



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

DECEMBER 28, 2014
HOLY FAMILY OF
JESUS, MARY AND
JOSEPH

512 North Perkins Street ✘ Rushville ✘ Indiana ✘ 46173
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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 necessary paperwork have been completed. Call the parish office for an appointment.*



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

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



FROM THE PASTOR

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Christmas day celebration. I always enjoy seeing all the additional faces at the Masses who come to recognize the importance of Jesus Christ come into the world. If you saw some faces you've not seen in a while, perhaps they could use a personal invite to come back to St Mary's on a more 'frequent' basis. Your personal connection, warm face, and gentle nudge could be what they need. If I can help, let me know. Remember, there is only one of me, and many of you. Together we have a much, much greater influence and outreach into the community.

Christmas proper has just begun. Just as I invited you to prepare during Advent, I also invite you not to rush Christmas to a close. The old carol *The Twelve Days of Christmas* refers to the days between Christmas Day (Dec 25) and Epiphany (Jan 6). One way, we Christians keep Christ in Christmas is to allow the Christmas season to remain alive in our lives for its proper days. Don't rush the clean-up and tear-down. Don't move on to the 'next' holiday, but remain in adoration with the newborn King.

January 1st is not just the first day of the New Year, it is also the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God. It is the Church's way of giving honor to the vital and necessary role of Mary to give birth to our Lord and Savior. We have two Masses scheduled: Wednesday, December 31 at 4:30p (plenty early to still go out and enjoy the evening) and Thursday, January 01 at 9a (late enough to still get some sleep). What better way to start the new calendar year than with prayer that it be a good one!

St Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

Mass Schedule: December 29 - January 4

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	6:30p.m.	Michael Lee Walker
Wednesday	8:30a.m.	Bob & Betty Owens
	4:30p.m.	Frances Meer
Thursday	9:00a.m.	St. Mary and St. Rose
Friday	8:30a.m.	Fred & Anna Hahn Family
Saturday	5:30p.m.	Kathleen Ketcham
Sunday	7:30a.m.	George Siefert
	10:00a.m.	St. Mary and St. Rose

Upcoming Holiday Mass Schedule: December 31 at 4:30p.m. and January 1 at 9:00a.m. at St. Mary.



Sondra Zeller, all of those who are grieving, depressed or discouraged and, for the success of "Connected in the Spirit".



EXPIRED FOOD CANNOT BE DISTRIBUTED FROM THE FOOD PANTRY. PLEASE CHECK THE DATES ON THE LABELS. THANK YOU!

Items always needed for the Food Pantry:

Peanut Butter	Sugar
Mac and Cheese	Spaghetti's
Boxes of Spaghetti	Pork and Beans
Jars Spaghetti Sauce	Canned Vegetables
Cereal and Oatmeal (Item of Month)	Ramen Noodles
Canned Fruit	Hamburger Helper
Cans of Tuna	Tuna Helper
Toilet Paper	Bars of Soap
Dish Soap	Toothpaste



Monetary donations are still being accepted for Christmas flowers. Envelopes are on the tables, at each church entrance. Please fill out, completely, and drop into the regular Sunday collection.

SAVE THE DATE! Adult Only Social and Dance will be held on Friday, January 30, 2015 at the K of C. Watch the bulletin for more information; including ticket sales.



Layton Richard Rapp, son of Troy and Ashley (Musgrave) Rapp was baptized on December 14, 2014. Welcome Layton!

Congratulations to Virgil and Luzia Herbert who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on December 26, 2014.



Liturgical Roles

Servers – December 31 & January 1 (New Years)

Wed. 4:30p.m. Leila Amos, Sofia & Clara Kemple

Thur. 9:00a.m. Nicholas, Tyler, Jacob Amos

Lectors – December 31 & January 1 (New Years)

Wed. 4:30p.m. Nate Hoeing

Thur. 9:00a.m. Debi Carter

Extra-Ordinary Ministers – Dec. 31 & Jan. 1

Wed. 4:30p.m. Gary Nigh, Rita Corn, Susan Hoeing

Thur. 9:00a.m. Bob Dwenger, Tom Giesting, Steve Pavey

Ushers - December 31 & January 1 (New Years)

Wed. 4:30p.m. Dan Hoeing & Gus Haley

Thur. 9:00a.m. Volunteers

Servers – January 3 & 4

Sat. 5:30p.m. Macy & Nicholas Hoeing, Savannah Westphal

Sun. 7:30a.m. Nicholas, Tyler & Jacob Amos
10:00a.m. Olivia Yager, Sam Barada, Mitchell Cowan

Lectors – January 3 & 4

Sat. 5:30p.m. Alan Niehoff

Sun. 7:30a.m. Regenia Ripberger
10:00a.m. Tessa Hoeing

Extra-Ordinary Ministers – January 3 & 4

Sat. 5:30p.m. Bob Dwenger, Mary Ann Beard, Shelly Bostic

Sun. 7:30a.m. Jerry Rudolf, Carol Yager, Tom Giesting
10:00a.m. Susan Hoeing, Bob Spaeth, Laura Ash

Ushers for January 2015

Sat. 5:30p.m. Michael McCallister & Volunteer

Sun. 7:30a.m. Paul & Matt Busald
10:00a.m. Doug Osborne & Volunteer

Ministers-to-the-Sick

Dec. 29 Jeanie Spaeth and Jeanie Hedrick

Jan. 5 Joan Meo

Money Counters

Dec. 29 Team (1) Jeanie Spaeth, Missy Koors, April Yager, Jeanine Yager
Team (2) Rose Hoeing, Linda Shanahan, Jane Niccum, Mary Schneider

Jan. 5 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Donna Land, Diana Leising

Stewardship Moment

When Jesus is presented in the Temple, our Blessed Mother formally offers him to God's service without reservation. It is a service that Simeon prophetically foretells: a service to God that will turn the old laws and cultural norms upside down. Are we destined to hold on to old habits and customs tightly, or like Jesus, are we willing to serve the Lord and proclaim the Gospel in new and creative ways?

Sunday Collection
December 14, 2014



Adults (119 Envelopes + 12 Loose Checks)	\$ 6,540.00
Youth (6 Envelopes)	\$ 6.00
Loose	\$ 289.50
Total	\$ 6,835.50
Weekly Budget (2014/2015)	\$ 7,300.00
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ -464.50 ☹️

Sunday 12/14/14	\$ 6,835.50
Regular Maintenance	\$ 330.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 2,420.66
Votive Candles	\$ 43.00
Human Development	\$ 40.00
Fall Festival	\$ 12.00
Flowers	\$ 375.00
Religious Retirement	\$ 700.00
Holy Day (12/8/14)	\$ 20.00
Food Pantry	\$ 557.00
TOTAL 12/14/14	\$ 11,333.16

Mass Attendance - Weekend of December 6/7 - 584
Weekend of December 13/14 - 550

Changing Footprints
Welcomes You To
Trivia Night - 2015

Saturday, Jan. 24, 2015
201 Building in Rushville IN

Doors Open at 6:00pm

Game Begins Promptly at 7:00pm



Seats Are Limited

\$25 Per Person - 8 to a Team

Invite friends to join your team or we can place you with a team

2014 Trivia Champs

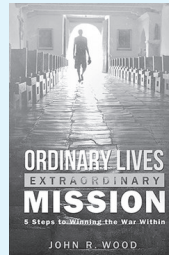


\$10 for a Mulligan - 10 Rounds

Must be 21

For Reservations & Payment:
info@changingfootprints.com
Call Ruth @ 765-969-6757

Bring new or gently used shoes to get 1 extra door prize entry!



ADULT FAITH CLASS
Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Mission
by John R. Wood
Led by Fr. Jeremy M. Gries
Wednesday Evenings from 7-8:30p.m.
Multipurpose Room
Free Study Guide

TOPICS

- January 7 - Prologue & Step 1 (Pages 5-32)
- January 14 - Step 2 (Pages 33-78)
- January 21 - Step 3 (Pages 79-110)
- January 28 - Step 4 (Pages 111-150)
- February 4 - Step 5 (Pages 151-174)
- February 11 - Sep 6 (Pages 175-187)



Books can be picked up at church doors at Christmas.

-Religious Education-

Sunday Morning Religious Education, Classes resume on January 4, 2015. Happy New Year!
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Please keep Catechumens: Chris Nobbe and Monte Sitton and Candidates: Joe Hoffman, Evelyn Sammons, Marcy Westphal, Jessica Berkemeier and Sally Farley in your prayers. Class resumes on January 4, 2015. Topic: Life in Christ-I.



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.

Date	Pledge Cards	Pledge Amount
12/11/14	159	\$27,560
Goal	474	\$14,255
% of Goal	34%	193%



The parish office will close at noon on December 31 and remain closed on January 1 and 2. Regular office hours will resume on January 5, 2015. Happy New Year!

St. Mary of Immaculate Conception
2015 Pictorial Directory

Sign up after all weekend Masses on January 3 & 4 and January 24 & 25, 2015.



Pictures taken in February, 2015