



# *Veterans Day*

*ST. MARY CHURCH  
DEKALB, ILLINOIS  
November 10, 2019*



**IMPORTANT REMINDER**

**Monday, November 11**

**MASS - 7:00 AM**

**Parish Office Will Be Closed**

**Office**

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**Office Hours**

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00 AM - Noon &amp; 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Friday: Closed

**Liturgies**

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 PM in English

Sunday Masses: 8:30 AM &amp; 10:30 AM in English

Spanish Mass: Sunday 4:00 PM

Vietnamese Mass: 2nd Sunday 1:30 PM

Weekday Masses: Mon.-Fri. 7 AM and Sat. 8 AM in English

Vigil/Holy Day Masses: See page 5

Area Care Facilities: See page 5 for dates &amp; Mass times

Reconciliation:

English: Tue, Thu, Fri. 7:35-8:00 AM

&amp; Sat. 8:35-9:15 AM &amp; 3:30-4:15 PM

Spanish: Tue. 6:00-8:30 PM

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**Bulletin Deadline**

Monday - 8:00 AM (FOR CONSIDERATION)

Send requests to: bulletin@stmarydekab.org

From the desk of

*Father Russell*

Jesus continually opens our eyes beyond the limits, false hopes, and preoccupations of this world to something greater. Jesus keeps us grounded in the bigger picture and plugged into eternity. This is precisely what we need in order to find the grace and energy to work toward a civilization of love here and now. It is important to care for ourselves as stewards and gifts of God, but there is something so much greater than ourselves that we must be willing to deny ourselves for it. And it is precisely in losing ourselves for God and neighbor that we find ourselves. Marriage is a beautiful gift cherished by many in every generation. We have to keep working on it. But there is something even greater than this great union and foundation for society and new life, and it is precisely in recognizing the something greater that marriages, families, new lives, culture, and society are protected, strengthened, nourished and renewed. **"The children of this age marry and remarry; but those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. They can no longer die, for they are like angels; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise"** (Luke 20:34-36).

Jesus is not, of course, saying that those who marry will not experience the gifts of eternity, just as he is not saying that we should not honor father or mother or take care of our health. What he is saying, is that if we want to experience the greatest gifts that God has to offer, we must be willing to look beyond the gifts we see to a deeper reality and a deeper union with God himself. The saints, including those who die for the faith, remind us of eternal life. The martyrs of 2 Maccabees in our first reading saw these deeper things even before they were able to witness the Son of God taking on humanity, dying and rising for them: **"He put out his tongue at once when told to do so, and bravely held out his hands, as he spoke these noble words: 'It was from Heaven that I received these; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.'"**

Abraham Lincoln was greatly admired for his ability to look deeper than many and the courage to express what he saw. *"A house divided against itself cannot stand. I believe this government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free. I do not expect the Union to be dissolved. I do not expect the house to fall – but I do expect it will cease to be divided. It will become all one thing or all the other"* (speech accepting nomination to oppose Senator Stephen Douglas who won re-election, June 16, 1858). Our heart, hands, and feet cannot be permanently for the fallen world and for heaven.

We must choose. We look to the Saints as the Holy Spirit guides us on our unique journey.

In Christ, son of Mary,

*Fr. Russell*

**19TH WEEK OF FISCAL YEAR 2019 - 2020****Our Weekly Offering Week Ending 11/01/2019**

Sunday Offertory	\$ 9,032.19
Guardian Angel	\$ 7.00
School	\$ 4.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 285.00
Diocesan Appeal	\$ 50.00
Mission Appeal	\$ 1,060.00
Cemetery	\$ 25.00

*Thank You for Your Contributions!*

**2019 Lancer Raffle Ticket Winners**

11/04 - Michelle Bringas - \$20.00  
 11/05 - Michael Hobson - \$20.00  
 11/06 - Kristina Rogers - \$20.00  
 11/07 - Ray Feltz - \$20.00  
 11/08 - Mark Faivre - \$20.00  
 11/09 - George Taylor - \$20.00  
 11/10 - Larry Burton - \$30.00



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815-758-5432 ext. 100

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(Second & Fourth Monday of month) 815-200-4730 (General)  
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**School Committee**

Greg Kubitz, Chairperson	815-756-7905
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**Stewardship Commission**

815-758-5432 ext. 102

**Readings for the Week of November 10, 2019**

**Sunday:** 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/  
 2 Thes 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

**Monday:** Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/  
 Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday:** Wis 2:23-3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 [2a]/  
 Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday:** Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday:** Wis 7:22b-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175  
 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25

**Friday:** Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43  
 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8

**Next Sunday:** Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 [cf. 9]/  
 2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

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**St. Mary Men's Group**

Please join us on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month  
 6:30-8:30 pm in the Emmaus Room of the Ministry Center.

*"Acts of the Apostles" by Steve Ray*

All men, 16 & older, are welcome. Bring a friend.  
 For more information, please call 815-761-7715.

**Book of Remembrance**

On All Souls' Day, we begin a month of remembering all who have died. Spend some time today praying for your relatives and friends who have passed on. Then take a few minutes to enter the names of your deceased loved ones in the **Book of Remembrance** located in the front of the church.



"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. ...Provide comfort to survivors of slavery and let them look to you as an example of hope and faith."

USCCB, "Prayer to St. Josephine Bakhita"

In today's Gospel we find that God is a God of the living, and this is indeed the core of our hope.

Jesus has risen and is with us, therefore, at no time should we be without hope for the future.

**When you give the furniture, household items and clothing you no longer use to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you give hope to your neighbors who have nothing.**



Online Giving

[www.stmarydekalb.org](http://www.stmarydekalb.org)





## 25th Annual Great Lakes Catholic Men's Conference "Walk the Talk"

NIU Holmes Student Center, DeKalb, Illinois

Saturday, November 23, 2019 (8:50 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

**"Through Him let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God" *Hebrews 13:15***

Come to the longest running Catholic men's conference in the country! A dynamic team of speakers will explore what it means to be live a heroic life of virtue. From their personal experiences, you will hear how you can direct your life toward forming a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Come and gather insights that will help you find new meaning for your life, gain a game plan for holiness, and set your faith on fire!

Featured speakers include:

- Kevin Matthews, Chicago Radio Legend
- Fr. Burke Masters, Chicago Cubs Chaplain
- Eric Groth, Movie Producer
- Dan DeMatte, Evangelist and Dynamic Speaker

Master of Ceremonies: Wayne Messmer, National Anthem Singer for the Cubs

Mass Celebrant: Bishop David J. Malloy

*This year's Conference includes:*

Speakers, Music, Adoration, Confession, Rosary, Holy Mass, and More

Registration \$45 if mailed, \$50 at the door;

\$15 for college students or younger, \$5 for deacons, free for priests

Includes lunch and parking.



**Why Join Catholic Daughters?**

**Support the Holy Father!**

Meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of the month.

6:40 PM - Rosary

7:00 PM - Meeting

Meets in the cafeteria of the Ministry Center

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## Marmion Christmas Craft Show

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2019 (9:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019 (10:00 AM - 2:00 PM)

**BLOODY MARY & MIMOSA BAR** (CASH BAR AVAILABLE SUNDAY ONLY, 21 & OLDER)

**ADMISSION: \$5.00** (12 YEARS & OLDER) - **FREE PARKING**

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1000 BUTTERFIELD ROAD, AURORA, IL 60502 (ENTER THROUGH DOORS #7 & #16)

VISIT [MARMION.ORG/CRAFTSHOW](http://MARMION.ORG/CRAFTSHOW) FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. PLEASE BRING THIS AD \$2.00 OFF THE PRICE OF ADMISSION.

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### Worldwide Marriage Encounter Rockford/Madison/Milwaukee Ministry

"May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ." Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** on December 6-8 in Madison, WI, January 24-26 in Brookfield, WI or February 14-16 in Geneva, IL. For more info go to: [alifetimeoflove.org](http://alifetimeoflove.org) or call (888) 574-5653.

Para un fin de semana en español por favor llamen a Candelario y Emilia al **815-375-4250**.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Mary Church through your advertisement in our bulletin.

# This week's schedule...

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

9:45 AM - 11:15 AM Religious Ed (MC)  
**1:30 PM Vietnamese Mass (CH)**  
 2:45 PM - 5:30 PM Vietnamese Ministry Social Time (C)  
**3:00 PM Hispanic Reconciliation (CH)**  
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Hispanic Religious Ed (MC)  
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Hispanic AA Group Meeting (PCN)  
**Masses in English 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM (CH)**  
**Mass in Spanish 4:00 PM (CH)**

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

### VETERANS DAY

Parish Office Closed  
**7:00 AM Mass in English (CH)**  
**NO Scheduled Reconciliation in English (CH)**  
 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (C)  
 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM Kairos Prayer (CHP)  
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Hispanic AA Group (PCN)  
 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Kairos Training (YC)

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

**7:00 AM Mass in English (CH)**  
**7:35 AM Reconciliation in English (CH)**  
**9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Eucharistic Exposition (School)**  
 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Mom's Book Club (SAR)  
 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry (C)  
 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee Meeting (PR)  
**5:30 PM Hispanic Reconciliation (CH)**  
**6:30 PM Hispanic Mass (CH)**  
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Teen Tuesday - High School Night (YC)  
 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Hispanic Prayer Group (CH)

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

**7:00 AM Mass in English (CH)**  
**NO Scheduled Reconciliation in English (CH)**  
**9:00 AM Mass (School)**  
 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Men's Group (E)  
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Hispanic AA Group (PCN)

**24 Hour Eucharistic Exposition (CH)**  
**Wednesday 7:30 AM until Thursday 6:50 AM**



Classes are on Thursday, November 14, December 12, January 9, January 23, February 6, February 20, March 5, March 19, and April 2 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Office Presentation Room. A Bible and a Catechism of the Catholic Church should be obtained for class. Program materials are provided.

For more information call the Parish Office (815)758-5432.

## Save the Date!

St. Mary School Dining Out Day  
 Wed., November 13, 4:00 pm-8:00 pm

Jamrah, 2561 Sycamore Rd., DeKalb is the host for the fundraiser. They will donate a % of sales if the customers bring in the flyer or mention it to the Jamrah staff.

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT  
 ST. MARY SCHOOL.**



## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

**7:00 AM Mass in English**  
**7:35 AM Reconciliation in English (CH)**  
 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Women's Bible Study (SJOS)  
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal (CH)  
 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Alive in His Love Prayer Group (CHP)  
 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Liturgical Choir Rehearsal (CH)  
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA (PR)  
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Hispanic Prayer Group - Choir Rehearsal (SMR)

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

**7:00 AM Mass in English (CH)**  
**7:35 AM Reconciliation in English (CH)**

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16

**8:35 AM - 9:30 AM Eucharistic Exposition (CH)**  
 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Hispanic AA Group (PCN)  
**Reconciliation in English 8:35-9:15 AM & 3:30-4:15 PM (CH)**  
**Masses in English 8:00 AM & 4:30 PM (CH)**

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

9:45 AM - 11:15 AM Religious Ed (MC)  
**3:00 PM Hispanic Reconciliation (CH)**  
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Hispanic Religious Ed (MC)  
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Hispanic AA Group Meeting (PCN)  
**Masses in English 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM (CH)**  
**Mass in Spanish 4:00 PM (CH)**

**Locations:** (B) Bethany Room, (C) Cafeteria, (CHP) Chapel, (CH) Church, (E) Emmaus Room, (G) Gym, (LRC) Library Resource Center, (MARI) Marian Room, (MC) Ministry Center, (OC) Off Campus, (PCN) Parish Center North, (PWR) Parish Work Room, (PR) Presentation Room, (SAR) St. Anne Room, (SJM) St. James Room (Private), (SJ) St. John Room, (SJOA) St. Joachim Room, (SJOS) St. Joseph Room, (SL) St. Luke Room, (SM) St. Mark Room, (SMR) St. Matthew Room, (YC) Youth Center



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**The power of prayer** We pray for St. Mary parishioners, relatives, and friends who are suffering from illness, also for those who are homebound, hospitalized, or confined to a care facility, especially:

Giana Anderson, Matt Anderson, Jackie Balon, Lori Baert, Pat Beck, Patricia Budzinski, Mary Clabour, Debbie Coffland, Ben Coniglio, Joe Diedrich, Horst Erker, Michael Esposito, Yale Factor, Bobbie Fitch, Beth Fixmer, Missy Flores, Fr. Karl Ganss, Justin French, Judi Glover, Rita Hammett, Eric Hanson, Kathleen Hiatt, Ruth Higgins, Margaret Holder, Peggy Hoyt, Joann Schoo Irving, Col. Thomas Z. James, Julie Jones, Joan Judkins, Patsy Kelahan, Rev. Richard Kramer, Carolyn Kustron, Ginger Lange, Henrietta Lobner, Brayden MacNeille, JoAnn MaKarrall, Bob Marcheschi, Matt Marcheschi, Timothy McMillan, Mary Lou Murphy, Louis Mustari, Mary O'Brien, Tom O'Brien, Orlando Moises Pulido, Betty Ramsdell, Carol Reed, Joel Rivera, Laura Ross, Jeff Salazar, Marlene Salazar, Richard Salazar, Steve Stach, Jim Theisen, Leah Theisen, Ray Theisen, Justin Valdez, Jerry Vasko, Abel Viland, Nancy Watson, Robert White, David Young

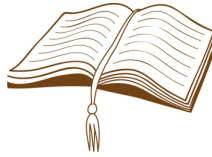
**If you know of a person in our parish who is homebound and would like to receive a card of encouragement, or to have a name added to or removed from the prayer list, call the parish office at 815.758.5432.**

## LITURGICAL ROLES

November 16/17

## Lectors

4:30 PM Jeannie Petesch  
 8:30 AM Marisa Jeronimo  
 10:30 AM Andy Small



## Ushers

4:30 PM Dave Roliardi, Craig Vitkus, Keith Anderson  
 8:30 AM Chuck Albertson, Dan Cliffe, Doug Davis, John Sauter, Donald Moizo  
 10:30 AM Duane Rapp, Jim Zenz, Mark Farris, Nicholas Singer, Lance Farris, Michelle Mershon, Andrew Miller, Rick Sullivan, Toby Woodruff

## Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

November 16/17

4:30 PM

Captain Chris Prignano  
 Chapel Matt Fleming  
 Cup 1 NO CUP  
 Cup 2 NO CUP

8:30 AM

Captain Tom Matya  
 Chapel Kim Launer  
 Cup 1 Jim Ball  
 Cup 2 Barb Ball

10:30 AM

Captain Michelle Mershon  
 Chapel Mary Parson  
 Cup 1 Tom Kedzie  
 Cup 2 Lori Kedzie



## Cantor Schedule

November 16/17

4:30 PM Emily Egeland  
 8:30 AM Michael Hynek  
 10:30 AM Sandi Bruckner

November 23/24

4:30 PM Alice Smith  
 8:30 AM Heather Du Vall  
 10:30 AM Youth Choir

## Stewardship

In today's second reading, St. Paul prays that the Thessalonians may be strengthened "in every good deed and word." May we, too, be strengthened and empowered to use our time and talents for the good of others.

See 2 Thessalonians 2:17



Parishioners are invited to give an offering for Mass Intentions in the name of a deceased loved one, for the intentions of someone in need, or in thanksgiving for a blessing received from the Lord. In accordance with

Church law, only one intention per mass will be accepted for an offering of \$10.00. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 815.758-5432.

*Mass Intentions*

Monday, November 11 (St. Martin of Tours)

7:00 AM Living &amp; Deceased Military of St. Mary

Tuesday, November 12 (St. Josaphat)

7:00 AM † Bob Pigott

Wednesday, November 13 (St. Frances Xavier Cabrini)

7:00 AM † Jane Anderson

9:00 AM † Poor Souls (school)

Thursday, November 14 (Weekday)

7:00 AM † Roger Halverson

Friday, November 15 (St. Albert the Great)

7:00 AM † Cathy Baldwin

Saturday, November 16 (St. Gertrude)

8:00 AM Sister Mary Ellen Descourouez

4:30 PM † Arnie Bailey

Sunday, November 10 (33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 AM † Denotra Davis

10:30 AM Living &amp; Deceased Members of St. Mary

Please pray for those who protect and serve us and our country, both military and law enforcement and all victims of violence.



## ST. GERTRUDE

## FEAST DAY - NOVEMBER 16

She was born in Eisleben, Germany, on January 6, 1256. Nothing is known of her parents, and at the age of five she was put under the auspices of the Benedictine nuns at Helfta and later became a nun in the same abbey. She was intelligent and studious and delighted in the study of languages, literature, philosophy, as well as music and painting. In 1281, at the age of twenty-five she underwent a conversion to follow the Lord more closely when she experienced the first of a series of visions of Christ that would continue until the day she passed away. While in the chapel, she states: "where I was accustomed to make my lukewarm prayers, I heard these words: *'I will save you and deliver you. Do not be afraid.'*" From then on, she had numerous revelations and experiences of God's grace, which she wrote about in the *Book of Extraordinary Grace*, an account of her spiritual journey. She dedicated herself to the meditation of Scripture and liturgical texts. She had enjoyed a good education. She wrote and composed in Latin, and was versed in sacred literature. Her life, though not replete with stirring events and striking actions, was one of great mental activity. She was characterized by great devotion to the Sacred Humanity of our Lord and His Passion and in the Blessed Eucharist, and by a tender love for the Blessed Virgin. As she approached death, she wrote, "I am certain whether my death be sudden or foreseen, that I shall never be without the mercy of God." She died at Helfa on November 16, 1302. Although she was never formally canonized, Rome approved a liturgical office of prayer and readings in her honor. She is often invoked for souls in purgatory.







### ALL SOULS' DAY MEMORIAL MASS

On Saturday, November 2 at 10:00 AM a special memorial Mass was celebrated for St. Mary parishioners' deceased family members and friends. Over one hundred blessed memorial candles were placed in front of the altar and Fr. Russell reminded us of the need to pray for the dead. During the month of November take a few minutes to enter the names of your loved ones in the **Book of Remembrance** located in the front of the church.

### Thanksgiving Mass Schedule

#### Wednesday, November 27th

7:00 AM Mass in English (Church)

NO Eucharistic Exposition

#### Thursday, November 28th

9:00 AM Mass in English (Church)

NO 7:00 AM Mass

NO scheduled Reconciliation in English

#### Friday, November 29th

7:00 AM Mass in English

#### Holiday Office Hours

The parish office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 27th and will re-open on Monday, December 2nd at 9:00 AM.

**EMAIL SCAM** - Please be advised that there is another email going around from Father Russell. **PLEASE** remember that Father Russell will never send out an email requesting money, gift cards, etc. If you receive an email from him requesting anything of this nature, please do not respond and delete immediately!

### THANK YOU THANK YOU

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Mary's/Christ the Teacher Conference winter clothing drive was held last Sunday, November 3rd. Because of your prayers and generous donations over 350 individuals/families were able to select clothing and other items they needed. Your clothing contributions were greatly appreciated by those in need. A special thank you goes to the 39 dedicated volunteers (101 volunteer hours) who unpacked and sorted the clothing donations, aided people in finding what they needed, and packed up the leftover clothing to be transported to the Seventh-Day Adventist Church and the Women's Center. Thanks to all of you, and may God bless you abundantly for your stewardship.



### Christmas Flower Memorials

Honor your deceased loved ones with a memorial of Christmas flowers to decorate our church this holy season. Forms are located in the chapel entrance. Envelopes were also included in your Sunday offertory packet. Completed forms or envelopes may be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office no later than Sunday, December 15th.



### St. Mary Church

#### Advent & Christmas Decorating

Please consider helping decorate the church for Advent & Christmas.

No experience is needed!

Many helping hands are needed and there are plenty of jobs.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29 - 9:30 am - ?**

Advent set-up

Outside - hang wreaths and drape garland on handrails

Inside - Put up banners, advent wreath, and garlands.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13 - 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm**

Put up & decorate trees

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 23 - 9:00 am - until finished**

Receive, unwrap, and prepare flowers for set-up, decorate church

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 5 - 5:30 pm - until finished**

Take down Christmas Decorations

Marmion Academy's Fishing Team is having its annual Fish Fry Fundraiser on Friday, Nov. 15, 2019 from 4-7 PM. Drive through pick up only at 1000 Butterfield Road in Aurora. Each meal is \$12 and includes 3 pieces



of Sgt. Dotson's Famous Fried Catfish, french fries, hush puppies, cole slaw and a dinner roll. All proceeds benefit Marmion's Fishing Team.

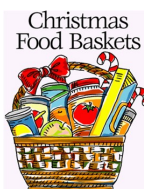
Order online at [www.marmion.org/fishfry](http://www.marmion.org/fishfry).



### Christmas Baskets

The St. Vincent de Paul Society asks for your help to provide a Christmas meal for the hungry among us. With your monetary donation we will be able to purchase turkeys along with all the trimmings for families in the community to gather around their tables on Christmas Day. Contributions can be made by including your donation in the SVdP envelopes marked "Christmas Baskets" and placed in the Sunday collection. Please make checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul.

*Thank you for your generosity and continued support in "Helping us Help Others" in the name of Jesus Christ.*



## St. Mary School Annual Christmas Poinsettias and Greens Fundraiser

St. Mary School is offering poinsettias and greens for sale as a fundraiser for the school. **Orders are due** into the school office with cash or check payment by **Friday, November 15** and items will be available for **pick up at school on Friday, December 6**. Poinsettias are high-quality and grown by a local Maple Park grower. Greens are hand-crafted from Fraser fir by a small Illinois family farm in Ottawa. Red Poinsettias: 4.5" (\$10), 6.5" (\$15), 7" (\$25), 8.5" (\$40), and a dish garden with poinsettia and greens is \$30. Greens: 22" standard wreath (\$30), 27" deluxe wreath with pine cones (\$37), 26" cross (\$35), and 26" spray (\$27). To order online by credit card, please go to: <https://st-mary-home-school-fundraisers.myshopify.com/>

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Sunday, October 27  
Priesthood Sunday  
Fr. Russell received a card signed by RE students & parents in appreciation for all he does for our parish and the RE program.  
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Sunday, October 27

Religious Education students were invited to dress as their favorite saint. A great variety of saints were honored with the students' efforts!

Sunday, October 27

St. Mary Religious Ed was happy to welcome the sisters from The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, to Faith and Family Day. The sisters shared time with us in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and then shared personal stories of their love of Jesus in the Eucharist with the children and their families.





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