St. Bavo Parish

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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

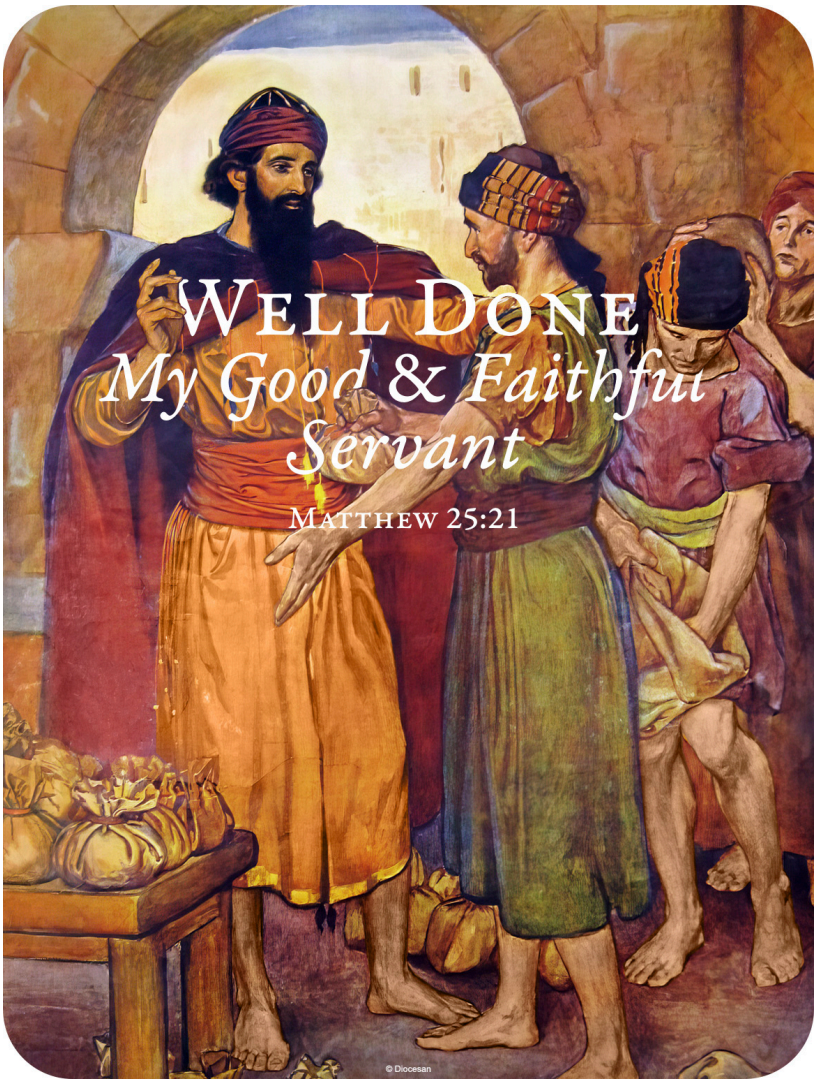
Saturday
9:00 to 10:00 AM

Mishawaka Catholic School

St. Bavo Campus
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Mishawaka, IN 46544
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Prayer Line Requests

574-255-1437
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November 15, 2026
Thirty Third 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



Peace be with you all, my dear brothers and sisters in Christ.

Welcome home to St. Bavo Catholic Church. Whether you are a long-time parishioner, a visitor, or you have come back after a long time away, you are welcome here. This is your home. This is your family. I am so happy to see you.

Thank you for all the good you do.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you. Thank you for your prayers. Thank you for your presence at Mass. Thank you for your service - for singing, reading, ushering, cleaning, decorating, teaching our children, visiting the sick and homebound, and feeding the hungry.

Thank you for your generosity - your time, your talents, and your treasure. Thank you for your love for this parish family, for your patience, for your forgiveness, and for your faithfulness even in difficult times.

St. Bavo is alive because of you. God is using you, and I see it every day. May God reward you richly.

My dear people, we are now moving towards the end of the Church calendar. Next Sunday, we will celebrate Christ the King - the great feast that closes the Liturgical year. Then we will begin again with Advent, waiting with hope for the coming of our Lord.

The Church is asking us: How have we lived this year? How have we used what God gave us? Are we ready to meet the Lord when He comes?

This is not a time for fear. It is a time for truth, for gratitude, and for renewal. It is a time to wake up, to be alert, and to live as children of light.

The Gospel this weekend: Matthew 25:14-30 - is about the Parable of the Talents.

Jesus tells us: A master entrusted his servants with his possessions - to one five talents, to another two, to another one, each according to his ability.

The first two doubled what they had. The Master said: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

But the third, out of fear, buried his talent in the ground. He did nothing with it. And he lost even what he had.

My dear people, hear this important message: God has entrusted YOU, each one of us, with talents.

Your life is a talent. Your faith is a talent. Your family is a talent. Your work, your voice, your kindness, your time, your money, your gifts - all are talents from God. He did not give them to you to bury them. He gave them to you to use them, to grow them, and to bless others with them.

Do not compare yourself to others. What matters is not how much you have, but what you do with what you have.

Do not bury your talent in fear, in laziness, in excuses, in anger, in gossip, in bitterness, or in saying "I am too small, too old, too poor, too busy."

Use it. Serve in the Church. Forgive someone. Visit someone lonely. Teach a child to pray. Help a neighbour. Speak truth with love. Work honestly. Give generously. Pray faithfully. Stay awake and be ready.

If you are faithful in small things, God will entrust you with greater things. And one day, you will hear: "Well done, good and faithful servant. Come and share your Master's joy."

May Almighty God bless you and your families. May He bless your work, your homes, your children, and all your talents.

Go this week and use your talents for His glory. Do not be afraid. God trusts you.

Peace be with you all. Fr. Francis

Use this QR code to make an online donation

Weekly Collection
Parish Only Gifts
Fresh Altar Flower Fund
Building / Repair Relief
Education / School Subsidy
Utility Assistance

Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 15th● *Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30;
7:00 AM For the People of St. Bavo
9:00 AM Gerri Papp
11:00 AM Roberta Bokhart

Monday, November 16th
Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43;
5:00 PM Thomas Meuleman

Tuesday, November 17th
Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10;
8:15 AM Patricia Pierpont
5:00 PM Margery Hershberger

Wednesday, November 18th
Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28;
No Mass

Thursday, November 19th
Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44;
5:00 PM Antionette Long

Friday, November 20th ● St. Francis Xavier Cabrini
Rv 10:8-10; Lk 19:45-48;
8:15 AM Robert Albaugh & Sarah Lexnia

Saturday, November 21th ● *Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
Rv 11:4-12 Lk 20:27-40;
8:15 AM Joan Carrico
5:00 PM Sheila O'Dell

Sunday, November 22nd● *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*
Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46;
7:00 AM Brackevelt Family
9:00 AM Mary Lou Rethlake
11:00 AM For the People of St. Bavo

Collection for the week of November 8th

Adult Envelopes	$	7,023.00
Loose	$	370.00
Electronic Transfers	$	2,217.50
Total	$	9,610.50
Amount needed weekly to balance the budget	$	9,085.00

This Week In Our Parish

Sunday, November 15th
4:00 PM - 7:00 Religious Education- Parish Center

Monday, November 16th
6:00 PM Benedicting Oblates - Meeting Room C

Tuesday, November 17th
4:00 PM & 7:00 PM Rosary - Church

Thursday, November 19th
7:00 PM 1st District West End Meeting
Tour: Fire House Station #2

Saturday, November 21st
9:00 AM — 10:00 AM Confession — Church

November 14th and 15th
Parish Center AB



Mark your Calendar

BINGO Night
Saturday,
December 12th
6:00 PM
Parish Center





In Loving Memory of those who passed away... Larry Pethick, Stephen Mott, Mary Ann Lawson, Tom Wojciechowski, Victor Sima Jr., Stephen Rethlake, Dorothy Tobolski, Elizabeth Portolese, Carol Griesinger, Darlene Van De Voorde, Michael Russo, Joan Carrico, Pia Perri, Joanne Dolbe, Richard Mynsberge, Joan Cummins, Caterina Multari, Basil Tudor, Marcia Micinski, Candace Van Lue, Douglas Bubick, Samuel Mercantini, Rita Bauwens, Ray Staples Sr., Jill Hunsberger, Richard Stillson and Barbara Varda



O my God, teach me to be generous, to serve you as you deserve to be served, to give without counting the cost, to fight without fear of being wounded, to work without seeking rest, and to spend myself without expecting any reward, but the knowledge that I am doing your holy will. Amen."

St. Ignatius of Loyola

2026-2027 Bishop Appeal Update

Donations to date $51,870

For more information, please contact the parish office at 574-255-1437 or donate online

diocesefwsb.org/aba

Grief Thru the Holidays Introduction Meeting

Saturday, November 21st

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Parish Office Meeting Room

Presenter : Anne Jones

Grief Group Sessions will begin on Sunday, January 10th.

The Giving Tree is Coming !!!
Saturday November, 21st





Thank you for all your prayers & support!

We are so excited to help fund a new kitchen at The Sacred Heart of Jesus school in Uganda.

Religious Education
This Sunday,
November 15th

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Parish Center AB

Liturgical Ministers
Saturday and Sunday November 21 & November 22

Ushers

5:00 PM	Nicole McKee, Gary O'Dell, Mike Bellovich
7:00 AM	Ted Alwine, Dennis Dobrucki
9:00 AM	Angie Kindig, Jessica Kindig, Deb Gantz
11:00 AM	David Voor, Todd Lehmann

Servers

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

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 PM	Beth Schwier, Darci Urycki, Mark VandePutte*
7:00 AM	Deb Van Poppel*
9:00 AM	Fred Wasoski, Nietta Wright, Cathy Feehly*
11:00 AM	Jo Coats, Gina Lehmann, Julie Voor*

Lectors

5:00 PM	Anne Marie Lynch, Judy Cox
7:00 AM	Gus Zuehlke
9:00 AM	Nicole Garcia Groves, Angie Layman
11:00 AM	Allie Van Nevel, John Roggeman

Gift Bearers

5:00 PM	The Sample Family
7:00 AM	Jeff & Deb Van Poppel
9:00 AM	Angie & Jessica Kindig
11:00 AM	John & Bev Roggeman



November Special Collections
Catholic Campaign



Benedictine Oblates

Monday
November 16th

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Meeting Room C

1st District West End Meeting

Thursday, November 19th

7:00 PM

Tour: Fire House Station #2

The 2027 Daily Mass Record Book has arrived
Please contact the Parish Office for your mass intentions for next year

Pray the Rosary

Every Tuesday

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

The St. Bavo 2027 Parish Guidebook and Directory is in process.

If you have moved, changed your email or phone number in the last year, please give the parish office a call to update our records