



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

JULY 27, 2014  
17TH 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 am happy to announce that **Mr. Tom Giesting** has applied for and been accepted to take on the Parish Maintenance and Custodial position for the parish and school. Tom is certainly no stranger to any of us and his dedication to the parish and school is well established. He will continue to teach the Faith to our school 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders and Freshman on a voluntary basis.

Since the notice in the bulletin looking for parish volunteers to assist with the **St Mary Food Pantry**, I've been asked: "Why don't we just work with and support the Rush County Food Pantry?" In fact, we do! The parish donated \$3000 to the RCFP during the 2013-14 Fiscal Year. A number of our parishioners also volunteer there each week. Many of you generously make use of the "Food Pantry" envelope. Our parish pantry and the RCFP are recipients of those funds.

This still leaves the question of why St Mary's should run its own pantry. At one time, I considered if we should just close our pantry and work more actively in supporting the RCFP. However, it became obvious to me that this would not best serve the needs of the patrons of our pantry. Many call the parish for food, because they expect a church, especially a Catholic Church, to assist with such things. We receive several such calls a week. I also came to the realization that if the parish started solely supporting the RCFP, it would mean *less not more* food for the poor. RCFP only permits households to use them every 28 days. St Mary's has a similar policy. Most patrons use both places each month. If we closed our pantry, those families would be short one bag of food a month. So while closing St Mary's and joining more fully with RCFP is easier for us, it doesn't seem better for the poor and hungry.

Thank you to those who have signed up to help with the Food Pantry. If you are interested, please call/email the parish.

*St Mary, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries*

## Mass Schedule: July 28—August 3

<b>Monday</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30p.m.	Edward Neuman
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Bob Eder
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	Carl Busald
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	Charles & Margaret Pavey
<b>Saturday</b>	4:00p.m.	(At Caldwell Acres)
	(No 4:30 Confessions)	Deceased Members of Pioneer Engineers Club
	5:30p.m.	Virginia Shanahan
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	St. Mary and St. Rose of Lima Parishes
	10:00a.m.	Richard & Loretta Busald

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.



Parish Work Day - Spend a morning sprucing up the church sacristies, school and grounds by painting, landscaping, and general clean up on Saturday, August 16 from 8a.m. - noon. A fellowship meal will follow. Please bring: disposable paint brushes, drop cloths, scrapers, rollers, shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows and general hand tools. Be sure and put your name on your items.

**SAVETHE DATE!****Parish Mission - November 10-13, 2014**

Thank you, Sodality, for purchasing the new metal trash cans, for the church restrooms.

**- A Stewardship Moment-**

A profound stewardship prayer is offered by the young King Solomon, in today's first reading. He asks the Lord to give him an understanding heart, compassion towards God's people and the insight to distinguish right from wrong. An understanding heart, or wisdom, is a gift from God. It is a gift that enables us to make good decisions and prudent choices. Cultivating and sharing this gift is essential, especially when poor decisions and lack of compassion have consequences that affect the lives of others. Do we exercise good stewardship over the gift of wisdom? Do we share our compassionate hearts with others?

**Liturgical Roles****Servers – August 2 & 3**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	John Alexander, Ereena Moore, Macy Hoeing
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Jacob, Tyler & Nicholas Amos
	10:00a.m.	Savannah & Aaron Snow, Mitchell Cowan

**Lectors – August 2 & 3**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Jonathon Blankman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Lori Hoeing
	10:00a.m.	Tessa Hoeing

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers – August 2 & 3**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Barb Musgrave, Alan Niehoff, Rita Corn
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Carol Yager, Susie Odum, Gary Nigh
	10:00a.m.	Susan Hoeing, Laura Ash, Theresa Komlanc

**Ushers for August 2014**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Dutch Tragesser & Volunteer
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Bruce Fenimore & Volunteer
	10:00a.m.	Earl Marlatt & Volunteer

**Ministers-to-the-Sick**

July 28 Joan Meo      Aug. 4 Janet Pike

**Money Counters**

July 28 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Donna Land,  
Diana Leising  
Aug. 4 Kathy Dean, Jeanie Spaeth, Gary Nigh,  
Debbie Banks

**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 20, 2014



Adults (131 Envelopes +15 Loose Checks)	\$ 6,498.00
Youth (6 Envelope)	\$ 9.00
Loose	\$ 368.27
Total	\$ 6,875.27
Weekly Budget (2013/2014)	\$ <u>7,100.00</u>
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ -224.73 ☹
Sunday 7/20/14	\$ 6,875.27
Regular Maintenance	\$ 235.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 1,940.00
Votive Candles	\$ 14.00
Food Pantry	\$ <u>283.00</u>
TOTAL 7/16/14	\$ 9,347.27

**-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. Registration forms are on the tables in the church vestibules.

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

**-Religious Education-**

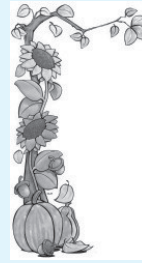
Religious Education Registration takes place this weekend, July 26 & 27, after each Mass, in the Parish Conference Room located in the Rectory. The fee for the RE program is \$50 per student with an additional \$35 for the 2nd grade Sacramental fees. Any questions may be directed to Terri Nigh - 765-686-0750.

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 .

**-2014 Fall Festival-**

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.



**"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 (765-932-5397), with any questions.

**Remember as you pray:**

Mary Busald, Colette Concannon, Katy Curtis, Cindy Debruhl, Jim Ewing, Phyllis Foster, Bud & Carol Ann Garland, Joe Giesting, Terry Gwinnup, Lucille Hahn, Jeanne Hedrick, Rick Hedrick, Ashley Heller, Rylie Hodgins, Brenda Jones, Judy Kinker, Aidan Kuhn, Henrietta Land, Dennis Lechner, Paul Leising, Theresa Lombardo, Amy Martin, Lori McCann, Tim Meer, Bob Muckerheide, Brenda Munchel, Janette Munchel, JoJo Murphy, Jennifer Nibarger, Marilyn Niehoff, Richard and Agnes Piccoli, Jacob Ping, Gene & Shirley Risch, Ken Saxon, David Schultz, Meghan Schultz, Dale & Shirley Schwering, Margie Schwering, Burke and Esther Sibrel, Diane Thomas, Mark VanNatta, Amanda Wainwright, Janelle Welch, Rudy Wesling, Millie White and Glenn Woods.

For those proudly serving our country: Kevin Dobbyn, J R Jones, Billy Joya, James Kendrick, Jim McConnell, David Milligan, Doug Rogers, Derek Sickbert.

For those of our parish who are homebound: Mary Aldridge, Katie Carpenter, Vernie Comer, Ruth Coon, Jackie Hess, Willa Mae Huffman, Kathleen Ruddick, Dee Salzman, Ken Schneider, Kathryn Smiley, Martha Todd.

Residents at Millers Merry Manor: Jenny Brown, Norma Connor, Betty Eder, Ginny Northam, Ann Parish.

Residents at Flatrock River Lodge: Barbara Huffman, Dorothy Jarman, Dorothy Snyder.

Those who have passed away: Charlotte Spilman, Nancy Hasecuster, Carolyn (Thoman) Karns.

**-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 this 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 at [dspaeth@stmaryrush.org](mailto:dspaeth@stmaryrush.org) or 765-932-2588.

