



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

AUGUST 9, 2015
19TH 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

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Parish Council

Chair: Shawn Adkins

Finance Council

Chair: Doug Krieger

School Commission

Chair: Jim Cowan

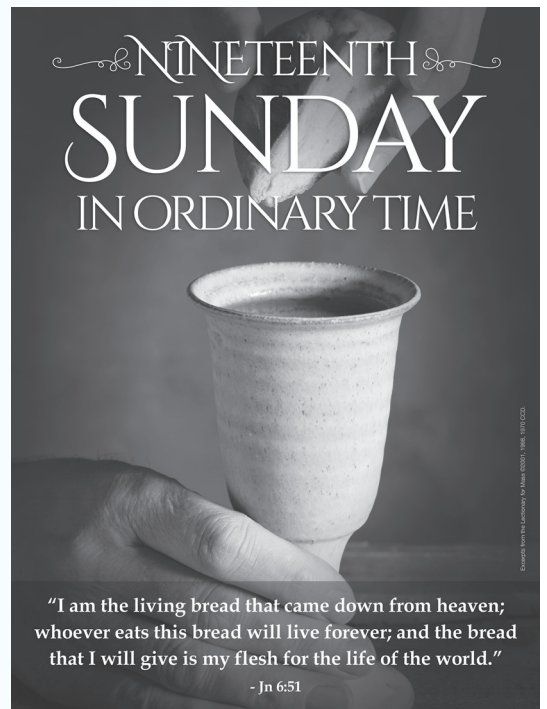
Baptism

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 *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.*



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

- Jn 6:51



Vacation was wonderful! While I love St Mary and Rush County, it is good to be away for a short while but it is also good to be home.

We had a busy first ('half') week of school. It was great to see all the smiling faces and new faces. **St Mary Catholic School and Preschool** has over 100 students enrolled this year from preschool to sixth grade. The theme for the year is "Anchored in God's Love." We have open enrollment, so your child would still be welcome to come "achieve" with us as we grow with God. It is hard to beat fulltime Christ-centered Faith formation and education.

This weekend our Sunday **Religious Education** Program resumes. We will have preschool to sixth grade on Sunday morning from 8:40a to 9:50a. I would like to address all the parents briefly at the start. Our Junior High and High School teens will meet Sunday night from 5:30p-7:45p. Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) will meet in the parish conference room on Sunday morning.

August 15th is the **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary** into heaven. Since it falls on Saturday this year, it is not a holy day of opportunity (or obligation). Yet, we will still have Mass at 8:30a for those who would like to gather to rejoice in the God's faithfulness to His perfect Handmaid, Mary, and God's promise to each of us to raise us up Body and Soul to heaven.

Congratulations and prayers to Brian Ripberger (parishioner) and Jessica Corya, who will be getting **married** next Saturday, August 15 here at St Mary. They are a lovely couple. We all wish them a lifelong marriage of joy, happiness, and holiness.

Next, **Sunday, August 16, 2015 between the 7:30a Mass and 10a Mass, we will host an important Parish Town Hall Meeting** to discuss and update the parish membership on the *Connected in the Spirit* Process progress to date, especially what is being proposed for St Mary, Rushville and our Cohort neighbors. All interested parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend.

St Mary, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

Mass Schedule: August 10 - 16

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	6:30p.m.	Pat Osting
Wednesday	8:30a.m.	Fr. Thomas Murphy
Thursday	8:30a.m.	Ken Schneider
Friday	8:30a.m.	Betty Spaeth
Saturday	8:30a.m.	Jim & Helen Ewing (Assumption of Virgin Mary)
	5:30p.m.	Rick Todd
Sunday	7:30a.m.	St. Mary & St. Rose
	10:00a.m.	Rosie Joyner

Connected in the Spirit: A Parish Town Hall Meeting will be held next Sunday, August 16 between the 7:30a.m. and 10:00a.m. Masses, in the church. All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend.

Fall Festival Committee Packets are available, on the tables in the back of church. To help us avoid mailing costs, please pick up your packet.

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 2016 Fall Festival Committee Lists: 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.



Prayer List: Father Harold Richtor

Sympathy To: Bob and Clara Dwenger and family, at the death of Clara's sister, Frieda M. Hellmich.



Guess who's celebrating 50 years of wedded bliss? Hope you can stop by and wish Chuck and Jane Niccum congratulations at an open house hosted by their children on Saturday, August 22, 2015, from 2-4:30p.m. in the basement of the Milroy United Methodist church (114 N. Pleasant St., Milroy).

Liturgical Roles

Servers – August 15 & 16

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Will, Katie & Anne Thoman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Adam Leising, Addison Ballenger, Glen Harpring
	10:00a.m.	Clara & Sofia Kemple, Savannah Snow

Lectors – August 15 & 16

Sat.	5:30p.m.	John Blankman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Allen Leising
	10:00a.m.	Steve Sickbert

Extra-Ordinary Ministers– August 15 & 16

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Bob Dwenger, Shelly Bostic, Rita Corn
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Susie Odum, Gary Nigh, Carol Yager
	10:00a.m.	Kevin & Debbie Banks, Amaranta Kemple

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. 10 Joan Meo Aug. 17 Janet Pike

Money Counters

Aug. 10 Rose Hoeng, Linda Shanahan, Jane Niccum,
Mary Schneider
Aug. 17 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Donna Land,
Diana Leising

-St. Mary Catholic School News-

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

St. Mary Catholic School Enrollment: There are still some openings in preschool-grade 6. However, some classes are limited. Call the school office at 932-3636, for additional information.

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

Food Pantry: August items: Macaroni & Cheese and Pork & Beans.

Sunday Collection
August 2, 2015



Adults (136 Envelopes+ 13 Loose Checks)	\$ 7,794.00
Youth (6 Envelopes)	\$ 6.00
Loose	\$ 378.71
Total	\$ 8,178.71
Weekly Budget (2014/2015)	\$ 7,500.00
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ +678.71 ☺
Sunday 8/2/15	\$ 8,178.71
Regular Maintenance	\$ 45.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 3,130.00
Votive Candles	\$ 42.00
Food Pantry	\$ 365.00
TOTAL 8/2/15	\$ 11,760.71

Mass Attendance - 8/2/15 - 620

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-

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) classes will begin **TODAY**, 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 **TODAY**, 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, **TODAY**, August 9, 2015, from 5:30-7:45p.m.



Religious Education helps to build a strong foundation



Seasons of Hope Bereavement Group: St. Simon the Apostle Parish, located at 8155 Oaklondon Road, Indianapolis, will host Seasons of Hope for six consecutive weeks, beginning August 13. To register, contact Mona Lime at (317)3718993 or Monalime@att.net.



Faith Opportunity
BIBLE STUDY

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

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.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

The Letter to the Ephesians urges us to be mindful that part of our life together in the Eucharist means being kind to one another, compassionate and forgiving, just as Christ has forgiven us. What can we do this week to show our kindness, compassion and forgiving attitude toward others in our family of faith? How can we be even better stewards of our faith community as, what St. Paul refers to as "Imitators of God?"