



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

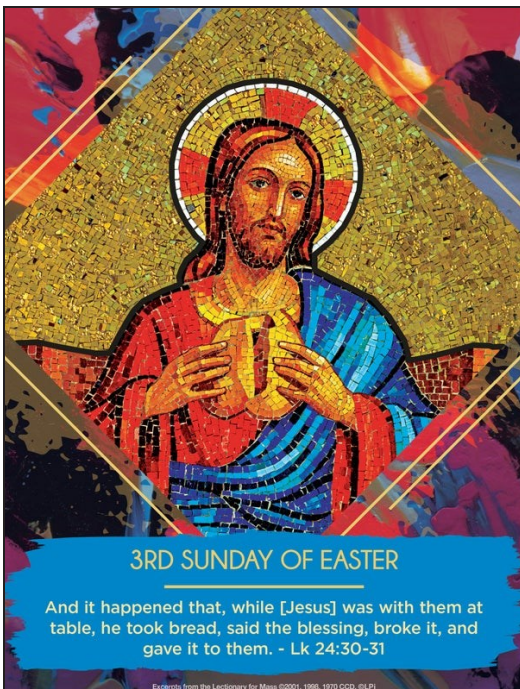
*Forming Saints for Christ and the Church*

APRIL 23, 2023  
THIRD  
SUNDAY OF  
EASTER

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



Congratulations to our second graders who celebrated their First Holy Communion on April 16, 2023. May God guide you and protect you as you continue to grow in your faith!



**REGISTRATION IS OPEN  
FOR ST. MARY CATHOLIC  
SCHOOL!**

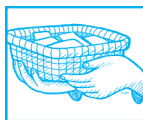
**WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW  
STUDENTS AT THIS TIME!**

**PLEASE STOP BY TO VISIT IF YOU ARE  
INTERESTED IN REGISTERING FOR THE  
2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR!**



Contact Pam Wells at 765-932-3639  
[pwells@stmaryrush.org](mailto:pwells@stmaryrush.org)

### Sunday Offerings April 16, 2023



Envelopes/Loose/Youth	\$	6,137.00
Online Giving	\$	6,801.64
Total 4/16/23	\$	12,938.64
Weekly Budget (2022-2023)	\$	<u>-9,000.00</u>
		+3,938.64
Sunday 4/16/23	\$	12,938.64
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$	535.00
Food Pantry	\$	305.00
Candles	\$	52.00
Good Friday/Holy Lands	\$	170.00
School	\$	250.00
Flowers	\$	50.00
Criterion	\$	63.00
Holy Thursday	\$	<u>70.00</u>
TOTAL 4/16/23	\$	14,433.64

**What is Eucharistic Adoration?** The practice of Eucharistic Adoration is a centuries old ritual and falls within a broader category of devotions and rituals that are associated with the Sacrament of the Eucharist. In a particular way, Eucharistic Adoration is an extension of the worship and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament that occurs in every Mass.

In a long-standing practice, a period of Eucharistic Adoration often ends with "benediction," the blessing of the faith with the Blessed Sacrament.

Several parishes throughout the United States have introduced the practice of perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, while other communities have the custom of shorter periods of Eucharistic Adoration. Care should always be taken that these periods of adoration respect the instructions outlined in *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside of Mass*, the liturgical book that gives the instructions for the proper celebration of Eucharistic Adoration.

Although adoration of the Blessed Sacrament can never take the place of Eucharistic Communion, many Catholics find great comfort and consolation in their prayers before the Eucharist enshrined in the tabernacle or when it is exposed in the monstrance (both are equally valid, as the Christ is not more present in one than in the other). But when we consider our eucharistic devotions, it is always important to remember the fundamental connection these acts of devotion have the celebration of the Eucharist in the Mass and reception of Christ in Communion. ©LPi

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

#### April Food Pantry Items :

Brownie Mix, Cereal, Ramon

Noodle, Rice Packets

Annette Niehoff and Kevin Banks.



#### **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>

Celebrate the Easter Season with inspiring music from the Rush County Chorale! The free concert is April 29 at 7:30p.m. and April 30 at 2:30p.m.



#### **GRADUATION MASS AND BREAKFAST:**

All 2023 graduating high school seniors from St. Mary are invited to the annual graduation Mass at 7:30a.m. on Sunday, May 21, 2023. The Knights of Columbus is hosting a breakfast, following Mass, for seniors and their immediate family (parents, siblings, grandparents). Please call the parish office at 765-932-2588 or e-mail Debbie at [dspaeth@stmaryrush.org](mailto:dspaeth@stmaryrush.org) by noon on Friday, 12, 2023, with your reservations.

Update Contact Information: Please contact the parish office if you have a change of address, e-mail address or phone number. It's important that we have the correct information in our records!

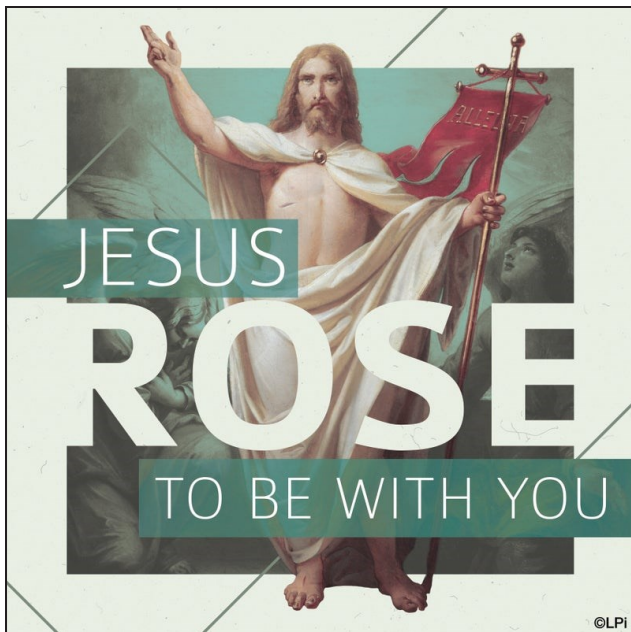


### April 23, 2023 - 3rd Sunday of Easter

I always feel a little sad when someone begins to speak to me with the words, "Father, I know you're so busy, but ..." It happens a lot. And I get it. He or she is trying to be respectful of my time. But it saddens me because a priest makes Jesus present to people in a special way, and Jesus *always* has time for us. Don't we all feel at times that God just doesn't have time for us?

Nonsense. Just look at the stunning "Road to Emmaus" story we hear this week. It's the day Jesus rose from the dead. And the Risen One appears in disguise to two disciples. He walks with them, chats with them, and eventually eats with them. It could have been hours he spends with them — two unnamed persons — in the middle of nowhere. On the day he rose from the dead!

My friends, please take this to heart: The Risen Jesus is not too busy to spend time with you! He doesn't have "better things to do." You and I are members of this crucified and risen Body. He therefore has all the time in the world to be with us. So, I challenge you this week to approach him confidently in prayer and conversation. After all, being with you and me is the reason he rose from the dead. *Father John Muir* ©LPI



Usher Schedule: Ushers for June 2023- May 2024 are currently being scheduled. Ushers are especially needed for the Saturday 5:30p.m in March. If you are willing to help, please contact Doug Osborne or Debbie Spaeth.

### Mass Schedule: April 24 – April 30

<b>Monday</b>		No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30p.m.	+Luzia Herbert
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30a.m.	+Barbara Herbert
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30a.m.	+Chuck Niccum
<b>Friday</b>	8:30a.m.	+Brian Sutter
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30p.m.	+Jim Joyce
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30a.m.	+Zelda Patterson
	10:00a.m.	St. Mary Church



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

### Servers - April 29 & 30

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Jocelyn Schwering & Peyton Jessup
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Keegan Pavey
	10:00a.m.	Micah & Hudson Harpring, Vada Frazier

### Lectors - April 29 & 30

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Cecilia Orr
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Regenia Ripberger
	10:00a.m.	Sofia Kemple

### Extra-Ordinary Ministers - April 29 & 30

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Dee Small, Barb Musgrave 1 Needed
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Mark Neuman, Ken Schroeder, Melanie Krieger
	10:00a.m.	Kevin Spilman, Kevin & Debbie Banks

### Ushers for April 2023

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Mike McCallister & Andrew Connolly
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Joe Niedenthal & Bruce Carter
	10:00a.m.	Joe Pavey & Gary Yager

### Money Counters:

April 24	April Yager, Royanna Eck, Mary Ann Harpring, Mary Ann Beard
May 1	Susie Case, Robin Land, Mary Marlett, Jane Pavey

### Food Pantry:

April 24	(Restock) Carmony Family
April 26	Cindy Powers & Kim Shanahan

### Ministers-to-the-Sick

April 24	Monica Neuman	May 1	Diane Gordon
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"The Lord is risen, it is true!" Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, sisters and brother. If you think God may be inviting you to such a vocation, please contact Father James.

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**Pam Wells, Principal**

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**Ashley Busald, School Secretary**

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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, Alice Dickerson, 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 Kneeven, 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, Brenda Munchel, Kelly Jarman Munchel, Greg Musgrave, Mike Neeb, 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, 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, Donna Williams, Harper Williams, Jack & CarolAnn Woelfel.

**For those proudly serving our country:** 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, Tim Meer, Dee Salzmman, Doris Thoman.

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

A Natural Family Planning Class is held the first Sunday of the month, from 9a.m. to 12 Noon in Batesville. This class is taught in one session. The Sympto-Thermal method is 98% effective, natural, and safe. There is a \$40 fee for books and materials. For reservations, call or text Aly (812)212-4951 or Michael (812)212-2719.

Thank you to Father Brockmeier, Deacon John Mahon, Jane Ariens, Annette Niehoff, servers, and Jennifer Tanksley for the Mass; to the committee for the delicious dinner, to Todds for their arrangements. We also thank all who visited, sent prayers, flowers, cards and made donations in Chuck's memory.

*The family of Charles Niccum*