



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

MARCH 19, 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY  
OF LENT

512 North Perkins Street ✕ Rushville ✕ Indiana ✕ 46173  
Parish: 765-932-2588 ✕ School: 765-932-3639 ✕ [www.stmaryrush.org](http://www.stmaryrush.org)

## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand,  
anointed David in the presence of his brothers;  
and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD  
rushed upon David. (1 Sm 16:13)

#### Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.  
(Ps 23)

#### Second Reading:

"Awake, O sleeper,  
and arise from the dead,  
and Christ will give you light." (Eph 5:14)

#### Gospel:

He spat on the ground  
and made clay with the saliva,  
and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him,  
"Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" — which means  
Sent — .  
So he went and washed, and came back able to  
see. (Jn 9:6-7)

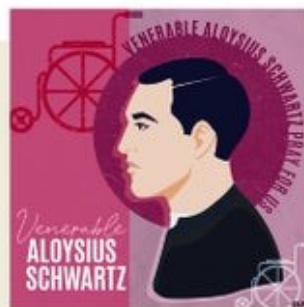
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### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The blind man showed great bravery by speaking of Christ's miracle in the face of the Pharisees' disdain. But then, how could he ignore the truth, once he had seen it? It would be a form of blindness worse than the absence of physical sight. To deny Christ would be a blindness he chose for himself.

### Observances for the week of March 19, 2023

**Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Lent  
**Monday:** St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Thursday:** St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop  
**Saturday:** The Annunciation of the Lord  
**Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Lent



### Saint of the week

Venerable Aloysius Schwartz (Father Al) spent his life embracing poverty, building hospitals, and supporting orphans in war-torn Korea, the Philippines, and the Americas. His legacy lives on through the religious orders he founded — the Sisters of Mary and the Brothers of Christ.

### Prayer

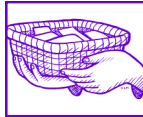
*Prayer for Venerable Aloysius Schwartz's intercession*

Almighty, ever-living God, giver of good gifts, You have filled Msgr. Al with an ardent love for You and for souls. You have inspired him to dedicate his life to relieve the suffering of the orphans, abandoned, the sick and poor, especially the youth, which he did with all humility and courage until the end of his life. May his holy life of love and service to the poor be recognized by the Church through his beatification and canonization.

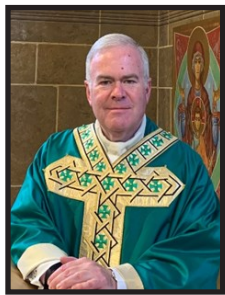
For Your honor and glory, we pray that the life of Msgr. Al, be an inspiration for us in striving for perfection in the love of God and service to others. I ask You to bestow upon me, through the intercession of Fr. Al (your intention).

I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, and the maternal aid of Mary, the Virgin of the Poor.  
Amen.

### Sunday Offerings March 12, 2023

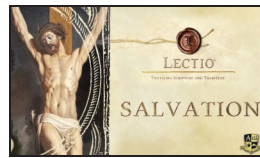


Envelopes/Loose/Youth	\$	5,006.00
Online Giving	\$	2,018.00
Total 3/12/23	\$	7,024.00
Weekly Budget (2022-2023)	\$	-9,000.00
		-1,976.00
Sunday 3/12/23	\$	7,024.00
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$	676.00
Food Pantry	\$	223.00
Candles	\$	17.00
Criterion	\$	70.00
Missions	\$	29.00
Sodality Dues	\$	85.00
Good Friday/Easter	\$	10.00
Flowers	\$	260.00
POH2	\$	100.00
TOTAL 3/12/23	\$	8,494.00



The weekend of March 25-26, 2023, Father Michael Drea will be visiting our parish on behalf of Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS). Fr. Michael Drea serves at the National Chaplain for Mission Development for FOCUS. He was ordained in 2004

by Sean Cardinal O'Malley for service in the Archdiocese of Boston. Prior to his role at FOCUS, he served for seven years as Senior Catholic Chaplain at Harvard University where he invited FOCUS to serve with him on campus. In addition, he has served as pastor for two different parishes in the Archdiocese, as well as a member of the FOCUS Board of Directors and on various other boards of trustees. Father Drea is a proud alumnus of Boston College where he received both his undergraduate and graduate degrees. FOCUS is a national organization serving college students at more than 216 campus/locations including eight international locations, 23 parish venues and 10 digital expansion campuses. More than 860 FOCUS missionaries invite college students into a relationship with Christ and His Church, while equipping them for a lifetime of Catholic evangelization. Fr. Drea is excited to be with you soon and share the hope of the New Evangelization! To learn more, please visit [www.focus.org](http://www.focus.org).



### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Lectio: Salvation New Life  
in Christ** continues on  
Wednesdays at 7p.m.

### **ATTENTION LADIES OF SAINT MARY**

Debbie Bruce and Sherry Owen invite the ladies of St. Mary Church to join us for a time of Lectio Divina. We meet in the church sanctuary and have breakout sessions in the parish office. Let us come together as a community of Catholic Christian Women and meet Jesus on His Holy Ground. Thursday at 7p.m. Bring your bible and prayer journal.

**HELP NEEDED!** If you would like to help with the St. Mary Food Pantry, please contact Annette Niehoff or Kevin Banks.

First Communion: April 16, 2023 at 1p.m.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**Each Friday of Lent**  
**at 6:00p.m in the church**



**K of C Fish Friendly Fridays**  
**During Lent - 5:30-8:00p.m.**

Baskets include fish sandwich, shrimp, frog legs or tenderloin sandwich along with fries or onion rings and slaw. Additional menu items are available. 227 E. 3rd Street 932-2277.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Doris Thoman - March 20, 2023



Want an easier way to support the parish? Enroll in Online Giving! Go to our website, [stmaryrush.org](http://stmaryrush.org) and sign up on the Online Giving link. It's that easy!

Our Sympathy to: Joe and Debbie Pavey and Russ and Linda Jenkins at the death of Harold Durbin.



### March 19, 2023 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

God asks a rhetorical and slightly sarcastic question to Samuel, the prophet: **"How long will you grieve for Saul, whom I have rejected as king of Israel?"** Like us, Samuel is depressed that the old king failed. It's painful to admit that the old regime is done. But God won't let us wallow our pity-party forever. **"I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem,"** announces the Lord, **"for I have chosen my king from among his sons."** Samuel finally goes and anoints the young David as the new king. And his kingdom is glorious; it's the golden age of Israel's earthly history.

How discouraging to see that my own selfish ego is no longer in charge! How long will I grieve that money, power, pleasure, and reputation have been rejected as the ruler of my life? How wonderful that God has a new future in store for you and me. He is sending us to Bethlehem to anoint the new David as our king. His kingdom won't fail us. He'll slay our goliaths, unite our dispersed energies, and build a Temple where God himself will dwell. So how long will you grieve? How long? — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

**CHANGING FOOTPRINTS** is in need of children's shoes and men's tennis shoes. Containers are at all church entrances. Call Ruth Koelmel, if you have any questions.

### FORMER ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISHIONERS:

St. Anne, New Castle will soon be constructing a grotto at their cemetery using the memorial bricks from the St. Rose of Lima grotto. If anyone would like to have their brick returned, please contact the St. Anne Parish Office at 765-529-0933 by the end of March.

### St. Mary Catholic School Job Openings

St. Mary Catholic School has a long tradition of academic excellence rooted in the Catholic faith. We are now accepting applications for an elementary and 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher position. These positions are for the 2023-2024 school year. If you are interested in working with a wonderful staff and student body in a faith-filled environment, please contact Pam Wells at [pwells@stmaryrush.org](mailto:pwells@stmaryrush.org) or call 765-932-3639.


Elementary Teacher Position

<https://archindy.applicantpro.com/jobs/2798357.html>

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher Position

<https://archindy.applicantpro.com/jobs/2798380.html>

### Mass Schedule: March 20 - March 26

<b>Monday</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30p.m.	No Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	No Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	No Mass
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	No Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	St. Mary Church
<b>Sunday</b>	 7:30a.m.	+Kathy Risselman (Sodality)
	10:00a.m.	+Diana Todd (Sodality)



Incense will be used at the 7:30a.m. Mass

### Servers - March 25 & 26

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Allie Hoeing & Peyton Jessup
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Keegan Pavey
	10:00a.m.	Katie Corn, Kaylee Berkemeier, Will Cowan, Vada Frazier

### Lectors - March 25 & 26

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Ruth Koelmel
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Lori Hoeing
	10:00a.m.	Marty Connerly

### Extra-Ordinary Ministers - March 25 & 26

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Mike Owen, DeeDee Small 1 Needed
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Regenia Ripberger, Anna Angle, Barbara Harcourt
	10:00a.m.	Kim L. Yager, Steve Pavey, Tom Giesting

### Ushers for March 2023

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Elbert Gordon & Dave Risselman
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Brian Hill & Edgar Fernandez
	10:00a.m.	Gary Hoeing & Family

### Money Counters:

Mar. 20	Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Diana Leising
Mar. 27	April Yager, Royanna Eck, Mary Ann Harpring, Mary Ann Beard

### Food Pantry:

Mar. 22	Kelley Carter & Julie Mahan
Mar. 27	Restock) Doug Osborne & Cindy Powers

### Ministers-to-the-Sick

March 20	Monica Neuman	March 27	Linda Jenkins
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**Congratulations!** Russ and Linda Jenkins will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on March 24, 2023.



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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: Sam Gettinger

**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, Jackie Carey, Mary Lou Carey, Benjamin Castro, Colette Connanon, Katy Curtis, Joe Downs, Juli (Joyce) Ellis, Brad Ervine, Maggie 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, 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, 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 Shoemaker, Mike Shriner, Karen Spaeth, Margaret Ann (Roberts) Speranza, Ken & Jean Stanley, David Starkey, Jane Swenson, Sue Taylor, Joe Thorpe, Gracie Tillison, Tom Moster family, 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.

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

**Residents at Flatrock River Lodge:** Virgil Herbert

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

**March Food Pantry Items :**

Applesauce, Sloppy Joe Mix,

Jell-O and Pudding.

Annette Niehoff and Kevin Banks.



**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.

**Easter Flower** monetary donations are now being accepted. Envelopes are at all church entrances or donations can be made through Online Giving. Thank you!