



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

JUNE 18, 2017  
BODY AND  
BLOOD OF  
CHRIST

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## Solemnity of the Holy Body & Blood of Christ!

A warm welcome to **Fr. Alan Zobler, OSFS!** Fr Zobler will be speaking this weekend on behalf of *Hands Together*, a partnership with the Archdiocese of Cap Haitien, Haiti. As you can imagine from what news you've seen regarding Haiti, the need is tremendous in this part of the world where poverty is immense. This is our first summer mission appeal. Please be generous.

This spring, the Wednesday night Bible study group experienced a study entitled, *Lectio Divina: Eucharist – Discovering the Mass in the Bible* by Brant Pitre. All who participated would agree it was among the best we've done. You can view the videos and study guides at Formed.org (parish code: BQGGCK – for free!). You will not regret learning about how God's plan included the Eucharist and the Mass starting with the Tree of Life in the Garden of Eden all the way to Lamb's Wedding Feast in Revelations. The following is taken from one of the study guide discussions (Session 9 – Commit Day 4, 182):

“A newlywed or a new convert easily has energy and enthusiasm at the outset, but abiding love requires the kind of habits and fortitude to keep alive the “love you had at first.” This is why the Church encourages us to prepare, in small details and ways, for the reception of Jesus in the Eucharist. Receiving Jesus in Communion is to become the host of the Lord of heaven, to receive Him into our own “home”... And being a good host, as the Church gently but firmly suggests, requires anticipation... To anticipate meeting Him in the mystery of the Eucharist is to anticipate in love... It is not only our external actions, **fasting** and **dress**, that we look to as we anticipate receiving our Lord, but also to the interior. St Paul exhorts the Corinthians, “Let a man examine himself” (I Cor 11:28)... The frequent **reception of Reconciliation** to remove even venial sin not only makes a more worthy reception for our Lord, but it allows us to receive all the graces He wants to pour out on us in the Eucharist.

How do you prepare for Mass? Do you dress in what is easy and comfortable, or do you take the time to dress well? Do you dress better for work than worship? Do you also prepare your soul, through the use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation? Have you fasted so as to anticipate and hunger for Jesus in the Eucharist? Do you genuflect with reverence or with rote habit? Do you make the sign of the cross thoughtfully or mechanically? Are you more concerned about what you are doing or who you are meeting after Mass than meeting the Lord of heaven during Mass? Will Jesus recount to you, like Simon, the little things you have neglected to do for him? These small deeds, done with piety and deep devotion, are deeds of love, for as Jesus reminded Simon, she who loved much anticipated much. **Take a moment to think about your own preparations for Mass. How can you improve your preparations for each reception of Jesus in the Eucharist?**”



During this ‘zero-year’ of Priestly Ordinations, parishes around the Archdiocese will be uniting in prayer for Priestly vocations. Please pray for priests. Please encourage your sons, your grandsons, our parishioners’ sons. The call must come from God, but if it is not echoed in the family and parish, it will go unheard. And remember, no priests, no Holy Eucharist.

St Mary, Our Lady of the Eucharist, pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

Dear Sodality,

Thank you for the recent donation of \$100.00 we received. Please know your support to our clients is so appreciated.

Thank you, also, for the invitation to speak and participate at your meeting on May 15th. We always welcome the opportunity to provide information to our community regarding the services we provide to victims of domestic violence here in Rush County.

Sincerely, Barbara Kuhn, Executive Director  
Rush County Victims Assistance, Phoenix House

2017 St. Mary Fall Festival Committee List: If you would like to be removed from, switched to or added to a particular committee, please call the parish office or notify Debbie Pavey at 765-544-2426 or [debbiepavey@gmail.com](mailto:debbiepavey@gmail.com).

The Altar Flowers this weekend are in memory of my dad, Cornelius Oster, on Father's Day; in memory of my brother, Bill "Goose" Oster, on his 70th birthday, June 17; and in celebration of my granddaughter Ella Louise Lane's 1st birthday June 17. *Marty Oster Connerly*

The 2017 Fall Festival Committee Chair Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 16, in the church, between the 8:30a.m. and 10:00a.m. Masses. All committee chairpersons should attend.

St. Mary Catholic School and Preschool is looking for a few more members for the 150th Anniversary Planning Committee. If interested, e-mail Mrs. Kirschner at [skirschner@stmaryrush.org](mailto:skirschner@stmaryrush.org). Very limited time commitment required.



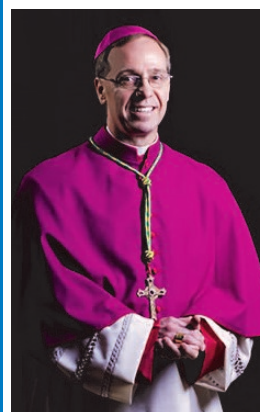
Please keep Ann, Craig and Bruce Fenimore and families in your prayers, at the death of Les Fenimore.



**PARISH JOB/MINISTRY OPENING:** St. Gabriel Parish in Connersville, Indiana is seeking a part-time Administrator of Religious Education. Applicants should be an active and practicing Catholic, have good communication and interpersonal skills, a passion for facilitating education in the Catholic Faith, excellent organization skills, the capacity to recruit, resource and oversee catechists, have some experience relating to teaching/catechesis, and understand that this position requires some evening and weekend work. All inquiries should be sent Fr. Dustin Boehm, Pastor, by email: **[DBOEHM@STGABRIELCONNERSVILLE.ORG](mailto:DBOEHM@STGABRIELCONNERSVILLE.ORG)**

In the email please include a cover letter, resume, and a list of references. Please submit all inquires on or before June 20, 2017.

The Vocations Office receives funds each year from a special collection taken up throughout the Archdiocese to cover the expenses of educating our future priests. The Archdiocese anticipates having more than 20 seminarians in formation this fall. Thank you for your spiritual and financial support which provides the necessary education and formation for our priests. Please be generous in support of the **Education of Priests** collection this weekend, **June 17/18**, and please continue to pray for vocations! If you know of a young man or woman you believe would serve well in priesthood or religious life, please call 317-236-1496 and leave the individual's name and contact information with the vocation director, Fr. Eric Augenstein.



Pope Francis has named Bishop Charles C. Thompson of Evansville as the seventh Archbishop of Indianapolis. His installation Mass is scheduled for Friday, July 28, 2017. To learn more about Bishop Thompson, go to: Office of the Archbishop - Homepage at [Archindy.org](http://Archindy.org). *St. Mary welcomes Bishop Thompson.*

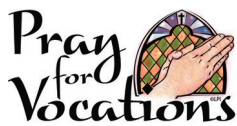
**Sunday Collection**  
June 11, 2017



Adults (124 Envelopes + 18 Loose Checks)	\$ 9,476.00
Youth (1 Envelope)	\$ 1.00
Loose	\$ 380.50
Total	\$ 9,857.50
Weekly Budget (2016/2017)	\$ -8,000.00
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ +1,857.50 ☺
Sunday 6/11/17	\$ 9,857.50
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 365.00
Votive Candles	\$ 0.00
Food Pantry	\$ 175.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 50.00
TOTAL 6/11/17	\$ 10,447.50

Mass Attendance - 6/11/17 - 604

**College Nights** - St. Mary is hosting Sunday night gatherings for college students and juniors/seniors in high school, at the rectory, on Sunday, June 18 and 25 at 6p.m., with a cookout. As part of the night, *Hope Undimmed* videos will be used for discussion.



**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards Heaven. All are called in Christ, but some are chosen to nourish His Body as priests and in the consecrated life. Could you be among them? Call Father Gries @765-932-2588 or [frgries@stmaryrush.org](mailto:frgries@stmaryrush.org).

**Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee-August 27, 2017**

All married couples of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis who will celebrate 50 years of marriage in 2017 are invited to the 34th Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee on August 27, 2017 at 2p.m. at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral. Mass will be celebrated followed by a reception. For more information or to register, please visit [www.archindy.org/wedding](http://www.archindy.org/wedding) celebration. Deadline to register is August 14, 2017.



**Food Pantry Items for June are:**  
Cereal and Pork and Beans  
Thank you for your generosity!

**Mass Schedule: June 19 - 25**

<b>Monday</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:30a.m.</b>	Eugene Wesling <b>(No Evening Mass)</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	No Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	Charles & Margaret Pavey
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	Judy Meyer
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	St. Mary Parish
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	George Siefert
	10:00a.m.	Tom & Geneva Land

St. Mary Catholic School has the following position available for the 2017-2018 school year...

- After school care director. This person supervises the students who need care after school 3:15-5:30p.m. (Wednesday starts at 2:30p.m.).
- If you are interested in this position or would like more information, please contact Mrs. Kirschner, principal, at (765) 932-3639 or [skirschner@stmaryrush.org](mailto:skirschner@stmaryrush.org).

**St. Mary Catholic School Summer Hours:**  
**8:00a.m.-2:00p.m. Monday - Thursday**  
**Closed Friday.**

**NOW HIRING!** CYO Camp Rancho Framasa School Year Staff facilitate visiting groups in outdoor education, leadership/community programs and faith retreats. Ability and desire to be hands on in the camp environment needed. Bachelor's Degree required. Camp experience preferred. Includes a faith community, comprehensive training, housing, meals, and professional development. For more information visit [School Year Program Staff](http://School Year Program Staff) at [www.campranchoframasa.org](http://www.campranchoframasa.org).



**Parish Workday** - Saturday, June 24 from 8a.m.-1p.m. Lunch will be provided. This is always an enjoyable day working with fellow parishioners to accomplish small maintenance projects, yard work, painting and small campus improvements. We've accomplished much over the last few years, but like any place, there are always new jobs to tackle.

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**Staff**

**Rev. Jeremy M. Gries, Pastor**

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**Debbie Spaeth, Administrative Assistant**

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**Jill Kuntz, Administrator Religious Education**

jkuntz@stmaryrush.org

**Amaranta Kemple, Youth Group Coordinator**

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**Sherri Kirschner, Principal**

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**Theresa Komlanc, School Secretary**

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**Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday.....8:30a.m.-4:30p.m.

Friday.....8:30a.m.-Noon

**Our St. Mary Prayer Line**

Regenia Ripberger 765-561-1179

Lisa Wagoner 812-593-0790 - 765-663-2444

**Parish Council** - Chair: Shawn Adkins

**Finance Council** - Chair: Elbert Gordon

**School Commission** - 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

**New Parishioners**

Welcome to St. Mary Parish! You are invited to stop by the parish office and register to become a part of our parish family.

**Ministry Schedules**

**Servers – June 24 & 25**

- Sat. 5:30p.m. Evan Moore,  
Nick & Macy Hoeing
- Sun. 7:30a.m. Adam Leising, Hayden Walls,  
Nick Amos
- 10:00a.m. Richard Barnes, Shawn Fudge,  
Danny Corn

**Lectors - June 24 & 25**

- Sat. 5:30p.m. Donna Smith
- Sun. 7:30a.m. Allen Leising
- 10:00a.m. Steve Sickbert

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers - June 24 & 25**

- Sat. 5:30p.m. Steve Richards, Alan Niehoff,  
Rita Corn
- Sun. 7:30a.m. Regenia Ripberger,  
Susie Odum, Jerry Rudolf
- 10:00a.m. Kevin Banks, Annette Niehoff,  
Laura Ash

**Ushers for June, 2017**

- Sat. 5:30p.m. Bryan & Theresa Komlanc
- Sun. 7:30a.m. Paul & Matt Busald
- 10:00a.m. Dusty & Carrie Flannery

**Ministers-to-the-Sick**

- June 19 Linda Jenkins June 26 Janet Pike

**Money Counters**

- June 19 Jeanie Spaeth, April Yager, Royanna Eck,  
Mary Ann Harpring
- June 26 Kathy Dean, Debbie Banks, Sheila Zwickey,  
Robin Land

**Food Pantry Volunteers:**

- June 19 (Restock) Susie Delay
- June 21 (Work Pantry) Karen Hall, Dave Moeller,  
Denise Small



Summer Faith Opportunity  
**LECTIO PRAYER**

Prayer with, in and throughout  
the Scriptures

**Bring your Bible & Catechism!**

Wednesday Evenings 7-9p.m. Multipurpose Room

June 21 - Oratio - Conversation with God

June 28 - Contemplatio - The Gaze of God

July 5 - Resolutio - Putting Love into Action