

Beloved in the Lord,

Welcome Fr. Hake

As has been announced previously, I will be away during a significant portion of the summer for a Spanish Immersion program in Spain, to help me better serve our Hispanic parishioners. In my absence, Bishop Rhoades has assigned Fr. Patrick Hake as administrator of our parish. Fr. Hake will see to the sacramental and pastoral needs of the parish for the months of June and July. He will spend his first weekend at the Parish on May 30th and 31st and will conclude his time with our parish the weekend of August 1st and 2nd. Fr. Hake is a good friend of mine, going back even to our high school days at Bishop Dwenger. He is capable and friendly, with a great sense of humor. Please greet him well and have him over for dinner, etc.

Relics

So much of our Faith is about perceiving the nearness of Heaven even if our earthly eyes cannot see it physically. Relics of the Saints, often a piece of bone or hair, are used in devotional prayer to remind us of this nearness of Heaven by the very presence of the earthly remains of the Saints. By this presence they remind us of their holy lives, how they spent themselves in being likened unto Christ, and encourage us to strive for the same necessary virtues.

Few people know, however, that before relics can be publicly venerated, the Church requires that they be proven authentic. When a Saint's relic is prepared in its reliquary (the capsule in which it is contained) a document of authenticity is issued describing the relic and its reliquary and signed and sealed by the appropriate ecclesial authority.

At our parish, we have had a relic of our patron, St. Robert, for some time now. Unfortunately, the certificate of authenticity had been lost, so *technically* we should not have even had the relic of our saint out for public veneration... whoops.

Fortunately, there's a way to fix such problems. Some of you might be familiar with Fr. Carlos Martins who is famous for leading tours of major relics of the saints and for his podcast *The Exorcist Files*. Fr. Martins has been granted authority by the Holy See to investigate the veracity of relics and reissue certificates of authenticity for those relics which have lost theirs. He has done just that for our own relic of Saint Robert.

I'm pleased to say that our parish has also acquired a relic (with its original authenticity document) of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, who had Saint Robert as a mentor and friend. These two saints are buried under adjacent side altars of the Church of Saint Ignatius in Rome. Congruently they now adorn our sanctuary, flanking our tabernacle. Pray well and with the Saints!

Saint Aloysius, pray for us.

Saint Robert, pray for us.

In Domino,

Rev. Daniel Koehl



Prayer Chain: If you are wanting prayers for anything such as an impending surgery, imminent death, safe travel, Holy Spirit for the right words etc.

Please contact: **Sharon Shock at 260-341-4412** you may call her or send her a text and she will contact the prayer group for prayers to be said.



Let Us Pray For: Barbara Tibbetts, Mark Bryant, Tom Hardy, Sophia Frieden, Joyce Hardy, Dianne Wion, Nyla Dee Evans, Shawnte Frieden, Anne Steury, Mike Heagy, Diane Cooper, Adriana Howell, John Peters, Dotti Ann Nisbet, Peggy Winters, Jay Sartori, Gary Pennington, Randy & Mary Jo Weiman, Joan Pfeiffer, John Weddle, Kevin Shorter, Martha Hancock, Kenny & Nadene Moore, Bob & Martha Bohn, James Thompson, Joe Accetta, Colton Burd, Terry Crull, Josiah Abbott, Marco Martinez, Ashley Ervin, Thiago Lugo, Brie Ann Armstrong, Tom Tatum, John Coonrod, Rex Tharp, Gary D., Chad Alexander, Debby & Doug Hyde, Bob Wagoner, Jesus Diaz, Roger Presl, Jack Davis, Chris Long, Summer West, Sutton Burton, Mason Besore, Jacob Lawrence, Ann Snyder, Bob & Kay Spangle, Eva Hollowell

SAVE THE DATE

Vacation Bible School is coming back June 14th - 16th
This program is for kids in preschool through 6th grade.
We are excited for another adventure to know Christ! Watch for more details as time goes on.

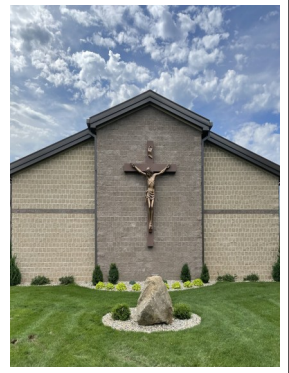


May 10, 2026 –6th Sunday of Easter

1203 St. Rd. 114 E., North Manchester, IN 46962
Phone: 260-982-4404 - Emergency # 219-767-0838
Pastor: Fr. Daniel Koehl: fatherkoehl@gmail.com
Spanish Ministry: Deacon Max Ortega
Secretary (Marie Hardy) strobertsnm@gmail.com
Web: www.strobertsnmanchester.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/p/Saint-Robert-Bellarmino-Catholic-Church-61582580888843/>

Formed: strobertsnmanchester.formed.org



MASS INTENTIONS:

May 12th 6:00pm + Louie & Marie Augustynowicz
May 13th 8:00am + Marie Augustynowicz
May 14th 8:00am + Donna Zubowski
May 15th 8:00am + Celeste Ringuette
May 16th 5:00pm + Donna Zubowski
May 17th 9:00am Pro Populo
May 17th 11:00am
May 17th 1:00pm + Juan Hernandez

If you would like a Mass said for a special intention please contact the parish office. We are currently scheduling July 2026

Liturgical Minister Schedule:

Saturday, May 16th 5:00pm Mass

Lector: Eric Lundquist

Servers:

Sunday, May 17th 9:00am Mass

Lector: Pat Mahoney

Servers: James & Jacob Nesler, Gavin & Jowen Baermann

11:00am Latin Mass

Lector:

Servers:

Counters: Mary Vogel, Patty Hoagland & Ann Snyder

At the parish this week:

May 11th

7:00pm Confraternity Rosary

7:30pm St. Paul Street Evangelization

Tuesday, May 12th

5pm Adoration or Mass

5:00pm Parents Night Out

5:15 Confessions

6pm Mass & Vespers

Wednesday, May 13th

8am Mass & Lauds

Thursday, May 14th

8am Mass & Lauds

6:45 Knights of Columbus

Friday, May 15th

8am Mass & Lauds

Saturday, May 16th

3:30 - 4:30 Confessions

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, May 17th

9:00am Mass

10:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

10:00am Coffee & Donuts

10:15am Bible Study

10:30am Confirmation class

11:00am Mass in Latin

12:15pm Confession en Espanol

1:00pm Mass in Spanish

4:00pm Trail Life



Congratulations to our
1st Communion Class!

Thiago Alverez

Valerie Davilla

Juliana Jimenez

Evelyn Kessie

DeJah Lopez

Henry Ramirez



Your Help Is Needed.
If you are available and able to help serve coffee and donuts following 9:00am mass please see Joe Accetta.

Last Week's Collection:

Envelopes \$2248.00

Loose \$1360.86

Votive \$35.00

Coffee & donuts \$00.

Building Fund \$2645.00

Catholic Charities \$100.00

\$200.00 every month will go to REACH.

Remember St. Robert's in your will.

