



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

JANUARY 31, 2016  
FOURTH SUNDAY  
IN  
ORDINARY TIME

512 North Perkins Street ✘ Rushville ✘ Indiana ✘ 46173  
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### Parish Office Hours

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### Our St. Mary Prayer Line

### 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.*

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service



We are pleased to welcome **Fr George McInnis** of the Fathers of Mercy to St Mary's Parish this weekend to kick-off our **Parish Mission**. The Parish Mission will run January 30 through Wednesday, February 3. A Parish Mission is a sort of revival or community retreat. The Mission is well-timed to coincide with the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy invoked by Pope Francis and as we prepare to start Lent in a little more than a week (Ash Wednesday is February 10<sup>th</sup>).

The purpose of the Parish Mission is to help each of us grow in our personal relationship with Jesus Christ and to enrich our communal connection to the Church, especially in the Sacraments. Jesus loves you. Jesus waits for you. Jesus wants to be in a relationship with you. Jesus desires to pour out His Mercy upon you. Jesus wants you to be a vibrant, flourishing, beneficial disciple in His Church and Kingdom.

I am very excited by the prospect of the Parish Mission. I've been praying for the success of this Mission for some time now. My prayer has been that each of your hearts may be touched anew by the Love and Mercy of Jesus Christ and His Church. Each year, I make a personal retreat. In part, this is required by the Church via canon law for Her priests. It is prescribed because of the immense benefit such dedicated time can prove to be to keep priests fresh and in love with God. It is always a blessed time for me. While the Parish Mission will not be quite the same thing as a personal retreat, it will be very much retreat-like, especially if we approach it as such. As we come to the sessions prayerfully and open to the Graces God would give, we will receive. God is never outdone in generosity.

The High School parishioners and their parents are reminded that in lieu of a normal class they are asked to attend at least the Sunday night Parish Mission Session. For all, there are optional Confessions from 5:30p – 6:30p, and then Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Mission Talk by Fr McInnis from 7p-8p. See you all there.

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

**Mass Schedule: February 1 - 7**

<b>Monday</b>	8:30a.m.	Donna Becraft
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Judy Meyer
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Andy & Trudy Ariens
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	<b>NO MASS</b>
	6:30p.m.	Bud Harpring
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	Clifford Bright
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	St. Mary & St. Rose
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	Don Weiler

**MASS ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2016 is at 6:30p.m.**

**Liturgical Ministers Morning of Reflection:** Liturgical Ministers (lectors, servers, musicians/cantors, extraordinary ministers and ministers-to-the-sick) in the Connersville Deanery are invited to attend a morning of reflection and an opportunity to grow spiritually in your love of Christ and the Church through deeper participation in the Mass and liturgical ministry. The session is scheduled for **Saturday, February 20, 2016** at St. Gabriel, Connersville, beginning with Mass at 9a.m. and concluding at 12:30p.m. **Please RSVP**, to the parish office (932-2588 or dspaeth@stmaryrush.org) by **February 12, 2016**, with your name and your desired break-out session.

**Cereal is the Food Pantry** item of the month for January. For special deliveries or questions, contact Susan Hoeing, 765-561-1040.



Addison Sue Spaeth, daughter of Joe and Jessica (Hughett) Spaeth, will receive the Sacrament of Baptism on February 6, 2016. Welcome, Addison!

**St. Mary Parish Mission***Christ Our God, Truth Incarnate***Presented by: Father George McInnis, CPM**

Sunday - Wednesday (January 31 - February 3)

**SCHEDULE**

Sunday, January 31, 2016

5:30-6:30p.m. Confessions

7:00-8:00p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Mission Talk by Father McInnis

Monday, February 1, 2016 - February 3, 2016

8:30a.m. - Mass with Father McInnis

5:30-6:30p.m. Confessions

7:00-8:00p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Mission Talk by Father McInnis

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

8:00-9:00p.m. Parish Social

**K of C Chicken Fry****February 13, 2016 from 5-8p.m.**

**A Portion of the Proceeds donated to Gus Haley's  
Eagle Scout Project -  
Grotto at Calvary Cemetery**

# Liturgical Roles

**Servers – February 6 & 7**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Alex Spaeth, Jonathan Ripberger, John Alexander
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Nick Amos, Glen Harpring, Grant Hill
	10:00a.m.	Matthew Komlanc, Richard Barnes, Savannah Snow

**Lectors - February 6 & 7**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Rita Corn
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Allen Leising
	10:00a.m.	Mary Beth Burklow

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers– February 6 & 7**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Alan Niehoff, Shelly Bostic, Julia Jessup
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Jerry Rudolf, Doug Krieger, Holly Bess
	10:00a.m.	Kim L. Yager, Ruth Houk, Theresa Komlanc

**Ushers for February 2016**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Bob Meer & John Meyer
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Brian Hill & Mary Hill
	10:00a.m.	Dave & Brayton Schultz

**Ministers-to-the-Sick**

Feb. 1 Joan Meo Feb. 8 Janet Pike

**Money Counters**

Feb. 1 Kathy Dean, Debbie Banks, Sheila Zwickey, Debbie Williams

**-Religious Education News-**

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** Class TODAY, January 31. Topic: Commandments 5 & 6. Please keep Catechumans: Niki Cain, Jordon Lightner, Cody Smith, Tammy Smith, Alexis Query, Bree Huskins and Kaitlyn Dawson and Candidates: Darren Kessler, Mike Moore, Kevin Dolan and Sherry Owen in your prayers.

**Rite of Sending (RCIA):** February 7, 2016 at 10a.m. Mass.

**Rite of Election (RCIA):** February 7, 2016 at 2p.m.

**Religious Education -Preschool- 6th:** Class TODAY, January 31, 2016.

**High School Religious Education,** for 7th -11th grade, January 31, 2016. All attend Sunday night session of Parish Mission.

**Confirmation Day of Reflection:** Saturday, February 6, 2016. Please keep Tristan and Cody Carmony, Jacob and Tyler Amos, Lance Beard, Clara Kemple, Nick Komlanc, Anthony Leon, Emily, Samantha and Shalee Spaeth, Colin Whelahan, Mitchell Cowan, Adam Neuman, Madison Todd, Brandi Adkins, Gus Haley, Jonathan and Arielle Ordas, Jonathan Ripberger and Will Thoman in your prayers.

**Scout Sunday,** celebrating the Birthday of the Boy Scouts, is February 7, 2016. Our Cub Scout Pack and Boy Scout Troop and their families will be in attendance at the 10a.m. Mass. Welcome, scouts!

**Sunday Collection  
January 24, 2016**



Adults (132 Envelopes +9 Loose Checks)	\$ 5,763.00
Youth (2Envelopes)	\$ 2.00
Loose	\$ 509.05
Total	\$ 6,274.05
Weekly Budget (2015/2016)	\$ -7,500.00
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ -1,225.95 ☹
Sunday 1/24/16	\$ 6,274.05
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 350.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 1,104.00
Votive Candles	\$ 43.00
Food Pantry	\$ 88.00
TOTAL 1/24/16	\$ 7,859.05

Mass Attendance - 1/24/16 - 616

**Year-to-Date (7/1/15-12/31/15)**

Revenue	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Sunday	230,245	205,000	410,000
School/Other	*460,817	325,683	598,500
Total	691,062	530,683	1,008,500
Expenses			
Total **	827,944	534,887	1,020,175
Net Total	(\$136,882)	(4,204)	(11,675)

\* Includes \$67,351 in Extraordinary Income - Estate Bequest

\*\* Includes \$270,098 in Extraordinary Expense - School Restroom Renovation



St. Mary Catholic School & Preschool will host an Italian Night, Student Showcase and Open House on Thursday, February 4, 2016 from 5-7p.m. Everyone is invited to join us for a Spaghetti Dinner. Free will offering gladly

accepted. Students' work will be displayed throughout the school. What a great way to see what is happening at St. Mary Catholic School! Please join us. ☺



**February Birthdays - Homebound & Nursing Homes**

February 8, 2016 - Edna Wehr

February 12, 2016 - Dorine Rosfeld



Choir Practice is on Thursdays at 7p.m., in the church, for the Lenten and Easter season. Call Carolyn Sorber at 765-561-4958 with questions. Practice dates and times are subject to change. New members are always welcome!



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

*Matthew: The King and His Kingdom*

- Feb. 17 Introduction to Matthew
- Feb. 24 Mt 1 - Jesus: Son of David, Son of Abraham
- Mar. 2 Mt 2 - King in Exile
- Mar. 9 Mt 3 - John: Forerunner to the King
- Mar. 16 Mt 4 - Tempting of the King
- Mar. 23 Holy Week/Spring Break/**No Class**
- Mar. 30 Mt 5 - Bar is Raised by the King
- Apr. 6 Mt 6 - Personal Piety
- Apr. 13 Mt 7 - Choices in the Kingdom
- Apr. 20 Mt 8 - King's Power Demonstrated
- Apr. 27 Mt 9 - New Wine, New Wineskins

**Remember as you pray:**

Patricia (Saxon) Banta, David Bedel, Marie Bever, Mary Busald, Colette Concannon, Katy Curtis, Erin Doyle, Bud & Carol Ann Garland, Lucille Hahn, Ethrem Hale, Faith Sadler Hankins, Jeanne Hedrick, Florence Herbert, Dick Joyner, Jeff Krieger, Aidan Kuhn, Steve, Christi Ann & Abby Link, James and Mary McGinnis, Judy McKay, Janet Mitchell, Quinn Mohler, Bob Muckerheide, Brenda Munchel, Marilyn Niehoff, Paul Niehoff, Steve Oesterling, Philip Parish, Jacob Ping, Roger Roberson, Dave Roberts, Herb Saxon, Steve Schneider, Meghan Schultz, Margie Schwering, Cathy Smith, Anita Sopher, Mike Spaeth, David Starkey, Twins Brittney & Brooklyn, Rudy Wesling, Ron Wilson, CarolAnn Woelfel, 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, Margie Meyer, Kathryn Smiley, Martha Todd.

Residents at Millers Merry Manor: Jenny Brown, Norma Connor, Betty Eder, Marjorie Niehoff, Ginny Northam, Ann Parish, John and Mary Schlechtweg, Betty Spilman.

Flatrock River Lodge: Louise Childers, Ann Gillian, Dorothy Jarman, Millie Rice, Norman and Dorothy Snyder, Ruth Stuckey, Edna Wehr, Wendal Witsman.

Those who have passed away: Maurice Hoeing, Virgil McKay, Ken Saxon, Donna Becraft, Russell Fussner, Roger Cain, Ruth Jenkins, Clemens Koors, Lottie Henderson, Daisy Johnson, Vicky VanLue.

**ABORTION ALTERNATIVES**

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