



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

APRIL 24, 2016
FIFTH SUNDAY
OF
EASTER

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

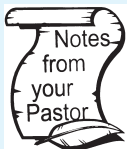
Baptism

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!

Last weekend, I spoke about the importance of farmer safety. It seemed reasonable to follow that up with some matters of safety here at the parish. A common security phrase that is used these days is: **"If you see something, say something."**

This saying can apply to any sort of safety issue. That could be a loose step, a low branch, a bent downspout, or ice accumulation somewhere. If there are maintenance issues, please say something. If water is flowing everywhere, please do something as well! Together, we can all take care of our facilities.

We regularly have guests visit St Mary. We want to be welcoming. Many of those guests are family or Catholics in town for one reason or another. On occasion, the guests may look confused, troubled, or transient. Greet, welcome, ask, assist. If you feel unsafe, get the assistance of the usher or call the police.

Medical emergencies arise before, during, and after Mass or other parish functions. Call 911. Get the attention of a medical professional in the parish. By the church bathrooms, there is an AED device. Outside the gym in the main school hallway, there is another AED device. Also by the church bathroom is a small first aid kit with gloves, masks, glucose syrup, gauze, and bio-bags. If something is used from the kit, please let Lori Hill or me know so it can be restocked. There is sometimes juice/water bottles in the priest sacristy fridge. At the handicap entrance, there is a wheelchair for transport use. Please return it after each use for the next person.

Please note, if I am in the middle of the Eucharistic Prayer, I cannot stop, short of an imminent threat to life. It is not that I am uncaring, but the Mass takes precedent. Ushers and parishioners will have to attend discretely to the matter. The parish leadership and I want this to be a safe place for all to pray, learn, and grow. If you see something, please say something.

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



Mass Schedule: April 25 - May 1

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	6:30p.m.	Gerald Evans
Wednesday	8:30a.m.	Donna Becraft (Sodality)
Thursday	8:30a.m.	Louise Childers
Friday	8:30a.m.	Richard Risk
Saturday	5:30p.m.	St. Mary & St. Rose
Sunday	7:30a.m.	Zelda Patterson
	10:00a.m.	Judy Meyer

Liturgical Roles

Servers – April 30 & May 1

Sat.	8:30p.m.	Will, Katie & Anne Thoman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Nick Amos, Glen Harpring, Addison Ballenger
	10:00a.m.	Gus Haley, Mitchell Cowan, Gabby Pavey

Lectors - April 30 & May 1

Sat.	8:30p.m.	Lou Starkey
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Lori Hoeing
	10:00a.m.	Debi Carter

Extra-Ordinary Ministers– April 30 & May 1

Sat.	8:30p.m.	Denise Small, Barb Musgrave, Tom Giesting
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Doug Krieger, Jerry Rudolf, Holly Bess
	10:00a.m.	Amaranta Kemple, Jason Pavey, Steve Pavey

Ushers for May 2016

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Kevin & Marilyn Spilman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Mike & Anne McCallister
	10:00a.m.	Rob Ash & Danny Hoeing

Ministers-to-the-Sick

April 25	Monica Neuman
May 2	Bob Dwenger & Jerry Rudolf

Money Counters

April 25	Kathy Dean, Debbie Banks, Sheila Zwickey, Debby Williams
May 2	Jeanie Spaeth, Missy Koors, April Flannery, Royanna Eck

Richmond Catholic Community Spring Festival Saturday, April 30, 2016. Craft Bazaar, Vintage Market, Carnival Games, Hog Roast, Band, Beer & Wine Garden. 9a.m.-10p.m. St. Andrew's/Seton Catholic High School
13th Annual St. Vincent DePaul Charity Tea: Saturday, May 7 at 1:30p.m. in the St. Vincent Parish Hall. The charity selected for this year is Pantry Pals. This organization works to ensure that the children of the county have a nutritious meal each day. Tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased by contacting Pat Barley at 765-265-7195.

Catholic Charities, Indianapolis, sponsors monthly caregiver support groups for family members/friends who are caregivers of older adults. For additional information, contact Monica Woodsworth at 317-261-3378 or mwoodsworth@archindy.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - April 29-May 1, 2016. Are you living a busy life and don't really have time to talk to your spouse? Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend will take place April 29-May 1, 2016 at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, Indianapolis. This is an opportunity to examine your lives together, share your feelings, hopes, joys and frustrations with-out the interruption of family commitments, TV, internet and phone calls. www.wmme.org



Several months ago, I wrote about being respectful of our neighbors when and where we park. The issue has continued. On April 5th, St. Mary Parish and School received a letter from Chief of Police, Craig Tucker. He stated, "I wanted to write to you to see if there is any assistance you can provide for a parking issue we have received complaint of in the area of 5th and Perkins Streets. [Local residents] are reporting that their driveway on East 5th Street is regularly being blocked around drop off and pick up times for school and during Mass on weekends. . . .In order to help resolve this issue fairly, the City of Rushville will be painting the curb/street area in front of the driveway at this property yellow and will additionally place signage stating "Do Not Block Driveway." Hopefully this will resolve the issue; however, it should be noted that violators will be subject to tow if they block the private driveway. *Rev. Jeremy M. Gries*

Graduation Mass: All graduating high school seniors from St. Mary are invited to the annual graduation Mass at 7:30a.m. on May 22. The Knights of Columbus is offering a breakfast, following Mass, for seniors and their immediate (parents, siblings, grandparents) family. Please call the parish office, by noon on Friday, May 6, with your reservations.

Sodality Mother/Daughter Salad Bar: Monday, May 9 at 6p.m., St. Mary School. Pitch in. Drinks & table service provided.

Prayer List: Terry Honaker



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.



Your support of the **Preserving Our Heritage Campaign** is very much appreciated. As we approach the end of the three year campaign, (May 1, 2016) you are asked to complete your pledge commitment. Statements with the ending date of March 31, 2016 were mailed the first week of April. If you are unclear of your pledge balance, please call the parish office.

Sunday Collection
April 17, 2016



Adults (138 Envelopes + 10 Loose Checks)	\$ 5,130.00
Youth (3 Envelopes)	\$ 8.00
Loose	\$ 390.86
Total	\$ 5,528.86
Weekly Budget (2015/2016)	\$ <u>-7,500.00</u>
Surplus (+) / Deficit (-)	\$ -1,871.14 ☹

Sunday 4/17/16	\$ 5,528.86
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 95.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$ 577.00
Votive Candles	\$ 42.00
Lighthouse CD's	\$ 25.00
Sodality Dues	\$ 10.00
Food Pantry	\$ <u>65.00</u>
TOTAL 4/17/16	\$ 6,342.86

Mass Attendance - 4/17/16 - 529

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal: Many dioceses right here in the United States do not have enough priests and trained lay ministers to serve their parishes. These dioceses are known as *home missions*. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal, which will take place this weekend, supports these dioceses by funding essential ministries, including seminary education and lay ministry training. Please be generous and share your resources to **strengthen the Church at home**. You can place your contribution into the regular Sunday collection basket.



Easter Flowers were donated in memory of:
Harry, Velma, David, Harriet and Bev Thackery and Albert, Hilda and Ralph Muckerheide.



May Birthdays
May 1 - Mary Busald
May 4 - Jennie Northam
May 12 - Jenny Brown
May 17 - Fritz Fussner

Food Pantry Items for April: Spaghetti and cans of sauce.

A MEDITATION FOR SPRING

What happens to the tree when its blossoms spread and pour themselves out? Fruitfulness, growth, expansion, multiplication. Only by giving does the tree become fertile and produce fruit. Just so, we can only grow and produce spiritual fruit in our lives when we open and give of ourselves. Liguori Publications.org



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

Matthew: The King and His Kingdom

Apr. 27 Mt 9 - New Wine, New Wineskins

-Religious Education News-

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): If you are interested in RCIA 2016/2017, please call the parish office.
Religious Education -Preschool- 6th: TODAY, April 24.
High School Religious Education, for 7th -11th, April 24. (Last class for the high school program this year.)
Youth Group at 4:00p.m. April 24, 2016.
Confirmation: May 7 at **11a.m.**, St. Gabriel, Connersville.



Please hold these young people in prayer, as they receive First Holy Communion on May 1, 2016
Congratulations!

Jonathan Quinn Barada	Catherine Grace Neuman
Cora Rae Barrett	Eli Charles Pavey
Chelsey Lee Boyer	Samuel Paul Pavey
Abigail Rose Hill	Kelcie Renea Wright

Congratulations to Makenna Alexis Boyer who will receive First Holy Communion on May 7, 2016.

-St. Mary Catholic School News-

Spring Hanging Basket Order Pick-up is May 4, 3-6p.m. A special thank you to Mrs. Vicki Murphy and her parents' business, Whipker's Market, 5190 US-31, Columbus, IN. Please visit them for all of your gardening needs.

St. Mary School PTA will be participating in **Gardenfest** on Saturday, May 14 from 9a.m.-3p.m. at the Rush County Fairgrounds. The PTA is asking for donations of baked goods, garden items, plant divisions or seedlings. Please bring your donation to St. Mary School on or before May 13. Any questions please contact Jennifer Hoeing at 679-1863 or Anne Tressler at 561-2125.

