

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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Mishawaka, IN 46544
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Prayer Line Requests

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October 11, 2026
The Twenty Eighth 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



Dear beloved Parishioners of St. Bavo,
Peace be with you all.

Thank you for your faith. I want to thank each one of you for your steadfast faith, for your presence at Mass, for your prayers, and for your generous support to our parish family. Your faith keeps our church alive.

October - Month of the Holy Rosary. As you know, October is the month of the Holy Rosary. I humbly remind and encourage every family to pray the Holy Rosary daily. In our busy lives, let us find time in the evening as a family to pray together. As we always say, **"A family that prays together, stays together."** **Let us entrust our families, our children, our parish, and all nations to the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary through the Rosary. Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.**

Thank you for St. Bavo Feast Day. **I want to congratulate all of you upon our successful and concluded feast of St. Bavo, concert and dinner celebration on October 4th.** Thank you to the organizing committee, the choir, and all who cooked, served, sang, donated, and attended. It was truly a joyful celebration of our patron saint. May St. Bavo continue to intercede for us. St. Bavo, pray for us.

Our Readings this 28th Sunday: **The main message this Sunday is about God's invitation.**

In the 1st Reading (Isaiah 25:6-10a), God prepares a rich feast of choice food and wine for all peoples and will wipe away tears from every face. In the Gospel (Matthew 22:1-14), Jesus tells us of the King who invites guests to his son's wedding feast - but many refuse. God invites us all to His banquet - the Eucharist and Heaven - but we must come with the wedding garment of faith, love, good works, and a clean heart. **Being invited is not enough; we must be ready. Let us not make excuses, let us say YES to God's invitation.**

I bless you all, your families, your work, and your intentions. I wish you good luck in this new week.

May God bless you all.

Fr. Francis

This Week In Our Parish

Wednesday, October 14th

5:00 PM - 5:30 PM Hope Food Drop Off
Church Parking Lot

Wednesday, October 14th

7:00 PM WINGS - Meeting Room A

Thursday, October 15th

7:00 PM 1st District West End Meeting
Guest: Chris Tordi
BZA Land Use Planning

Saturday, October 18th

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

Mass Intentions

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

Monday, October 12th

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Lk 11:29-32;

5:00 PM Tom Slamkowski

Tuesday, October 13th

Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41;

8:15 AM Maurice Bokhart

5:00 PM **No Mass**

Wednesday, October 14th

Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46;

No Mass

Thursday, October 15th

Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54;

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

Friday, October 16th

Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7,

8:15 AM Barbara Varda

Saturday, October 17th

Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12;

8:15 AM Myrtle Wachs

5:00 PM Dave Meixel, Mary & Joseph Vaerewick

Sunday, October 18th • Twenty Ninth Sunday Ordinary Time

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

7:00 AM Baert, Brown & Bokhart Families

9:00 AM Phyllis Himschoot

11:00 AM For the People of St. Bavo

Collection for the week of October 4th

Adult Envelopes	\$	10,061.00
Loose	\$	216.00
Electronic Transfers	\$	2,593.50

Total	\$	12,870.00
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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



On Behalf of Fr. Francis and the St. Bavo Parish Staff, we want to extend a big **THANK YOU** to everyone who attended our St. Bavo Feast Day Celebration. Special thanks go out to the **WINGS ladies, the Band of Brothers, the MCS custodians, Joe Higginbotham, the vocalists and musicians, the set up and clean up volunteers and all who made this event possible**
St. Bavo Pray for Us!!

Words for the Week:

Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you."

St. Thomas Aquinas

2026-2027 Annual Bishop Appeal Update

ABA donations \$ 26,165

To learn more about the Annual Bishop Appeal or to make your gift online visit

diocesefwsb.org/aba

The 2027 Daily Mass Record Book has arrived.

Please contact the Parish Office for your mass intentions for next year



The Ladies of Wings invite St. Bavo Parishioners to participate in our October Service Project.

We are collecting **New Hats, Mittens and Gloves** for children to be distributed to the clients at the Christ Child Society of South Bend.

Every child the Christ Child Society serves receives a brand new coat and hat and mittens or gloves. Wings would like to help keep these little ones warm this winter and hope you will join us.

The children that receive these range in age from toddlers thru 14 years old.

We will be collecting New Hats, Mittens and Gloves up until Sunday, October 25th.



Please bring your items to church and place in the tub provided in the main vestibule.



Thank you so much for sharing the warmth of St. Bavo's with others.



Liturgical Ministers

Saturday and Sunday October 17th & 18th

Ushers

5:00 PM M. Bellovich, A. Schlemmer, K Sobecki
7:00 AM Paul Fenimore, Dennis Dobrucki
9:00 AM Tom Torri, Tom Hunsberger, Deb Gantz
11:00 AM T. Clark, H. Coppens Clark, J Bultinck

Servers

5:00 PM Beth Schwier
7:00 AM Jeff Van Poppel
9:00 AM Luca, Enzo & Nico Wright
11:00 AM Sydney Kuminecz

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 PM S. Schlemmer, D DeBlock, M. Gast*
7:00 AM Deb Van Poppel*
9:00 AM A. Wright, J. Hunsberger, C. Feehly*
11:00 AM T. Eberhardt, P. Sweeney, A. Langenbrunner*

Lectors

5:00 PM Sue Baxter, Susan Shearer
7:00 AM David Schwier
9:00 AM Karen Dwyer, Angela Layman
11:00 AM M. Langenbrunner, C. Eberhardt

Gift Bearers

5:00 PM Patty Cocquyt, Erna Biesbrook
7:00 AM Ted & Sue Alwine
9:00 AM The Pickavet Family
11:00 AM The Jeffrey Family



Please note that the Chapel Mass on Tuesday, October 13th at 5:00 PM is cancelled. Feel free to attend the Tuesday morning children's mass at 8:15 AM instead.

TRUNK OR TREAT

TRICKS, TREATS, & FREE EATS!
Come enjoy this HABSA 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!

Find a Mass anywhere in the world with
masstimes.org
"Come to me all of you." -Matthew 11:28

October Special Collection
World Mission
Propagation of Faith

Pray the Rosary Every Tuesday

4:00 PM & 7:00 PM
In the Church

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