



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

AUGUST 2, 2015
18TH SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME

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

School Commission

Chair: Jim Cowan

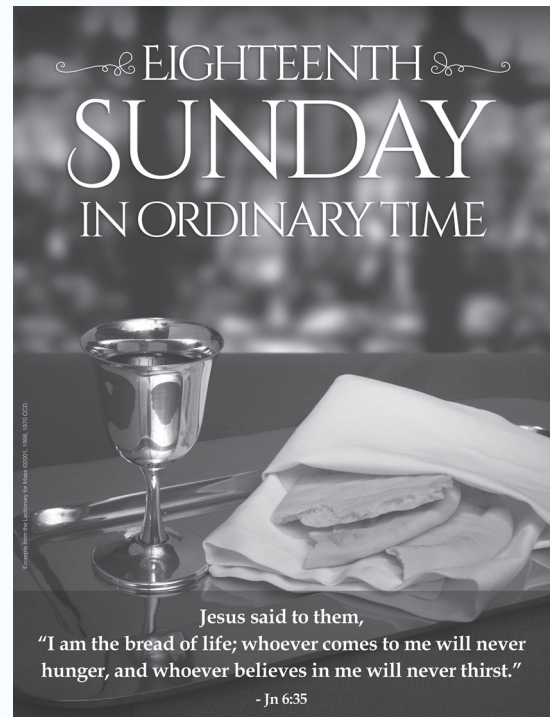
Baptism

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.



FROM THE PASTOR

As hard as it might be for the children to accept, the summer vacation is ending. It has certainly gone fast. I always hope for a “summer slowing down”, but I’ve come to realize it doesn’t happen. I had several conferences and meetings to attend and other summer projects. This summer has seen the frantic work of renovating the school building bathrooms. We also had to address some changes in the Religious Education program, including bringing Jill Kuntz on as the new Administrator of Religious Education. Fortunately, I also managed to get a vacation J, which is why I am happy to welcome **Fr. Stan Herber** for all the Masses this weekend. Thank you, Fr. Stan!

As we all return to our school routines, please know of my prayers for all students, staff, teachers, and administrators. We will also be jump-starting our other Catechetical Faith Formation programs:

Sunday Religious Education will resume next Sunday, August 09 at 8:40a. Please be prompt and ready to learn. If you have not yet registered your child, you may do so by emailing Jill Kuntz, our Administrator of Religious Education, at jkuntz@stmaryrush.org or Debbie Spaeth at 765-932-2588.

Junior High & High School “Confirmation” Prep will start on Sunday, August 09 at 5:30p.m. for all 7th grade to 11th grade students.

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) will resume next Sunday, August 09 at 8:40a.m. in the rectory conference room. This is ideal for those adults who are not currently members of the Catholic Christian Church. These sessions will provide information and formation for those who are discerning entering into full communion with the Catholic Church. Jerry Rudolph will be leading this again. Thank you!

The **Wednesday Night Adult Faith Opportunity** will resume on August 12 at 7p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. We will pick up our Great Adventure Bible Study. If you did not attend over the summer, please still come. You will be able to get oriented easily enough.

Do you get the impression that I want all parishioners from young to old, womb to tomb, growing in their Catholic Christian faith? Yes, indeed! Growing in holiness, sanctity, knowledge, and service of God. *St Mary, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries*

Mass Schedule: August 3 - 9

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	6:30p.m.	Virginia Shanahan
Wednesday	8:30a.m.	David Craven
Thursday	8:30a.m.	Fred & Anna Hahn Family
Friday	8:30a.m.	Carl Busald
Saturday	4:00p.m.	Deceased members of the Pioneer Engineers Club
No Confessions		
	5:30p.m.	St. Mary & St. Rose
Sunday	7:30a.m.	Joe Moran
	10:00a.m.	Verl Clemons

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration: August 7 from 9a.m.-8p.m. with Benediction at 8p.m. A sign-up sheet can be found on the small table in the back of church.

The Pioneer Steam Engine Show Mass will be at 4:00p.m. on Saturday, August 8, at Caldwell Acres, in addition to our normal weekend Mass schedule. **There will be no 4:30p.m. Saturday confessions.**

The Food Pantry is in desperate need of 1 and 2 pound packages of meat (hamburger and sausage). If you can donate meat, please contact Susan Hoeing at 561-1040. August food items are: Macaroni & Cheese and Pork & Beans.



Our Sympathy to Don and Angela Ruf and family at the death of Angela's mother, Alice Kaiser.

Condolences to Dale and Shirley Schwering at the recent death of Shirley's brother, Robert Brewsaugh.

Sympathy to Tom and Laura Seufert at the death of Tom's sister, Betty Seufert.

Fall Festival Grand Raffle Tickets can be purchased in the parish office or from John and Debby Williams. Tickets are \$20.00 each. Only 500 tickets will be sold. To guarantee yourself a ticket, purchase early!

Kid's Games are in need of new or gently used items for prizes; small toys, school supplies, stickers, etc. Items can be dropped off at the parish office. Questions should be directed to Amaranta Kemple: akemple@stmaryschool.org.

The 2015 Fall Festival Committee Lists have been updated and completed. ☺ Please call the parish office, contact your committee chairperson or notify Debbie Pavey at 765-544-2426 or debbiepavey@gmail.com to make changes to the 2016 committee lists.

Live Auction, Country Store, and Home Cooking Booth items are needed. Contact Toni Schultz(765-561-4525) or Mary Schneider at 765-932-5397, with specific questions

Liturgical Roles

Servers – August 8 & 9

Sat.	5:30p.m.	John Alexander, Savannah Westphal, Jonathan Ripberger
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Adam & Keith Neuman, Jacob Amos
	10:00a.m.	Matthew & Ben Grote, Nick Komlanc

Lectors – August 8 & 9

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Rita Corn
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Bob Bridges
	10:00a.m.	Debbie Carter

Extra-Ordinary Ministers– August 8 & 9

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Mary Ann Beard, Denise Small, Bob Dwenger
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Doug Krieger, Holly Bess, Stephen Ariens
	10:00a.m.	Denise A. Hoeing, Annette Niehoff, Kevin Spilman

Ushers for August 2015

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Doug Corn & Dutch Tragesser
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Ken Schroeder & Jim Naylor
	10:00a.m.	Gregg & Cheryl Riggs

Ministers-to-the-Sick

Aug. 3 Jerry Rudolf Aug. 10 Joan Meo

Money Counters

Aug. 3 Jeanie Spaeth, Missy Koors, April Yager,
Jeanine Yager
Aug. 10 Rose Hoeing, Linda Shanahan, Jane Niccum,
Mary Schneider

-St. Mary Catholic School News-

There is an opening for a music teacher/aide. If interested, please contact Sherri Kirschner, principal.

If you have not registered your child for the upcoming school year, please call us, as soon as possible. Feel free to contact the school with any questions, via e-mail or leave a voicemail. E-mails and phone messages are checked regularly. Openings in all grades, Pre-6th, but some are limited, at this time. First Day of School is August 5.

The 26th Annual St. Mary School Golf Open will take place on Saturday, August 29th at Antler Pointe Golf Course. Cost is \$55.00 per person/\$220.00 per 4 person team. Tee times are 8:00a.m. and 1:00p.m. Tee ad sponsorships are also available for \$50.00. Registration forms are available on the tables at the back of church. Please contact Jim & Stacey Cowan (317)727-0549 or Jason & Jamie Pavey (765)570-6079 with any questions or to register.

**ABORTION ALTERNATIVES**

Birthline	Mon.-Fri.	317-635-4808
Option Helpline	24/7	1-800-712-HELP

Sunday Collection
July 26, 2015



Adults (79 Envelopes+ 10 Loose Checks)	\$ 5,486.00
Youth (6 Envelopes)	\$ 6.00
Loose	\$ 453.00
Total	\$ 5,945.00
Weekly Budget (2014/2015)	\$ 7,500.00
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ -1,555.00 ☹
Sunday 7/26/15	\$ 5,945.00
Regular Maintenance	\$ 20.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 1,459.78
Votive Candles	\$ 52.00
Priest Mission	\$ 2,271.55
Food Pantry	\$ 165.00
TOTAL 7/26/15	\$ 9,913.33

Mass Attendance - 7/26/15 - 542

Hospital Visits from the Pastor

Due to HIPAA regulations, hospitals must be notified by a patient (or a parent or guardian of a minor) if you wish Father Gries to know you or a family member are hospitalized.

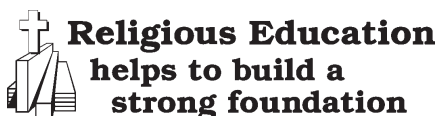
-Religious Education News-

Religious Education Registration, for Sunday morning and High School for the 2015/2016 program continues this weekend, August 1, following all Masses in the Rectory Conference Room. Please enter the side door. The fee for Preschool through Junior is \$50 with an additional Sacrament fee of \$35 for Second Grade. Please make checks payable to St. Mary Church. Registration does need to happen in person. Parents will be asked to fill out and sign a registration form and will receive a handbook and a class schedule. Jill Kuntz, ARE, will be available to answer any questions.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) classes will begin on August 9 at 8:30a.m. in the Rectory Conference Room. RCIA is a process of inquiry, instruction and preparation for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Jerry Rudolf at 812-374-8446.

The First Day of Sunday Morning Religious Education, for grades preschool - 6th grade, is August 9, 2015, from 8:40-9:50a.m. Students will go directly to their assigned classrooms.

The First Day of High School Religious Education, for grade 7th - 11th grade, is August 9, 2015, from 5:30-7:45p.m.



Faith Opportunity
BIBLE STUDY
Led by Fr. Jeremy Gries
Wednesday Evenings
7:00-8:15p.m.

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| Aug. 12 | Egypt & Exodus I |
| Aug. 19 | Egypt & Exodus II |
| Aug. 26 | Desert Wanderings |
| Sept. 2 | Conquest & Judges I |
| Sept. 9 | Conquest & Judges II |
| Sept. 23 | Royal Kingdom I |
| Sept. 30 | Royal Kingdom II |
| Oct. 7 | Divided Kingdom I |
| Oct. 14 | Divided Kingdom II |
| Nov. 4 | Exile |
| Nov. 11 | Return |
| Nov. 18 | Maccabean Revolt |

(Sessions 6 to 17 of 24, come to one, come to all)
Bring your Bible & Catechism!



St. Mary's Beer Fest
Saturday, September 12, 2015
6:30-10:00p.m.
St. Mary Parking Lot

\$10.00 a ticket—First Beer is Free!
Domestic Beer & Wine
Brats & Wings may be purchased
(Not included with Ticket)

Music by Mark's DJ (Hackler)

Tickets are available at Sickbert Family Eye Care, St. Mary Parish Office or from Susan Hoeing 561-1040, Eric Wagoner 561-1697 or Cindy Sickbert 561-5048.



K of C Council 1755 will be hosting a Cookie Stacking Competition and a Catholic Trivia Competition on Saturday, August 8 from 12-3p.m. at St. Rose of Lima Parish in

Knightsdown. Prizes will be given to the best players. The competitions are free and open to all youth/families.