

^BULLETIN COPY – ST. MARY CHURCH – GROVEPORT, OHIO - SUNDAY, January 15– USE CUT # 2-B

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| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | Nicholas Panzone by Judy Hetterscheidt |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | Deceased Members of the Altar |
| Monday | 8:30 a.m. | Novena |
| Tuesday | 8:30 a.m. | George Martini by George Felkner |
| Wednesday | 8:30 a.m. | Maureen Jajczyk by the Six Handed Card Club |
| Thursday | 8:30 a.m. | Hector Vega by the Igartua Family |
| Friday | 8:30 a.m. | Audrey Hall by Josephine King |
| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | For the Parish Family |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | Barbara Webel by the Family |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Don & Betty Peck by the Peck Family |

THIS WEEKEND

SERVER SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | Brian Ropchock, Frank Trammer |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | Jazlyn & Devin Winski, Sharon Merritt |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Connie Brown, Matthew Hambrick, Sandro Nuakey |

NEXT WEEKEND

Brian Ropchock, Frank Trammer, Blair Williams
Marita Surry, Branson Cline, Jonathan Maier
Sandro Nuakey, Todd Lutz, Eli Nuakey

LECTOR SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | Sandy Williams, David Wilson |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | Marita Surry, Travis Winski |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Mary Mashburn, Joanne Myers |

David Wilson, Sandy Trammer
Colleene Weiser, Ken Koebel
Noreen Reeves, Beth Lutz

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | Shawna Gentile, Blair Williams, Pam Gerardi, Sandy Williams, Judi Matz |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | Rosemarie Watters, Mary Slone, JoEllen Stebelton, Carolyn Veit, Christine Boucher |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Jean Bobst, Mayellen Fowler, Dorothy Carter, Carl Scholl, John Kinch |

Phil Feldmeier, Michelle Schooley, Marilyn O'Linn,
Carol Vanauken, Sandy Trammer
Tammy Dorian, Irene Fagan, Pat Jenkins,
Mary Slone, Christine Boucher
Cindy Kinch, Bill Reeves, Nancy Scholl,
Jan Gale, John Kinch

CANTOR SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | Debra Smith |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | Dave Solack |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Susan Howell |

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From Father John . . .

When making resolutions it's important to assess past progress. As I look forward to a new year at St. Mary, I take time to review where I see us. I'm delighted and blessed to be your priest and look forward to a good year.

In August I identified **adult faith formation** as a priority and promised to bring some exciting resources to this. We just completed the 10-part *Catholicism* series that was very beneficial. Soon we'll start *Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible* ... see the separate bulletin article. If there are sufficient numbers I'll lead *both* a day and an evening session to broaden your ability to attend.

Also in August I encouraged us toward **prayerful quiet before Mass** instead of social conversation that can wait. The atmosphere in the church is now much more respectful of this time for stillness. The choir director agrees to limit rehearsals and to have only soft organ or solo music for the fifteen-minute period before Mass.

In September we launched **RCIA** with four persons preparing to enter full communion with the Catholic Church at the 2017 Easter Vigil. We now have SIX! In addition, several Catholics participate for faith formation and as sponsors. Please pray for these men and women. Joellen Stebelton has prepared prayer cards for each to assist you.

Over the past weeks I've tried to reenergize participation in **Penance (Reconciliation.)** The Sacrament is offered every Saturday *before* Mass at 4:00 p.m. Other times to fit your schedule are arranged easily. (Contact me at 740-503-2827 or jreade@columbus.rr.com.) We had a Penance Service with multiple priests during Advent and will again during Lent on March 22. Make a resolution to receive this Sacrament of Mercy regularly this year.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 15 – Is 49:3, 5-6 / 1 Cor 1:1-3 / Jn 1:29-34

Monday, January 16 – Heb 5:1-10 / Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday, January 17 – Heb 6:10-20 / Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday, January 18 – Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 / Mk 3:1-6

Thursday, January 19 – Heb 7:25-8:6 / Mk 3:7-12

Friday, January 20 – Heb 8:6-13 / Mk 3:13-19

Saturday, January 21 – Heb 9:2-3, 11-14 / Mk 3:20-21

Sunday, January 22 – Is 8:23-9:3 / 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 / Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

OUR GIFTS TO GOD AND CHURCH

January 8 – Sunday Offering – \$3,976.25

Propagation of Faith - \$30.00

God bless you for your continued support of St. Mary Church

This weekend will be a second collection for the Propagation of Faith. The money collected goes to the missions and their work in bringing the Good News of Jesus to the people of the world. Your donation is a small way to be part of their evangelization. Please use the envelope provided in your packet or mark your check or envelope “Propagation of the Faith.”

Respect Life Mass will be held on Monday, January 23, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad Street, Columbus. The Most Rev. Frederick F. Campbell, Bishop of Columbus, will be the celebrant. Since January 22, the anniversary of the United States Supreme Court decision *Roe v Wade*, falls on a Sunday, our diocese will join all of the dioceses of the United States in observing a day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on Monday, January 23. All are invited to attend.

Faith Formation in the Scriptures! Soon, we’ll begin another adult faith formation opportunity: *“Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible”*. This is an engaging 8-part, DVD based program presented by Jeff Cavins, a renowned Catholic Bible expert. The program helps us see connections between the Old and New Testaments and understand Scripture as a whole. The eight parts cover from the dawn of Biblical time, formation of the Covenant people and Kingdoms, Exile and Return, the Prophets leading to the Messiah, and the beginning of the Church. Jeff Cavins’ presentations are supported by an illustrated study guide (\$20) that vividly shows the relationships among these phases of the Biblical story and helps to “unlock” meaning.

To set a schedule that’s good for as many as possible, I need your advice. Does this type of adult program interest you? If numbers are sufficient I’ll offer both day and evening meeting times. If you’re interested in participating in this 8-part program, please indicate your preference (day or evening) by signing the checklist in the vestibule. Want more information? Contact Fr. John: St. Mary office or jreade@columbus.rr.com or 740-503-2827.

The Altar Rosary Society will meet for a Communion Mass this Sunday, January 15, at 8:30 a.m. Please sit in a group on the left-hand side of the church. A meeting and potluck brunch will be held at Patti Leben’s Condo Clubhouse immediately following Mass. All women of the parish are invited!



Flowers On the Altar

The Flowers in front of the Altar this weekend are given by Altar Rosary Society in honor of Fr. John’s birthday on January 19.

St. Vincent de Paul

The St. Vincent de Paul has a food basket in the vestibule for the Groveport Food Pantry. For the month of **January**, they will be collecting **Hamburger and Tuna Helper**.

**Next weekend will be the SVDP monthly collection!
Donations help those less fortunate in our area! Thank you!**

DON'T MISS



You don't want to miss these upcoming conferences!

The Annual Catholic Women's Conference will be at the Ohio Expo Center on Saturday, February 18, 2017, from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The theme this year is "Courageous Faith, Contagious Joy." Information and registration can be found at www.columbuscatholicwomen.com. Come join with us for a day to refresh & renew your faith!

The 2017 Annual Catholic Men's Conference will be at the Ohio Expo Center on Saturday, February 25, from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. The theme this year is "Into the Breach." Information and registration can be found at www.catholicmensministry.com. This is a good opportunity to strengthen your faith!

A St. Valentine's Day Dance is being planned by the St. Mary Men's Group to be held on Friday, February 10, from 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., \$5.00 per person. Optional light snacks/finger foods/desserts will be welcomed and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided. DJ Lynn will be returning to play oldies music and special requests! Presale tickets will be in a few weeks, and tickets will be available at the door. Volunteers are needed to help decorate! All parishioners over 18 are welcome! Questions? Please contact Chuck Slaby at 614-567-7025.

The Adult Choir sings at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Many voices are needed! Practices are held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Questions? Please call Lisa Leonard at 614-738-9830.

The 2017 Flower Chart is on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Please sign up to donate flowers for the altar in 2017 in memory or honor of a loved one.

Hugs and Prayers – Please remember in Prayer those of our Parish family and friends who at this time are hospitalized, ill, or recovering: Rosa Alonzo, Mary Ann Armstrong, Ann Arnett, Virginia Bauman, Margaret Bonner, Mary Jo Borghese, The Brothers Family, Tom Bryan, Chris Burkhart, Catherine Courey, Kathy Daw, Al Elizondo, Dominic Elizondo, Giuseppe Fazio, Mayellen Fowler, Shirley Jo Fraley, Ben Garrison, Mary Getreu, Cody Hetterscheidt, Tara Hetterscheidt, Bill & Agnes Hillis, Austin Hosfeld, Susan & Steve Howell, Jake Jajczyk, Mary Jones, Mary Kampf, Henry Kampf, Barb Kellenbarger, Evelyn Kelley, Tim Leddy, Lisa Leonard, Julie Litsinberger, Rita Martini, Dick Matz, Maria Mayes, Trisha Mentzer, Wanda Mennetti, Mary Jo McKinney, Maxine & Tom McLoughlin, Ralph Myers, Connie Neuherz, Renee Parlin, Joseph C. Ramsey, Fr. Reichert, Gene Schrader, Lucy Snyder, Mike Sommer, Joe Stewart, Virginia Theado, Howard Watters, Ken Watters, David Wilson, Caroline Weiland, Jeanne West, Virginia Whittemore, and Jim, Cathy Williams & Family.