

St. John, St. Mary, Visitation Churches

Mass Schedule for May 1st – May 9th

Sat. 1 st 9:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving for our priests (Visn)
Sat. 1 st 5:00 p.m.	Pauletta & Bill Sweet (Visn) (DD)
Sun. 2 nd 7:45 a.m.	Pinky Broermann (SM) (DD)
Sun. 2 nd 9:45 a.m.	Living & deceased of the Isljamovsky family (SJ) (DD)
Sun. 2 nd 11:30 a.m.	Parishioners (Visn) (DD)
Mon. 3 rd 9:00 a.m.	Sister Marianna Rumpke (Visn)
Tues. 4 th 9:00 a.m.	Fred Brun (Visn)
Wed. 5 th 12 noon	Int. of Julie Tracey (Visn)
Wed. 5 th 6:00 p.m.	Adrian Homan (Visn)
Thurs. 6 th 9:00 a.m.	Ruth Fliehman (Visn)
Fri. 7 th 9:00 a.m.	Frank Howard Copenhaver (Visn)
Sat. 8 th 9:00 a.m.	Living & deceased of the Mark & Dianna Metzger family (Visn)
Sat. 8 th 5:00 p.m.	Parishioners (Visn) (GV)
Sun. 9 th 7:45 a.m.	Teresa Schatzle (SM) (DD)
Sun. 9 th 9:45 a.m.	Peter & John Carter (SJ) (GV)
Sun. 9 th 11:30 a.m.	Living & deceased of the Cronin family (Visn) (DD)

***Confessions Saturday 4:00 – 4:30pm Visitation
Wednesday 5:00 – 6:00pm Visitation***

During the Easter Season, Visitation of BVM Church will be open/unlocked during normal office hours, M-F 8:30AM – 3:00PM. If you would like to arrange a private visit to the Blessed Sacrament or pray in Church, please contact Fr. David Doseck.

Thank you for your continued support of our parishes through your donations.

Offertory April 18, 2021
 Visitation \$2373.00 St. John \$868.00
 St. Mary \$846.00
 Catholic Relief Services
 Visitation \$295.00 St. John \$110.00
 St. Mary \$285.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS: There will be a **REQUIRED** meeting on **May 5th at 7p.m. at Visitation Church** for any families and their students who wish to be Confirmed next year. It is very important that you attend this meeting which will lay out the requirements for this Sacrament year. Please plan on attending even if you are planning on continuing a remote or homeschool program for the coming year. This meeting is also for anyone who may be seeking Confirmation for a youth under the age of 18 who would like to be Confirmed next year. Please plan on a parent and the youth seeking Confirmation to be present at this meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at ccd.ym.renee@preblecountycatholics.org and put Confirmation 2022 Meeting in the subject line. I look forward to seeing you and walking with your family and your students in this important time in their Faith life.

Renee Piekutowski

May Meetings/Activities

Joint Parish Council Meeting

May 10 @Visitation 7p.m.
 **Only one during this month of May. The Councils will take the summer off and return to monthly meetings in the fall.

Holy Hours

May 6 Visitation 7p.m.
 May 13 St. Mary 7p.m.
 May 20 St. John 7p.m.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Dear Friends in Christ,

“Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise” is how the hymn authored by Sir Edward Caswall begins. He was born in 1814, at Yatley, in Hampshire, where his father was a clergyman of the Anglican Church. In 1832, he went to Brasenose College, Oxford, and in 1836, took a second-class in classics. In 1838, he was ordained Deacon, and in 1839, Priest, all in the Anglican Church. In 1847, he joined into full communion with the holy Roman Catholic Church. Finally, in 1850, he was admitted into the Congregation of the Oratory at Birmingham, (known as the Oratorians). We have an oratory in Cincinnati at Old St. Mary’s Church which is associated with the Birmingham Oratory. Sir Caswall wrote many original poems and hymns while at the Oratory and when he died in 1878 his funeral was presided over by his close friend Cardinal Henry Newman.

This Song possesses a triumphant and marching tune, as typically played by most musicians. In this first stanza of lyrics, we are invited to join the angels and saints singing the “Alleluia” in heavenly skies. We are invited to see a glorious communion of heaven and earth in this song of “mountains” and “valleys” where this Alleluia resounds. The second stanza is particularly focused on the light of Christ’s resurrection and why we too share in this great Alleluia that darkness is no more with the Risen Lord in our song. The third stanza is sobering in that as we rejoice, we also know that Jesus Christ, who knew no sin, was made to suffer sin so that we might be saved from our loss of heaven through sin. The final stanza is a heartfelt plea that Christ will one day take us to himself. That one day, the last day, Christ will be fully revealed with trumpet blast and Alleluia songs as the Risen Lord of all.

A question to ponder with this song:
How do I let the great “Alleluia” resound in my thoughts, heart, and actions this week?

God Love You,
Fr. David Doseck

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Norma Gels and for her family. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Knights of Columbus Announce Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus will award a \$500 Cornelius ‘Neil’ Cahalane Memorial Scholarship to a student attending a 2-4 year college or vocational school. Applications are available at the church entrances and must be submitted by May 15.

St. Anne’s Sodality Scholarship

St. Anne’s Sodality of Visitation will be presenting \$1000 in scholarship funds to a worthy student, not just a new high school graduate, but for any woman of any age who is furthering her education. Application guidelines are available at the church entrances. Applications must be submitted by May 17.

New officers for St. Anne’s Sodality of

Visitation are Gleneeda Hoy, Chairperson; Karen Henry, Vice-chairperson; Dot Carter, Secretary; and Marcia Hoskins, Treasurer. Thanks for serving!

Day of Renewal: St. Mary Greenville is hosting a Day of Renewal with Fr. David Zink on Tuesday, May 18. It begins with Mass at 8a.m. The program, *Divine Providence: Faith in God’s Timing*, is from 9a.m. to 3p.m. Reservations are required. To reserve your spot, call Ginny Metzcar at 937-916-5020, text her at 937-417-1305 or email her at gmetzcar47@gmail.com. Masks are encouraged.