



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

NOVEMBER 16,  
2014  
33RD 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. No date may be considered reserved until initial meeting and the necessary paperwork have been completed. Call the parish office for an appointment.*

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



### FROM THE PASTOR

It was unfortunate that we had to cancel/postpone our **Parish Mission**. I for one was really looking forward to the spiritual renewal. As I announced, Fr. McInnis became ill with shingles. We pray for a quick recovery. If I can get it rescheduled, I will post the date. We'll see.

I am happy to announce that in late October we made the final payment on the **Preserving Our Heritage Church Renovation** to Stenz Construction. In the end, the parish was able to do the \$1.2 million work without the assistance of a construction loan. Not taking a loan has enabled the parish to save nearly \$30,000 in anticipated interest payments that were projected during the planning phase of the project. Due to the generosity of the parish, we have paid about 80% of the costs in cash from funds received. The remaining 20% has been covered at present from on-hand parish savings. As the remaining outstanding *Preserving Our Heritage* pledges are paid off between now and April 2016, parish savings will be 'refunded.' It is still *vital* to the current and future financial health of the parish for members to remain steadfast in fulfilling their pledges. Perhaps, you have seen the amazing work and wish you had supported this project to a greater extent. Additional funds above your initial pledge can still be contributed. They will be used for future campus improvements.

You may have noticed, we also had the exterior of the church windows recently repainted. They were looking a little tired. This was not part of the Renovation, but needed ordinary maintenance of the building. It certainly helps the building look a little nicer.

A special thanks to Susie Case for her work in painting the priest sacristy and her promised work on the server sacristy (still in progress). Those two spaces were left largely untouched by the recent renovations. The patching and paint helps them look as fresh, new, and beautiful as the rest of the interior of the church. Thank you for your gifts of time and talent. St Mary, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

"Everything  
*we gain*  
comes from  
what *we give.*"

~ St. Teresa of Ávila



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

## Mass Schedule: November 17 - 23

<b>Monday</b>	8:30a.m.	No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Richard Risk
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Jane Moore
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	Aaron Yager
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	Helen Ewing
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	Bob Eder & Mary Eder
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	St. Mary and St. Rose
	10:00a.m.	David Craven

**Please Support Families in Need!**

Some in our community are having a hard time putting food on the table and paying monthly utilities and rent. Please support these families by donating any of the food items listed in today's insert, at the Thanksgiving Mass on November 27, at 8:30a.m. Monetary donations will go to Pastoral Care, to help Rush County families with utilities and rent.

Listed below are items the Food Pantry will be including in Christmas hygiene baskets. These items may also be donated at the Thanksgiving Mass or throughout the month of November.

4-roll packs of bath tissue	toothpaste
2-roll packs of paper towels	toothbrushes
facial tissue (e.g. Kleenex)	floss
shampoo	deodorant
bar soap	toilet bowl cleaner
liquid hand soap	laundry detergent
hand sanitizer	dish soap
general purpose cleaners	bleach

CONNECTED IN THE SPIRIT is a process to discern where God is leading the Church in central and southern Indiana and to discuss how the Archdiocese of Indianapolis must change its structures in order to carry out its mission today and in the future. On October 28, pastors and parish-life-coordinators from the collective parishes of the deaneries of Connersville, Bloomington and Seymour, who are next to undergo this planning process, gathered together for a kick-off meeting. This included St. Mary, Rushville. The process will likely require difficult conversations and decisions for the well-being of the present and future church. Please pray for the intercession of the Holy Spirit to lead and guide this process.



Kathryn (Katie) Carpenter will celebrate her birthday on November 21.

Upcoming Holiday Mass Schedule: December 24 at 4:00p.m., 6:30p.m. and midnight here at St. Mary; 9:00p.m. at St. Rose. December 25 at 9:00a.m. here at St. Mary. December 31 at 4:30p.m. and January 1 at 9:00a.m. at St. Mary.

Extraordinary Ministers, Servers, Lectors, Ushers and Musicians are needed for the Christmas and New Year's Masses. If you are available to minister to the parish, please call the parish office or e-mail [dspaeth@stmaryrush.org](mailto:dspaeth@stmaryrush.org).

**Liturgical Roles****Servers – November 22/23**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Will Thoman, Leila Amos, Matthew Komlanc
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Addison Ballenger, Cody & Tristan Carmony
	10:00a.m.	Mitchell Cowan, Sam Barada, Olivia Yager

**Lectors – November 22/23**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Tessa Hoeing
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Lori Hoeing
	10:00a.m.	Debi Carter

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers – November 22/23**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Shelly Bostic, Susan Hoeing, Steve Richards
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Jerry Rudolf, Carol Yager, Regenia Ripberger
	10:00a.m.	Kim L. Yager, Bob Spaeth, Laura Ash

**Ushers for November 2014**

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

**Ministers-to-the-Sick**

Nov. 17	Monica Neuman
Nov. 24	Donna Becraft & Jeannie Hedrick

**Money Counters**

Nov. 17	Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Donna Land, Diana Leising
Nov. 24	Kathy Dean, Jeanie Spaeth, Debbie Banks, Gary Nigh

Lectors are needed for the Saturday 5:30p.m. Masses. If you would like to minister to the parish in this way, please speak with Father Gries or contact the parish office.



In today's Gospel, Jesus delivers the parable of the talents; using the example of money rather than abilities or skills. It's a story about investments, risks and returns. Stewards understand that God has given them an abundance of spiritual gifts. They know God doesn't want them to simply receive these blessings and bury them in fear, but to multiply them, to use these gifts to serve Him and others; to spread Christ's Good News; to go and make disciples of others. Good stewards invest what God has given them in the service of others and are prepared to render an account when the Lord returns.

**Sunday Collection**  
November 9, 2014



Adults (138 Envelopes + 14 Loose Checks)	\$ 8,195.00
Youth (7 Envelopes)	\$ 7.00
Loose	\$ 345.00
Total	\$ 8,547.00
Weekly Budget (2014/2015)	\$ <u>7,300.00</u>
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ 1,247.00☺
Sunday 11/9/14	\$ 8,547.00
Regular Maintenance	\$ 250.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 3,494.00
Votive Candles	\$ 14.00
Campaign Human Development	\$ 80.00
Calvary Cemetery	\$ 400.00
All Saints/All Souls	\$ 125.50
Food Pantry	\$ <u>300.00</u>
TOTAL 11/9/14	\$ 13,210.50

**-St. Mary Catholic School-**

St. Mary Catholic School will be selling cookie and candy trays again this year. 100% of the proceeds benefit the school. Order forms will be available in the next few weeks. St. Mary Catholic School Christmas program will be on Thursday, December 18 at 7:00p.m. with a dress rehearsal at 1:30p.m. Gift Cards: Order from a large selection. Order forms are available in the school office or visit [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com).

**CATHOLICISM-COFFEE-CONVERSATION**  
During the Sunday Morning RE Classes in the Multipurpose Room (following 7:30 Mass)  
Nov. 16, 23; Dec. 7

**-Religious Education-**

Sunday Morning Religious Education, Class TODAY, Nov. 16.  
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Class Nov. 16- Topic: Baptism/Confirmation. Nov. 23 - Topic: The Eucharist Source and Summit of Christian Life. Please keep Catechumens: Chris Nobbe and Monte Sitton and Candidates: Joe Hoffman, Evelyn Sammons, Marcy Westphal, Jessica Berkemeier and Sally Farley in your prayers.  
High School Religious Education/Confirmation Prep: Freshman, Sophomores and Juniors-TODAY, November 16 at 5:30p.m.  
Youth Group will meet at 4:00p.m. for open gym and games, TODAY, November 16.

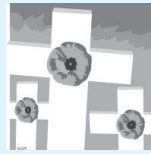
**WEBSITE: [www.stmaryrush.org](http://www.stmaryrush.org)**



**St. Mary Catholic School**

St. Mary School magnets are available, at the church entrances. Please feel free to take as many as you like and display them, to show support for our school, throughout the community.

**ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
Catholic Education since 1868

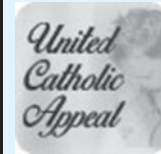


During the month of November, we remember our beloved dead. All are welcome to bring a picture(s) of deceased members, to place at our display of remembrance. One vigil candle will be kept burning.

Deceased - November 1, 2013- October 31, 2014.

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| Anna Marie Laker  | Marie Anderson  |
| Virginia Hankins  | Patricia Osting |
| Robert Smith      | Merlin Herbert  |
| Dorothy Dusing    | Frances Owens   |
| Virginia Shanahan | Helen Ewing     |
| Martha Vanlue     | Rose Ann Adkins |
| Richard Busald    | Paula Jarbo     |
| David Craven      | Carolyn Bir     |
| Stella Sampson    | Mary Aldridge   |
| Barbara Huffman   |                 |

Mark Your Calendar: The next Adult Faith Class will begin on January 7, 2015. Led by Father Gries, the topic will be "Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Mission" by John R. Wood. A free study guide will be available. Watch future bulletins, for more information.



**Archdiocese of Indianapolis**  
**2014-2015 United Catholic Appeal**  
Please mail your pledge card directly to the Archdiocese or drop into the Sunday collection. Thank You.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Pledge Cards</u>	<u>Pledge Amount</u>
11/3/14	27	\$8,335
<b>Goal</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>\$14,255</b>
<b>% of Goal</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>58%</b>

