



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

SEPTEMBER 25, 2016
TWENTY-SIXTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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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



Indiana Bicentennial
TORCH RELAY

Last week, I spoke of Christ's challenging demand to give an accounting. You will find in the bulletin this weekend, the **Annual Parish Report**. This is an accounting of the parish stewardship from the fiscal year, which runs from July 01, 2015 to June 30, 2016. The parish leadership, staff, and I bring this accounting with no fear of not having failed to be good stewards. I think as you read it, you will see that much good for God and His kingdom was accomplished here at St Mary and in Rush County. From our work forming and educating students in our parish school and religious education to outreach to those in need at our door, the parish has responded. We have continued to care for, maintain, and upgrade our facilities, even as we stoke the hearts of believers to a deeper love and relationship with Christ and the Church.

Hopefully, you did a prayerful review of your own financial stewardship last weekend following the homily. Today, **I would encourage you prayerfully to increase your time volunteered and financial support to the parish and school.** We do so much good, and yet there is so much good left undone. As I have frequently said, I've never once had to worry about paying the bills at St Mary. Yet, I will add, I do sometimes worry if we as a Catholic Christian community are doing enough to bring the Good News of Christ and the Church to those about us. This is a much deeper and more profound concern than paying the bills. I simply ask you to pray to God with your spouse and family about your stewardship of God's resources.

Also included in the bulletin is a report on the **2016 Parish Fall Festival**. It was an excellent year for the parish. While the number of meals served was slightly down, the funds raised and fun had were definitely up. It was a wonderful weekend for all involved. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication.

St Mary, Mother of the Poor and Marginalized, pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

Mass Schedule: September 26 - October 2

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	6:30p.m.	Marilyn Niehoff
Wednesday	8:30a.m.	Kimberly Hamilton
Thursday	8:30a.m.	Don & Judy Meyer
Friday	8:30a.m.	Louise Childers
Saturday	5:30p.m.	Gloria Moran
Sunday	7:30a.m.	St. Mary Parish
	10:00a.m.	Henrietta Land

Lector Training is scheduled for TODAY, September 25, after the 10a.m. Mass for new and current lectors.

Snow Removal: Bids are being accepted for snow removal on the church and school grounds, for the 2016/2017 season. This does not include the parking lot. Bids must be submitted to the parish office by noon on October 7, 2016.

GREETERS NEEDED: To become a Greeter, simply sign up on the calendar located in the northwest vestibule, arrive 15-30 minutes before Mass, put on a nametag and a smile, and have fun!

Sodality Fall Pitch-In: October 10 at 6p.m., St. Mary School multipurpose room. Bring a covered dish; drinks and table service will be provided. Program: "Fun and Done" quilt method by Mary Delay. Invite mother, daughter, grandmother, aunts!!! Call Mary Delay with any questions at 765-645-5019.

Hand Quilting in the school gym on Thursday mornings after Mass, beginning October 13. Squares for hand quilting at home are available from Alberta Neuman (932-5102).

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION DAY OF REFLECTION:

St. Mary Catholic Church expects **ALL** students to participate in a day of reflection. Dates are Saturday, October 29, 2016 or Saturday, February 4, 2017. Time is approximately 9a.m. to 5:00p.m. Please notify the parish office, **IMMEDIATELY!**

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) September 25 in the school. Oct. 2 - Rite of Acceptance - Sponsors attend.

Youth Group Schedule

Oct. 2	Greeters at 7:30a.m. Mass. Serve breakfast for TMIY men's group
Oct. 9	Youth music practice at 4p.m.
Oct. 27	Casting Crowns and Matt Maher concert
Nov. 6	Indianapolis Catholic Youth Conference (ICYC)

Mark Your Calendars: Register for this year's tenth annual Indiana Catholic Men's Conference, scheduled for November 19 at the Indiana Convention Center. www.indianacatholicmen.com.

October Food Pantry Items: Spaghetti and Sauce.

Liturgical Roles**Servers – October 1 & 2**

Sat.	5:30p.m.	John Alexander, Nick & Macy Hoeing
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Glen Harpring, Addison Ballenger, Bradley Krieger
	10:00a.m.	Isabella Pavey, Clara & Sofia Kemple

Lectors - October 1 & 2

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

Extra-Ordinary Ministers—October 1 & 2

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Bob Dwenger, Denise Small, Julia Jessup
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Doug Krieger, Jerry Rudolf, Holly Bess
	10:00a.m.	Amaranta Kemple, Kevin Spilman, Steve Pavey

Ushers for October 2016

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Phil Shanahan & Darren Hoeing
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Dan Shanahan & John Pavey
	10:00a.m.	Mike & Denise Hoeing

Ministers-to-the-Sick

Sept. 26 Jeanie Spaeth Oct. 3 Joan Meo

Money Counters

Sept. 26 Rose Hoeing, Linda Shanahan, Jane Niccum, Margie Liggett
Oct. 3 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Diana Leising, Donn Land.

**Faith Opportunity
BIBLE STUDY:**

Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m.
School Multipurpose Room
Bring your Bible & Catechism!
Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom

Sept. 28 Acts 2 - The Power of Pentecost
Oct. 5 Acts 3 - Miraculous Power of Jesus' Power
Oct. 12 Acts 4:1-31 - Church Acts with Boldness
Oct. 26 Acts 4: 32-5:42 Problems & Persecution
Nov. 2 Acts 6-7 - First Christian Martyr
Nov. 9 Acts 8 - Kingdom Borders Expand
Nov. 16 Acts 9 - Persecutor become the Preacher

**Rush County Chorale's 2016 Christmas Concerts**

Rehearsals: Mondays from 7-9p.m. in the RCHS choir room. Concerts are planned for Dec. 17 & 18 at the Laughlin Center (RCHS Auditorium), David Doyle, director. All former singers and new singers are still welcome. Questions can be directed to David Doyle or Carolyn Sorber.

Sunday Collection
September 18, 2016



Adults (125 Envelopes + 14 Loose Checks)	\$ 6,200.00
Youth (0 Envelopes)	\$ 0.00
Loose	\$ 308.59
Total	\$ 6,508.59
Weekly Budget (2016/2017)	\$ <u>-8,000.00</u>
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ -1,491.41 ☹
Sunday 9/18/16	\$ 6,508.59
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 190.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 25.00
Votive Candles	\$ 14.00
Louisiana Flood Victims	\$ 2,148.74
Food Pantry & Assistance	\$ <u>105.00</u>
TOTAL 9/18/16	\$ 8,991.33
Mass Attendance: 9/18/16 - 578	

St Mary Catholic School News

Mum Order Pickup - Tuesday, September 27, 3:30-5:30p.m.
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 30 from 9:00a.m.-5:00p.m. and Saturday, October 1 from 9-1:00p.m. Please start gathering your donations. Drop off for rummage sale items will be Thursday, September 29 from 9:00a.m.-6:00p.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. Please contact Rya Meo (561-0226) or Susan Spaeth (561-3124) with any questions. Thank You!
St. Mary School Chili Cook-Off: Saturday, October 8, 4-8p.m., St. Mary School parking lot. \$20 registration fee to enter chili (Registration deadline is October 7). \$5 chili tasting day of event. (includes all tastings plus sides and drink. Call 932-3639 to register. Prizes Awarded!

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Session Number 5 - September 25, 2016
 Session Number 6 - October 2, 2016
 St. Mary School Gymnasium
 8:30a.m. - Continental Breakfast
 8:45a.m. - Video Presentation
 9:15a.m. - Review and Discussion
 9:45a.m. - Conclusion



Remember as you pray: Patricia (Saxon) Banta, David Bedel, Marie Bever, Mary Busald, Benjamin Castro, Patrick Coffin, Colette Concannon, Katy Curtis, Bill Dickson, Erin Doyle, Bud Garland, Lucille Hahn, Ethrem Hale, Faith Sadler Hankins, Nettie Harpring, Jeanne Hedrick, Florence Herbert, Terry Honaker, Paul Jarboe, Deborah Jarvis, Dick Joyner, Claudette Kamm, Barb Kiefer, Aidan Kuhn, Tony Laird, Paul Leising, Steve Link, Josine McClanahan, James McGinnis, Sherry McIntire, Judy McKay, Janet Mitchell, Quinn Mohler, Bob Muckerheide, Brenda Munchel, Paul Niehoff, Philip Parish, Jacob Ping, Nancy Ratekin, Gene Ripberger, Roger Roberson, Dave Roberts, Meghan Schultz, Margie Schwering, Cathy Smith, Wanda Sowder, David Starkey, Mona Stewarf, Karen Taff, Kitty Vail, Susie Walker, Don Wheeldon, Mardell Wilson, CarolAnn Woelfel, Glenn Woods.

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

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

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

Flatrock River Lodge: Ann Gilliam, Dorothy Jarman, Norman & Dorothy Snyder, Ruth Stuckey, Edna Wehr.

Those who have passed away: Carol Ann Garland, Kimberly Hamilton, Marjorie Miller.

“HIGH-5 DAY”, sponsored by the local P.E.O., will line the entrances to local schools for students to pass through and experience multiple “high-5’s” and inspiration phrases to spur students toward their goals and reward jobs well done? We invite YOU to participate! Arrive by 7:20a.m. Greetings and High-5’s should conclude by 8:10a.m.

10/3 RESW (park at B & G Club) 10/6 Milroy
 10/10 BRMS 10/24 RCHS

Matt Vance, Superintendent, supports this program and requests a roster of participants at each school. RSVP to Barbara Malson -561-3447 or Donna Holland - 561-0027.