



New Parishioners, Visitors, Welcome!

If you are new to Queen of Angels, please stop by or call the Parish Office to register and get acquainted. If moving, please notify the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 7:30-8:20 am

Thursday 6:00-6:50 pm

Saturday 9:00-10:00 am & 2:30-3:45 pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

Vigil Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Holy Days & Weekdays

See Schedule inside Bulletin

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

As children of Mary, to unite souls to Christ through fellowship, prayer, and the sacraments.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Communion Calls & Anointing of the Sick

Please keep us informed of the sick and the shut-ins, particularly when there is serious illness.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

We welcome persons interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. For information, please call the Parish Office.

Quinceañeras

Please contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to scheduled date.

Monsignor Faber Activities Center

Please contact the Parish Office for rental information.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society

For assistance with food, rent or utilities, please contact our volunteers at 260-415-0470.



Tuesdays 9:00 am-9:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Thursdays 8:00-9:15 am
Eucharistic Adoration, Morning Prayer & Benediction

Second Wednesday 7:00- 8:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration, Songs of Praise & Confession

First Saturday 9:00-10:00 am
Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

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PARISH NEWS

Mass Obligations Next Weekend

Although Christmas and Sunday fall back-to-back this year, each day has its own, distinct Mass obligation. For Christmas, you are welcome to attend either the 4pm Vigil, 12am (Midnight), or 10am Mass on Christmas Day. Attendance at Mass on the Sunday following Christmas remains an obligation of Catholics in good health. **Please be aware that we will NOT have the 4pm Vigil Mass on Saturday.** Sunday Mass will be celebrated at 8am and 10:30am only on December 26th. We look forward to seeing you at both the Christmas and Sunday liturgical celebrations!

Church Christmas Decorations—Help Needed!

Additional volunteers are welcome to assist with decorating the church for Christmas on December 23rd at 10:00am. Feel free to bring a snack to share. Service hours are available to students. If questions, please contact Julie Harber at 260-426-5564.

Christmas Cheer

Especially during the Christmas season, our homebound and nursing home parishioners would love to hear from you! Please consider sending a greeting to them to help brighten their spirits. Contact Laverne at parishsecretary@queenofangelsfw.org or 482-9411 for a list of names and addresses.

Cupertino Classic for Vocations

The priests and seminarians of the diocese prepare to face off once again in the annual Cupertino Classic Basketball Game for Vocations on Monday, December 27 at 6:30 pm at the University of Saint Francis Hutzell Athletic Center. Mass will take place prior to game time in the St. Francis chapel at 3:45 p.m., with adoration following until 6 pm. Come celebrate the vocation to Christ's priesthood and gather as a diocesan community. This event is free and open to the public.

Bible Study on the Mass coming in January!

Would you like to learn more about the Biblical connections of the Mass? Join us to watch, read, and discuss how everything in the Mass is rooted in Holy Scripture! Weekly meetings will be held in the Social Hall with morning and evening options available (same material will be covered on both times). Participants are asked to pay \$10 each towards the cost of study materials. Please contact the Parish Office or email Sharon Boren at borens@gmail.com to sign up. Classes will begin the second week of January.

Class of 1972 Reunion Announced

Anyone who graduated from Queen of Angels in the class of 1972, we will be having a 50 year reunion summer or fall of 2022. Please contact Gene Voirol at geno8376@gmail.com if interested in attending. All personal information given will be kept confidential.

Sacristans Requested for Helping Prepare Mass

Would you be interested in serving as a Sacristan for Sunday or daily Masses? There are many small tasks that contribute to making sure Mass is set-up, ready to begin, starts on time, and proceeds smoothly. Would you be open to helping us with this? Reliability, punctuality, and attention to detail is extremely important in this role! Anyone with a desire to serve as a sacristan, please speak with Fr. Zak, Chris Lushis, or call the parish office.



Fourth Sunday of Advent — *Lord, let us see Your Face!*

This Week In Our Parish

Saturday, December 18

7:00 am Men's Breakfast - Activities Center
9:00 am Confessions
2:30 pm Confessions

Sunday, December 19

9:45 am Choir Practice
4:00 pm Confessions
5:00 pm Evening Prayer (Vespers) and Rosary

Tuesday, December 21

7:30 - 8:20 am Confessions
9:00 am-9:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction
7:00 pm Christmas Choir Practice

Wednesday, December 22

7:30 - 8:20 am Confessions
9:00 am Rosary
6:00 - 8:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Confirmation Class - Religion Classroom
6:30 pm Cantor Practice
7:00 pm Choir Practice
7:00 pm Bible Study - Spanish Classroom

Thursday, December 23 (Parish Office Closed)

8:00 - 9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
9:00 am Morning Prayer & Benediction
6:00 - 6:50 pm Confessions
7:30 pm Confessions - Social Hall

Friday, December 24 (Parish Office Closed)

7:30 - 8:20 am Confessions
12:00 pm Christmas Choir Rehearsal
3:30 pm Pre-Mass Carols and Congregational Singing
10:00 pm Men's Chant Schola Rehearsal - Choir Loft

Saturday, December 25

No Confessions or Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 26

9:45 am Choir Practice
No Evening Prayer (Vespers)





From the Pastor's Desk...

Ave Maria, Regina Angelorum! Hail Mary, Queen of Angels!

We now have less than a week of Advent until Christmas time is here. Often the end can be the hardest... I know that is often true in running. Even though we know it's almost over, sometimes we can be tempted to cut our efforts short. Even in prayer this can be a temptation, and the saints tell us that this is an important time to hold firm. We turn to the Lord in hope in these days, offering Him our best effort in these final days of Advent. Perhaps we haven't been as mindful of awaiting the Lord up to now, but in these last days we give our hearts and lives to the Lord anew, awaiting His coming with joyful expectation!

Last week (I'm writing this column early) we received a generous gift as a parish: a beautiful handmade box that is now in the parish library off the narthex designated for letters to God. This is place where prayer intentions can be placed. They will not be read by anyone, but if you wish to offer your thoughts and intentions to the Lord, you may use this box to do so. On the front is a quote from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians: "in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" (Phil. 4:6). Of course, there are many ways to offer our hearts to the Lord in prayer, but this is just one way, and a reminder for us to always be in communication with our loving Lord and creator.



As an update, I would like to share that recently the parish moved its banking relationship to Notre Dame Federal Credit Union. Because we have moved our accounts to Notre Dame FCU, all our parishioners, staff and families are eligible for membership. While based in South Bend, they have many members in the greater Fort Wayne area - now including our parish and myself personally - and while they don't yet have a branch here, you can go to Partners 1st, Three Rivers, Fort Financial or other member credit unions for all your banking needs, including free ATMs.

We chose NDFCU because in addition to sharing our values as Catholics, the parish can benefit financially when our parishioners choose to do business with them. Through their Elevate programs, our parish can benefit when you get a car loan, use your Notre Dame FCU debit or credit card or call in for a financial check up. I just did this by going to NotreDameFCU.com/elevate-fundraising and the parish will receive \$150 from my 30-minute meeting. Please consider doing this as a way to give back to the parish as well as to receive free financial help.

On a financial note as well, I greatly apologize for the lack of any report on the collection in the recent bulletins. Laverne has been away from the office and our remaining staff have been unable to pull up the numbers. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

Blessed Advent!

~Fr. Zak



Please Keep in Your Prayers...

Alice Bates, Ron Boren, Christopher Brandell, Margaret Brielmaier, Marilyn Brown, Max Cambre, Patricia & Michael Cole, Jan Evers, Elizabeth Frankewich, Barbara Geiger, Pat Gensic, Irma Gerhardstein, Catherine Graham, Jim Harvey, Dorothy & Thomas Hensinger, Linda Herron, Mary Hilger, Ann Hogan, Marian Jacquay, Christopher Kirk, Edna Krider, Don Langmeyer, Bunny Laskowski, Barb Lauer, Don & Emma Lazoff, Kathy Lenz, Deb Lobacz, Chris Magers, Clancy Neuhaus, Bill Nichter, Felicia Nino, Judy Roeger, Audrey Roy, Larry Schneider, Mike Schnurr, Lois Stoltz, Thomas & Linda Szymczak, Ricky Talarico, and Julia Trahin.



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OUR PARISH SUPPORT

Thank you to all those who throughout this year have:

- Supported our school students,
- Helped fund our St. Vincent de Paul ministry,
- Aided our continued debt reduction,
- Reached out to our homebound parishioners,
- Prayed for the health and growth of our parish,
- Supported our parish fundraisers,
- Lived out the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

We are so grateful for your contributions!

We would not be here without you!





School Mission
Guiding students,
as children of Mary, to be
disciples of Christ through
faith, knowledge and service.



School Vision
To be Christ-centered in
our words, thoughts and
actions.

SCHOOL NEWS

Monday, December 20 – Sunday, January 2: Christmas Break

BDHS News



Be a Saint, Apply Now! Bishop Dwenger High School new student enrollment is open for the Class of 2026! Now through January 15, all students can apply to become a BD Saint! Continue your Catholic education by attending Bishop Dwenger. Founded on the four pillars of spirituality, service, academics, and active, all students are taught to be “Citizens of Two World” by embracing a college preparatory curriculum rooted in the Catholic Faith.

Join the Class of 2026 today by going to bishopdwenger.com > Menu button (top right) > Admissions > New Student Application. All applications are completed online through the link provided on the page. If you have any questions regarding Admissions or want to learn more about what Bishop Dwenger has to offer, contact our Admissions Coordinator, Cindy Johnson at 260-496-4703 or at cjohnson@bishopdwenger.com.

BD & CC Alumni, join your fellow alumni and friends to support the Saints' Varsity Basketball teams on Friday, January 7, 2022. The Saints will take on the Carroll Chargers – Girls at 6:00 pm and Boys at 7:30 pm in the BDHS Main Gym. Visit bishopdwenger.com for more information.

COMMUNITY NEWS

“Follow the Light: A Service of Lessons and Carols” will take place at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception this Sunday, December 19th at 6:30pm.

There is no better time to work for the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend! The diocese is now hiring for multiple positions, including administrative, ministry, communications, and more! Bilingual candidates needed for certain positions. For more information about specific openings and to apply, please visit diocesefwsb.org/careers.

The Diocesan March for Life pilgrimage for students grades 9-12 will be held from January 20-23, 2022. Tentative schedule includes the National March for Life on Friday, Jan. 21, and a Diocesan Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades on Saturday, Jan. 22. Join hundreds of students and adult leaders from our diocese as we pray and march for the protection of human life! You can learn more and register at diocesefwsb.org/march-for-life.

In December & January, the Diocesan museum is featuring an exhibit on Christmas Altar Pictures. Come and see this beauty and creativity with photos of more than 30 diocesan church altars decorated for the sacred season. Other Christmas-related artifacts are also on display. Located at 1103 S. Calhoun St. next to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, the museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 2 PM and by appointment. Free parking is available in any Cathedral lot.

Youth Group News

December 22 - 5:30 - 6:30 PM Middle School; 7:00-8:30 PM High School in the Social Hall for dinner and community.

December 23 - 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Putting up Christmas Decorations in the Church.

December 31 - 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Painting the Social Hall - Pizza provided. Wear or bring modest paint clothes. Also bring a water bottle!

From the Office of Liturgy & Music

Hello! All of the priests and liturgists in the diocese received an email from the Office of Worship instructing us on some specifics **for Christmas this year**. I won't bore you with the details, however there is one instruction for the whole congregation to be aware of: **during the Creed, instead of bowing** during the words “*and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man*” **we will all genuflect**.

Why?

I will let the diocese explain: “**Particularly on this day** (and also on the Solemnity of the Annunciation), **we pay homage to the great mystery of the Incarnation by symbolically touching ourselves to the ground, just as the Son of God came down among us as man.**”

This means we are remembering the Coming of our God, in human form, in a significant, reverent, and humbling way.

Now, this is only for those who are physically able to genuflect without risk of injury. For those who cannot (or should not) please reverently bow as normal! As an interesting note, it wasn't until the 1980s or so when people started bowing during the Creed instead of genuflecting! From the establishment of our Roman Rite Mass, genuflection was done by all during the Creed— and is still done in many communities where the Roman Rite is celebrated to this day!

As always, if you have any questions or comments, please email them to me, or talk to me after Mass!

Pax Et Bonum (Latin, the language of the Church)
Paz Y Bien (Spanish)
мир и добро (Cyrillic, my home country's language)
Peace and Goodness (American English)

Alexandr “Sasha” Nist

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, December 18

Advent Weekday

Vigil: 4th Sunday of Advent

4:00 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, December 19

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am †Zeno Nix

10:30 am †Bob Morken

Monday, December 20

Advent Weekday

Tuesday, December 21

Advent Weekday / St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church

8:30 am †Norman Gunkel

Wednesday, December 22

Advent Weekday

8:30 am †Rick Christie

Thursday, December 23

Advent Weekday

7:00 pm †Rita Miller

Friday, December 24

Advent Weekday / Christmas Eve

8:30 am †Tony Milewski

4:00 pm For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, December 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

12:00 am Peace

10:00 am Vocations

Sunday, December 26

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

8:00 am †Zeno Nix

10:30am For the People of the Parish

This Week's Scripture Readings

Sunday	First Reading: Micah 5:1-4a Responsorial Psalm: 80:2-3,15-16,18-19 Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10 Gospel: Luke 1:39-45
Monday	Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14 Responsorial Psalm: 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Gospel: Luke 1:26-38
Tuesday	Reading: Song of Songs 2:8-14 Responsorial Psalm: 33:2-3,11-12,20-21 Gospel: Luke 1:39-45
Wednesday	Reading: 1 Samuel 1:24-28 Responsorial Psalm: 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8 Gospel: Luke 1:46-56
Thursday	Reading: Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24 Responsorial Psalm: 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14 Gospel: Luke 1:57-66
Friday	Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 Responsorial Psalm: 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 Gospel: Luke 1:67-79
Saturday (Christmas Day)	First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10 Responsorial Psalm: 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6 Gospel: John 1:1-18
Holy Family Sunday	First Reading: 1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28 Responsorial Psalm: 84:2-3,5-6,9-10 Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24 Gospel: Luke 2:41-52



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