



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee,
and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets.
Then he called them.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday	9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sundays with C.C.D.	9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday	9:00 a.m.
Saturday, Vigil	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS MASS SCHEDULE

Evening Vigil	7:00 p.m.
Day	9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday	8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. <i>(Before Daily Mass)</i>
Saturday	8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. <i>(Before Daily Mass)</i> 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor	Fr. Robert A. Van Kempen
Business Manager & Secretary	Calla Patka
Building & Grounds Manager	Roger Harmon
Director of Religious Education	Mary Stutzman
Music Director	Jessica Springer

LOVE & BLESSINGS GIFT SHOP HOURS

Monday - Thursday	9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Saturday	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

FROM OUR PASTOR

My Dear Parish Family,

Here we are in the Third Week of Ordinary Time, already the time is just flying by, I must be getting older. This weekend our Sunday Readings focus again on the calling of the Apostles.

Last weekend we hear from the Gospel of John and how John the Baptist points to Jesus and says: "Behold the Lamb of God!" At this, John's followers leave John and begin to follow Jesus. Andrew first leaves and goes to get his brother Simon, Peter. And they follow Jesus.

This weekend the Gospel of Mark tells us that Jesus calls the brothers Andrew and Simon, and James and John, and they leave their boats and followed the Lord. As we begin the new year we are reminded that we are all called to follow Jesus. This invitation is given to you, and to me; let us all listen to Jesus as he says "Come, follow me."

And now... an update on me. Thank you for the gift of the power of your prayers they are truly felt through and through. I am blessed. The last two weeks have been filled with doctor appointments. Starting out with a COVID test on Friday and remaining in quarantine from Friday through Tuesday before my heart catheterization on Tuesday morning. The test showed that my heart is strong and will withstand the operation for a new kidney. The next meeting was with the urologist which checked the prostate. The test showed that it was mildly enlarged, and nothing needing immediate attention, so the urologist also cleared me for the transplant.

This weekend, I am once again quarantined from Thursday through Monday. Monday, they are putting in the PD Catheter so in a few weeks I will be able to start dialysis at home. This does make me a little nervous but I just have to continue to trust in God. I am looking forward to being able to do dialysis at home, so that I will be able to celebrate Mass with you each day. Please keep the prayers coming!

Now the process of looking for a new kidney really begins. I have had a few people offer to donate a kidney, and for this I am thankful. More information will be available next week in the bulletin.

I wait until after Christmas to open all of my Christmas cards so that I can take my time to read and appreciate the messages you send. I have just finished opening all my Christmas cards and I am grateful and humbled by your generosity of all your prayers, cards, and gifts.

Blessings for a great week!
Father Bob

BULLETIN INFORMATION DEADLINE

If you have information for the Bulletin for a Parish Event or Meeting, please submit all pertinent information to Jessica Springer in the Parish Office no later than **Noon on Sunday** in order to ensure publication in the upcoming weekend bulletin. Submissions may be made in person at the Office or email to: stmarybristolmusic@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CCD NEWS & UPDATES**

FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

Attention 7th graders:

This evening is the first Theology of the Body session. Parents, please drop your children off at 5:30 p.m. and pick them up at 8:30 p.m.

**ONLINE GIVING****ST. MARY'S HAS ONLINE GIVING!!!**

To sign-up go to:

www.osvhub.com/stmarysbristol/funds

Use Online Giving to keep up on offertory. You can also manage your weekly gift or one-time gift from the link on our website: www.stmarysbristol.com or even from your phone.

Your support throughout the year helps sustain our church. Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish!!

Offertory Envelopes are still available as well. If you gave in 2020 you will have a box ready to pick up in the Education Center. If you would like a box, please let Calla know in the Parish Office or simply write your name down on the sign up sheet on the table in the Education Center.

LOVE & BLESSINGS GIFT SHOP

Monday - Thursday: 9:30am - 1:00pm

Saturday: 5:30pm - 6:30pm / Sunday: 9:30am - 12:30pm

New Book Release by one of our own Parishioners!

Karen South Gunter R.N., OSF

Stop in and purchase a copy of
A Beautiful Journey: "A Faith Journey as God's Servant"

Karen Gunter is the co-founder of Kid Care International, has a passion for excellence in nursing and has spoken nationally on the subject of quality care in the home setting. Karen's passion for the care of children was the driving force that first took her to Africa and later to co-found Kid Care International whose mission is to provide nutrition, education, and basic healthcare for children living in poverty throughout the world.

Proceeds from the sales of this book will go to support Kid Care International. Help support Karen in her ministry!

UPCOMING EVENTS

THE MARRIAGE COURSE

Thursdays, February 4 - March 25th | 8:00 p.m. | Zoom

Strengthen your marriage from the comfort of your own home with The Marriage Course Online! Based on a beautiful, brand-new film series featuring “regular” couples and relationship experts from around the world, this free 8-week program will take place online over Zoom from 8-10 p.m. on Thursday evenings beginning February 4 through March 25. There is no group discussion, but rather, time built right into each session for you and your spouse to discuss topics in the privacy of your own home using prompts from The Marriage Course Journal.

If you are interested in this online Marriage Retreat, please call the Parish Office and let Calla know so she can order you the Marriage Course Journal, a gift to you from St. Mary’s. This means there is no other commitment from you except your time. What a great opportunity to strengthen your Marriage!

For more information, or to register, visit:
diocesefwsb.org/marriage-course

ST. AUGUSTINE MEN’S GROUP

Compulsion or addiction to pornography destroys marriages, families, relationships, livelihoods, and dreams. It’s time to consider a new path. The St. Augustine Men’s Group is entering its fifth year of serving men in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend who struggle to find freedom from pornography. The lives of men have been transformed because of their willingness to change, to be honest, and to seek connection not only with God but with their fellow brothers. Our meetings focus on the positive and what we can do to overcome our daily struggles. You will feel the burden lifted and find friendship, community, accountability, trust, and even a little humor along the way.

Discover a new path to true freedom by visiting:
diocesefwsb.org/st-augustines-mens-group
 or e-mail: staugustinefwsb@gmail.com

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Tuesday Evenings | 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m. | Bar Louie, Granger

Join us for this Catholic speaker series for young adults in their 20s and 30s, single and married, to share in food, fellowship and faith. Winter Series theme: Who is my neighbor?

For more information go to: diocesefwsb.org/tot

STAY CONNECTED TO ST. MARY’S!



You can stay in touch with your St. Mary’s parish family by logging in to our Website:

www.stmarysbristol.com



Alternatively, visit our Facebook Pages by searching and “Liking”:

St. Mary of the Annunciation Catholic Church

Find announcements, links to our 11:00a.m. Live-Stream of the Mass, or other parish events and information.

WORSHIP AND PRAYER IN OUR PARISH

SCHEDULE OF MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23 4:30 p.m.	VIGIL: 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + Julia Unger
SUNDAY, JANUARY 24 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + Barney Simon For the People
MONDAY, JANUARY 25 9:00 a.m.	CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL, APOSTLE Intentions of Nathaniel Cortas
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26 9:00 a.m.	ST. TIMOTHY AND ST. TITUS + James Laughlin
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27 9:00 a.m.	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + Jack DeShone
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28 9:00 a.m.	ST. THOMAS AQUINAS + Charles Cook
FRIDAY, JANUARY 29 9:00 a.m.	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + Shirley Tulley
SATURDAY, JANUARY 30 9:00 a.m.	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + Barney Simon
SATURDAY, JANUARY 30 4:30 p.m.	VIGIL: 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + Jerry & Ann Knepper
SUNDAY, JANUARY 31 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + Tom & Lois Dusthimer For the People



PAPAL INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For Human Fraternity: May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Spark Corner

Around the dinner table one night this week, put your phones away and spark a conversation with the following topic:

Tell about a time you felt attacked or judged for your faith. How did you respond?

It is not easy to keep your cool when someone attacks you for your faith. Here’s a couple of thoughts:

- 1) You may not have a quick response ready, so don’t be afraid to say, “I don’t know the answer to that right now, but I am going to find out and get back to you.”
- 2) Remember that often people are not educated about the Church; remember that Jesus loves them too. Do not blame them if they do not know it yet.
- 3) Look at a crucifix and be like Jesus: He was spit on, laughed at, ridiculed, and humiliated, yet he simply loved them and said, “Father, forgive them. They know not what they do.”