



ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS
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Administrator: Fr. Jose Arroyo
MASSES: SAT EVENING 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MORNING 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.
TU, WED, FRI: 8:00 A.M.
THURSDAY: 6:00 P.M.
ADORATION: FRIDAYS, 8:30 A.M.-7:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
TUES, WEDS, FRI: 7:30-7:45 A.M.
THURSDAY: 5:00-5:45 P.M.
SATURDAY: 3:45-4:45 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS: TUES-FRI 8:30-NOON & 1:00-4:00
CLOSED ON MONDAYS

WELCOME! WE EXTEND OUR HANDS AND HEARTS TO ALL WHO CELEBRATE WITH US, WHETHER LONGTIME RESIDENT OR NEWLY ARRIVED IN THE PARISH. WE THANK GOD THAT YOU ARE WITH US

The Week Ahead

Saturday, January 29, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Lector: Tom Andreas

Eucharistic Ministers: Janelle Schmitt, Leanna Andreas

Acolytes: Sam Bechtold, Lukus Schmitt

Ministers of Hospitality: Dillon & Van Reed

Sunday, January 30, 2022

8:00 a.m.

Lector: John Herrmann

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeremy Swonger, Roxy Herrmann

Acolytes: John & Chris Morgan

Ministers of Hospitality: Mike & Mary Gregory

Sunday, January 30, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Lector: Mike McClain

Eucharistic Ministers: Joe Cochran, Ingrid McClain

Acolytes: Seth Mills, Carson Duncan

Ministers of Hospitality: Volunteers

Collections for January 16, 2020

Offering Envelopes	\$ 1,611.00
Loose	560.83
Repair	85.00
Candles	22.00
Religious Ed	10.00
Total in pew	\$ 2,288.83

Online Collections (January 10- 16)

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 2,871.00
Repair	546.00
Religious Ed	37.00
Total	\$ 3,454.00

“Let us throw ourselves into the ocean of His goodness, where every failing will be canceled and anxiety turned into love.”

~St. Paul of the Cross~

Diocesan directives instruct that we should stay home (with Mass obligation lifted) if feeling unwell: “Anyone (whether vaccinated or not) with a cough or fever, or who may otherwise be feeling sick, should still remain home.” The 10:30 Sunday Mass will continue to be streamed on YouTube and on Facebook for those who cannot attend in person.



January 22/23 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00 p.m. (Sat.) † Living & Deceased members of the Lawrence Reed Family
 8:00 a.m. (Sun.) † Parishioners
 10:30 a.m. (Sun.) † Jane Goble
 (rosary ½ hour before each Mass)
 (Adoration one hour before Saturday Mass and Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass)

January 24 Monday: Saint Francis de Sales
 No Mass

January 25 Tuesday: Conversion of Saint Paul
 8:00 a.m. † Joyce Pawlak

January 26 Wednesday: Saints Timothy & Titus
 8:00 a.m. † Terry Baker

January 27 Thursday: Weekday
 5:00 p.m. † Andy Lowe

January 28 Friday: Saint Thomas Aquinas
 8:00 a.m. † Richard Dalton

January 29/30 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Saturday, January 29th 5:00 p.m.: † Jerry Zorger
 Confession: 3:45-4:45
 8:00 a.m.: † Bud Meyer & Trent Mowrey
 10:30 a.m. : † Parishioners
 (rosary ½ hour before each Mass)
Adoration: 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!!!



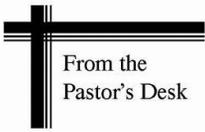
This year's Parish Picnic will be Sunday August 14th, 2022 from 4-8 p.m. at Paige's Crossing. Please mark your calendars.

Extraordinary Minister Training

There will be an Extraordinary Ministers training meeting for those who are already ministers and also for those who would like to become ministers, next Sunday January 30th at 11:30.

Lectors Training

Please mark your calendars for a training meeting for Lectors and those who would like to become Lectors on Sunday February 6th at 11:30.



From the
Pastor's Desk

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

On this 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, we, who have been baptized or are about to be baptized (as is the case of the catechumens) are reminded that Jesus fulfills the prophesy of Isaiah 61 regarding the anointing of the Messiah and his role in salvation history. In Christ, all of us have been chosen by God to be part of His Church, and therefore of Christ's Kingdom. None of us are the same, yet we all have spiritual gifts that we can put at the service of God and others which help with the upbuilding of the Church. We mutually enrich each other when we acknowledge God's intervention in the distribution of the different charisms within the Church but become a stumbling block (instead of a stepping stone) when we envy others' gifts forgetting that it is the Lord who calls us to be part of the same spiritual team.

When I reflect on the many generous families and individuals here at St. Paul of the Cross Parish who have not hesitated in placing their time, talents, and treasures at the service of God's kingdom in obvious and in anonymous ways, I can't help but think that we as a parish are very much alive and aware of God's presence among us and that we too, as the Messiah, are called to "bring glad tidings to the poor;" we too are sent to "proclaim liberty to captives" by inviting them to an encounter with the risen Lord in the sacraments. We too, who are guided by the light of Christ, (light which we have received at baptism) are called to help others who may be spiritually blind recover sight and let the oppressed go free, especially from error as we invite them to know the person of Jesus Christ who is truth itself. We too hope and pray that this calendar year may indeed be acceptable to the Lord, despite our weaknesses and shortcomings, for Jesus is accompanies us.

Today, I would like to thank all of you who take seriously your role in salvation history. The world needs spiritual heroes who are capable of laying down their lives for the Gospel of life. A special thanks to all who dedicate themselves directly or indirectly to the cause of respecting life in all its stages, that is, from conception to natural death. We are to guard, guide, and protect the needy especially the unborn and at the same time we are to provide concretely the means to help those in crisis pregnancies when they choose life in times of trial. The same with the sick, they are not to be victims of the "throw away culture" that Pope Francis has warned us against. May we return to our homes and wherever God leads us this week "in the power of the Spirit," that is, the Holy Spirit who is, as we profess in the Creed the Lord and giver of life.



Through the generous donation of a parishioner, we are having an automatic door installed on the main parking lot entrance of the church for handicapped accessibility. This will be like the automatic door we presently have at our Community Center. Hopefully it will be installed within the next few weeks.

Thank you to all the parishioners who anonymously give to St. Paul of the Cross. Our new Christmas nativity set was also donated by another St. Paul family. We also have two new recessional candle holders on ordered purchased by two parishioners.

The new Altar Crucifix and candlesticks were donated by Bob and Barb Wood in remembrance of her son Andy Lowe.

We have always been blessed at St. Paul of the Cross with parishioners who come forward to help when they see a need and help with their time, talent or treasure. Thank you to all our parishioners.

Congratulations Candidates!

Congratulations to the 20 diaconate candidates who were installed as acolytes this past Sunday at the Cathedral. Keep these men in your prayers as they prepare for their diaconate ordination next year, especially our parishioner Joe Cochran. Congratulations Joe!

2022 REKINDLE THE FIRE MEN'S CONFERENCE



Join hundreds of men on Saturday, February 26th at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum for a full day of great speakers and fellowship with other Catholic men. Tickets on sale now at rekindlethefire.net.



- Please keep Dave and Anita Senesac and their family in your prayers. Dave's mother, Phyllis Senesac, passed away this last week. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

