

St. Bavo Parish

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Monday thru Friday

8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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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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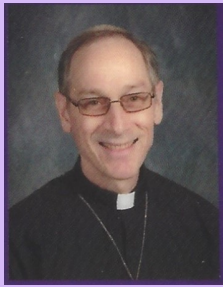


March 16, 2025
Second Sunday of Lent

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.



The weekday readings for this Second Week of Lent explore the classic Lenten themes of repentance and mercy. The Old Testament selections have been arranged in such a way that an understanding of God's mercy seems to emerge gradually. However, an alert reader will notice that the passages are not presented in chronological order. These insights appear to have

been revealed to the biblical authors through divine inspiration at various times throughout salvation history, in response to a variety of challenging circumstances for God's people.

The week opens with a lament from the Book of Daniel. Though this work is set during the time of the Babylonian Exile, it was composed a few centuries later, and it reflects a more mature understanding of what happened and why. The people recognize that their own wickedness and disobedience have caused their downfall. They don't blame God for their suffering; they repent and plead for mercy. Passages like this can serve as a wake-up call for those of us who tend to make excuses for our sin, rather than accepting responsibility and admitting our guilt.

On Tuesday we jump to an earlier era, before the tragedy of the Exile. The Prophet Isaiah decries the sinfulness in Jewish society, but he also assures the people that God can "set things right." He says, "Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow." If the people repent, God will forgive them, but if they refuse and resist, "the sword shall consume them." This is a reminder to us that God can heal the wounds of even the most serious sin, but only if we turn back to him. As long as we resist, our sin remains, and our guilt will continue to cause us pain.

On Thursday the Prophet Jeremiah, in the years leading up to the Exile, exhorts his people to trust in the Lord, not in human beings. This is not one of Jeremiah's classic diatribes, in which he chastises the people for their sin. Instead, he assures them that the Lord understands the "tortuous" human heart much better than we do, and that God desires to bless all those who turn to him and place their hope in him. In the context of Lent, that is a very comforting message, especially for those of us who struggle to understand our habitual tendencies to sin.

On Friday we go all the way back to the Book of Genesis, and the story of Joseph being ambushed and sold into slavery by his own brothers. It's a despicable story of grave evil. But, for those who remember how Joseph later forgave his brothers and saved them from famine, it also prefigures the Paschal Mystery. So do Saturday's readings. The Prophet Micah sings of God's remarkable clemency, and Jesus represents God's unbounded love and mercy in the form of a parable, featuring a father who forgives his "Prodigal Son." This Lent, let us also turn back to the Father and receive his embrace.

Fr. Pete

Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 16th • Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

7:00 AM For the People of St. Bavo
 9:00 AM Dennis Weaver, John Weaver
 11:00 AM Ann LaCava

Monday, March 17th — Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

5:00 PM Marie De Munck

Tuesday, March 18th — Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

8:15 AM David Whitfield
 5:00 PM Claire Dwyer-Flaxbeard

Wednesday, March 19th • Saint Joseph, Spouse of Mary

No Mass

**2Sm7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16;
 Rom 4:13-, 16-18;
 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 25a**

Thursday, March 20th—Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

5:00 PM Joan McLane, Ronny Maggioli and Mark Fralish

Friday, March 21st—Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a;

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

8:15 AM Mike Richard

Saturday, March 22nd— Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

8:15 AM Julius Van Poucke
 5:00 PM Donald Van Meter

Sunday, March 23rd • Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

7:00 AM Dante Gardini
 9:00 AM For the People of St. Bavo
 11:00 AM Louise Thornton

This Week In Our Parish

Sunday, March 16th

4:00 PM to 7:00 PM Religious Education—Parish Center

Monday, March 17th

8:30 AM to 9:30 AM **Return** Book Study—Parish Office
 6:00 PM Benedictine Oblates — Meeting Room C

Tuesday, March 18th

1:30 PM to 2:30 PM **Return** Book Study—Parish Office
 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM Pray the Rosary—Church

Thursday, March 20th

12:30 PM to 3:00 PM Knitting & Crochet Group—Room C
 7:00 PM 1st District West End Meeting— Meeting Room A
 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM **Return** Book Study— Parish Office

Friday, March 21st

4:00 PM—7:00 PM Fish Fry—School Parking Lot & Gym
 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross — Church

Saturday, March 22nd

9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Confessions—Church

Collection for the week of 03/09/25

Adult Envelopes	\$ 6,923.00
Loose	238.00
Electronic Transfers	<u>2457.00</u>
	\$ 9,618.00

Amount needed each week for a balanced budget \$7,596.00



Return Book Study

Chapters 7 & 8

“Plant the Seed”

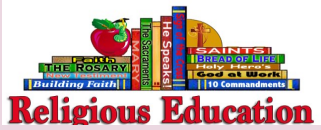
“Start the Conversation”

St Bavo Parish Original Jonah Fish Fry

Friday, March 21st

4:00 pm— 7:00 pm

Volunteer and Donor sign up sheets are still available at all the church doors, on our church website and in the parish office



This Sunday, March 16th
4:00 pm-7:00 pm
Parish Center Rooms AB

Liturgical Ministers—March 22nd and March 23rd

Ushers

- 5:00 PM Gary O’Dell, Mike Bellovich, Nicole McKee
- 7:00 AM Dennis Dobrucki, Preston Lievens,
- 9:00 AM Ryan Hunsberger, Jenny Hunsberger, Ted Robinson
- 11:00 AM Michael Galinowski, Tim Clark, Harrison Coppens Clark

Servers

- 5:00 PM Richard Baxter
- 7:00 PM David Schwier
- 9:00 AM Luca Wright, Enzo Wright
- 11:00 AM Margaret Coppens-Clark

Lectors

- 5:00 PM Ann Marie Lunch
- 7:00 AM Sue Alwine
- 9:00 AM Beth Kuminecz, Angie Layman
- 11:00 AM Mike Langenbrunner, Diane Gorman

Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00 PM Darci Uyrcki, Beth Schwier*
- 7:00 AM Ted Alwine*
- 9:00 AM Marylen Robinson, Angela Wright*
- 11:00 AM Jo Coats, Angie Langenbrunner*

Gift Bearers

- 5:00 PM The Mazurek Family
- 7:00 AM Preston Lievens
- 9:00 AM Chet & Brenda Jakubowski
- 11:00 AM John & Bev Roggeman



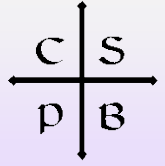
Pray the Rosary

Every Tuesday • 4 PM and 7 PM

Church will be open at 3:00 PM for quiet prayer. At 4:00 PM the Rosary will be recited. Church will remain open for prayer. You are welcome to join us in the Chapel for Mass at 5:00 PM. To close the evening, we will recite the rosary in Church at 7:00 PM

Benedictine Oblates

Monday, March 17th
6:00 PM
Meeting Room C



1st District West End Meeting



Thursday, March 20th
7:00 PM in Meeting Room A
Special Guest Speaker:
Ken Witkowski
Director of Code Enforcement

Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent
5:30 PM in the church



Attention all parishioners: we are looking to recruit a few extra voices for our upcoming Holy Week liturgies. If you do not typically sing for our regular weekend Masses and would like to participate for this special time of year, please contact David Brennan at dbrennan421@gmail.com or at (574) 315-6457 by March 28 to express your interest along with which Masses you'd like to join. We will have a rehearsal on Tuesday, April 15 from 6:30-8:30 P.M. in the church.

Liturgical Ministers Schedules

March and April 2025 Minister Schedules have been emailed
Copies are available in the back sacristy for those who would like a paper copy.

Special Diocesan Collections for March

Aid to Easter Europe—March 2
Black and Indian Mission — March 9
Catholic Relief Services — March 30