



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

AUGUST 7, 2016
NINETEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

512 North Perkins Street ✘ Rushville ✘ Indiana ✘ 46173
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765-663-2444

Our St. Mary Prayer Line

Parish Council **Finance Council** **School Commission**
Chair: Shawn Adkins Chair: Elbert Gordon Chair: Susan Spaeth

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.**

Abortion Alternatives

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



"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." - Lk 12:40

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As has been announced in various venues, the **Religious Education programs** for Kindergarten to Senior year will be undergoing some major alterations this year. St Mary's has adopted a new program called **Family Formation** for K-6 (www.familyformation.net). Family Formation is a family-based catechetical program with an adult formation component. It is currently being used in several of our neighboring parishes with great success. For the 7th graders to Seniors, the parish will be utilizing a wide range of online resources, especially the new parish-wide resource FORMED.org (free with parish code: BQGGCK). Parish parents of school-aged children K-Senior are asked to **enroll** their children in the Religious Education (RE) program following Masses on the weekends of August 13-14 or August 20-21 in the parish conference Room. The first class for K-6 and their parents will be on Sunday, October 04 from 8:40a to 9:50a. School-aged teens from 7th-Senior begin their online formation immediately with first sessions due by Sunday, September 04.

After prayer, deliberation, and consultation, I am implementing these changes for a number of reasons. First, traditional classroom style RE classes are becoming ineffective and unnecessary given current declining numbers. It seems silly to ask a catechist to teach their child plus one other child (as was the case in K and 1st last year). The new programing provides more flexibility for the modern overscheduled family, who struggle to make it to a class at a certain place at a certain time. These are the practical reasons, but there are also more theological reasons. When parents bring a child to be Baptized, they make a promise before God and the Church to accept the "responsibility of training him/her in the practice of the faith" (Baptismal Rite, 77). And yet, many parents are abdicating that duty to other parishioner catechists. Faith and our Christian Tradition is really more 'caught' than 'taught.' If RE is just something done 20-28 Sundays a year, it will not be caught. The new programs move religious formation back into the home where it can be lived 24/7. Lastly, I've seen a need to catechize or re-catechize parents as much as their children. These new programs will provide more resources and engagement for adults with their children to encounter the living God – Father, Son, and Spirit, as He has revealed Himself in and through the Church. I pray every parishioner will embrace this new opportunity to learn, to serve, to love our God.

St Mary, pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

Mass Schedule: August 8 - 14

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	6:30p.m.	Lil Miller
Wednesday	8:30a.m.	Nellie Rice
Thursday	8:30a.m.	Jacki Hess
Friday	8:30a.m.	James Shanahan
Saturday	5:30p.m.	St. Mary Parish
Sunday	7:30a.m.	Bill & Jean Moran
	10:00a.m.	Verl Clemons

On behalf of The Knights of Columbus, we would like to thank the parish for its generosity to the Rush County ARC Tootsie Roll Drive. Over \$2,800.00 was collected over the weekend, with a little over \$400.00 of that being donated by St. Mary parishioners. Thank you and may God Bless, Knights of Columbus Council 769.

Thank You: In the name of the La Salette Missionaries and especially myself, I wish to thank the people of St. Mary for your hospitality, generosity and prayers during the mission appeal on July 23-24. We thank you for the opportunity to bring a renewed awareness of our Church's mission to your people and to bring their love and support to the needy of the mission countries served by the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette. Sincerely yours,
Father Thomas Vellappallil, MS

Thank you to everyone for the prayers, thoughts and cards during my recent hip surgery and recovery. *Paul Jarboe*

Our Sympathy to: Steve and Karen Wagner and the Niehoff family at the death of Marilyn Niehoff.

Our Condolences to: Donna Wilson and family, friends and co-workers of Ron Wilson.

Prayer List: Mardell Wilson, Mona Stewarf, Mary Busald

Religious Education Registration for Kindergarten - Grade 8: August 13/14 /20/21 after all Masses in the rectory. \$50 plus additional \$35 Sacrament fee for grade 2.

BINGO has been added to this year's Fall Festival. If you would like to be on the Bingo Committee, contact Stephen Ariens at 765-561-2680.

Food Pantry Items for August: Flour, Sugar, Powdered Milk.

St. Anne's, New Castle, is hosting a welcome reception for Fr. John Hall, TODAY, Sunday, August 14, beginning with a vigil Mass at 4:00p.m. Following Mass, there will be a light reception in their parish center. St. Mary parishioners are welcome to attend.

New Mass Times - Beginning the Weekend of August 6 & 7, 2016

Saturday: 5:30p.m.	St. Elizabeth, Cambridge City
Sunday: 8:00a.m.	St. Elizabeth, Cambridge City
10:00a.m.	St. Anne, New Castle
12:00 Noon	St. Rose, Knightstown

Liturgical Roles

Servers – August 13 & 14

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Ereena & Evan Moore, Jonathan Ripberger
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Adam Leising, Glen Harpring, Nick Amos
	10:00a.m.	Matthew & Nick Komlanc, Richard Barnes

Lectors - August 13 & 14

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Donna Smith
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Allen Leising
	10:00a.m.	Debi Carter

Extra-Ordinary Ministers—August 13 & 14

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Bob Dwenger, Shelly Bostic, Denise Small
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Gary Nigh, Ruth Houk, Regenia Ripberger
	10:00a.m.	Kim L. Yager, Kevin & Debbie Banks

Ushers for August 2016

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. 8 Monica Neuman Aug. 15 Jerry Rudolf

Money Counters

Aug. 8 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Diana Leising,
Donna Land
Aug. 15 Kathy Dean, Debbie Banks, Sheila Zwickey,
Debby Williams

St Mary Catholic School News

The 27th Annual St. Mary Golf Outing will take place on Saturday, August 27 at Antler Pointe Golf Course. Fees are \$55 per player or \$220 for a 4-person team. Tee times are 8a.m. and 1p.m. Lunch is included! Tee ad sponsorships are only \$50!! Forms are available on the tables in the back of church. To register a team or tee ad, please contact Curt & Jessica Naylor at 765-993-1544 or Jim & Stacey Cowan at 317-727-0549. Please join us!!



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

will begin with an inquiry class TODAY,

August 7, 2016 in the rectory conference

room, following the 7:30a.m. Mass. 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.

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 will be sold. To guarantee yourself a ticket, purchase early! Once they are gone, they are gone!
Tickets will also be sold after all weekend Masses.

Sunday Collection
July 31, 2016



Adults (140 Envelopes + 18 Loose Checks)	\$ 8,657.89
Youth (2 Envelopes)	\$ 6.00
Loose	\$ 436.50
Total	\$ 9,100.39
Weekly Budget (2016/2017)	\$ <u>-8,000.00</u>
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ +1,100.39 ☺
Sunday 7/31/16	\$ 9,100.39
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 25.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 105.00
Votive Candles	\$ 21.00
La Salette Missions	\$ 80.00
Education of Priests	\$ 20.00
Food Pantry & Assistance	\$ <u>320.00</u>
TOTAL 7/31/16	\$ 9,671.39
<u>Mass Attendance - 7/31/16 - 565</u>	

CONTRIBUTIONS: IF YOU USE A PLAIN ENVELOPE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION, BE SURE YOUR NAME IS WRITTEN ON THE ENVELOPE TO RECEIVE CREDIT ON YOUR CONTRIBUTION RECORD. Thank you!

St. Michael the Archangel, to Host Our Lady of Fatima Statue.
The world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, traveling worldwide since 1947, is on an historic two-year journey across America. St. Michael the Archangel, Brookville, IN, is participating in this tour August 18-20, 2016. Each day will be a special day to commemorate Fatima celebrations. For more information and an agenda of events, visit their website at www.smsbrookville.org.

Birthdays - Nursing Homes and Shut-In
August 10 - Marjorie Niehoff
August 13 - Bernard Spaeth
August 29 - Norma Conner



All Saints Parish
Invites all Girls Grades 6-12
To our 3rd Annual Retreat
"Graced"



Saturday, August 27, 2016
Experience God's Mercy Revealed in our Lives
Doors open 11:30a.m./Dinner 12:00p.m./ Social Hour,
Songs, Prayers
Concludes with Holy Mass at 5:30p.m.
Bring Covered Dish for Dinner
All Saints Parish - Yorkville Campus
8044 Yorkridge Rd.
Yorkville, IN 47022

Interested? Please contact Amaranta Kemple
akemple@stmaryrush.org

Sunday Mornings Beginning August 14, 2016
In the St. Mary School Gymnasium
8:30a.m. - Breakfast
8:45a.m. - Video Presentation
9:15a.m. - Review and Discussion
9:45a.m. - Conclusion

Register for this free program after Masses on August 6th & 7th.



*There was a St. Mary parishioner,
Who wanted to become a greeter.
He called on the phone,
And now we are known,
As the Church that couldn't be sweeter!*

You may have noticed signs at all three entrances encouraging new visitors to fill out a form so that we can WELCOME them. In addition, we are asking parishioners to give a mere 15 minutes of their time before Mass to stand in the foyers and WELCOME people as they come in the door. All that is required is a sunny disposition and a bright smile! This can be a family, father/son, friend/friend or any combination. If you are interested in becoming a greeter, please call Eric Wagoner at 765-561-1696 or Don Yager at 812-593-3116. More exciting ideas from the WELCOME Committee will be implemented in the coming months.



Faith Opportunity
BIBLE STUDY
Wednesday Evenings
7:00-9:00 p.m.
Multipurpose Room

Aug. 10 Mt 22-23 - "Let's Get Real"
Aug. 17 Mt 24-25 - Jesus Predicts the End of an Era
Aug. 24 Mt. 26 - The Trial of Christ
Aug. 31 Mt. 27 - The Passion of the King
Sept. 7 Mt. 28 - The Triumph of the King

Bring your Bible & Catechism
Come to one, Come to all