



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

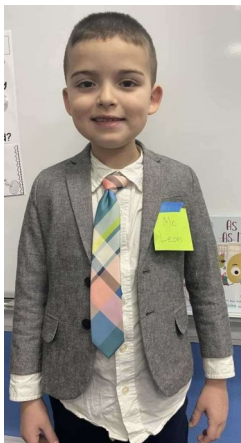
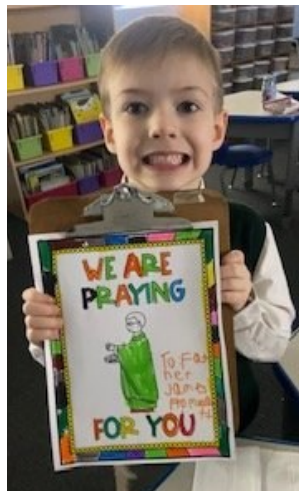
FEBRUARY 12,  
2023

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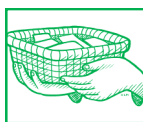
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## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

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## Sunday Offerings February 5, 2023



Envelopes/Loose/Youth	\$	5,814.00
Online Giving	\$	2,483.00
Total 2/5/23	\$	8,297.00
Weekly Budget (2022-2023)	\$	-9,000.00
		-703.00

Sunday 2/5/23	\$	8,297.00
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$	275.00
Food Pantry	\$	528.00
Candles	\$	49.00
Criterion	\$	660.00
Missions	\$	40.00
Memorial	\$	103.00
School	\$	250.00
Cemetery	\$	73.00
Ash Wednesday	\$	20.00
Sodality Dues	\$	28.00
POH2	\$	100.00
TOTAL 2/5/23	\$	10,423.00

### John D. Kelley Vocations Essay Contest

The Serra Club of Indianapolis is sponsoring its 2023 annual vocations essay contest. It is open to any Catholic student in grades 7—12 in parochial, public or homeschool systems in the Archdiocese Indianapolis. The theme for this year's contest is:

**In one way or another, all the saints had a great devotion to the Eucharist. Moreover, only with the help of the Eucharist did any saint fulfill his or her vocation. Pick a particular saint and describe their relationship with the Eucharist.**

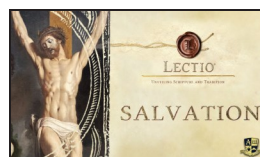
**How did your saint's devotion to the Eucharist enable them to fulfill their vocation? How does this saint's love of the Eucharist inspire you?**

More information and an essay submission form are available from Serra Club member, Dick Cannon, at [dick610@gmail.com](mailto:dick610@gmail.com). Submitted essays must be post-marked no later than Friday, March 17, 2023.



OUR SYMPATHY TO: Alfred and Eleanor Yager and family at the death of Eleanor's sister, Donna Mary Hoover.

OUR SYMPATHY TO: Bill and Royanna Eck at the death of Royanna's brother, Paul McFarland. "Begin Anew From Death to Life"



## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

### **Lectio: Salvation New Life in Christ** continues on

Wednesdays at 7p.m. Sessions include a 30 minute video followed by a small group discussion. There are booklets to go along with the series (available at the study) or you can just come for the videos and the group discussion.

Sodality Dues: Envelopes for 2023 Sodality dues of \$5 can be found in January/February contribution packets. Sodality provides church liturgical items, Fall Celebration quilts, flowers, cutlery booth fees and Mass intentions for deceased Sodality members.



### **Ash Wednesday Masses** **February 22, 2023**

**7:00a.m.; 8:30a.m.; 6:30p.m.**  
*Volunteers are needed to usher.*



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 20, 2023, President's Day. School will be in session. Snow make-up day.



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FOOTPRINTS

310 Julian St.  
Rushville, IN  
We are open  
the 1st & 3rd  
Saturdays and

the 2nd and 4th Thursdays 10a.m. to Noon.  
Shoes can be dropped off anytime in the container on the dock. Thank you for your donations!

**CRITERION:** The Criterion is the Catholic newspaper of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Through the Criterion, news about the Archdiocese, the universal church and churches in the United States is shared with us. Please support St. Mary Church as we provide a copy to each household. Envelopes can be found in your January/February packets. Suggested donation is \$20. Thank you for your assistance.





### February 12, 2023-6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's often said that the Catholic Church lays heavy rules on her members, rules that can almost seem impossible. Mass *every* Sunday? No lying *ever*? Sexual purity *all the time*? I recently said to some non-Catholic friends that more than fifty adults were baptized at my parish at the Easter Vigil. One responded spontaneously with shock, "Why would anyone do *that*?" In other words, why would someone willingly place themselves in a system with such demanding and rigorous rules?

Of course, no one in the history of religions is more demanding and rigorous than Jesus himself. In the Sermon on the Mount, he says you have to be holier than pharisees or you're out. He says if you call someone a fool, you go to fiery Gehenna. He says you can't even look at a woman with lust or you're guilty of adultery (which was punishable by death). To top it all off, he says you can't even get divorced and re-married. Doesn't he know these are basically impossible demands? What world is he living in?

The new one, actually. He is the new world. Jesus' words aren't meant to condemn. They are meant to signal something new, a restored humanity. Jesus doesn't just give external laws; he gives us his Holy Spirit to internalize the law through love. He wants to fill us with his love. That's what the Church exists to do. Love demands extraordinary things. The "demands" of the Church only make sense because she is filled with Jesus' love. That wildly demanding love is why we are Catholic. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

The Family of Bernard J. Spaeth would like to express a sincere thank you to Father James, Tyler Huber, Nancy Beyer, Tyler Amos, and Jane Ariens for the beautiful funeral mass. We would also like to thank Jim and Dannon Todd and the Todd Funeral Home staff for their professionalism, care and compassion given to us and our Dad. Thank you also to our parish friends for their prayers, cards, memorial contributions, and all the other countless acts of kindness during the recent passing of our Dad. Thank you to Cindy Sickbert, Mary Ann Harpring, the Funeral Dinner Committee and all those who donated food and helped with the delicious funeral dinner. We are all very humbled by your love, kindness and support during this difficult time, and we will be forever grateful. With sincere appreciation, *The Bernard Spaeth Family*

### Mass Schedule: Feb. 13 - Feb. 19

<b>Monday</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30p.m.	+Tom Oesterling
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	+Joy Spinney
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	+Robert & Mae Cupp
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	+Bernard Spaeth
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	+Bob, Betty & Mary Eder
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	+Helen Kramer



10:00a.m. St. Mary Church



Incense will be used at the 10:00a.m. Mass

### Servers - February 18 & 19

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Megan Alexander, Katie Ripberger
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Keegan Pavey
	10:00a.m.	Nora Spaeth, Cooper Robbins, Evie Lesar

### Lectors - February 18 & 19

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Cecilia Orr
Sun.	7:30a.m.	John Pavey
	10:00a.m.	Marty Connerly

### Extra-Ordinary Ministers - Feb. 18 & 19

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Shelly Bostic, Tom Giesting, 1 Needed
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Kevin Dolan, Mark Neuman, Nancy Schroeder
	10:00a.m.	Kevin Spilman, Jane Ariens, Amaranta Kemple

### Ushers for February 2023

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Bob Meer & John Meyer
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Nathan & Betsy Nigh
	10:00a.m.	David & Brayton Schultz

### Money Counters:

Feb. 13	Rose Hoeing, Linda Shanahan, Margie Liggett
Feb. 21	(Tuesday) Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Diana Leising

### Food Pantry:

Feb. 13	(Restock) Dan Hoeing & Mary Ann Beard
Feb. 15	Laura Ash & Doug Osborne

### Ministers-to-the-Sick

Feb. 13	Lou Starkey	Feb. 20	Monica Neuman
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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: Eric Harpring

**Finance Council** - Chair: Shawn Adkins

**School Commission** - Chair: Curt Naylor

**Calvary Cemetery** - Chair: David Hoeing

**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

**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**

800-273-TALK (8255)

**National Domestic Violence Hotline**

1-800-799-7233

**Vocations to Priesthood/Religious Life**

Contact Father James - 765-932-2588

**New Parishioners**

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

**Please pray for:** Wanda Adkins, Patricia (Saxon) Banta, Sister Eileen Rose Bonner, Sister Bridget Bonner, Keaton Bower, Charles Bright, Patricia (Thorp) Bright, Julie Brown, Steve Bruns, Larry Burch, Steve Burch, Mary Lou Carey, Benjamin Castro, Katy Curtis, Juli (Joyce) Ellis, Brad Ervine, Maggie Fudge, Tony Fudge, Bud Garland, Gavin, Sam Gettinger, Jacob Goble, Karen Land Graves, Faith Sadler Hankins, Greg Harcourt, Todd Harding, Norb & Bernie Harpring, Jeanne Hedrick, Ashley Heller, Terry Honaker, Donna Hood, Ivan Jahns and Margie Huse Jahns, Larry Johnson, Steve Johnson, Jim Johnston, Tom Jones, Timothy Joyce, Kim, Martha Knecht, Catherine Knueven, Alex Kolb and family, Linda Lair, Steve Link, Ted & Toni Locke, Marti Lukin, Kyle Lux, Logan Marlatt, Paul Marshall, Donny Martin, Cecilia Mathews, Gary Miller, Monna Miller, Janet Mitchell, Mary Ann Muckerheide, Brenda Munchel, Kelly Jarman Munchel, Greg Musgrave, Mark Neuman, Kathy Noone, Mary Marr Owens, Penny Owens, Philip Parish, Cinda Pavey, Jimmy Raisor, Peggy Rich, Gary Riggs, Thelma Robbins, Deb Rosfeld, Roger Rosfeld, Debra Sater, Meghan Schultz, Cindy Sever, Jim Scott, Michael Shoemake, Karen Spaeth, Margaret Ann (Roberts) Speranza, Ken & Jean Stanley, David Starkey, Sue Taylor, Joe Thorpe, Gracie Tillison, Tim Tyler, Diana Pavey Voiles, Cathy Wall, Blaine Weber, Scott Webster, Donna Williams, Harper Williams, Jack & CarolAnn Woelfel.

**For those proudly serving our country:** William Friedl, Travis Pecar, Kody Griffin.

**Homebound:** John Cain, Harry Delbecq, Jeannie Hedrick, , Donna Hood, Bill Means, Dave Roberts, Sue Servies, Judy Smith, Nelda Wheeldon.

**Residents at The Waters:** Jenny Brown, Barb Herbert, Tim Meer, Dee Salzmman, Doris Thoman.

**Residents at Flatrock River Lodge:**

Virgil & Luzia Herbert

**If you know of someone who should be removed from this prayer list, please contact the parish office.**

**February Food Pantry Items :**

Bar Soap, Cereal, Soup

Annette Niehoff and Kevin Banks.



St. Mary is currently allowing open gym basketball every Tuesday night from 7-9p.m. Full court 5 on 5.

Voluntary offering \$3/person. If questions, contact Adam Leising at 765-561-0107.