. Boniface, but that will be discontinued starting January 28. Discontinuing this will free me (Fr. Paul) to be present to the youth during faith formation. I thank those who came to pray before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We will continue to offer Eucharistic Adoration from 3 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays at St. Meinrad Church (before the 4:15 p.m. Wednesday Mass). Bulletin page 6 has information on a job opening for an Administrative Assistant for our two parishes. Please share this information with any family or friends. Bulletin page 5 has information on the Blessing of Throats, which will be offered at the end of Mass next weekend (31 Jan – 1 Feb), asking for the intercession of St. Blaise.

The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord, also called Candlemas, will be celebrated on Monday, February 2. This feast ends the Christmas season, and so Christmas decorations will be put away. Many thanks

to all who helped with Christmas decorations

Today's Isaiah reading immediately precedes the famous verse Isaiah 9:5: "For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace." This prophecy announces that God is acting to save his people through a messianic figure.

The Israelites badly needed God's salvation. The prophet Isaiah lived while Kings Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah ruled in Jerusalem (cf. Isaiah 1:1). During this time, the Assyrian Empire attacked and conquered the "Northern Kingdom," which was composed of the 10 Israelite tribes that had separated themselves from Judah and its capital Jerusalem.

Our reading begins: "First the Lord degraded the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali." These were two of the northernmost Israelite tribes, which had faced the destruction of the Assyrian army. "But in the end he has glorified the seaward road, the land west of the Jordan, the District of the Gentiles." This is a bad translation. Fortunately, a better, revised Biblical translation is approved to begin use for Mass readings in 2027.

The new (NABRE) translation accurately reads: "now he has glorified the way of the Sea, the land across [east of] the Jordan, Galilee of the Nations" (Isa. 8:23). This describes three regions that were conquered by the Assyrians. Many Gentile inhabitants moved into these regions and intermixed with those Israelites who remained after the Assyrian conquest.

So, the Lord "degraded" (NRSV: "brought into contempt") the Israelites, but now He "has glorified" the Israelites. God redeems his people after the devastation of the Assyrian conquest. The theme continues: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone."

This imagery communicates the "abundant joy" and "great rejoicing" that the Lord God has brought the Israelites. The Israelites' joy is motivated by the

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January Birthdays

- 1 Wyatt Wampler, Mark Waninger
- 2 Brandy Welp
- 3 Bev Beier, Michael Waninger
- 4 Mary Schaefer, Clair Tempel, Jennifer Sitzman
- 5 Courtney Blalock, Mark Hildenbrand, Rowena Waninger, Lane Vaal
- 6 Violet Roos, Diana Schaefer, Gene Vaal
- 7 Terry Scherzer, Vic Troesch, Carmen Fischer, Ashley Echelbarger
- 8 Judy Houghland, Audrey Troth
- 11 Avery Beier
- 12 Joyce Robinson, Janelle Brentlinger, Dalton Fetter
- 13 Braelynn Obermeier, Bobby Gogel, Caleb Mohr, Teresa Lynn, Sharon Hedinger
- 14 Vernita Heckel, Jim Dilger, Connie Hildenbrand, Ronnie Troesch
- 15 Mary Denning, Michelle Vannis-Corbett
- 16 Jared Feltner, Darla Hagedorn, Mary Alice Ruxer, Jasmine Demuth, Sue Kloeck
- 17 Nick Hildenbrand, Jack Fischer, Evan Fischer, Donna Auffart
- 18 Tracey Meunier, Courtney Moffitt
- 19 Katelyn Cassidy, Sharon Gerlach, Mary Forler, Tim Troesch
- 20 Raegan Scherzer, Kathy Zoglman
- 21 Jeff Davis, Kaylee Rose Mullis
- 22 Joyce Brahm
- 23 Shirley Feldpausch, Kevin Hoffman, Denise Mehringer, Earlene Schaefer, Jamie Fromme
- 24 Joe Nadin, Breckhett Weiss
- 25 Eric Bachman, Jessica Gogel
- 26 Diane Berg, Brent Ficker, Dave Kress, Eileen Gogel, Janet Vaal
- 27 Brenda Kress, Herbert Peters, Mark Leffert
- 28 Cory Hildenbrand, Jackie Kress, Mary Roos, Carol Schipp, Julia Weyer
- 29 Tim Mullis, Alexandria Masterson
- 30 David Lahee

FAMILY FAITH

Chapter 17: Jesus' Miracles Show Us He Is God

Jesus has risen from the dead.

Chapter Summary

Mary Magdalene went to Jesus' tomb, and an angel announced that Jesus had risen from the dead; we call this the Resurrection. Forty days later, Jesus ascended into Heaven; we call this the Ascension. Jesus will come again at the end of time; this is known as the Second Coming. Jesus is our King, who conquered sin and death. Through Jesus' Death and Resurrection, we share in a new life of grace, which is a share in the divine life of God Himself. Jesus commissioned the Apostles to baptize and teach the Good News.

More for Parents

It can be challenging to talk about the Resurrection with children. For starters, it is beyond the realm of human experience! So, how can this very pivotal truth be more tangible to our children? As parents, you can remind your children how happy you are that because of God's mercy, families can be together forever in Heaven. We'll also be with our friends, relatives, and all the saints who departed in faith. Give your kids a big hug and remind them that God loves them. He loves them so much that He gives them the grace they need to be holy so they can live forever with Him in Heaven.

Virtue in the Family

With the theological virtue of hope, we can trust that God has prepared a place for us in Heaven. This hope can help us make the right choices to follow Christ and His teachings.

Hope in the Resurrection

- Prayer activity
 - As a family, reflect on Saint Paul's words: "Since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, . . . God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep" (1 Thessalonians 4:14).

- Do you have hope to see family, friends, and saints in Heaven?
- Pray for any family members who have died.
- Pray for more hope in God's plan for your life.
 - Conclude by praying together, "Lord Jesus, we believe in Your Resurrection. Strengthen the virtue of hope in us. Amen."
- Tell your children about family members who have died whom they never met. Share with them the hope you have that because of Jesus' Resurrection, you may one day see them again in Heaven.
- Take your children to church and light a devotional candle as a sign of your prayers for any family members who have passed away.
- Share with your children the saints you most look forward to meeting in Heaven.

Vocabulary Words for Your Children to Review

- **Ascension**
- **Resurrection**
- **Second Coming**

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



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

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removal of the burden of Assyrian oppression. Isaiah describes this burden with more imagery: "the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster." The Lord God has freed them from Assyrian oppression.

The Responsorial is a "trust" psalm: "The Lord is my light and my salvation... the Lord is my life's refuge" (v. 1). The psalmist repeatedly proclaims that he has no fear. The danger to the psalmist is described in verses 2 and 3 (both omitted here). Verse 2 describes evildoers, enemies, and foes. Verse 3 has two parallel lines: "Though an army encamp against me..." and "Though war be waged against me..." The life of the psalmist is threatened by war, but he trusts in the Lord and does not fear.

In verse 4 the psalmist envisions dwelling "in the Lord's house all the days of my life." This describes the temple: "the Lord's house." The following line repeats the idea: "To gaze on the LORD's beauty, to visit his temple." When the dangers of war end, the psalmist hopes to visit the temple in Jerusalem, the place of the Lord's presence. The psalm ends with an exhortation (an ABBA chiasmus): "Wait for the LORD, take courage; be stouthearted, wait for the LORD!"

In today's First Corinthians reading, Paul makes an exhortation: "I urge you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ... that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and in the same purpose." Paul's life mission was to bring other people to accept the Gospel of Christ. Paul recognized that divisions within the Christian community are a stumbling block to those who might accept the Gospel. So, Paul exhorts the Corinthian Christians to maintain unity.

Paul continues: "it has been reported to me... that there are rivalries among you." Paul describes Corinthian Christians in rival groups who profess loyalty to Paul, Apollos, or Cephas. But Paul insists that our loyalty must be to Christ alone. Paul rebukes Christians who have separated into these groups because only Christ was crucified for us. We belong to Christ alone, who gives us new life through baptism.

Paul continues: "For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with the wisdom of human

eloquence, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its meaning." For Paul, "the cross of Christ" is the model of true human love. As an apostle, Paul does not seek "the wisdom of human eloquence," but rather he strives to live according to God's wisdom – the wisdom of Christ's cross.

In today's Gospel, after the arrest of John the Baptist, Jesus withdraws to Galilee. Then Jesus moves from Nazareth to Capernaum. The gospel narrator explains this by quoting the Septuagint translation of Isaiah 8:23 – 9:1 (first reading).

Jesus' message is eschatological. That is, He is announcing the arrival of a new age – called "the kingdom of heaven," which contrasts with the current age of sin and death. Jesus commands us: "Repent!" The new age is arriving: "the kingdom of heaven is at hand." We must repent so that we may be judged worthy to belong to the kingdom of heaven.

Next Jesus calls his first disciples. We can almost see the seaside and smell the fishing nets. We meet two pairs of brothers. First is Simon and his brother Andrew. Second is James and his brother John – the sons of Zebedee. For both sets of brothers, when Jesus calls them, they respond with earnest obedience. Simon and Andrew immediately abandon their nets and follow Jesus. James and John surpass even this. When Jesus calls them, they abandon the hired men and their stunned father Zebedee in the boat.

Jesus "went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people." Jesus shows He has the healing power of God, and He announces that God is acting for the salvation of all people. Christ proclaims the Gospel of the kingdom.

In Christ Jesus,
Father Paul, OSB

Handwoven Baskets on Display at Archabbey Library through Feb. 27



Saint Meinrad Archabbey Library Gallery will host an exhibit of woven baskets by Saint Meinrad monk and artist Br. Jean Fish, OSB, from January 10 through February 27.

Br. Jean works primarily with sculptural basket weaving. He describes his work as contemplative and a form of prayer.

Weaving yarn around jute cords to form a rigid basket, the creative process focuses the spirit.

Originally from Southern California, Br. Jean made his solemn vows at Saint Meinrad Archabbey in 2019. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Anthropology from Sonoma State University, a Master of Arts in Theology from Saint Meinrad School of Theology, and a Bachelor of Fine Arts from University of Alabama, Birmingham.

For library hours, call 812-357-6401 or 800-987-7311, or visit the Archabbey Library's website: <https://www.saintmeinrad.edu/library/library-hours/>. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

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Poinsettias Available After Weekend Masses January 31 and February 1



The poinsettias used to decorate the churches during the Christmas season will be available for parishioners, friends, and neighbors to take home, following next weekend's Masses, through 5 p.m. the following Wednesday. The churches are open from dawn to dusk daily.

Thanks to those volunteers who were good stewards of these gifts by caring for them throughout the Christmas season and to those whose gifts made these flowers available to decorate our churches.


Online January 23, 2025 | Bulletin February 1, 2026

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, January 24 at 4 p.m. Vigil Mass for Sunday Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Sunday, January 25 at 6 a.m. Mass for Sunday Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Sunday, January 25 at 8:30 a.m. Mass for Sunday St. Meinrad Catholic Church
Porter	Ryan Hildenbrand Kyler Hildenbrand	Paul Gerlach	Alex Graman
Sacristan	Courtney Blalock	Eric Tuley	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 Clara Tempel - Tower Bell #2 LeeRay Tempel - Tower Bell #3	
Livestream for Rosary	NOT FILLED		Sally Gravatte
Rosary Leader	Pearl Gelarden Amanda Gudorf		Susan Ippoliti
Livestream for Mass	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED
Hospitality (Greeters)	Peggy Hildenbrand and Mark Hildenbrand - Main Door	NOT FILLED - Main Door	Diane Flaherty and Marlin Flaherty - 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	Aidan Haepling	Marshall Snyder	NOT FILLED
Acolyte of the Word	Edmund Sitzman	Tanner Wilson	Brenley Beier
Crucifer (Cross Bearer)	Charlotte Sitzman	Beckett Kress	Lyla Kate Gray
Candle Bearer	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Liam Kress NOT FILLED	Thomas Lutz Nicholas Lutz
Proclamation of the Word	Carsten King - First Reading Pam Davis - Second Reading Courtney Blalock - Prayer of the Faithful	Lily Hubert - First Reading Vickie Snyder - Second Reading Marshall Snyder - Prayer of the Faithful	Carol Schwoeppe - First Reading Cora Lasher - Second Reading Julia Lutz - Prayer of the Faithful
Offertory Collection (Review listed Mass Intention. Invite family members to present the offertory gifts at the Offertory Procession.)	Paul Haepling Nick Hildenbrand Kasen Hildenbrand Wyatt Gudorf	Alfred Birchler Denny Rickelman Jim Mullis Eric Tuley	Ben Ebert Dalton Fetter Tom Kloeck Larry Waninger
Signal Bell at Consecration (At the time of the <i>Epiclesis</i> , when the acolytes kneel at the altar, ring the tower bell until the acolytes again stand following the proclamation of the mystery of faith.)	Ryan Hildenbrand - Bell #3	NOT FILLED - Bell #3	
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Individuals assigned to patens gather near Altar of St. Joseph, chalices near the Altar of Mary)	Pam Davis - Paten Jenny Kunkler - Paten Karen Peters - Paten Michelle Blalock - Chalice Courtney Blalock - Chalice Maddie Gudorf - Chalice Becky Wesner - Chalice Jenny Kunkler - Pyx (loft) Maddie Gudorf - Chalice (loft)	Alison Collignon - Paten Kerry Snyder - Chalice Marshall Snyder - Chalice Alison Collignon - Pyx (loft) Kerry Snyder - Chalice (loft)	Brianne Hopf - Paten Benjamin Mangum - Paten Karen Mangum - Paten Jessica Fischer - Chalice Bobby Gogel - Chalice Martha Sitzman - Chalice Jerry Sitzman - Chalice Brianne Hopf - Pyx (loft) Bobby Gogel - 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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Mrs. Ramona Gehlhausen 812-309-1256 (m)

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Finance (SM)	Pam Davis
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Heritage and Marketing (SM)	Position open
Pastoral Ministries and Activities	Position open
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Bereavement Luncheon Ministry (SM)

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Position Open, chair

Cemetery Commission (SM)

[Brian Greulich](#), chair

Fall Picnic (SM)

Nancy Graman, chair

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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:

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• All gifts made online immediately show up in your giving history, along with any other online, text, or offline contributions.

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- 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.

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	PARISH CENSUS	
	FY 2025-2026	
176	# of Households	224
430	# of Souls	456
	MASS COUNT	
In-Person	January 12-18, 2026	Livestream
12	Monday	11
15	Tuesday	9
18	Wednesday	10
18	Thursday	13
19	Friday	7
N/A	Saturday (Vigil for Sunday) 4 p.m.	N/A
57	Sunday 6 a.m.	16
155	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	22
Church Capacity:	360 (SB) Parish #076; 430 (SM) Parish #137	
	FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP	
Updated:1/22/2026	January 5-11, 2026	
\$135	Online Giving	\$580
\$1,146	Offertory	\$1,733

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One Family In Faith

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sanctuary Lamp
February 1, 2026
Luminary

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



St Boniface Parish **+Kenny Ray Zoglman**
St. Meinrad Parish **+Eulalia Marie (Fischer) Hagedorn**

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

DATE / TIME	CALENDAR EVENT	LOCATION
SATURDAY, JANUARY 31	BLESSING OF THROATS OFFERED AFTER EACH WEEKEND MASS	
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	Monte Cassino Shrine
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 <i>Missa Pro Populo</i> "Mass for the People"	Historic Church (SB)
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
6:00 a.m.	Mass +Justin Ray Mullis	Historic Church (SB)
8:05 a.m.	Rosary (For increased vocations to priesthood, diaconate & consecrated life)	Church (SM)
7:45 to 8:15 a.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
8:30 a.m.	Mass +Hilbert "Hip" Stephen and +Alberta "Bert" Mary (Vaal) Graman (Anniversaries of Deaths)	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)
9:45 to 10:45 a.m.	F3 OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)	Church: South Sacristy (SM)
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2	THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD / CANDLEMAS	
3:50 p.m.	Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb)	Historic Church (SB)
4:15 p.m.	Mass +Marie Olivia (Kern) Obermeier Blessing of Candles Following Mass • Third Monday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council • Fourth Monday, 5:15 to 6 p.m. Pastoral Council Officers No meetings in April, July, August, November	Historic Church (SB)
		Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 Parish Office: Room G
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3	FEAST OF ST. BLAISE	
7:15 a.m.	Mass Adam Charles Wilson (Blessing of Throats after Mass)	Church (SM)
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Reserved for Team A	Parish Office: Office C
Noon to 6:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Cookie Delivery	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
1:15 to 2:45 p.m.	Parish Staff 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	Office: Room G-A Parish Office: Room H Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction)	Church (SM)
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
3:30 p.m.	Mass Prayers for Health and Healing	Church (SM)
4:15 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Church (SM)
5:00 to 9:00 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)
6:15 to 7:20 p.m.		
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5		
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 +Paul Allen Linne	Historic Church (SB)
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM)
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Eugene "Gene" Louis Ubelhor (Anniversary of Birth)	Church (SM)



Dear Padre,

Why can't a Protestant receive the Eucharist at a Catholic Mass?

United by baptism, fellow Christians are our brothers and sisters in the Lord. As such, they are always welcome at Catholic Mass, but they do not ordinarily participate in holy Communion. "Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to holy Communion" (Code of Canon Law, 844 §4).

When Catholics receive Holy Communion, they firmly believe the bread and wine are transformed into the Real Presence of Christ. In the Eucharist, we become part of the body of Christ and share in holiness and unity with one another. Our "Amen" to "The Body of Christ" and "The Blood of Christ" means, "Truly, so be it!" It indicates that we affirm our belief in this mystery, which is fundamental to our Catholic identity. If non-Catholics receive the Eucharist but do not embrace this identity and same belief, it may disrespect Catholics who do, as well as disrespect their own identity in the denomination to which they belong.

However, at Mass, fellow Christians can join their prayers with Catholics in praising God. Together, we also pray that the divisions which separate us will finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (John 17:21). ●



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Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
January 26	January 27	January 28	January 29	January 30	January 31	February 1
<i>Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. John Bosco, Priest</i>	<i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19	Mk 3:31-35	2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29	2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13
Mk 3:22-30		2 Sm 7:4-17	Mk 4:21-25	Mk 4:26-34	Mk 4:35-41	1 Cor 1:26-31
		Mk 4:1-20				Mt 5:1-12a

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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Dear brothers and sisters, all too much violence exists in the world and our societies. Amid wars, terrorism, human trafficking, and widespread aggression, our children and young people need to be able to experience the culture of life, dialogue, and mutual respect. Above all, they need the witness of...those who have suffered injustice and violence [and] resist the temptation to seek revenge.

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