

November 25, 2018
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"Serving the People of God
Spiritually and Physically since 1848"*

1101 S. LAFAYETTE, FT. WAYNE, IN 46802

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Mass Schedule
Sunday - 10:45 am
Holy Day - 5:15 pm



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Prayer Line

Dottie Carpenter (260) 705-1690

Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council

Jennifer Hayes (260) 450-2193

Sacraments

Matrimony

Arrangements are to be made with priest at least 6 months in advance. Pre-marriage instruction required.

Sick and Communion Call

Please keep the Church Office informed of the sick and homebound, particularly when there is serious illness.

Baptism

For details please call the Church Office. Baptismal Preparation is required for parents.

Reconciliation

Sunday: 10:00am-10:30am OR
Anytime by appointment.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Call Parish Office for information.

Parish Pastoral Council

Nov, Jan, Mar, May, 1st Sunday, after Mass

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 pm

Call or email submissions.

Parish Mission Statement

"Believing in faith in action, St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church strives to reach out to others through the joyful celebration of Word and Sacrament, embracing diversity, and working for peace, justice, and non-violence."

Parish Membership Welcome

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether visitors, long time residents, or newly arrived in the parish. *We thank God for you.* If you wish to register, please call the parish office, pick up a registration form in the pew, or complete below and place in collection basket.

Name _____ Phone No _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Check one:

New Parishioner New Address New Phone Number Moving, remove from list

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

If you brought your child to the restroom during the Liturgy of the Word, you might walk away with one of two interpretations of Jesus as King. The first and second readings are bold and victorious. We see Christ coming on the clouds for the final judgment of heaven and earth. The Gospel sets a very different tone. Jesus is under arrest and facing death before Pontius Pilate. We know how this story will end. So if Christ is King, what does it mean? Is he a glorious conqueror or a suffering servant?

"My kingdom does not belong to this world." Here is the heart of Jesus' reign. He is a king -- and his "subjects" are alive and well on earth -- but, ultimately, Jesus' kingdom transcends our earthly concepts of power. Jesus faced down the temptation of a solely earthly kingship. At the close of his 40 days in the desert, the devil offered him the kingdoms of the world. Jesus only had to sacrifice his heavenly values and worship Satan. The same temptations to distort the kingship of Christ are present to us today. Jesus' invitation also

endures. "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." It is important for us to belong to the full truth of Christ's kingdom.

First, our own hearts must be transformed. Our own rebellions in favor of selfishness and against holiness must be conquered by God's grace. Second, we must work to transform the world as best we can in our own corner of it. Like Jesus shows us by his life and death, this doesn't mean domination. It means service, sacrifice, respect, and love. Our lives must "testify to the truth" of Jesus Christ, who lays down his life for his people. That is the true beauty of Christ the King!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for December 2018
Evangelization – In the Service of the Transmission of Faith
 - That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.



Sunday, November 25

Sacristan: Susan Berghoff

Commentator/Petitions: Rena Zirille

Servers: Tommy O'Neil, Lauren O'Neil, Carl O'Neil

First Reading: John Brennan,

Second Reading: John Barnett

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Susan Berghoff, Andrea Thomas, Maxine Stovall, Judy Wagoner, Rosemary Mausser, Dottie Carpenter, Barb Chmiel, Louise Yahne

Ushers: Val Vorndran, Ken Yahne, John Peterson, Liz Peterson

Greeters: Scott & Rita Zehr

Sunday, December 2

Sacristan: Susan Berghoff

Commentator/Petitions: Tom Rumschlag

Servers: Payton Hinsey, Val Vorndran, Nathan Johnson

First Reading: Rosemary Mausser

Second Reading: Ann SeCheverell

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Susan

Berghoff, Jennifer Hayes, Kate Brogan, Pat McBride, Jane Wick, Celeste Streicher, Dottie Carpenter, Peggy Neidhart

Ushers: Andy Johnson, Katrina Johnson, Gary Grider, Megan Horrell

Greeters: Sue & Irv Arnold

"to everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven"

"a time to be born..."

"a time to love..."

"a time to be healed..."

Pray for the sick of our parish

"a time to die"

"and a time for peace"

and in our world, all people, both military and civilian who are in the midst of war or natural disasters.

Ecclesiastes 3:1f



So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." - Jn 18:37

Readings for the Week of November 25, 2018

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6
21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9 [Rv 15:3b]/
Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [Rv
19:9a]/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10 or Jn 6:63]/
Mt 4:18-22

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab [1 Cor 16:22b; cf
Rv 22:20c]/Lk 21:34-36

ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM - St. Mary Mother of God Church offers this safe and convenient option for you to contribute your Sunday offerings to the Church automatically through your checking or savings account. To obtain the necessary form, please contact Julie Crouch at the Parish Office (jcrouch@stmarysfw.org, or 260-424-8231). You may also go to www.stmarysfw.org, click the "Donate" link, and complete the Authorization Agreement for Direct Payment form.



Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 25
 10:45 am *Lawrence Endress*
Sunday, December 2
 10:45 am *Jane Czech*



Altar of Service

Saint Mary's Soup Kitchen

Please mark your grocery lists for our Soup Kitchen. This week we are asking for ...INSTANT POTATOS

Soup Kitchen Weekend volunteers

Saturday 10:00 am-1:00 pm
 Sunday 11:30 -1:00 pm

Sunday, November: 25 Sydney U., Jerod May, Gabriel, John & Liz Peterson, Jordi

Thank you for volunteering at the Soup Kitchen. Please call me if you are unable to make your scheduled day.
 Val Vordran 625-5757 or 450-5170

AVE MARIA HOUSE PANTRY NEEDS: BOOTS

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Do you feel a calling to minister to our shut-ins? Please call the church office at 424-8231 or Sue Koester at 493-4282 for more information, or if you know of a parishioner who may be homebound and in need of communion brought to them.



The Week Ahead

Sunday, November 25

- No Mary's Kids Classes Today
- Confirmation Meeting Today at 11:30 in the Religious Ed Office. This meeting is for Candidates in the 8th Grade and High School and Parent/Sponsors. Topic is Church and Church History

Sunday, December 2

- Mary's Kids 9:15 am
- RCIA-11:30 am Topic is *Mary and the Saints*

CHILI COOKOFF

Proceeds from the recent Chili Cookoff totaled \$434.26. Congratulations to **Floyd Ball** the reigning champion who came in first again!! Many thanks to all who participated in this event.



Church Support

Monthly & Fiscal Year-to-Date Summary

	Oct 2018	July 1-Oct 30, 2018
Adult Collection-Actual	\$ 20,213	\$ 61,210
Adult Collection-Budget	\$ 10,000	\$ 67,500
Loose Collection-Actual	\$ 1,086	\$ 5,262
Loose Collection-Budget	\$ 1,400	\$ 6,300
Average % Envelopes Used	38%	30%
SVDP Collection-Envelopes	\$ 730	\$ 2,182
SVDP Collection-Loose	\$ 204	\$ 483

Parish Announcements

BOOKSTORE SALE

The Good Shepherd Bookstore, located in the Archbishop Noll Center, will hold their annual St. Nicholas Sale on Saturday, December 1, thru Saturday, December 8. During this time you will receive 20% discount off your entire purchase along with free Hot Wassail & Cookies. St. Nick will be our guest reader for story time at 2:00 pm.

DIOCESAN POSITION OPEN FOR AUDITOR

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is seeking a qualified candidate for a part-time Diocesan Parish Auditor. Qualified candidates should send a cover letter, resume, and diocesan application to Jonathan Harber at jharber@diocesefwsb.org. They can also be mailed to the Archbishop Noll Catholic Center at 915 South Clinton St., Fort Wayne, IN 46802. Attn: Jonathan Harber. Diocesan applications can be found by visiting the diocesan webpage at www.diocesefwsb.org/Current-Job-Postings.

FORT WAYNE CITY OF CHURCHES TOUR

Referred to often as a "city of churches," Fort Wayne boasts some amazing examples of religious architecture. Some of our best and brightest local architects designed houses of worship all across the city and they deserve our notice. Like many other historic buildings in Fort Wayne or other communities, historic churches face their own unique set of challenges. They are often large buildings that require a lot of maintenance and aging or shrinking congregations find it difficult to keep up with the building's demands. There is hope that there will be a desire to preserve them for future generations. **Date: December 7, from 6-10 p.m.**

For more information on the tour:
www.facebook.com/citychurches
www.instagram.com/fwchurches

Included among the 27 buildings on the tour are:

- Saint Peter's Catholic Church*
 - Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception*
 - Saint Patrick's Catholic Church Fort Wayne *
- Doors open at 7:00 pm for these churches**

BUS TRIP TO SAVANNAH

Motor-coach trip to Savannah, St. Simons Island, Jekyll Island & Beaufort, SC benefiting the **ST. VINCENT DE-PAUL SOCIETY of Fort Wayne.** **April 28 - May 4, 2019.** Bus departs from St. Peters Catholic Church, Fort Wayne. \$759.00 per person, double occupancy. Trip includes 6 nights lodging, 10 meals. Guided tours of Savannah, Beaufort, SC, St. Simons and Jekyll Islands. Visit to Parris Island Marine Base. Evening show at the famous Savannah Theater. \$75.00 per person due upon signing. Final Payment due 2/21/2019. Contact Neil or Kathy Coonrod (260) 623-6708 for more information and to register.