

Jesus took Peter,
James, and John
and led them up
a high mountain
apart by
themselves.
And he was
transfigured
before them,
and his clothes
became dazzling
white.

Mark 9:2,3

Transfiguration of Jesus
by Carl Bloch, 1872



2ND SUNDAY OF
*L*ENT

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- THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Call the Parish Office 8 months in advance of desired date. No dates are reserved for weddings until the couple has met the requirements for marriage. Appointments are scheduled during the week only and are not available on the weekends. Must be a registered parishioner at least one year.
- THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call the Parish Office for emergencies at any time. Notify the parish priest of anyone who is scheduled for a hospital stay or surgery and anyone who is a shut-in.
- THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: See below for the scheduled dates and times.
- Bulletin Deadline: Friday of prior week by the end of office hours.

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Reconciliation/Adoration: Saturday 3:30 pm

Parish Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 am-12:00 pm, 1:00-3:00 pm

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Reconciliation: Saturday 2:30 pm

Parish Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 am-3:00 pm



Mark Your Calendars for Fish Fry & Stations of the Cross with Bishop Lohse on March 15!

St. Mary Church is thrilled to announce that Bishop Edward Lohse will join us for our weekly Fish Fry and Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 15.

Fish Fry, sponsored by Knights of Columbus #5999, is from 4:30-6:30pm in the Parish Hall.

Stations of the Cross begins promptly at 7pm in the Church. Early seating is recommended for Friday, March 15. All are welcome!

St. Mary Church

Mass Intentions

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday, February 24

5:00 pm ✠ Marcia Klein (Family)

Sunday, February 25

9:00 am ✠ Frank Giesen (Peters Family)

11:00 am For the People of St. Mary Parish

Tuesday, February 27 - *Opt.* - St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

NO MASS

Friday, March 1

NO MASS

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday, March 2

5:00 pm For the People of St. Mary Parish

Sunday, March 3

9:00 am ✠ Todd Smith, Anniversary (Wendy Horsman)

11:00 am ✠ James Mestemaker (Heidi Beattie)

Calendar of Events

Saturday, February 24

7:00 am Men's Bible Study - St. James Room

3:30 pm Confession/Adoration

Sunday, February 25

10:00 am Religious Ed (Age4-Grade 4) - School Building

10:00 am Coffee & Muffins - Parish Hall

10:15 am Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Monday, February 26

6:30 pm Women's Ministry Meeting - Parish Hall

Tuesday, February 27 - Voting in the Parish Hall

****No Religious Ed Due to Voting***

7:00 pm Bible Study - St. James Room

Wednesday, February 28

4:00 pm Children's Choir - Choir Room

6:45 pm Adult Choir - Choir Room

Thursday, February 29

6:30 pm Adult Faith Formation - St. James Room

Friday, March 1

4:30 pm Fish Fry - Parish Hall

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, March 2

7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast - Free Range Restaurant

3:30 pm Confession/Adoration

Sunday, March 3

10:00 am Religious Ed (Age4-Grade 4) - School Building

10:00 am Coffee & Muffins - Parish Hall

10:15 am Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Please Pray For Diocesan Priests On Retreat

Please pray for Diocesan Priests, including Fr. Craig, who will be on a Lenten Retreat for the week of February 26. There will be no Daily Masses at St. Mary due to the retreat. Also, we appreciate the support of Deacon Ken Snyder who will lead Stations of the Cross at St. Mary on Friday, March 1. Thank you Deacon Ken!

St. Mary Women's Ministry Group Announces February Meeting

We had such a delightful turn out for our first Women's Ministry gathering in January! Thanks to all who came, and we welcome all women of our parish to join us for the next meeting! We will be focusing on the Season of Lent and how to enhance your journey with familial customs and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. We ask everyone to bring a copy of their favorite meatless recipe.

Our meetings will be on the 4th Monday of every month – so this month is **February 26 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.** Light appetizers will be provided.

Questions? Call or text Lynn Gruber at 269-275-3140 or Theresa Ruedisueli at 248-633-4815. We look forward to seeing you there!

St. John Church

Mass Intentions

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday, February 24

4:00 pm ☩ Fred Schick (People of St. John Parish)

Sunday, February 25

9:00 am For the People of St. John Parish

Thursday, February 29

12:00 pm ☩ Minerva Cordova (People of St. John Parish)

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday, March 2

4:00 pm For the People of St. John Parish

Sunday, March 3

9:00 am ☩ Michael Olma (Thomasma Family)



St. John's Lenten Fish Fries 2024

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Calendar of Events

Saturday, February 24

2:30 pm *Confession*

Sunday, February 25

10:00 am Religious Education Classes

Wednesday, February 28

4:00 pm Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

5:30 pm Stations of the Cross - Church

Friday, March 1

5:00 pm *Fish Fry - Gym*

Saturday, March 2

2:30 pm *Confession*

Sunday, March 3

10:00 am Religious Education Classes



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will begin on Wednesday, **February 21 at 5:30pm** and continue every Wednesday throughout Lent. Stations will be followed by a light supper of soup and bread in the Gym. All are welcome to participate!

Happy 60th Wedding Anniversary to the McAuliffes!

Michael & Barbara McAuliffe will be renewing their marriage vows after the 9am Mass on Sunday, March 3. They were married February 29, 1964 and are currently celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary! Michael & Barbara would like to invite the congregation to join them in the Gym after the renewal of vows on **March 3** for cake and light refreshments.

Spiritual Bouquet for Bishop Lohse

Please continue to pray in thanksgiving and for the protection of Bishop Lohse and remember to tally up all those prayers, rosaries, fasting, or Masses. Tally sheets may be returned to the church (collection basket is acceptable) no later than February 25 so they can be included in the spiritual bouquet that will be given to the Bishop at the Lenten Reflection Day to be held at St. Augustine Cathedral on March 2.

Collaborative Prayer Lists & Financials

St. Mary Parish Stewardship - *thank you!*

As of February 18, 2024

Budget year-to-date.....\$313,845.80

Collection year-to-date.....\$319,876.38

2023-24 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Goal.....\$64,150.00

Pledged...\$65,636.96

Paid.....\$62,577.44

St. John Parish Stewardship - *thank you!*

As of February 18, 2024

Budget year-to-date.....\$173,269.10

Collection year-to-date.....\$199,138.40

2023-24 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Goal.....\$49,416.00

Pledged....\$40,767.50

Paid.....\$39,488.50

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Pictures from Rite of Election 2024

Next week's bulletin will provide additional details about our Catechumen and Candidates. Please pray for them!



Please Pray For Those Listed Below

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Nita Meek Armstrong	Chuck & Marcie Huggett
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Military Prayer List

Kody Chamberlain
Cameron Cook
Brody Fitzgerald
Jackson Friend
Jacob Konkol
Deon Williams Lerma
Jacob Lewis
Monica Lubis
McClure Family
Christian Sabados
Cody Sabados
Paul Shen
Rick Spells II

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Lou Clement whose Mass of Christian Burial was held on February 19 at St. Mary Church. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and may her soul rest in peace. Amen.

Happenings In & Around Our Collaborative



Stations of the Cross

Participate in this 14-step Catholic devotion that commemorates Jesus' last day on Earth as a man. Every Friday during Lent at 7pm at St. Mary Church, and every Wednesday during Lent at 5:30pm at St. John Church.



CRS Rice Bowls Available

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.crsricebowl.org>



Special Friday Adoration at St. Mary

Mark your calendars for Special Friday Adoration in the St. Mary Chapel, following Daily Mass on **March 8, 15, and 22**. Adorers are requested to sign-up for 30 minute increments beginning at 8am. Benediction will begin at 10:45am. Please see the sign-up sheets online

or on the Church entrance tables. All are welcome to participate!



Collaborative Lenten Penance Service March 10 at St. John

Beginning at 3pm at St. John, Fr. Craig and Fr. Joe will hear Confessions. Please take advantage of this opportunity to have your Confession heard before Easter!

Heating Assistance Thank You!

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Ways to Grow Spiritually During Lent...

- + **Be Consistent in Prayer:** Pray for family and friends, those who suffer, the Church and the world.
- + **Attend Stations of the Cross at St. Mary or St. John**
- + **Attend the Mini-Lenten Retreat with Fr. Tom Helfrich on March 13 at 11am at St. Mary!**
- + **Attend Adoration**
- + **Commit to Confession**
- + **Fast:** Give up meat or other desirable foods, especially on Fridays, the day of Christ's saving death on the cross.
- + **Donate unused items or give to charities like CRS Rice Bowl**
- + **Read 'Magnificat Lent Companion':** Available on the St. Mary Church entrance tables.
- + **Read 'Daily Reflections for Lent':** Available on the St. John Church entrance tables.
- + **Watch Bishop Baron's Daily Lenten Reflections:** Available on the St. Mary Website: www.stmarymarshall.org
- + **Explore MyParishApp:** Access Lenten Videos by Fr. Torres (Ave Maria Press) or find daily reflections and blogs by Amy Thomas, The Catholic Pilgrim.



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