



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, March 12, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Lector: Tom Andreas

Eucharistic Ministers: Anita Kelley, Danielle Smethers

Acolytes: Colby & Evan Leatherman

Ministers of Hospitality: Van & Dillon Reed

Sunday, March 13, 2022

8:00 a.m.

Lector: Becky Beery

Eucharistic Ministers: Al Anderson, Sara St. Clair

Acolytes: Chris & John Morgan

Ministers of Hospitality: Matt Beery & Steve Schmitt

Sunday, March 13, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Lector: John Gilles

Eucharistic Ministers: Joe Cochran, Volunteer

Acolytes: A. J. & Sophia Smith

Ministers of Hospitality: Volunteers

Collections for February 27, 2022

Offering Envelopes	\$ 3,018.00
Loose	675.00
Repair	81.00
Candles	12.00
Religious Ed	10.00
Total in pew	\$ 3,796.00

Online Collections (February 21-27)

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 1,639.00
Repair	207.00
Total Online	\$ 1,846.00

USED EYE GLASS DONATION



On March 26th and 17th, 2022, St. Paul of the Cross parish will be collecting used eyeglasses, prescription sunglasses, regular sunglasses, unopened contact boxes. Please do not donate glasses without frames or eyeglass cases. There will be boxes in the narthex to deposit your glasses in. The glasses will be used locally and at an eye clinic in Honduras. Thank you to Mary Jo Brock for getting this ministry started.



March 6 First Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) † Jerry Zorger

8:00 a.m. (Sun.) † Parishioners

10:30 a.m. (Sun.) † Justin Hinen

(rosary ½ hour before each Mass)

(Adoration one hour before Saturday Mass and Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass)

March 7 Monday: Lenten Weekday

No Mass

March 8 Tuesday: Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Frank Fahl

“The Light is On” Confession at all parishes in our Diocese from 6-8 pm.

March 9 Wednesday: Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Pat Herber

March 10 Thursday: Lenten Weekday

5:00 p.m. † Andy Lowe

March 11 Friday: Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. † Dick & Judy Gates

March 12/13 Second Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 12

5:00 p.m.: † Parishioners

Confession: 3:45-4:45

Sunday, March 13

8:00 a.m.: † Bud Meyer & Trent Mowrey

10:30 a.m. : † Isaac Elliott

(rosary ½ hour before each Mass)

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



On Fridays during Lent we will have a soup supper at 5:30 p.m. in the Deacon Joe Zickgraf Community Center followed by Stations of the Cross in the church at 6:30 p.m. Please join us and bring your families.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be at **11:00** and **6:30 p.m.** this year instead of 11:00 and & 7:00 p.m. Don Neff and John Herrmann will alternate leading the 11:00 stations. Fr. Jose will lead the stations at 6:30 p.m.

If you receive a message from Fr. Jose asking for help, please do not open. It is another scam going around.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Lent is a time of spiritual renewal. As individuals, as members of various families, and even as a parish community, we are all called to ongoing spiritual renewal and conversion. Naturally, for this spiritual renewal and conversion to take place there is a requirement... the requirement is change.

Last Saturday at the end of the evening Mass I intended to share with you my plans for some changes I feel are necessary for our parish to move forward and which include some personnel changes. I regret that I got too caught up in the moment and expressed information about the changes in a way that was not helpful. It is my hope that you can forgive any hurt I have caused and that we can move forward to continue to grow this wonderful parish.

Our Parish, I have come to learn, is filled with so many generous faithful. It is also beautiful to see how parishioners have helped non-parishioners. Some of these non-parishioners, along with various parishioners, have helped us with the renovation of our own confessional by providing a safe and beautiful environment for the sacrament of reconciliation to be celebrated so that the spiritual renewal can continue for all of us. Again, this is a great example of how parishioners and non-parishioners can reciprocally collaborate with one another in serving God and His Kingdom as we put into service the famous three "t's": time, talents, and treasures.

Spiritual renewal and conversion are graces which we ought to be open to, intentionally, during Lent. It is my hope that we can see that some of the means that we have available for spiritual renewal (apart from daily Mass and Confessions) are daily silent Eucharistic adoration followed by the rosary. These were the wonderful suggestions that I received from a layperson as I began my new mission in Columbia City, which naturally involves changes. It is my hope that we allow the graces, that flow from these simple—yet powerful encounters with God at prayer and in the sacraments, to transform us and heal us as we move forward during this Lenten season towards our goal, which is Easter.

May the Virgin Mary intercede for us as she compassionately accompanied her Son on the way to Calvary. May the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus impel us to love sacrificially, as He did during His passion. After all, the passion, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus is what has made possible our spiritual renewal, which is the greatest change in salvation history, namely, our redemption.

PENANCE SERVICE



There will be a Penance Service here at St. Paul of the Cross on Thursday, March 31st at 6 p.m. There will be three priests available to hear confessions.



Knights of Columbus is having their monthly meeting Wednesday March 9th at 6:30PM in the church basement.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

Did you miss donating blood at our last couple of drives, because of illness, travels or just plain too busy? The Red Cross/Knights of Columbus is presenting you with another opportunity to donate on Sunday, March 6th at the Deacon Joe Center from 8:00AM to 1:00PM. If you did donate at our last drive in January, you are eligible to donate again. However, if you donated double red cells, you are not eligible to donate until our May 15th drive. If you have never donated, please consider donating for the first time. Individuals sixteen years of age and older are eligible to donate. Your forty minutes of time could save the lives of three people. Donation times have been filling up just before our drives, so sign-up **NOW** to get your preferred time slot.

Pick up an information card at the display in the Narthex. If you have any question or need help, please feel free to call John Herrmann @ 260 229 5499.

Don't forget the Knights of Columbus breakfast also this Sunday, March 6th in the Community Center. Breakfast casseroles and pancakes will be served. Proceeds will go to the Gibault Children Services.



The Church's Ministry of Exorcism

Exorcist Fr. Vincent Lampert will present "The Reality of Evil and the Church's Ministry of Exorcism" on Thursday, March 17th 6:30 p.m. at Queen of Angels in Fort Wayne. Confession is offered at 5:00 p.m. with Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in honor of St. Patrick of Ireland at 6:00 p.m. and a presentation by Fr. Vincent Lampert at 6:30 p.m. (WAFFWSB will provide grilled cheese sandwiches and soup) Our DRE, Anita Senesac will be one of the cooks. Dismissal and final blessing will be at 7:45 p.m. There is no fee to attend.