



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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
TUES, WEDS, FRI: 7:30-7:45 A.M.
THURSDAY: 4:00-4:45 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, February 5, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Lector: Melanie Bechtold

Eucharistic Ministers: Danielle Smethers, Anita Kelley

Acolytes: Sam Bechtold, volunteer

Ministers of Hospitality: Chris Bechtol, volunteer

Sunday, February 6, 2022

8:00 a.m.

Lector: Becky Beery

Eucharistic Ministers: Laura Rumschlag, Al Anderson

Acolytes: Volunteer, Bailey Shidler

Ministers of Hospitality: Chris Morgan, Jeff Gibson

Sunday, February 6, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Lector: Don Neff

Eucharistic Ministers: Nicole Alles, Joe Cochran

Acolytes: Keagan Born, Carson Duncan

Ministers of Hospitality: Volunteers

Collections for January 23, 2020

Offering Envelopes	\$ 3,163.00
Loose	286.61
Repair	70.00
Candles	11.00
Religious Ed	5.00
Total in pew	\$ 3,535.61

Online Collections (January 17- 23)

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 1,594.00
Repair	217.00
Total	\$ 1,791.00

“Walk in faith. The true way of holiness is the way of faith. He who walks in pure faith abandons himself into the hands of God, as a child in its mother’s arms.”

~St. Paul of the Cross~



January 29/30 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) † Jerry Zorger

8:00 a.m. (Sun.) † Bud Meyer & Trent Mowrey

10:30 a.m. (Sun.) † Parishioners

(rosary ½ hour before each Mass)

(Adoration one hour before Saturday Mass and Sunday

8:00 a.m. Mass)

January 31 Monday: Saint John Bosco

No Mass

February 1 Tuesday: Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Virginia Andreas

February 2 Wednesday: The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 a.m. † John Wright

February 3 Thursday: Weekday

5:00 p.m. † First Thursday Memorial

February 4 Friday: Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Larry Reynolds

February 5/6 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 5th 5:00 p.m.: † Parishioners

Confession: 3:45-4:45

8:00 a.m.: † Bud Meyer & Trent Mowrey

10:30 a.m. : † Jane Goble

(rosary ½ hour before each Mass)

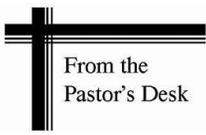
Adoration: 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

The contribution statements for 2021 are now ready and may be picked up in the church office during office hours or can be mailed to your home. If you would like a copy mailed to you, please call the church office and we will mail it to your home. Thank you all for your continued support of St. Paul of the Cross.

THEOLOGY ON TAP - FORT WAYNE

The Theology on Tap series kicks off on Tuesday, February 1, and will bring young people from across Fort Wayne together as they dive deeply into the themes centered on the Eucharist and a call to action. The series, planned by a team of local young adults, is entitled “Go Forth” and will offer a weekly talk by a local follower of faith and the opportunity to enjoy food, drink, and fellowship. Individuals of any faith are encouraged to attend. Meetings are hosted this winter at USF Historic Woman’s Club: 402 W Wayne Street. Visit diocesefwsb.org/tot-fw.



From the
Pastor's Desk

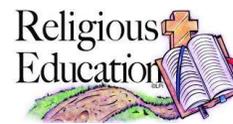
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

God has a plan for all us from the very moment he formed us in our mother's womb. Each one of us has been loved into existence and has a special mission within the providential plan of God in salvation history. We are all called to love and to be loved and the way we carry out our mission can vary from person to person; but all have the responsibility to do so with love, which always seeks the good of others.

However, in the midst of our world there is much tension and we are to choose to make the act of the will to preach the gospel of life, firstly with our actions and then by the way we carry ourselves. When in the book of the prophet Jeremiah we are assured that God knew Jeremiah before he was in his own mother's womb and that the Lord appointed him as a "prophet to the nations," we are reminded that God has "hardwired" us with a divine missionary spirit that seeks to spread the Gospel of life to all people of different backgrounds but with charity and conviction.

All of us are prophets by virtue of our baptism and we are to speak on behalf of God no matter the place or circumstances. This is could be a challenge, especially when we are a minority within our families, neighborhoods, work, or school. May we be bold in proclaiming the Gospel of life in a convincing manner. There is a saying in Spanish that is appropriate to mention here: *El convencido convence*, which means: "The convinced [person] convinces." May we be ever convinced that Christ is present in the Eucharist so that he can dwell within us even in the midst of our daily trials.

May we trust in God as He provides for our needs when we too experience the different "famines" of our human existence. And when the tension thickens within our relationships may we have the humility to "choose our battles" and simply, if prudent, walk away from our opponents as Jesus did when he was led to the brow of the hill to be hurled down headlong, for he "passed through the midst of them and went away." Sometimes that is the best that we can do if we are to give a prophetic witness of authentic love. May Christ inspire us to love prophetically today.



We are now using Remind 101 to share Rel. Ed. class cancelation and other important reminders. If you did not receive a text message or email asking to join, please be sure to let Anita Senesac know. The class code that will need to entered is **dh66ac**.

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.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast



Next Sunday, February 6th, the Knights of Columbus will have a breakfast from 8-12 noon in the Deacon Joe Zickgraf Community Center. Donations will go to the Seminarian collection. Come and enjoy a hot breakfast and support our seminarians.

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, this 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 next Sunday February 6th at 11:30.

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.