



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

JULY 20, 2014  
16TH SUNDAY  
IN  
ORDINARY TIME

512 North Perkins Street ✘ Rushville ✘ Indiana ✘ 46173  
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## Staff

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## Parish Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday...8:30a.m.-4:30p.m.  
Thursday.....9:30a.m.-4:30p.m.  
Friday.....8:30a.m.-Noon

## Our St. Mary Prayer Line

Regenia Ripberger 765-561-1179  
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## Parish Council

Chair: Shawn Adkins

## Finance Council

Chair: Doug Krieger

## Board of Education

Chair: Jim Cowan

## Baptism

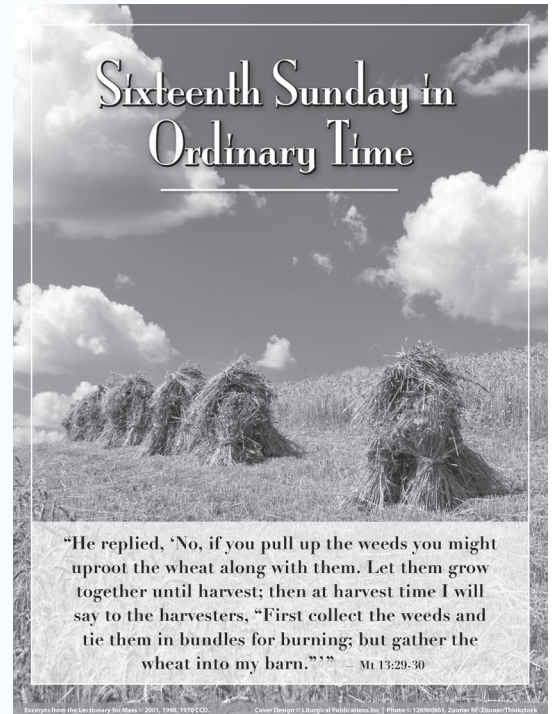
Call the parish office for scheduling.

## Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday...4:30p.m.- 5:15p.m.  
Tuesday.....6:00p.m.6:25p.m.

**Marriage** Engaged couples must meet with the Pastor to complete initial marriage paperwork at least 9 months before the anticipated wedding date *and prior to making any other arrangements concerning the wedding date.*

**New Parishioners** You are invited to call or stop by the parish office.



**Bulletin Deadline:** No later than noon Friday the full week before printing.



I don't know if this is still the practice or not, but summertime used to be a great time to engage in some extra summer reading. Maybe times have become too hurried and rushed for that. Maybe books aren't what people pick up anymore. But I do think it is important that we pause and rest and relax on occasion. It is necessary for the body and soul to regroup and get ready for things ahead.

That is part of the importance of a spiritual retreat as well: to rest with God. In light of the summer season, have you read anything lately that has helped you grow closer to Christ? While such reading probably doesn't fall in the 'fun' category, such reading and resting is invaluable... probably more so than the constant pursuit of fun. With school on break and recovering from a bum ankle, things have been slower for me. I've done some extra reading, especially more time with the Sacred Scriptures. Such reading can help remind us of what true resting in God means.

Pope Francis talks about the importance of reading the Scriptures in *The Joy of the Gospel (Evangelii Gaudium)*: "The study of the sacred Scriptures must be a door opened to every believer. It is essential that the revealed word radically enrich our catechesis and all our efforts to pass on the faith. Evangelization demands familiarity with God's word, which calls for dioceses, parishes and Catholic associations to provide for a serious, ongoing study of the Bible, while encouraging its prayerful individual and communal reading. We do not blindly seek God, or wait for him to speak to us first, for "God has already spoken, and there is nothing further that we need to know, which has not been revealed to us." "Let us receive the sublime treasure of the revealed word." [175]

Reading the Scriptures can help us attain true rest and joy. *St Mary, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries*

## Mass Schedule: July 21– 27

<b>Monday</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30p.m.	No Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	No Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	Bud Harpring
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	David A. Schroeder
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	St. Mary and St. Rose of Lima Parishes
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	Don Weiler
	10:00a.m.	Mildred & Paul Noel



Thank you to everyone for the kind expressions of sympathy at the recent loss of my mom and my brother. They meant so much to me. *Carolyn Sorber*

St. Mary Food Pantry: *Then the righteous will answer Him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?' And the King will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me' (Mt 25:37,20).* We are currently looking for 2 to 3 "righteous" volunteers who would be interested in organizing and leading our Parish Food Pantry. If interested, please call Fr. Gries, to further discuss the duties.



Nancy Hasecuster, mother of Dave and Stephanie Hasecuster passed away recently. Our condolences to the Hasecuster family.

Parish Maintenance Position: St. Mary Catholic Church, Rushville, is seeking an individual to fill a paid, full time Maintenance Personnel position (benefits available). This person will provide cleaning, set-up, and light maintenance for the parish and school buildings and parish grounds. The ideal candidate will be a hardworking, faith-filled, and self-directed person with a basic knowledge of building repair, carpentry and painting. This position requires a certain level of physical fitness. If interested, please contact Fr. Gries, with your resume, 765-932-2588; frgries@stmaryrush.org.



Denise Amos, daughter of Jeff and Connie Amos, and Kyle Ripberger, son of Tom and Regenia Ripberger, will be united in marriage on July 26, 2014 at St. Mary Catholic Church.



The Pioneer Steam Engine Show Mass will be at 4p.m. on Saturday, August 3, in addition to our normal weekend Mass schedule. There will be no 4:30p.m. Saturday evening confessions.

**SAVETHE DATE!****Parish Mission - November 10-13, 2014****Liturgical Roles****Servers – July 26 & 27**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Macy Hoeing, Ereena Moore, Will Thoman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Addison Ballenger, Cody & Tristan Carmony
	10:00a.m.	Jared Smith, Gus Haley, Byron Pavey

**Lectors – July 26 & 27**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Stephanie Hasecuster
Sun.	7:30a.m.	John Williams
	10:00a.m.	Cecilia Orr

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers – July 26 & 27**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Dave Hasecuster, Bob Dwenger, Rita Corn
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Doug Krieger, Howard Ariens, Tom Giesting
	10:00a.m.	Bob & Jeanie Spaeth, Kim S. Yager

**Ushers for July 2014**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Phil Shanahan & Volunteer
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Austin Hubbell & Volunteer
	10:00a.m.	Kevin Mahan & Volunteer

**Ministers-to-the-Sick**

July 21	Jerry Rudolf
July 28	Joan Meo

**Money Counters**

July 21	Rose Hoeing, Linda Shanahan, Jane Niccum, Mary Schneider
July 28	Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Donna Land, Diana Leising

**Adult Faith Opportunity**

**Epic: The Early Church** will lead you through a powerful fast-paced journey from the lives of the apostles through the rise and fall of Constantine. You'll meet courageous saints, eloquent theologians, ruthless emperors, and heroic martyrs. This 10-part study features dynamic DVD presentations with church history professor Steve Weidenkopf of Christendom College.

**Wednesday Evenings from 7-8:30p.m.  
School Multipurpose Room**

August 13	September 3	October 1
August 20	September 10	October 8
August 27	September 17	October 15
	September 24	

**Sunday Collection**  
July 16, 2014



Adults (129 Envelopes + 8 Loose Checks)	\$ 7,642.50
Youth (1 Envelopes)	\$ 1.00
Loose	\$ 374.76
Total	\$ 8,018.26
Weekly Budget (2013/2014)	\$ <u>7,100.00</u>
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ +918.26 ☺

Sunday 7/16/14	\$ 8,018.26
Regular Maintenance	\$ 290.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 5,608.66
Votive Candles	\$ 10.00
Food Pantry	\$ <u>245.00</u>
TOTAL 7/16/14	\$ 14,171.92

**St. Mary School News**

If you have not registered your child for the upcoming school year, please call us as soon as possible. Please feel free to contact the school with any questions, via e-mail or leave a voicemail at school. E-mails and phone messages are checked regularly.

**SAVE THE DATE:** The Annual St. Mary Golf Outing will be held on Saturday, August 9. More details and registration forms will be forthcoming.

**Backpack Giveaway** from the Cellular Connection in the Rushville Wal-Mart Plaza, Saturday, August 2 from 12-2p.m.

**-Religious Education-**

**Religious Education Registration** will take place the weekend of July 26 & 27, after each Mass, in the Parish Conference Room located in the Rectory. The fee for the RE program is \$50 per student with an additional \$35 for the 2nd grade Sacramental fees. Any questions may be directed to Terri Nigh - 765-686-0750. **First Day of Sunday Morning Religious Education classes** for grades preschool - is August 10, 2014. Students are to meet in the west upper hallway of the school.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** classes will begin on August 10 at 8:30a.m. in the Rectory Conference Room. RCIA is a process of inquiry, instruction and preparation, for those interested in learning about the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Jerry Rudolf at 812-374-8446.

**-Prayer List-**

**The Prayer List is always in need of updating.** We are in the process of checking on those currently on the list. Beginning with the July 27 bulletin Prayer List, those listed will remain on the list for two months. If you see someone listed whose health has much improved, has passed away or is no longer in active military service, please call the parish office. If you wish your loved one to remain on the Prayer List, beyond the two month period, we ask you to notify the parish office.



**“SAVE THE DATE”**

**St. Mary, Rushville, Fall Festival Sunday, September 7, 2014**

Items will be needed for the Live Auction, Country Store and Home Cooking Booths. You do not need to be on these committees to donate items. Contact Toni Schultz at (765-561-4525) or Mary Schneider at

Our theme for this year's Fall Festival is "St. Mary's Homecoming." We are especially inviting our alumni and our special church family members who have not yet found their way back to St. Mary's. We are asking you to provide the names and address of our members who have not yet found their way back. You may drop the names and addresses in the collection basket, in the next two weeks. We will send postcard invitations. It takes all of us to make this a great festival.

Archdiocesan 31st Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee - Archbishop Joseph Tobin will celebrate the Solemn Mass for Jubilarians and their families on Sunday, September 21, 2014 at 2:00p.m. in Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral. Archbishop Tobin will lead couples married 50 years or more in a renewal of their marriage vows. Registration forms and additional information may be found on the tables in the church vestibules. Registrations are due by August 28, 2014.



**FREE HOME REPAIR**  
July 5 - July 11, 2015

Workcamps help people grow in Christian faith through service. Individuals and youth from around the country will spend one week in our community performing hands-on home-repair for the elderly, low-income and disabled. Applications may be found on the tables located in the church vestibules. Applications must be returned by August 31, 2014. [www.rushcountyyouth.org](http://www.rushcountyyouth.org)

**- A Stewardship Moment-**

In today's second reading, Saint Paul bids us to take comfort in knowing that when God invites us to pray to Him, He knows our true needs, even if we do not. The Holy Spirit intercedes and prays for us, even if we can't come up with appropriate words; even when we don't have a clue what to ask for. We are not left alone. Good stewards know that prayer is an important part of living a life in Christ. The important thing is to make space for God. Do we let God into our hearts? Do we make room for the Holy Spirit to pray within us?