



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

APRIL 3, 2016

DIVINE MERCY
SUNDAY

512 North Perkins Street ✘ Rushville ✘ Indiana ✘ 46173

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Our St. Mary Prayer Line

Parish Council **Finance Council** **School Commission**
Chair: Shawn Adkins Chair: Elbert Gordon Chair: Jamey Pavey

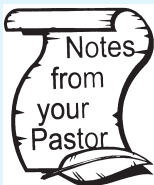
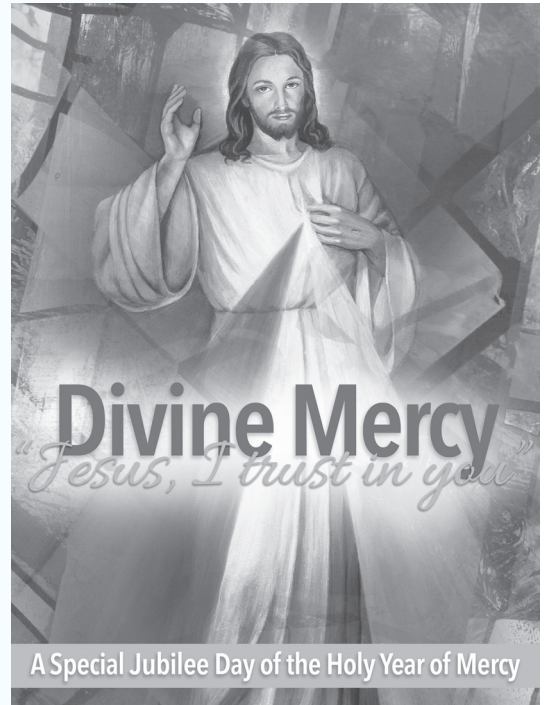
Baptism

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.**



The Lord is truly risen, Alleluia!

To Him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia!

Remember, Easter is not only a day; it is an entire season in the Catholic Church. We spent “40-days” of Lent getting ready for it; so in true celebratory fashion, we’ll spend “50-days” rejoicing in it. Pentecost – the Descent of the Holy Spirit – is the closing celebration of Easter on Sunday, May 15.

Today is known as **Divine Mercy Sunday**. Especially in this Jubilee Year of Mercy, it is important to keep before us the immense and infinite Mercy of God in sending His Son to be our Savior and Redeemer. St Mary’s will be hosting a Holy Hour of Adoration and Benediction today, **Sunday, April 03 from 2p-3p**. I will be available for confessions. We will conclude with the Divine Mercy Chaplet (texts provided) and benediction. Please come and partake in Christ’s infinite Mercy won for us by His Paschal Mystery in the Cross and Resurrection.

Sunday morning, April 03 from 9a – 11:30a (today), **St Mary Catholic School and Preschool** will have an **open house**. You can view the school and classrooms, the student science fair projects, and the newly renovated STEAM Innovation Lab – Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math. Ladies, do you remember the “little girls’ restroom” on the second floor? We’ll, you won’t when you see it now. It has been completely repurposed for the first dedicated, primary grade school STEAM Innovation Lab in Rush County. We are especially thankful to local industries for their support – Emerson Climate Technologies, INTAT Precision, Inc., and Rush Shelby Energy, as well as the PTA and other generous St Mary School Supporters. Thank you! St Mary’s is dedicated to forming the whole person – body, mind, and soul. The innovation lab will help hone those little minds towards creative problem solving. Come check it all out. Kuddos to Principal Kirschner for her vision and dedication to seeing this new lab into existence.

Speaking of the wonderful things happening at the school, did you know that the St Mary Preschool recently had to cap its admissions for the 2015-16 school year? We have twenty 3 and 4 year olds learning and laughing with Mrs. Kemple and Mrs. Hannefey this year. We are **beginning enrollment for 2016-17 in all grade levels**. Sign up before it fills up!

Happy and Blessed Easter to you all. St Mary, Mother of the Risen Lord, pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

Mass Schedule: April 4 - 10

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	6:30p.m.	Ken Saxon
Wednesday	8:30a.m.	Ruth Jenkins
Thursday	8:30a.m.	John Moore
Friday	8:30a.m.	Louise Childers
Saturday	5:30p.m.	St. Mary & St. Rose
Sunday	7:30a.m.	Shirley Herbert
	10:00a.m.	Judy Meyer

K of C Chicken Fry - April 2 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Thank you for your generous support of the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Your contributions will provide pastoral care and support to the people of Africa as they face the many challenges that come from poverty and unemployment, the high incidence of disease, and migration. Your donations totaling \$1,072.23 will fund workshops, retreats, catechesis, and other projects that build the faith of African communities.

Liturgical Publications, Inc. (LPi), Nik Alexander was with us this past week securing advertisers for our Bulletin. We would like to thank all of the advertisers who have renewed their ads for the upcoming year and also to all of the new advertisers who have generously committed to the Bulletin for this year. If you would be interested in sponsoring an ad for your business or on behalf of your favorite charity/organization, there is still time. Please contact Nik at 812-240-8545. Please use the Bulletin as a resource whenever you are in need of products or services. Please let them know we truly appreciate their loyal support of our bulletin. It is their generosity that provides the Bulletin at no cost to our Church.

April Birthdays - Nursing Homes & Shut-Ins

April 13 - Betty Spilman
April 17 - Henry Yager

Catechumens WELCOME Candidates

St. Mary Welcomes Niki Cain, Kaitlyn Dawson, Kevin Dolan, Bree Huskins, Darren Kessler, Mike Moore, Alexis Query and Cody Smith, to our parish family.

It's time, once again, to begin creating those beautiful things for the Auction Committee to sell at our Fall Festival on **September 11, 2016**. The Auction Committee greatly appreciates your contributions. Questions can be directed to Mary Schneider (932-5397) or Toni Schultz (561-4525).



Bowl for Kid's Sake - Sunday, April 17, noon-6p.m. Register online at www.bbbsrushcounty.com or by calling 765-932-5449. Sponsored by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rush County.

Liturgical Roles

Servers – April 9 & 10

Sat. 8:30p.m. Macy & Nicholas Hoeing,
Sophie Wesling
Sun. 7:30a.m. Adam Neuman, Keith Neuman,
Grant Hill
10:00a.m. Gabby Pavey, Michael & Shaun Fudge

Lectors - April 9 & 10

Sat. 8:30p.m. Donna Smith
Sun. 7:30a.m. Ruth Houk
10:00a.m. Debi Carter

Extra-Ordinary Ministers– April 9 & 10

Sat. 8:30p.m. Mary Ann Beard, Rita Corn,
Tom Giesting
Sun. 7:30a.m. Susie Odum, Gary Nigh,
Ken Schroeder
10:00a.m. Susan Hoieng, Annette Niehoff,
Sarah Niedenthal

Ushers for April 2016

Sat. 5:30p.m. Doug Osborne & Steve Comer
Sun. 7:30a.m. Josh Niedenthal & Bruce Carter
10:00a.m. Joe Pavey & Gary Yager

Ministers-to-the-Sick

Apr. 4 Jeanie Spaeth, Apr. 11 Joan Meo

Money Counters

Apr. 4 Jeanie Spaeth, Missy Koors, April Flannery,
Royanna Eck
Apr. 11 Rose Hoeing, Jane Niccum, Mary Schneider,
Linda Shanahan



Begin to Hope Again.

Experience Hope and Healing After an Abortion.

8 Week Post-Abortion Healing Group
Mondays 7p.m.-9p.m. ~ Beginning April 11, 2016

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat
May 13-15, 2016

Call 317-452-0054 for more information
Inquires, registration and participation strictly confidential.

*Do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope... If you have not already done so, give yourselves over with humility and trust to repentance. The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace...
Saint John Paul II, The Gospel Life*

Sunday Collection
March 20, 2016



Adults (132 Envelopes + 16 Loose Checks)	\$ 6,991.00
Youth (3 Envelopes)	\$ 3.00
Loose	\$ 441.34
Total	\$ 7,435.34
Weekly Budget (2015/2016)	\$ -7,500.00
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ -64.66

Sunday 3/20/16	\$ 7,435.34
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 235.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 1,909.50
Votive Candles	\$ 49.00
Criterion	\$ 20.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 603.00
Church in Africa	\$ 1,072.23
Sodality Dues	\$ 200.00
Flowers	\$ 395.00
Food Pantry	\$ 112.00
TOTAL 3/20/16	\$ 12,031.07

Mass Attendance - 3/20/16 - 617

Sunday Collection
March 27, 2016

Adults (176 Envelopes + 16 Loose Checks)	\$ 8,265.00
Youth (4 Envelope)	\$ 5.00
Loose	\$ 883.31
Total	\$ 9,153.31
Weekly Budget (2015/2016)	\$ -7,500.00
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ +1,653.31 ☺

Sunday 3/27/16	\$ 9,153.31
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 43.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 1,029.91
Votive Candles	\$ 31.00
Criterion	\$ 20.00
Propagation of Faith/Missions	\$ 20.00
Sodality Dues	\$ 30.00
Flowers	\$ 10.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 329.00
Good Friday (Holy Lands)	\$ 1,661.00
Food Pantry	\$ 155.00
TOTAL 3/27/16	\$ 12,482.22

Mass Attendance - 3/27/16 - 884



St. Mary Youth Group is selling St. Mary T-Shirts. \$15.00 each. Place your order after Mass or by contacting Debbie Banks (317-402-8108) or rushvillebridal@yahoo.com.



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

Matthew: The King and His Kingdom

- Apr. 6 Mt 6 - Personal Piety
- Apr. 13 Mt 7 - Choices in the Kingdom
- Apr. 20 Mt 8 - King's Power Demonstrated

-Religious Education News-

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Class resumes TODAY, April 3, 2016. Topic: Stewardship.

Religious Education -Preschool- 6th: Classes resume TODAY, April 3, 2016.

High School Religious Education, for 7th -11th, April 10, 2016.

Youth Group at 4:00p.m. April 10, 2016.

Adult Confirmation: If you are an adult who has been baptized Catholic and never received the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Father Gries, for information.

First Communion: May 1 at the 10:00a.m. Mass.

Confirmation: May 7 at 11a.m., St. Gabriel, Connersville.

-St. Mary School News-



**St. Mary Catholic School
Science Fair and Open House**

**April 3, 2016
9a.m.— 11:30a.m.**

The Science Fair will be in the gym, beginning at 9a.m. Classroom visits will be from 10-11:30a.m. Come join us! Everyone is welcome!

St. Mary Catholic School is looking to add to their sub list. No teaching experience required. A little patience and a desire to help students succeed are necessary. Contact the school office for additional information.

St. Mary Catholic School Green and White Gala is scheduled for April 23, 2016. Enjoy a catered meal, live and silent auctions, plus many more activities. Reserve your tickets today by phone (765-932-3639 or by e-mail, tkomlanc@stmaryrush.org. \$75 per couple/\$40 single. All proceeds from the event go directly to help St. Mary students grow academically and spiritually.