



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

SEPTEMBER 6, 2015  
23RD 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: Elbert Gordon

## School Commission

Chair: Jamey Pavey

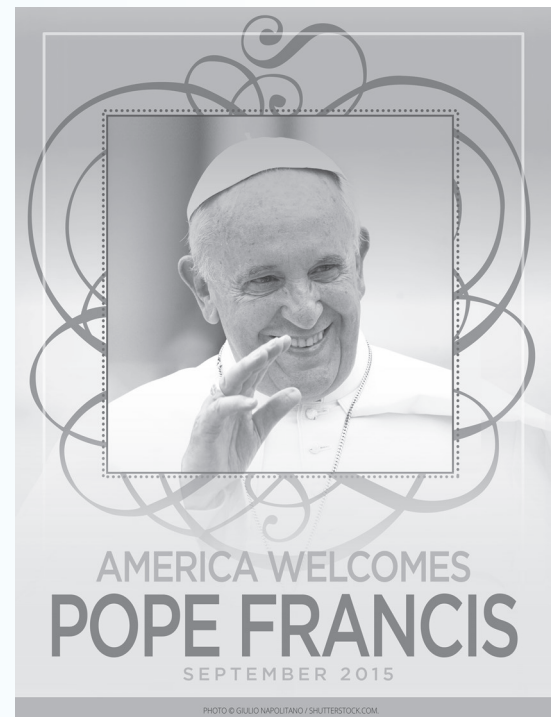
## Baptism

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.*



Next weekend is the **St Mary Fall Festival**. This means many of you have been or will be giving extra hours to the parish planning, preparing, selling, entertaining, feeding, and cleaning for guests from around the community and beyond. THANK YOU! I appreciate it. The Fall Festival is one of those ‘opening the doors’ opportunities for the parish. Anyone and everyone is welcome to come check us out.

Part of this means being hospitable to the many guests and visitors to the parish both Saturday and Sunday. Being hospitable is not just a nice thing to do, it is our Christian responsibility, and not just for the Fall Festival. Both the New and Old Testaments frequently speak to the importance of welcoming the stranger and treating them as you would God. This means be generous, outgoing, joyful, happy, encouraging, and grateful, among other things. Please slide over to make room or politely find another pew when a visitor has taken ‘your normal spot.’ (Remember, they are guests. They don’t know.) Likewise, help them feel at home, as we may have a few St Mary-isms that are different than their home parish or congregation. Jesus’ first tool in evangelization and spreading the Good News was a pleasant demeanor and desire to truly know those He encountered. It goes a long way toward opening doors and opening hearts. A smile, a firm handshake, a “welcome” is who we want to be... actually, all the time.

The Fall Festival is also a subtle and non-threatening way to Evangelize about the parish. Maybe you have a neighbor, family member, or coworker who you could invite to join us. Perhaps, you could invite them to join us for Mass prior to the delicious meal and fun activities. We want them to be happy to be here, since we are.

*St Mary, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries*

### Mass Schedule: September 7 - 13

<b>Monday</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30p.m.	Richard Busald
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Marie Anderson
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	Bob & Betty Owens
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	Bud Harpring
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	Mary Eder
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	Bill & Jean Moran
	10:00a.m.	Clara Eckerlie

### -St. Mary Fall Festival News-

Fall Festival Grand Raffle Tickets can be purchased in the parish office or from John and Debby Williams. Tickets are \$20.00 each. Dinner tickets will be available for purchase, following all Masses, this weekend, on the rectory porch, and in the parish office, during regular business hours. Tickets are \$9.00 in advance and \$10:00 at the door. Children 10 and under \$6.00.

Kids' 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@stmaryrush.org.

Vendor Booth Space is available, for outside vendors. Contracts are available in the parish office. For more information, contact Anna Jo Richards at 932-3117 or richardsaj@rushville.k12.in.us.

Tomatoes can be brought to the school kitchen by 9a.m. on the morning of the festival.

High Chairs and Booster Seats are needed for the dining room. Bring to the school gym on Friday, September 11 or on the morning of the festival. Please use the 5th Street entrance.

Items are needed for the Live Auction, Country Store and Home Cooking Booths. Contact Toni Schultz (765-561-4525) or Mary Schneider (765-932-4397), with any questions.



The Family of Joe Giesting would like to thank Fr. Gries, those who planned and attended the funeral and dinner, sent cards, gave Masses and donations and wished us well. It has been a great consolation in our loss.



Welcome, Olivia Grace Naylor and Delaney Jade Naylor, daughters of Curt and Jessica (Johnston) Naylor, who received the Sacrament of Baptism on August 28, 2015.

St. Peter's Labor Day Festival: Monday, September 7, 2015, in Franklin County, Indiana, 10a.m. \$28,000 award, fried chicken dinners and much more. [www.stpetersbrookville.com](http://www.stpetersbrookville.com)



The Parish Office will be closed September 7, 2015.

## Liturgical Roles

### Servers – September 12 & 13

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

### Lectors – September 12 & 13

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

### Extra-Ordinary Ministers – September 12 & 13

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, Laura Ash

### Ushers for September 2015

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Russ & Linda Jenkins
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Mike & Blake Mahan
	10:00a.m.	Roger Cain & Shawn Adkins

### Ministers-to-the-Sick

Sept. 7 Jeanie Spaeth      Sept. 14 Joan Meo

### Money Counters

Sept. 8 (Tuesday) Rose Hoeing, Linda Shanahan,  
Jane Niccum, Mary Schneider  
Sept. 14 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Donna Land,  
Diana Leising

### -St. Mary Catholic School News-

The Annual Fall Rummage Sale, benefitting St. Mary School PTA, will be held at the CONSERVATION CLUB (1204 E St Rd 44) on Friday, September 25, from 9a.m.-5p.m. and Saturday, September 26, from 9a.m.-1p.m. Please start gathering your donations. Drop off for items will be on Thursday, September 24, from 9a.m.-6p.m. at the CONSERVATION CLUB. Anyone wanting to donate items for the bake sale can also bring those items to the CONSERVATION CLUB on Thursday and Friday. Please contact Rya Meo (561-0226) with questions. Thank you.

Mum Sale: \$7.00 for an 8" pot. Orders due by Monday, September 14. Order pick-up on Monday, September 21 from 3:30-5:30p.m. A special thank you to Mrs. Vicki Murphy and her parents' business, Whipker's Market and Greenhouse, Inc., for helping St. Mary School provide this fundraising opportunity. Please visit Whipker's at 5190 US 31 in Columbus for all your gardening needs.

**"Save the Date"**

**St. Mary Parish Mission**

**January 30, 2016 - February 3, 2016**

**Sunday Collection**  
August 30, 2015



Adults (145 Envelopes + 18 Loose Checks)	\$ 7,857.00	
Youth (4 Envelopes)	\$ 4.00	
Loose	\$ 358.01	
Total	\$ 8,219.01	
Weekly Budget (2014/2015)	\$ -7,500.00	
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ +719.01	☺
Sunday 8/30/15	\$ 8,219.01	
Regular Maintenance	\$ 105.00	
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 671.00	
Votive Candles	\$ 43.00	
Assumption	\$ 25.00	
Utilities (Heating & Cooling)	\$ 10.00	
Food Pantry	\$ 795.00	
TOTAL 8/30/15	\$ 9,868.01	

Mass Attendance - 8/30/15 - 632

**-Religious Education News-**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): No classes September 6 (Labor Day) or September 13 (Fall Festival). Class resumes on September 20. Topic: The Good News: God Has Sent His Son. Reminder to Pre-Catechumenate: Baptismal Certificates are due.

Religious Education for grades Preschool-6th: No classes September 6 (Labor Day) or September 13 (Fall Festival). The date for the 2nd grade First Reconciliation training has been set for November 24 after the 6:30p.m. Mass. Please plan to attend Mass. Following Mass, we will do the training in the church. If you have any questions, contact me at [jkuntz@stmaryrush.org](mailto:jkuntz@stmaryrush.org). High School Religious Education, for grade 7th -11th grade, September 20, 2015, from 5:30-7:45p.m.

**-Youth Group News-**

The Youth Group will meet at 4:30p.m. on September 20, in the school gym. Questions may be directed to Debbie Banks.

**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.



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

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!	

**Remember as you pray:**

Howard Ariens, David Bedel, Marie Bever, Mary Busald, Colette Concannon, Katy Curtis, Erin Doyle, Bud & Carol Ann Garland, Lucille Hahn, Faith Sadler Hankins, Jeanne Hedrick, Florence Herbert, Jeff Krieger, Aidan Kuhn, Adam Leising, James and Mary McGinnis, Virgil & Judy McKay, Judy Meyer, Janet Mitchell, Quinn Mohler, Bob Muckerheide, Brenda Munchel, Marilyn Niehoff, Paul & Marjorie Niehoff, Steve Oesterling, Philip Parish, Bob Piles, Jacob Ping, Fr. Harold Richtor, Roger Roberson, Dave Roberts, Ken Saxon, Meghan Schultz, Margie Schwering, Anita Sopher, Addison Spaeth, Ken Stanley, David Starkey, Twins Brittney & Brooklyn, Rudy Wesling, Busty Wickliff, Ron Wilson, Glenn Woods.

For those proudly serving our country: Garrett Hadler, Travis Pecar, Derek Sickbert, Kevin Dobbyn, Kody Griffin.

For those of our parish who are homebound: Katie Carpenter, Vernie Comer, Jackie Hess, Dee Salzmann, Kathryn Smiley, Martha Todd.

Residents at Millers Merry Manor: Donna Becraft, Jenny Brown, Norma Connor, Betty Eder, Ginny Northam, Ann Parish, Betty Spilman.

Flatrock River Lodge: Louise Childers, Ann Gillian, Dorothy Jarman, Dorothy Snyder, Ruth Stuckey, Edna Wehr.

Those who have passed away: Joe Giesting, Frieda Hellmich, Alice Kaiser, Robert Brewsugh, Betty Seufert.

"Seasons of Hope", a Catholic bereavement program, will be offered at St. Mary's, Greensburg, beginning on September 14, from 6:45-8:30p.m. in their Education Center.

**ABORTION ALTERNATIVES**

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

September Food Pantry Items: Cereal & Canned Vegetables