

## SEPTEMBER 6—OCTOBER 18 THE SEARCH

**THE SEARCH** is a 7 week program from Ascension Press receiving rave reviews for its visually stunning and intellectually stimulating approach to life's big questions. If you want to better understand life and death, sorrow and happiness, science and faith, and the meaning and purpose of life, please enjoy these seven episodes. These topics and others will be explored with presenters from multiple fields including astrophysicists, astronauts, neuroscientists, psychologists, athletes and artists. Held in-house in Parish Center.

#### **OCTOBER 9** NEIGHBORHOOD ROSARY WALK



Join us as we celebrate our religious freedom in a Neighborhood Rosary Walk. Praying the rosary as a group has many benefits, some of which are:

Our minds are far more alert during public prayer than when we pray alone. When we pray in groups, the prayer of each one belongs to us all and these make for one great prayer together. We help each other out, and let others see us. We will process from the Church and around the block and as a group reciting the Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Assistance will be available.

#### OCTOBER 22, 23, 24 & 25 LIGHT OF THE WORLD RETREAT WEEKEND

St. Mary proudly presents the Light of The World Evangelical Retreat. After a brief hiatus because of the Pandemic, we are happy to bring back our semi-annual LOTW retreat. This retreat promises to be an exciting one that will rekindle within all attending the loving relationship with Jesus through the awe-



some power of the Holy Spirit. All adults are welcome to attend. The retreat is a daily event starting on Friday evening, continuing on Saturday, Sunday and then concluding on Monday evening.

# What is the Light of the World Retreat?

The Light of the World Retreat is an immersive weekend retreat experience where participants personally encounter Jesus Christ through the presentation of the kerygma-the basic gospel message.

When you attend the Light of The World Retreat, you will learn what the clear message of the Gospel means to you and how you can move ahead in your journey of faith. See the Gospel come alive! Experience Community and Fellowship as you delve into God's love for us, as we learn about our spiritual enemies, the person of Jesus Christ, Making Jesus the Lord of your Life, Surrendering your Life to the Holy Spirit, and much more. Come join the more than 350 Parishioners and guests who have already attended one of the previous retreats. Come join the ever-growing LOTW Family. <u>All</u> <u>Adults over 18 are welcome</u>. Registration brochures will be on the table at the Parish Center Entrance.

### **40 HOURS DEVOTION DURING ADVENT**

St. Mary Parish will once again be offering **40 Hours Devotion in Advent from Sunday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>– Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>.** 40 Hours is an extended opportunity for prayer in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. This most honored tradition will begin with the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>.

Each of the forty-hours will be hosted by one of our Parish ministries and will include prayers, mediations, Scripture readings, praise and worship music, the rosary, other devotions and time for silent prayer. This devotion seeks to nurture the love of the faithful for Jesus who is present in the Eucharist. All are welcome to come and be with the Lord during this 40 Hours of Devotion.