



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

MAY 6, 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

512 North Perkins Street ✕ Rushville ✕ Indiana ✕ 46173

Parish: 765-932-2588 ✕ School: 765-932-3639 ✕ www.stmaryrush.org



**CHRISTUS RESURREXIT,
SICUT DIXIT, ALLELUIA!!!**

**CHRIST HAS RISEN,
AS HE SAID HE WOULD, ALLELUIA!!!**



**CONGRATULATIONS, PRAYERS, AND
BLESSINGS TO OUR FIRST
COMMUNICANTS:**

**Ryder Flannery, Adeline Horn,
Olivia Naylor, Lilli Rapp
Joe Richards, Ella Tressler**



The Eucharist is the **Presence of Jesus Christ** prolonged, the **Source of Strength** in the present age, and the **Pledge of Glory** to come. This is why many (if not all!) parishes have their First Holy Communion Masses during the glorious season of Easter – the time of the Risen and Glorified Christ.

From the Catechism: In an ancient prayer, the Church acclaims the mystery of the Eucharist: “O sacred banquet in which Christ is received as food, the memory of His Passion is renewed, the soul is filled with grace and a pledge of the life to come is given to us.” If the Eucharist is the memorial of the Passover of the Lord Jesus, if by our communion at the altar we are filled “with every heavenly blessing and grace,” then **the Eucharist is also an anticipation of the heavenly glory**. At the Last Supper, the Lord Himself directed His disciples’ attention toward the fulfillment of the Passover in the kingdom of God: “I tell you I shall not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.” Whenever the Church celebrates the Eucharist, She remembers this promise and turns her gaze “to Him who is to come.” In Her prayer, She calls for His coming: “Maranatha! Come, Lord Jesus!” “May your grace come and this world pass away!”

The Church knows that the Lord comes even now in His Eucharist and that He is there in our midst. However, His presence is veiled. Therefore, we celebrate the Eucharist “awaiting the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ,” asking “to share in your glory when every tear will be wiped away. On that day, we shall see You, our God, as You are. We shall become like you and praise you forever through Christ our Lord.” There is no surer pledge or dearer sign of this great hope in the new heavens and new earth “in which righteousness dwells,” than the Eucharist. Every time this mystery is celebrated, “the work of our redemption is carried on” and we “break the one bread that provides the medicine of immortality, the antidote for death, and the food that makes us live forever in Jesus Christ.” These are powerful and encouraging. I pray each of us who have received the fullness of Sacramental Initiation into the life of God and the Church by Baptism, Confirmation, and Communion can echo and reflect these same ideas to the world. (CCC 1402-1405)

St Mary, Mother of our Eucharistic Lord, Pray for us. ~ Fr. Gries

Sodality Spring Salad Bar: May 14, 2018 at 6:00p.m. in St. Mary School multipurpose room. Please bring a salad to share. Drinks and table service will be provided. Diane Paris, Clifty Creek Alpacas, will give the program. Call Mary Delay at 765-465-3542 with any questions.

Senior Mass and Breakfast: All graduating high school seniors from St. Mary are invited to the annual graduation Mass at 7:30a.m. on Sunday, May 20. The Knights of Columbus is offering a breakfast following Mass, for seniors and their immediate family (parents, siblings, grandparents). **Please call the parish office by noon on Monday, May 7, with your reservations.** Thank you!



The Children's Choir will be singing at the 10:00a.m. Mass on May 13. Practice will begin at 9:00a.m. All children and youth are invited.

I would like to thank all those who sent me cards, Face Book messages and verbal comments for my 80th birthday. You made my day special. *Barb Tush*



March Birthdays: Homebound/Nursing Homes
May 12 - Jenny Brown
May 17 - Fritz Fussner

SMS School Commission - Nominations for openings for the St. Mary School Commission are now being accepted. The school commission is the policy making body that helps support the school and assists in carrying out the strategic plan. You will be contacted personally to confirm your nomination. There are up to four positions available. If you would like to serve a term (3 years) on the School Commission, or have any questions, please contact Mrs. Kirschner at 765-932-2588 or skirschner@stmaryrush.org.



St. Mary Catholic School PTO will be participating in **Gardenfest** again this year. This fun filled event will be held on Saturday, May 19 from 9a.m. to 3p.m. at The Rush County Fair-Grounds. The PTO is asking for donations of baked goods, garden items, plant divisions or seedlings. Please bring your donation to St. Mary School on or before May 18. Any questions, please contact Jennifer Hoeing at 570-6214 or Anne Tressler at 561-2125.



Easter Faith Opportunity **BIBLE STUDY** **Lectio Peter**

Cornerstone of Catholicism

May 9 6. In the Shadow of the Galilean
May 16 7. Discipleship at a Distance

Bring your Bible & Catechism!

Wednesday Evenings
7-9p.m. Multipurpose Room

The Calvary Cemetery Committee is currently seeking another member/volunteer. Responsibilities include: attending one meeting a year, cemetery clean-up in the spring and digging and pouring footers. If you are interested in being a part of this committee, please contact Steve Wagner at 765-561-4236. Thank you!

Youth Group News: No Youth Group on May 13 due to Mother's Day. Pray for all mothers.



Online Giving

St. Mary Parish now offers Online Giving. This service is safe and secure. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at www.stmaryrush.org and selecting the Online Giving link on the home page at the upper right.



ST MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL
SESQUICENTENNIAL † 1868-2018
Honoring 150-years, Preparing for Many More
a safe, Christ-centered learning environment
encouraging children to grow to their fullest potential
academically, spiritually, and physically

Sunday Offerings April 29, 2018



Adults (129 Envelopes + 16 Loose Checks)	\$ 7,335.00
Online Giving	\$ 700.00
Youth (1 Envelopes)	\$ 1.00
Loose	\$ 330.60
Total	\$ 8,366.60
Weekly Budget (2017/2018)	\$ -8,000.00
	\$ +366.60 ☺

Sunday 4/29/18	\$ 8,366.60
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 25.00
Votive Candles	\$ 17.00
Food Pantry	\$ 225.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 40.00
Sodality	\$ 15.00
Missions	\$ 426.00
POH2	\$ 2,304.00
TOTAL 4/29/18	\$ 11,418.60

Mass Attendance 4/29/18 - 578



May Food Pantry Needed Item: Cereal
Thank you for your generosity!



May 6 - Session 26
May 13 - Mother's Day



Bereavement Services

946 E. Main Street, Greensburg, IN
812-662-6375
www.ourhospice.org



Congratulations and Blessings to the Newly Confirmed:
John Alexander, Kylee Macy, Savanah Snow, Annie Thoman, Katie Thoman, Savannah Westphal and Olivia Yager.

Mass Schedule: May 7 - 13

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	6:30p.m.	Max Barnett (K of C)
Wednesday	8:30a.m.	Dorothy Jarman (Sodality)
Thursday	8:30a.m.	Herbert Family
Friday	8:30a.m.	Charles & Margaret Pavey
Saturday	5:30p.m.	Donna Becraft
Sunday	7:30a.m.	Zelda Patterson
	10:00a.m.	St. Mary Parish



End of Life Planning

Hospice Service
by Mary Beth Burklow

Mortuary Services
by Jim Todd

Funeral Planning
by Fr Gries

A Friendly & Informative Presentation
to help prepare for yourself or a loved one.

Bring your questions.

St Mary School Gym

Thursday, May 10, 2018 @ 7p



Rosemary Bruce Jim & Lois Joyce
Michael Doll Judy Williams
Rodney & Phyllis Richardson
Stuart & Brenda Beardsley

If you would like to register at St. Mary Catholic Church, please stop by the parish office during regular business hours or fill out a welcome card at all church entrances and place in the collection basket.



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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday.....8:30a.m.-4:30p.m.

Friday.....8:30a.m.-Noon

Our St. Mary Prayer Line

Regenia Ripberger 765-561-1179

Lisa Wagoner 812-593-0790 - 765-663-2444

Parish Council - Chair: Shawn Adkins

Finance Council - Chair: Elbert Gordon

School Commission - Chair: Susan Spaeth

Baptism

Call the parish office for scheduling.

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday...4:30p.m.- 5:15p.m.

Tuesday.....6:00p.m.6:25p.m.

Marriage

Engaged couples must meet with the Pastor to complete initial marriage paperwork at least 9 months before the anticipated wedding date *and prior to making any other arrangements concerning the wedding.*

Abortion Alternatives

Birthline Mon.-Fri. 317-635-4808

Option Helpline 24/7 1-800-712-HELP

New Parishioners

Welcome to St. Mary Parish! You are invited to stop by the parish office and register to become a part of our parish family.

Ministry Schedules

Servers – May 12 & 13

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Katie Ripberger, Evan Moore, Megan Alexander
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Adam Leising, Tyler & Jacob Amos
	10:00a.m.	Benjamin Means, Sofia Kemple, Jose Leon

Lectors - May 12 & 13

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Emma Lux
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Allen Leising
	10:00a.m.	Aracili Leon

Extra-Ordinary Ministers - May 12 & 13

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Denise Small, Shelly Bostic, Bob Dwenger
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Jerry Rudolf, Doug Krieger, Holly Bess
	10:00a.m.	Kevin & Debbie Banks, Amaranta Kemple

Ushers for May, 2018

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Kevin & Marilyn Spilman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Nathan & Betsy Nigh & Hayden
May 13 10:00a.m.		Kirah Banks & Laura Neuman

Ministers to the Sick:

May 7 Louise Starkey May 14 Joan Meo

Money Counters:

May 7 Rose Hoeing, Jane Niccum, Margie Liggett,
Linda Shanahan
May 14 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton,
Donna Land, Diana Leising

Food Pantry Volunteers:

May 9 Dave Moeller, Mary Ann Harpring,
Doug Osborne
May 14 (Restock) Jody Carmony & family

Nominations for openings for the St. Mary Parish Council are now being accepted. The Parish Council shall be a representative body of the St. Mary Parish family. The Council shall serve as an advisory body to the pastor and support the community aspect of the Parish as it strives to be a sign of Jesus Christ to all. The Council shall meet to deliberate and decide by common agreement matters for which they are responsible - such as worship, spiritual life, education, service. The Council will assist the pastor to affect the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Universal Church, as witnessed through the parishioners of St. Mary Church. If interested, please contact Father Gries.