



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

JANUARY 4, 2015

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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

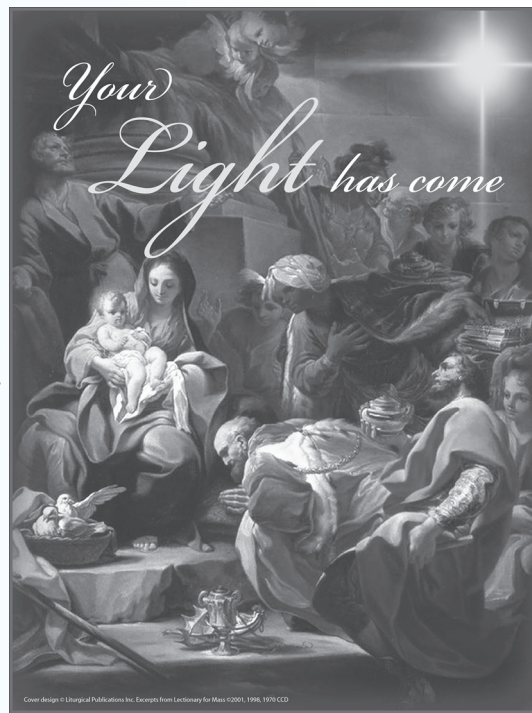
### Baptism

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 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 **New Year** celebration. I pray that 2015 is a year full of blessings from God and growth in your Christian discipleship.

This coming Thursday, January 8 at 7p in the multipurpose room, the *Connected in the Spirit* Core Team will be hosting a session as part of our in-house parish evaluation. We have identified and invited members of the parish to come and participate (to make sure there are some people there!), but **all interested parishioners are welcome** to come and offer their feedback. We would value and appreciate your important contributions. The more voices heard, the more sound the assessment. We want this to be a true and authentic reflection of St Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish in Rushville.

The **Task Force Session** will begin with a brief overview and then break into four task groups. The four task groups will discuss some guiding questions provided by the Archdiocese around the following areas: 1. Sacramental Life of the Parish (Eucharist, other Sacraments, ministries); 2. Evangelization and Catechesis (invite, welcome, catechetical formation, Catholic school, adult faith); 3. Stewardship and Justice (3 "T's", social ministry, outreach, education); 4. Administration (pastor, staffing, councils, commissions, facilities, finances, inter-parish cooperation). This is an important first stage of the overall CIS process.

Other exciting news for the parish, we are going to do a **2015 Parish Pictorial Directory**. It's been 5 years since our last one, and the children have grown, we've welcomed new faces, and sadly seen a few move on. We are working with Life Touch, Inc. on this project. Please arrange for your family to get their picture taken. We want it to be as complete as possible. There will be several sign-up sessions after Masses this weekend and on the weekend of January 24-25.

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

**Mass Schedule: January 5 - 11**

<b>Monday</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30p.m.	Mary Aldridge (Sodality)
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Ralph Muckerheide
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	Carolyn Bir
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	Ken Schneider
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	St. Mary and St. Rose
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	Bill & Jean Moran
	10:00a.m.	David Craven

**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.

**St. Mary of Immaculate Conception  
2015 Pictorial Directory**

Sign up after all Masses this  
Weekend and also on January  
24 & 25.



*Pictures taken in February, 2015*

**-Religious Education-**

Sunday Morning Religious Education, Classes resume TODAY January 4, 2015.

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 TODAY. Topic: Life in Christ-I.

High School Religious Education and Confirmation Preparation: January 11, 2015 from 5:30 - 7:45p.m.

Youth Group: January 11 at 4:00p.m. Open gym and games.



**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 ( <b>Item of Month</b> )	Ramen Noodles
Canned Fruit	Hamburger Helper
Cans of Tuna	Tuna Helper
Toilet Paper	Bars of Soap
Dish Soap	Toothpaste

January Birthday: Betty Eder - January 11, 2015.



# Liturgical Roles

**Servers – January 10 & 11**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Leila Amos, Lance & Logan Beard
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Adam Neuman, Keith Neuman, Grant Hill
	10:00a.m.	Clara & Sofia Kemple, Byron Pavey

**Lectors – January 10 & 11**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	John Blankman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Lori Hoeing
	10:00a.m.	Mary Beth Burklow

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers – January 10 & 11**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Denise Small, Steve Richards, Shelly Bostic
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Susie Odum, Gary Nigh, Doug Krieger
	10:00a.m.	Amaranta Kemple, Kevin & Debbie Banks

**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**

Jan. 5 Joan Meo Jan. 12 Janet Pike

**Money Counters**

Jan. 5 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Donna Land,  
Diana Leising  
Jan. 12 Kathy Dean, Jeanie Spaeth, Debbie Banks,  
Gary Nigh



The cold and flu season is here. So, if you are not feeling well, sneezing, coughing, or showing any symptoms of the flu or a cold, please be sure and get a replacement for your assigned Mass. We must show consideration for those we come in contact with, as Extraordinary Ministers.

Mowing Bids are now being accepted for the mowing of the church and school grounds, for 2015. All bids must be submitted to the parish office by noon on January 30, 2015.

**-St. Mary Catholic School-**


Thank you to those that purchased gift cards this past Christmas! Remember, you can utilize the gift card program year-round. Gift cards are especially useful for gas, groceries, and everyday shopping. You may visit [glscrip.com](http://glscrip.com) for a complete listing of over 600 retailers that are available. The school office does keep, in stock, quite a few gift cards that are available on a cash and carry basis.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**Sunday Collection**  
December 21, 2014



The December 21 and December 28 collection details will appear in the January 11 bulletin, along with the January 4 collection details, due to the holiday submission deadline to Liturgical Publishing.



**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	167	\$28,465
Goal	474	\$14,255
% of Goal	35%	200%

Contributions dated on or before December 31, 2014 will appear on your 2014 contribution statement. Those dated January 1, 2015 and after, will be reflected on 2015 statements. 2014 contribution statements will be mailed, to all contributing households.

# 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**

**Door Prizes!**

**Seats Are Limited**

**\$25 Per Person - 8 to a Team**

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

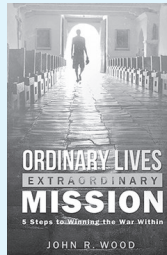
**\$10 for a Mulligan - 10 Rounds**

**Must be 21**

**For Reservations & Payment:**  
[info@changingfootprints.com](mailto: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.

*Remember as you pray:*

Ann Ernestes-Allen, Marie Beaver, Marcia Brooks, Becky Brown, Betty Brown, Mary Busald, Spencer Comer, Colette Concannon, Katy Curtis, Erin Doyle, Catherine Duncan, Jim Ewing, Bud & Carol Ann Garland, Lucille Hahn, Stephanie Hascuster, Jeanne Hedrick, Ashley Heller, Aidan Kuhn, Donna Land, Henrietta Land, Mary Jane Lawhead, Paul Leising, Robin Leising, Quinn Mohler, Bob Muckerheide, Brenda Munchel, Christy Muzquiz, Marilyn Niehoff, Jacob Ping, Ken Saxon, David Schultz, Meghan Schultz, Margie Schwering, Diane (Wolter) Shaw, Jenny Smith, Aaron Snow, Anita Sopher, Tyler Tompkins, Mark VanNatta, Rudy Wesling, Ron Wilson, Glenn Woods, Sondra Zeller, Sheila Zwickey.

For those proudly serving our country: Travis Pecor and Derek Sickbert.

For those of our parish who are homebound: Katie Carpenter, Louise Childers, Vernie Comer, Ruth Coon, Jackie Hess, Judy Meyer, Kathleen Ruddick, Dee Salzmann, Kathryn Smiley, Martha Todd.

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

Flatrock River Lodge: Dorothy Jarman and Dorothy Snyder

Those who have passed away: Michael Walker, Janet Hunsinger and Daniel Scholl.

The success of "Connected in the Spirit".

**NOTICE:** When Rush County is under a red or orange weather alert, Sunday Morning Religious Education, RCIA and Confirmation classes will be canceled. Go to [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com) weather/alerts or tune into channel 6, 8 or 13 for status updates.