

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Masses for the Week

Sunday, September 20

7:30 A.M. Richard & Sharon Fenker
10:00 A.M. First Sunday Mass Association

Monday, September 21

7:30 A.M. Joseph and Mary Swenda

Tuesday, September 22

NO MASS

Wednesday, September 23

7:00 P.M. Donald Fechner

Thursday, September 24

7:30 A.M. Mary Lou Gruetter

Friday, September 25

7:30 A.M. *Special intention:* Pat and Patty

Saturday, September 26

5:00 P.M. Marvin Gunkel

Sunday, September 27

7:30 A.M. Clifford Trahin
10:00 A.M. Robert Weigand

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES September 26 & 27

LECTORS:

5:00 p.m. to be scheduled
7:30 a.m. to be scheduled
10:00 a.m. Therese Joy Burkett

NOON NO MASS

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 p.m. none
7:30 a.m. none
10:00 a.m. none
NOON NO MASS

GIFTS

5:00 p.m. none
7:30 a.m. none
10:00 a.m. none
NOON NO MASS

USHERS

5:00 p.m. volunteers
7:30 a.m. volunteers
10:00 a.m. volunteers
NOON NO MASS

SERVERS

5:00 p.m. none
7:30 a.m. none
10:00 a.m. none

CHURCH CLEANING

September 26 D. Sluyter, C. Loeffler, S. Fawbush

DIRECTION

The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

-Psalm 145

Isaiah tells us something that we already know, and yet seem to forget every now and then. He tells us, essentially, that God is God and we are not. When we're confused and troubled and can't figure everything out, it might be wise to recall Isaiah speaking on the Lord's behalf and explaining that God – who is on a much more, well, Godly wavelength than we are – moves in ways we can't even imagine.

Saint Paul, by comparison, has everything figured out. Kind of. At least he understands his calling in life – to magnify Christ in everything he does. That should give all of us the direction we need. Jesus gives us direction, too, explaining to us once again in the parable of the workers in the vineyard that the last will be first, and the first, last.



September 20, 2020

Pledge Sunday for the Annual Bishop's Appeal

By giving to the Annual Appeal today, you answer God's call in discipleship by supporting His work throughout our diocese. Your gift has a two-fold effect: it supports the work of diocesan services, ministries and programs, and offsets our parish goal. Any overage will stay in the parish to fund projects to maintain our church and programs. Please complete a pledge card this weekend, or go online diocesefwsb.org/aba. Thank you for your prayerful and generous response.

Indiana Catholic Bishops Extend Mass Dispensation

The dispensation from **obligation to attend Sunday Mass** is extended for all Catholics in the diocese through **November 1, 2020**. It is recommended and encouraged that those who are **65 and over** or who have an underlying at-risk health condition to stay home.

All who **attend Mass MUST wear face coverings** (except little children & those who have trouble breathing).

Social distancing MUST be maintained of six feet between people in the pews (unless members of the same household) and during Communion procession and entering and exiting church and outside on church grounds.

Confessions will be on Saturday afternoons from **4:00-4:45pm**.

REMINDER that anyone with a cough or fever, or who may otherwise be feeling sick, should **NOT** come to church for Mass or even for a visit!

Pro-life: "The care of human life and happiness, and not their destruction, is the first and only object of good government." – Thomas Jefferson

ONLINE GIVING – A new hope for the future. A new way to give. Visit our church website today to sign up and get started at www.stpatrickarcola.org.

Marriage Course Online – a free, seven-week program that invites spouses to discuss each weekly topic between each other in the comfort of your home, visit diocesefwsb.org/virtual.

Volunteers Needed at St. Anne's Home to help monitor residents and family visits. For info contact Barbara Ley at 260-399-3245.

Religious Education Classes

Please find registration forms at the church entrances for Grades 1st through 8th and high school youth group. Preschool and Kindergarten will do instruction at home. Classes began on Sunday, September 13 from 8:30-9:45 am. Please let Roberta Davis at 341-0693 or the parish office know if your child will come to class or you will instruct at home. Curriculum will be provided to you on **Sunday, September 20** during CCD for those who will instruct at home. You can find registration form on our website www.stpatrickarcola.org. (click on ministries, then click on Religious Education)

40 Days For Life 2020 – September 23-November 1 – 40 Days for Life is a community-based campaign and puts into action a desire to cooperate with God in the carrying out of His plan for the end of abortion. **Opening Mass will be Wednesday, September 23 from 5:15-7:30 pm** Fr. Daniel Whelan will celebrate Mass at **Our Lady of Good Hope** beginning with Adoration at 5:15pm. Benediction will follow right before **Holy Mass at 6:30 pm**.

40 Days For Life – 40 Days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are invited to stand and peacefully pray during the 40-Day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood of Fort Wayne at 2930 Lake Avenue. St. Patrick's prayer date is scheduled for Thursday, October 15 from 12-8pm. Mark your calendars!

Friends of the Poor Walk on Sunday, September 27 starting and ending at Parkview Field to benefit the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Check-in opens at 1pm and the walk begins at 2pm. To register to walk or run, visit www.fopwalk.org/event/2493 to sponsor Bishop Rhoades visit www.fopwalk.org/walker/54804.

Webinars for Engaged Couples – The final 2020 Conference for Engaged Couples has been changed to a free, 3-session webinar on **Friday evening, September 25 and Saturday morning and afternoon, September 26**. Visit the Marriage & Family Ministry website at www.diocesefwsb.org/Marriage-Preparation.

ALPHA Online FWSB – a ten-week small group discussion series which explores the Christian faith in an engaging, contemporary style with inspiring stories and interviews around the world. It will take place over Zoom on Tuesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 pm from Sept 22 through Nov 24. Register for this free series: diocesefwsb.org/alpha