St. Bavo Parish

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Office Hours

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

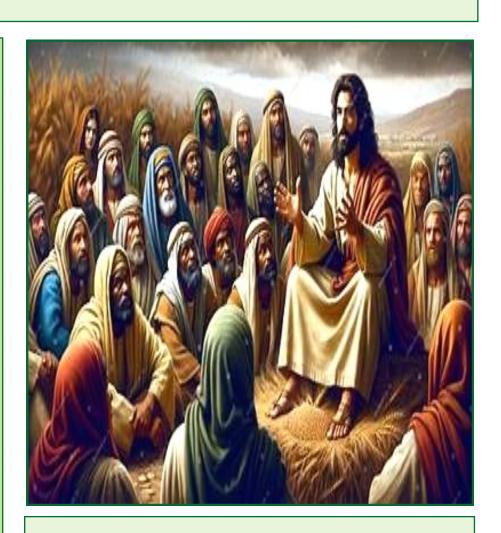
Saturday

9:00 to 10:00 AM

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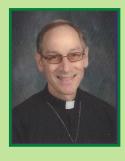


October 19, 2025
The Twenty Ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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.



This week the gospels for the weekday masses are full of interesting parables. First, to warn us against the dangers of greed and materialism, Jesus envisions a rich man with such a bountiful harvest that he decides to tear down his barns and build larger ones, thinking that he can store up enough goods to bask in luxury and leisure for many years. Yet, the Lord demands his

life from him before the rich man can enjoy any of his wealth. He must leave everything behind and stand before God empty-handed, having dedicated all his efforts to amassing worldly treasures rather than heavenly treasures. The irony is that many people would love to be like that rich man at the beginning of the parable, but nobody wants to end up as he did.

Next, Jesus tells two parables about the need to be awake and alert. First, he imagines a group of servants awaiting their master's return from a wedding. The master will be pleased if he shows up suddenly, in the middle of the night, and finds his servants waiting vigilantly to welcome him. The second parable is more ominous. Now it's the master who has to be vigilant, to prevent a thief from breaking into his house. Both of these images serve as warnings against complacency, one of the greatest dangers for the Christian faithful. While we may succeed in avoiding serious sin, we probably should be more wary of dozing off spiritually and losing our zeal for encounter with the Lord.

The next parable adds a new twist to the image of the servants at home with the master away. Now one servant is designated as the steward, whom the master puts in charge of the other servants, to ensure that they receive their daily food allowance. Once again, the master can return unannounced at any hour. But, in this parable, just being ready to open the door and greet the master is not enough. The master is going to inquire about the steward's conduct while he was away. Did he do the master's will in his absence, or did he abuse his power and his freedom? There is a clear warning here to fulfill our Christian duties faithfully, consistently, day by day, as if the Lord could come and demand an account of our stewardship at any time.

Lastly, Jesus tells two short parables that encourage us to be proactive in different ways. One envisions a man going to court with his adversary. Jesus suggests that it's better to settle with our opponent on the way to the hearing. Otherwise, the judge might rule against us, and we could end up paying a steep price for our stubbornness. The second parable is the barren fig tree that gets one last chance to bear fruit before it gets cut down and thrown away. Jesus seems to be telling us to reconcile with each other and with God while we can, and to repent before it's too late.

Fr. Pete

Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 19th ● The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13; 2Tim 3:14—4:2; Lk 18:1-8;
7:00 AM The Baert, Bokhart and Brown Families
9:00 AM Charles and Emilie Schoonaert

11:00 AM For the People of St. Bavo

Monday, October 20th

Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21; 5:00 PM Joseph & Myra Nash

Tuesday, October 21st

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38;

8:15 AM Dorothy Stone

5:00 PM Ken, Tammy and McKenna Coats

Wednesday, October 22nd No Chapel Mass

Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48;

Thursday, October 23rd

Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53; 5:00 PM Jerry & Lauri Ditsch

Friday, October 24th

Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59; 8:15 AM Jennifer Levack

Saturday, October 25th

Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9;

8:15 AM Phyllis Himschoot 5:00 PM Rachel Bellovich

Sunday, October 26th • The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2Tim 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14;

7:00 AM Clem & Martha Bonne 9:00 AM Dave Meixel & Elaine Wisner 11:00 AM For the People of St. Bavo

This Week In Our Parish

Saturday, October 18th

6:00 PM — 8:30 PM Family BINGO Night— Parish Center

Monday, October 20th

4:00 PM—7:00 PM Benedictine Oblates — Meeting Room A

Wednesday, October 22nd

4:00 PM—7:00 PM WINGS — Meeting Room A

Thursday, October 23rd

12:30 PM—3:00 PM Knitting & Crochet Group — Meeting Rm C

Saturday, October 25th

Collection for the week of 10/12/25

Amount needed each week to balance the budget \$ 8,342.00



Family BINGO Night

The St. Bavo Social Committee would like to invite everyone to Family Bingo Night

This Saturday, October 18th

6:00 PM—7:00 PM Potato Bar will be served 7:00 PM — 8:30 Family BINGO

Cost: Potato Bar \$10 per person Bingo \$5 per person / \$20 per family

Come join us after 5:00 pm Mass for Fun, Food and Fellowship

The Synod 2026

The Synod is an opportunity for the faithful to reflect together on one central question: How is our local Church called to live the mission of Christ today and in the years to come?

To assist its faithful in this journey, the Diocese has created a webpage to view. https://diocesefwsb.org/synod/

There you will find valuable information regarding the Synod, including:

- ☐ Bishop Rhoades' video
- Synod timeline
- Reminder of the 5 focus areas
- Video explaining the purpose of the synod
- Frequently asked questions





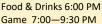
ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL



3 ways to contribute

- 1. Pledge online at diocese.org/aba. **Do not submit a pledge card**. All scheduled payments using a credit card, debit card or electronic funds must be set up here.
- 2. Make a one-time gift by check. Submit a pledge card and your check for the full amount of your pledge to the Parish.
- 3. Pledge now, pay by check in monthly installments. Submit a pledge card to the Parish, with no money enclosed. The Diocese will send monthly bills to your home address.

St Monica's Presents Trivia Night Saturday, October 25th Food & Drinks 6:00 PM





Pray the Rosary
Every Tuesday 4 PM & 7 PM
In the Church





Reserve your table today—Space is limited Questions: katherinekellly1511@gmail.com



Combating Veteran Homelessness

Mishawaka Troop Town is a newly built facility on Jefferson Blvd in Mishawaka, located right next to the VFW.

MTT believes that veterans experiencing homelessness have the right to a safe, clean, and dignified place to live, and offers a home-like environment where people can get back on their feet and into a more permanent residence.

Furnishings and larger items for the homes have already been donated, but they are still in need of the items listed below.

Paper Products:

Toilet Paper

Paper Towels

Kleenex

We will collect items from now until **Sunday, October 26th**. Please leave your donations in the church vestibule on the weekends or drop off at the parish office during the week.

To learn more about this amazing project and all the volunteer effort that has gone into it, you can visit www.Mishawakatrooptown.org



The October Rosary Challenge

- 1. **Pray:** the rosary every day
- Donate: Sponsors are asked to donate \$1 for every rosary prayed (Make checks payable to Mishawaka Catholic School)
- Encourage: by writing letters of support and encouragement to the child that they are sponsoring.

Thank you for your prayers and overwhelming support of our students and staff

Remember to drop off your sponsorship money to the school office, the parish office or place in the labeled as "Rosary Challenge"

Liturgical Ministers Saturday and Sunday, October 25th and October 26th

Usher

5:00 PM Kathy Sobecki, Nicole McKee, Cindy Bodle

7:00 AM Ted Alwine, Michael Bowling

9:00 AM Gary Weaver, Denise Weaver, Tom Torri

11:00 AM Shari Spitaels, Richard Spitaels

Servers

5:00 PM Sarah Fairleigh, Sam Fairleigh

7:00 AM Mike Langenbrunner

9:00 AM Brielle Brooke

11:00 AM Braxton Kendall

lectors

5:00 PM Richard Baxter, Margaret Rach

7:00 AM Gus Zuehlke

9:00 AM Angie Layman, Tasha Eizinger

11:00 AM Chris Eberhardt, Allie Van Nevel

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 PM Mark Vande Putte, Beth Schwier*

7:00 AM Sue Alwine *

9:00 AM Angela Wright, Fred Wasoski*

11:00 AM Quinn Pankiewicz, Jennifer Pankiewicz*

Gift Bearers

5:00 PM The Verslype Family

7:00 AM Ted & Sue Alwine

9:00 AM Angie Kindig, Jessica Kindig

11:00 AM Jo Coats, Karen Dwyer



Special Collection for October

World Mission Sunday — October 19th

**For those participating in our electronic giving program or not receiving envelopes, please use the collection envelopes in the pews **

The 2026 Daily Mass Intention Book is now available. Please contact the parish office to reserve your mass intentions for the next year.



Benedictine Oblates

Monday, October 20th 6:00 PM—7:00 PM Meeting Room A



Heig us share the pro-life message with Notre Dame tailgaters!

We will hold pro-life sigms, and Voices for Life canvassers will be on hand to discuss abortion with passers by.

game day life chain



7:00 PM Meeting Room A





34th Annual Right to Life Benefit Dinner Thursday, October



5:00 PM Social Hour 6:30 PM Dinner 18991 Moose Krause Circle, Notre Dame prolifemichiana.org/benefit 574.232.5433