



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

NOVEMBER 23,  
2014  
OUR LORD JESUS  
CHRIST

512 North Perkins Street ✘ Rushville ✘ Indiana ✘ 46173  
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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: Doug Krieger

### Board of Education

Chair: Jim Cowan

### Baptism

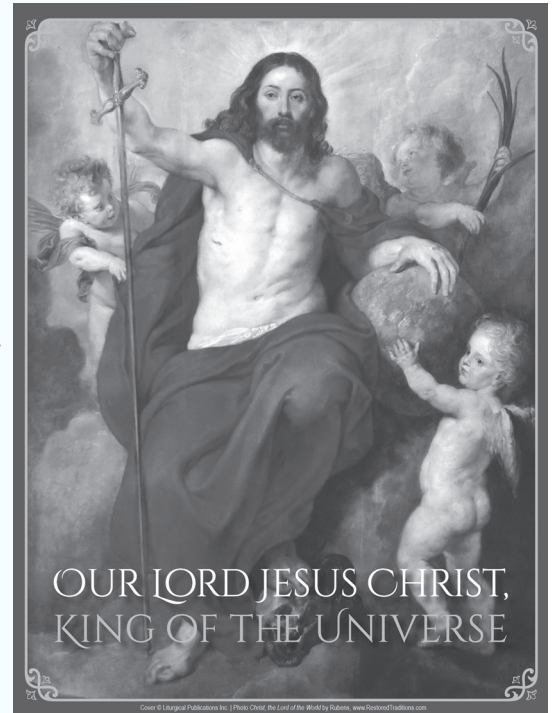
Call the parish office for scheduling.

### 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 the necessary paperwork have been completed. Call the parish office for an appointment.*

**New Parishioners** You are invited to call or stop by the parish office.



**Bulletin Deadline** No later than noon  
Friday the full week before printing.



Fruits of the St Mary Fall Festival continue to arrive. On Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, I was happy to receive on behalf of the parish a check for \$625.00 from the local Knights of Columbus, Council 769. The K of C provided food and labor for the Saturday night *Triple B Threat* pre-Fall Festival party and has donated the proceeds back to the parish. On behalf of the parish, thank you to the Knights of Columbus. It was a great time!

If you are a Catholic man 18 years old or older, the Knights are a great opportunity for Fraternity, Charity, Unity, and Patriotism in our Catholic faith.



**Happy and Blessed  
Thanksgiving**  
from the parish & school staff

St Mary, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

### Mass Schedule: November 24—30

<b>Monday</b>	8:30a.m.	No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Carl Busald
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	Martha VanLue (Sodality)
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	Zelda Patterson
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	No Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	Gus & Clara Niehoff
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	Don Weiler
	10:00a.m.	St. Mary and St. Rose

### Please Support Families in Need!

Some in our community are having a hard time putting food on the table and paying monthly utilities and rent. Please support these families by donating any of these food items, at the Thanksgiving Mass on November 27, at 8:30a.m. Monetary donations will go to Pastoral Care, to help families with utilities and rent.

Peanut Butter	Sugar
Mac and Cheese	Spaghetti's
Boxes of Spaghetti	Pork and Beans
Jars Spaghetti Sauce	Canned Vegetables
Cereal and Oatmeal	Ramen Noodles
Canned Fruit	Hamburger Helper
Cans of Tuna	Tuna Helper
Toilet Paper	Bars of Soap
Dish Soap	Toothpaste

Listed below are items the Food Pantry will be including in Christmas hygiene baskets. These items can also be donated at the Thanksgiving Mass or throughout the month of November.

4-roll packs of bath tissue	toothpaste
2-roll packs of paper towels	toothbrushes
facial tissue (e.g. Kleenex)	floss
shampoo	deodorant
bar soap	toilet bowl cleaner
liquid hand soap	laundry detergent
hand sanitizer	dish soap
general purpose cleaners	bleach



Our condolences to the family and friends of Ken Schneider who passed away on November 10, 2014.

The Rush County Chorale, under the direction of David Doyle, will be presenting its Christmas concerts, this year, here at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception. Please come to celebrate and Contemplate in song God's Word Made Flesh - Incarnate Love. The concerts will be held on Saturday, December 6 at 7:30p.m. and Sunday, December 7 at 2:30p.m. Tickets are \$6.00 each and are available at the door, from Debbie Bruce or Carolyn Sorber or from any Chorale member.

## Liturgical Roles

### Thanksgiving - November 27 at 8:30a.m.

**Servers:** Nicholas, Tyler and Jacob Amos

**Lector:** Tom Giesting

**Extraordinary Ministers:** Bob Dwenger, Doug Krieger, Howard Ariens

### Servers - November 29/30

Sat. 5:30p.m. Will, Anne and Katie Thoman

Sun. 7:30a.m. Adam Leising, Amy Neuman, Jacob Amos

10:00a.m. Gus Haley, Michael & Shaun Fudge

### Lectors - November 29/30

Sat. 5:30p.m. John Blankman

Sun. 7:30a.m. Ruth Houk

10:00a.m. Ann Curtis

### Extra-Ordinary Ministers - November 29/30

Sat. 5:30p.m. Denise Small, Julia Jessup, Tom Giesting

Sun. 7:30a.m. Holly Bess, Mary Ann Bridges, Ken Schroeder

10:00a.m. Jason Pavey, Theresa Komlanc, Mary Beth Burklow

### Ushers for November 2014

Sat. 5:30p.m. Phil Shanahan & Volunteer

Sun. 7:30a.m. Doug Krieger & Volunteer

10:00a.m. Austin Hubbell & Volunteer

### Ministers-to-the-Sick

Nov. 24 Donna Becraft & Jeannie Hedrick

Dec. 1 Jerry Rudolf

### Money Counters

Nov. 24 Kathy Dean, Jeanie Spaeth, Debbie Banks, Gary Nigh

Lectors are needed for the Saturday 5:30p.m. Masses. If you would like to minister to the parish in this way, please speak with Father Gries or contact the parish office.



In today's Gospel, Saint Matthew offers a compelling vision of the end-time, when the people of all the nations are brought before the Lord to give an account of their lives and actions. Interestingly, the sheep, the righteous ones, are rewarded for having acted with love and compassion without having recognized the face of Christ in others. Good stewards recognize those in need of their care as gifts from God. They know that they are the instruments of Christ's active, loving presence in the world. How will we treat others this week: our family members, neighbors, customers, strangers? What accounting will we make to the Lord for their care?

**Sunday Collection**  
November 16, 2014



Adults ( 124 Envelopes + 13 Loose Checks)	\$ 7,054.00
Youth (2 Envelopes)	\$ 2.00
Loose	\$ 428.22
Total	\$ 7,484.22
Weekly Budget (2014/2015)	\$ <u>7,300.00</u>
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ +184.22 ☺
Sunday 11/16/14	\$ 7,484.22
Regular Maintenance	\$ 90.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 4,090.66
Votive Candles	\$ 17.00
Campaign Human Development	\$ 357.00
Calvary Cemetery	\$ 195.00
All Saints/All Souls	\$ 5.00
Energy Costs	\$ 25.00
Food Pantry	\$ <u>258.00</u>
TOTAL 11/16/14	\$ 12,521.88

**-St. Mary Catholic School-**

St. Mary Catholic School will be selling cookie and candy trays again this year. 100% of the proceeds benefit the school. Order forms will be available in the next few weeks. St. Mary Catholic School Christmas program will be on Thursday, December 18 at 7:00p.m. with a dress rehearsal at 1:30p.m. Gift Cards: Order from a large selection. Order forms are available in the school office or visit [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com).

**CATHOLICISM-COFFEE-CONVERSATION**  
During the Sunday Morning RE Classes in the Multipurpose Room (following 7:30 Mass)  
Nov. 23 and Dec. 7

**-Religious Education-**

Sunday Morning Religious Education, Class TODAY, Nov. 23.  
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Class Nov. 23. Topic: The Eucharist Source and Summit of Christian Life. Please keep Catechumens: Chris Nobbe and Monte Sitton and Candidates: Joe Hoffman, Evelyn Sammons, Marcy Westphal, Jessica Berkemeier and Sally Farley in your prayers.



The parish office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 26 and remain closed Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28, in observance of Thanksgiving.



**St. Mary Catholic School**

St. Mary School magnets are available, at the church entrances. Please feel free to take as many as you like and display them, to show support for our school, throughout the community.

**ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
Catholic Education since 1868

CONNECTED IN THE SPIRIT is a process to discern where God is leading the Church in central and southern Indiana and to discuss how the Archdiocese of Indianapolis must change its structures in order to carry out its mission today and in the future. On November 19, pastoral leaders and lay representatives from the Connersville Deanery, who is one of three deaneries next to undergo this planning process, gathered together for an initial meeting. This included St. Mary, Rushville. The process will likely require difficult conversations and decisions for the wellbeing of the present and future church. Please pray for the intercession of the Holy Spirit to lead and guide this process.

Upcoming Holiday Mass Schedule: December 24 at 4:00p.m., 6:30p.m. and midnight here at St. Mary; 9:00p.m. at St. Rose. December 25 at 9:00a.m. here at St. Mary. December 31 at 4:30p.m. and January 1 at 9:00a.m. at St. Mary.

Extraordinary Ministers, Servers, Lectors and Ushers are needed for the Christmas and New Year's Masses. If you are available to minister to the parish, please call the parish office or e-mail [dspaeth@stmaryrush.org](mailto:dspaeth@stmaryrush.org).

Mark Your Calendar: The next Adult Faith Class will begin on January 7, 2015. Led by Father Gries, the topic will be "Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Mission" by John R. Wood. A free study guide will be available. Watch future bulletins, for more information.



**Archdiocese of Indianapolis**  
**2014-2015 United Catholic Appeal**  
Please mail your pledge card directly to the Archdiocese or drop into the Sunday collection. Thank You.

Date	Pledge Cards	Pledge Amount
11/13/14	44	\$ 9,935
<b>Goal</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>\$14,255</b>
<b>% of Goal</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>70%</b>