

St. Bavo Parish

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Office Hours

Monday thru Friday
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Mass Times

Sunday

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

5:00 PM (in the chapel)

Friday

8:15 AM (in the chapel)

Saturday

8:15 AM (in the chapel)
5:00 PM (Vigil)

Confession

Saturday

9:00 to 10:00 AM

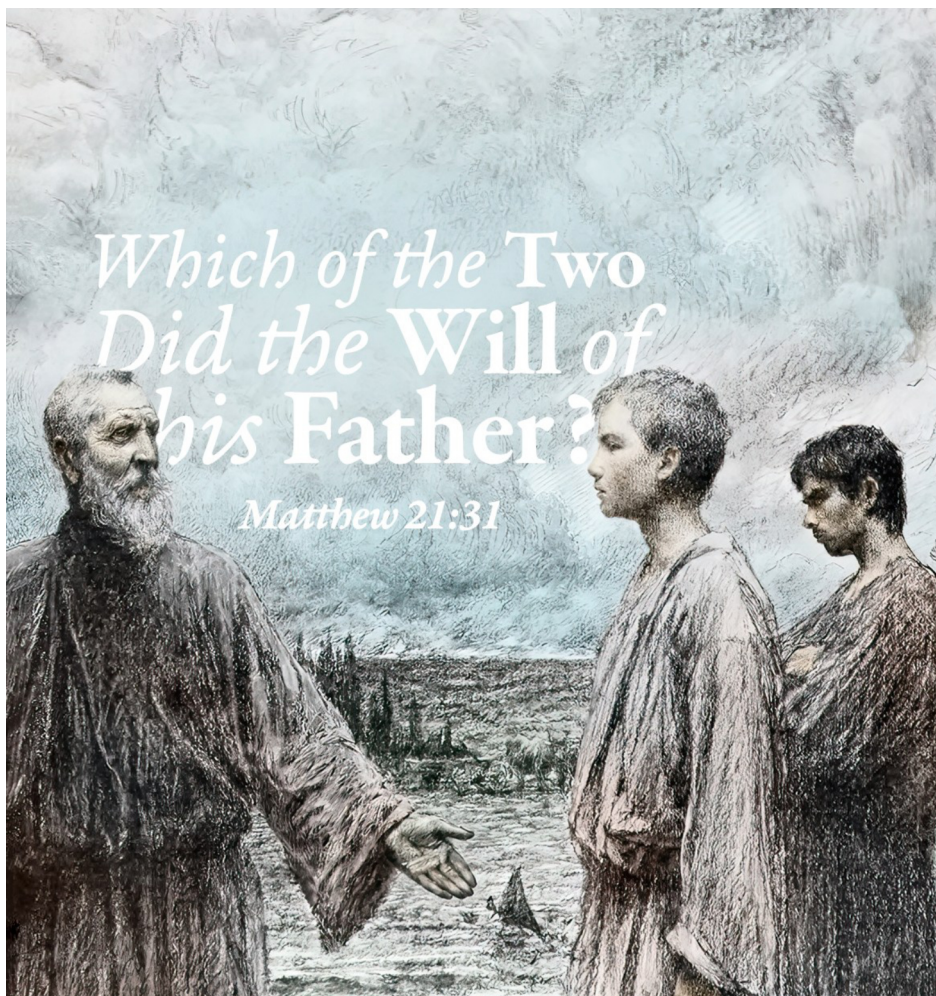
Mishawaka Catholic School

St. Bavo Campus

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Prayer Line Requests

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October 4, 2026

The Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mission Statement

We, the people of St. Bavo Parish are committed to be the living presence of Christ in the world today. Empowered by the Spirit, we strive to live our shared commitment through liturgical celebrations, prayer, education, spiritual growth, bearing witness to faith and service to all



My dear beloved Parishioners of St. Bavo Parish,

Happy Feast Day, of St. Bavo.

With great joy, I congratulate each one of you upon the solemn feast of our Patron, St. Bavo. On 1st October the Church celebrates this great saint, and this weekend we as a family of St. Bavo gather to thank God for the gift of our Parish and for his powerful intercession over us.

St. Bavo was a man who had everything in this world - wealth, nobility, pleasure - but he chose to leave all to focus on heavenly realities. From a life of indulgence, he turned to a life of holiness, penance and charity to the poor. His life tells us that true joy is not found in what we possess, but in who we possess - Christ Jesus.

I sincerely thank you for your love for our Parish. Thank you for loving St. Bavo Parish as your spiritual home. Thank you for your prayers, your presence at Mass, your generosity and your service in different ministries. You make St. Bavo a living and vibrant community.

As we celebrate, I invite us to listen to the Word of God: "Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." - Colossians 3:2

Let us continue to focus on heavenly realities:

1. In our families, let us seek first the Kingdom of God.
2. In our Parish, let us not work for praise or position, but for heaven.
3. In our personal lives, like St. Bavo, let us learn to let go of what does not lead us to God.

May St. Bavo, our Patron saint, intercede for us, that we may love our Parish more, love each other more and love heaven even more.

I bless you all and I wish you a grace-filled Feast Day celebration.

Happy Feast of St. Bavo

Fr. Francis

This Week In Our Parish

Saturday and Sunday October 3rd & 4th

At all Masses MAC Food Collection—Church

Monday, October 5th

6:30 PM Band of Brothers - Room A

Tuesday, October 6th

4:00 PM & 7:00 PM Rosary—Church

Saturday, October 10th

9:00 AM — 10:00 AM Confession — Church

Saturday, October 10th

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Church Cleaning - Team 1

Prayer for Peace in the Park

Every Saturday 9:00 AM—10:00 AM

Central Park Main Stage 295 E. Mishawaka Ave. Mishawaka

Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 4th • Twenty Seventh Sunday Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43;

7:00 AM Bert Nowakowski Jr.

9:00 AM Norbert Rethlake

11:00 AM For the People of St. Bavo

Monday, October 5th

Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37;

5:00 PM Tom Slamkowski

Tuesday, October 6th

Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42;

8:15 AM Rudy Barlich

5:00 PM The Lost Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, October 7th

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4;

No Mass

Thursday, October 8th

Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13;

5:00 PM Roman Radecki

Friday, October 9th

Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26,

8:15 AM Jim & Hortnece Moore

Saturday, October 10th

Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28;

8:15 AM Darlene Van De Voorde

5:00 PM For the People of St. Bavo

Sunday, October 11th • Twenty Eighth Sunday Ordinary Time

Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14;

7:00 AM Tom Pauwels

9:00 AM Charles & Emilie Schoonaert

11:00 AM Tony Mauro

Collection for the week of September 27th

Adult Envelopes \$ 6,400.00

Loose \$ 399.00

Electronic Transfers \$ 1,727.00

Total \$ 8,526.00

Amount needed weekly to balance the budget \$ 9,185.00

Use this QR code to make your parish donations

Weekly Collection

Parish Only Gifts

Fresh Altar Flower Fund

Building / Repair Relief School Subsidy



St. Bavo Parish is Hiring! Maintenance & School Custodian

We are looking for a dependable, hard working individual who takes pride in maintaining a clean, safe, and welcoming environment for our school and parish community. This is a part time position.

Interested candidates can contact the parish office 574-255-1437 or email tbavoooffice@gmail.com

The Annual Bishop's Appeal invites each of us to participate in the life and mission of the Church across our diocese. Your generosity helps strengthen our parishes and schools, provide formation for seminarians and clergy, and serve those most in need through diocesan ministries and Catholic Charities. As Bishop Rhoades reminds us, we are called to be the salt of the earth and light of the world. Thank you for your generosity and for helping our diocese continue this mission together.

To learn more and to make your gift at diocesefwsb.org/aba

Word of the Week:

"Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee"

St. Augustine

St. Bavo Feast Day Celebration

**This Sunday,
October 4th**

4:00 PM Concert in Church
5:30 Dinner in the Gym

Come celebrate our Patronal Feast with music, Fellowship and food.

Carry In items may be dropped off in the school gym prior to the concert.

NATIVITY YARD DISPLAYS FOR SALE



Orders are due by Sunday October 11, 2026 for pick up before Thanksgiving.

Proceeds benefit Marian High School's Knights for Life Club.

www.marianhs.org/nativity



MAC Food Pantry

This Weekend

October 3rd and 4th

At All Masses

Suggested Items: Boxed Pasta, Rice Dish Soap

**October
Special Collection**
World Mission
Propagation of Faith

Church Cleaning
**Saturday,
October 10th**

10:00 AM—12:00 PM
Team 1

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday and Sunday October 10th & 11th

Ushers

5:00 PM Cindy Bodle, Nicole McKee
7:00 AM Ted Alwine, Preston Lievens
9:00 AM Ryan & Jenny Hunsberger, Chuck Bultinct
11:00 AM David Voor, Todd Lehmann, Max Jeffrey

Servers

5:00 PM Sam Fairleigh, Sarah Fairleigh
7:00 AM Michael Bowling
9:00 AM Sydney Kuminecz
11:00 AM Richard Baxter

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 PM Beth Schwier, Darci Uyrick, Gina Mynesberge*
7:00 AM Monica Santa*
9:00 AM Fred Wasoski, Adrian Andrzejewski, Nietta Wright*
11:00 AM Gina Lehmann, Julie Voor, Jo Coats*

Lectors

5:00 PM Sue Baxter, Ann Marie Lynch
7:00 AM Gus Zuehlke
9:00 AM Phil Andrzejewski, Beth Kuminecz
11:00 AM Diane Gorman, Allie Van Nevel

Gift Bearers

5:00 PM The Sample Family
7:00 AM Preston Lievens
9:00 AM Chet & Brenda Jakubowski
11:00 AM Karen Dwyer, Jo Coats



Band of Brothers

Monday, October 5th

6:30 PM Meeting Room A

Pray the Rosary

Every Tuesday

4:00 PM & 7:00 PM

In the Church



"How to get through the New Testament in an Hour"

Saturday, October 10, 2026, at Saint Pius X



Dr. John Bergsma is the vice president of mission at the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology and a professor of theology at Franciscan University of Steubenville. He is an author whose many works include *Bible Basics for Catholics*, *Jesus and the Dead Sea Scrolls* and *Stunned by Scripture*, his conversion story.

Schedule

8 a.m. Daily Mass
8:30 a.m. Exposition and Confession
Approximately 9:40 a.m. John Bergsma's presentation in the Schooler Parish Life Center, 52553 Fir Road, Granger
10:30 a.m. Closing remarks



This event is free to all attendees. Register using the QR code. For more information go to: stpius.net/faith. Books will be available for purchase in the PLC.

TRUNK OR TREAT

TRICKS, TREATS, & FREE EATS!
Come enjoy this HASA sponsored evening of fun for everyone! Pizza, water, and candy! Please register to decorate a trunk or attend so we can plan accordingly!

Date : **October 29, 2026**

Time : **5:30 PM - 7:00 PM**

Venue : **MCS St. Joseph Campus**

REGISTER NOW!