



H-E IS RISEN!

THE WEEK AHEAD**TUESDAY – APRIL 14**

Rosary for the unborn – 11:30 a.m. – church
 Card Party – 1:00-4:00 p.m. – ed. building
 Maintenance – 7:00 p.m. - rectory

WEDNESDAY – APRIL 15

Religious Ed. classes – 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY – APRIL 16

RCIC & RCIA – 6:00 p.m.
 ACT Team – 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – APRIL 18/19

Baptismal weekend

PRAYER REQUESTS**Please pray for the sick and suffering and their families of our parish and community:**

Kay Barnes, Anna Deputy, Jameson Friend, Gerald Hall, Mary Hensley, Paul Huber, Dale Koors, Leonard & Margaret Mauer, Theresa Mauer, Dorothy Maupin, Kaitlin Miller, Aaron McCrary, Dale & Bev Phillips, Bessie Ploeger, Gish Ray, Donna Roberts, & Kortney Snyder.

Please pray for all of our armed forces serving both abroad and in the U.S.

especially for: Stephen AmRhein, Ben Buening, Joe Davis, Chris Gauck, Adam Herbert, Edward Hurt, Travis Kohrman, Jeff McNeal, Joe McCullough, Steve Redmon, Kevin Rohr, Victor Tumilty, Brent Wright. If you have a friend or loved one that you would like to add to our prayer list, please call the parish office @ 663-8427. They will remain on our list for 4 weeks.

**WEBSITE**

www.stmarysgreensburg.com

BULLETIN DEADLINE

All bulletin articles will need to be in the office (e-mailed or written) no later than 11:00 a.m. on Monday.

ddavis@stmarysgreensburg.com

We wish all of you many blessings this Easter Season. Enjoy the day.

St. Mary's Parish Staff

Registration and Rehearsal Information for 175th Jubilee Choir

Singers from throughout the archdiocese are invited to participate in the choir for the Mass celebrating the 175th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, 3 p.m. on May 3, 2009.

The choir will be seated near the alter area in the stadium and is open to anyone high school age or older.

Choir members are required to participate in two rehearsals. The first rehearsal will be Wednesday, April 29, 7-9 p.m. here at St. Mary's. The second rehearsal will be held on May 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Lucas Oil Stadium.

At the first rehearsal, members will receive a music booklet for the Mass. They will also need a copy of the SATB octavo, *The Lord Is My Shepherd* (Psalm 23) by Thomas Matthews, available at the rehearsal for \$2.00.

To register for the choir, send your name with the date and location of the initial rehearsal you will attend to worship@archindy.org, or leave a message at 317-236-1483.

Divine Mercy Sunday – April 19

Next weekend is designated as Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a devotional day established by our late Holy Father, John Paul II and recognizes the abundant mercy of God offered to us through Christ.

A Divine Mercy, Holy Hour of private prayer and veneration of the Image will begin at 2:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon ending with the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Please join us for this celebration of Divine Mercy and recall the words of St. Paul, "I have been crucified with Christ, it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." (Gal 2:20)

1st Eucharist Masses – Our second grade students will come to the table of the Lord for the 1st time on April 25 at a 6:00 p.m. mass and April 26 at the regular scheduled 11:00 a.m. mass. Let us keep these children in our thoughts and prayers as they experience God's love for them, especially at this wondrous time in their lives. May they allow Christ to enter their hearts. Parishioners that do not have a family member or friend involved in these masses might like to choose a different mass time to attend. Many of the pews will be reserved for families and we like to keep the remaining pews available for other family and friends attending.

Adoration Chapel

Chapel will re-open at 6:00 a.m. Easter Sunday.

We need a permanent adorer for Wednesday @ 3:00 p.m. Please call Monica O'Brien, 663-2514, if you can pray at this hour on a weekly or alternate basis. Thanks for your help!!!

alleluia

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School - "2009 Discovery Canyon". June 8-12.

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. We need many **volunteers**, age 14 or older to help as group leaders, aids, craft leaders, snack helpers, decorations, and cutting things out ahead of time. Registration materials for your children were sent home last week from school and Wednesday night religious ed. class. They are also available at the parish office.

DONATIONS – Our "Bible School Donation Quilt" set up again this year with many items we can use for our Vacation Bible School. (We took it down for Easter Weekend) There are only a couple of items left to be donated. If you would like to donate, please call the office and we'll get one of the tags to you. The items can be brought to the parish office by April 27.

A few other items we are collecting are paper towel tubes, **no more** egg cartons, old metal keys (not plastic), pint size glass canning jars, Pringles lids, and a few fabric remnants. These can be brought to the parish office as soon as you have them. Thanks for your help!

Jameson Friend 16 year old son of Brian and Suzette Friend was in a serious car accident March 28. He remains in Methodist Hospital in critical condition. If you would like to donate money for his medical expenses an account has been set up in his name at Napoleon State Bank. Donations can be sent in care of Jameson Friend Fund at Napoleon State Bank, 1221 W. Westridge Parkway, Greensburg, IN 47240

Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary 2009

All married couples of the Archdiocese who have been married 50 years, including those who will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2009 are invited to attend the 175th Jubilee Anniversary mass at Lucas Oil Stadium on Sunday, May 3, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. (EDT). Archbishop Daniel Buechlain O.S.B. will celebrate the archdiocesan-wide Mass and couples will be recognized at the event with designated seating on the floor of Lucas Oil Stadium. Registration form can be obtained online at <http://www.archindy.org/family/jubilee-form01.html> and completed forms can be emailed to mhess@archindy.org. For more information, contact the Office of Family Ministries, 317-236-1586 or 1-800-382-9836, ext. 1586.

Prayer for Our Campaign

Heavenly Father, who gathers us into Your church; You have blessed us and St. Mary's Parish abundantly. We give you thanks for all that you have given and for this community of believers.

Give us the humility to listen to you and hear each other. Help us see clearly where we are and what you would like us to be and accomplish.

Send the Holy Spirit to guide us on our journey of hope and commitment. Open our minds and our hearts to evoke our passion to be like Christ and follow His mission for us.

Fuel us with love, focus us with faith and fill our hearts with joy at this opportunity to generously serve You.

Help us to give our best and to receive the best that others can give.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
Amen.

Dear Community,

Happy Easter. May the risen Lord bestow upon you his choicest blessings as we raise ourselves up to a closer relationship with Jesus and one another.

There is school on Easter Monday, another make-up snow day.

There is a K of C meeting this Tuesday night. If you are a member of the Knights of Columbus and haven't been to a meeting lately, it's time for you to get involved in this fraternal organization.

You are invited to Norb Kramer's chapel for Mass this Thursday evening. All the RCIA people who were received into the church this Easter will be there. Bring a covered dish.

The 7th & 8th grade retreat will be here at St. Mary's on Saturday and Sunday April 18/19. Thanks to our youth minister and the parents of our 7th & 8th children who will be working at the retreat.

First Communion practice will be at 9:00 and 9:45 a.m. on Saturday April 18.

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, April 19th, in our church.

Nearly 2,000 years ago, if you can imagine that many sunrises, the shrouded body of Jesus was resting on a stone bench. He lay in darkness and silence during the Sabbath day. And then came dawn and his glorious resurrection.

Pilgrims to the Holy Land find this revered site in a small chapel in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. A marble slab marks the place where the body of Christ was laid. A vase with candles marks the spot where his head rested. On this Easter Sunday, we stand at the edge of time and try to comprehend the cornerstone of faith. We can touch the stone where once he lay, but in touching it, we are like Thomas, who needed to put his fingers into Jesus' side.

For your Consideration

There is one guaranteed formula for failure, and that is to try to please everyone.

No obstacle will ever leave you the way it found you.

Fear of becoming a has-been keeps some people from becoming anything. (Eric Hoffer)

Say no too many good ideas, say yes to the great ones.

Keep smiling, **Msgr. Knueven**

✠ MASS INTENTIONS**MONDAY – APRIL 13****7:15 a.m.** Rose Powers**TUESDAY – APRIL 14****7:15 a.m.** Larry Simons
Marjorie Hahn**WEDNESDAY – APRIL 15****7:15 a.m.** Cecilia & Henry Wessler
8:30 a.m. Marilyn Lowe**THURSDAY – APRIL 16****7:15 a.m.** Richard H. Nobbe
2:30 p.m. Nettie Grote
Hickory Creek Nursing Home Mass**FRIDAY – APRIL 17****7:15 a.m.** James O'Brien**SATURDAY – APRIL 18****4:30 p.m.** Susan Stier**SUNDAY – APRIL 19****7:00 a.m.** Paul & Jim Volk
9:00 a.m. For all people
11:00 a.m. Robert Wolter**✠ SERVERS****WEEKDAY/APRIL 13-17****7:15 a.m.** Molly Oesterling
Alexandra Louder**SATURDAY – APRIL 18****4:30 p.m.** Austin Diekhoff – Taylor Reed**SUNDAY – APRIL 19****7:00 a.m.** Brandon Hempstead–Joel Chase
9:00 a.m. Megan Blankman
Jessica Hensley
11:00 a.m. Brent Bohman – Blake Thomas**✠ EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS****SATURDAY – APRIL 18****4:30 p.m.** Deb Greiwe – Rita Hellmich
Diane Humpert – Priscilla Kramer
Bert McQueen – Sandy Meyer**SUNDAY – APRIL 19****7:00 p.m.** Linda Ricke – Vince Schwering
Paul & Irene Schwering
Carol Schwendenmann – Rita Schoentrup
9:00 a.m. Steve & Mary Adam
Denny Doerflinger – Carol Blasdel
Claude & Dott Bilbrey
11:00 a.m. Darlene Banks – Jen Blankman
Maryellen Connor – Angie Fontanilla
Dennis Hagerty – Marietta Hagerty**✠ LECTORS****SATURDAY – APRIL 18****4:30 p.m.** Linda Greiwe**SUNDAY – APRIL 19****7:00 a.m.** Scott Johnson
9:00 a.m. Anna Rayner
11:00 a.m. Donna Swinford**Yard Need Mowing?**

My name is Donovan Meyer and I am 11 years old. I am interested in mowing yards this summer at a reasonable rate. I have my own lawn mower. If you need your yard mowed, I am the guy for the job. Please call me at 527-2093.

The **St. Lawrence Ladies Auxiliary** will meet Thursday, April 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of St. John Hall. **Note:** change of date

St. John the Evangelist Parish in Enochsburg will be sponsoring a breakfast to benefit their Scholarship Fund on April 19th at the St. John Church Hall from 7:30 am until 12:00 pm. The menu will consist of biscuits and gravy, whole hog sausage, pancakes, and homemade coffee cakes. A free will offering will be accepted with all proceeds going towards the St. John's Scholarship Fund.

Daughters of Isabella Monthly Meeting, Thursday April 16, at 7:30 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. This is our regular monthly meeting, chairpersons for the meeting are Priscilla Kramer and Ellen Witkemper. All members are ask to come and enjoy this meeting. Please remember if you haven't paid your 2009 Dues, please do so as soon as possible. And just an early reminder about the **Grad. Dinner** on April 30 at 6:30pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Knights of Columbus all you can eat Spaghetti Supper will take place Friday, April 24 from 5:00-7:30 p.m. You can also enjoy a salad bar with all of the trimmings, wine and ice cream for dessert. Cost: Adults/\$8.00, Kids/\$4:00 children 6-12 yrs. and \$2.00 children 5 yrs. and under. See you there!

The **Daughters of Isabella** cordially invites you to join St. Mary's Circle #75, of Greensburg, Indiana. We need dedicated women to bring new ideas, fun, talent and charity to our organization.

The Daughters of Isabella is a Catholic women's charitable organization whose motto is "Unity, Friendship, and Charity". Any Catholic woman age 16 or older may join.

In order to fulfill the directive of charity, St. Mary's Circle #75 sends monthly donations to the Free Health Clinic, New Directions, and the Pregnancy Care Center. Four \$500 scholarships are given every year to our 3 county schools and a local Daughters of Isabella member's child. These are only a few of the many worthwhile causes we donate to throughout the year.

Our annual fund-raisers, which enable us to support the various charities, include a food booth at Power of the Past, a Smorgasbord in November, and a garage sale every 2 years. Although this sounds like hard work, we have a good time working together and sharing each other's fellowship.

Please consider joining the Daughters of Isabella and enjoy the fellowship our circle has to offer. Our meetings are held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Greensburg, Indiana on the 4th Thursday of each month unless circumstances dictate otherwise.

For an application or answers to questions, please contact Karen Conley at 812-527-2504 or dkconley@hsonline.net with D of I in the subject line. I am looking forward to hearing from you. Sincerely, Karen Conley, Daughters of Isabella St. Mary's Circle #75 Regent Greensburg, Indiana

Please Welcome 2009 RCIA New Parishioners



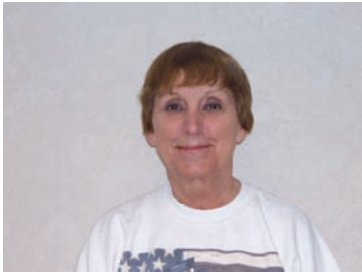
Jill Bedel ~ is married to Greg and has one daughter Amelia. They are expecting their second child in July. Jill is a RN at DCMH. She would like to become Catholic to have a closer relationship with God and to unite their family under one faith.



Bruce Bowman III ~ is 18. He was raised by his grandparents in Jennings county, but he now lives in Westport. He has finished high school classes and will graduate from Jennings County in May 2009 and is currently looking for a job. His grandma was Catholic and his grandpa was a Christian minister. He attends Mass with his girlfriend, Wakenda Gillenwater, and decided to learn more about the Catholic religion. He is looking forward to becoming Catholic this Easter.



Mark Dietrich ~ is married to Rhonda Holman. They both work in Greensburg, Mark at Gecom, and Rhonda at The Magic Act Salon. His hobbies include playing music and working on antique cars. The reason he wants to join the church is not only for his own spirituality but also because he feels it is very important to be a family in the church. He has seen the good from it in Rhonda's family and wants the same for his own.



Carol Doerflinger ~ Her sponsor is her husband Denny whom she married in June 2008. Her daughter Barbara is married to Derek Jacobs, and they have one daughter Cara. Her son Gary died in a bicycle accident at age 19. She is retired from GE Wellman in Shelbyville where she was an electrical design engineer, and she owned a small grocery store. The RCIA class has been a multi-faceted, educational, joyous experience. She feels warmly welcomed by the RCIA team and St. Mary's Parish.



Brian Fruchtnicht ~ is married to Nancy Kramer. He works for Hirt & Ellco out of Batesville. They are expecting their first child in July. He enjoys farming and hunting and hopes to farm full time. He is learning more about the Catholic faith to grow in faith with his wife.



Benjamin Lutterbach ~ is engaged to Beth Koors; they are planning a June 20, 2009 wedding. He is a student at IUPUI studying Psychology, and eventually plans to attend Butler for music composition. He has a friend that is becoming a priest and has learned a lot from him and in RCIA class. He likes and agrees with the Catholic religion's beliefs.



Cynthia McCullough ~ married John this past July. They currently do not have children. She is taking RCIA because she wants to learn more about the Catholic religion and because she wants to be on the same page as her husband.



Jan Thoman ~ is a graduate of Marian College with a Bachelor's degree in business. She works for Cumulus Media Partners in Indianapolis. In her spare time she enjoys camping, reading, canoeing, and watching the University of Michigan football games. She grew up around a Catholic family but was never baptized or confirmed. She feels it is the right time in her life to make this change and is excited about becoming a member of Catholic church.



Matthew Slaven ~ is 27. He and his wife Cindy have been married for 2 1/2 years and live just outside Greensburg. "We both acknowledge that we have been very blessed our whole lives and happy to have found one another." He is an English teacher at Jac-Cen-Del for about 5 years and Cindy works for the State Board of Accounts. He has decided to learn more about the Catholic faith because Cindy was raised Catholic and when they have children, he would like to have the same religious beliefs and practices.



Melanie Spears ~ has been married to her husband Jason for 8 years. They have two children, Brendan is 6 and a first grader at North Decatur and Blake is 4. She has been a hairdresser in Greensburg for the last 14 years. She has chosen to learn more about the Catholic faith because she feels that it will help her family to be more on the same page when it comes to their faith. Her oldest son started attending CCD and it made her realize the importance of faith, which is why she signed up for RCIA.



Gregg Steinhofer ~ is single and employed at Batesville Casket. His parents were married in the Catholic Church and he recalls going to Mass as a small child. At some point, they quit attending Mass. Through the difficult times in life, friends suggested that her turn to God for help and strength. Not feeling as though he had a relationship with God, that didn't seem to be a viable option. At the present stage in his life, things are going well and he feels the desire to bring the Lord into his life. Indiana is the sixth different state that he has lived in, and where he wants to make his home.



Jeremiah Westerfeld ~ is married to Jodi and has one daughter Regan who is 6. He got out of the Army in the fall of 2008 and is currently unemployed. He is in the RCIA to instill faith and Catholic values in his daughter and to help himself find some peace of mind.



Jodi Westerfeld ~ is married to Jeremiah. They have one daughter Regan. She is a Respiratory Therapist at Columbus Regional Hospital. She is becoming Catholic to better understand faith and to give her daughter a faith filled life.

Please Welcome 2009 RCIC New Parishioners



Alex Martinez ~ Hola! I am a student at Greensburg Elementary. I love football and am looking forward to being baptized.



Sabrina Hilbert ~ Hi, I'm 10 and in the 4th grade at Greensburg Elementary. I really like my teacher Mrs. Craven. I really like learning about Jesus.



Valeria Martinez ~ Hola! I am 14 years old and go to Greensburg Jr. High. I am so excited to get baptized. I go to CCD as well as choir; I love every minute of it.



Isabel Perez ~ I am nine years old and in the 3rd grade. I go to Greensburg Elementary.



Kevin Romero ~ Hi! I am 9 1/2 years old and I go to Greensburg Elementary.



Alex Pokrzywinski ~ I am 11 years old. My favorite sport is football. I also go to Greensburg Elementary School.



Zach Pokrzywinski ~ I am 10 years old and I play football at Greensburg. I am in the 4th grade at Greensburg Elementary.



Victor Albaine ~ I like going to church. I have one brother and I love baseball.

Youth News

Andi's email: andmackee44@yahoo.com

Bible Verse of the Week: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. ~ Colossians 3:1 (today's 2nd reading)

Jesus is alive!!!

Easter Season

Easter and the Easter season are the primary focus of the liturgical year. Easter celebrates the wonder and joy of Christ's Resurrection, the central mystery of our faith. The Easter season goes on for fifty days after Easter, until the feast of Pentecost. During this time the Sunday readings focus on the appearances of the risen Christ and on the growth of the early Church (found in the Acts of the Apostles). It is a time of joy and hope, for death has been overcome and Christ has made us all heirs to the Kingdom of God. Because of the events of Easter, we dare to hope for our own Resurrection and eternal life with God.

This season is marked with two special feasts. Forty days after Easter, on the Ascension of the Lord (although this is a Thursday, it is celebrated in many dioceses on the following Sunday), we remember how Jesus said farewell to his disciples in order to live in glory with his heavenly Father and to be present to all his followers without the limitations of time and space. Fifty days after Easter, we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles at Pentecost. After Pentecost the second period of Ordinary Time continues, until another liturgical year begins on the first Sunday of Advent.

~ excerpt from *The Catholic Faith Handbook for Youth* a Saint Mary's Press publication

BIRTHDAYS

April 12th – 18th

Sun: Courtney Ray

Corey Zeigler

Mon: Luke Schmidt

Tues: Vicki Thomas

Alexis Bailey

Natasha Rather

Wed: Alex Simmermeyer

Thurs:

Fri: Scott Wenning

Brent Bohman

Sat:

Where did the tradition of Easter Eggs come from?

"Because the use of eggs was forbidden during Lent, they were brought to the table on Easter Day, colored red to symbolize the Easter joy. This custom is found not only in the Latin but also in the Oriental Churches. The symbolic meaning of a new creation of mankind by Jesus risen from the dead was probably an invention of later times. The custom may have its origin in paganism, for a great many pagan customs, celebrating the return of spring, gravitated to Easter. The egg is the emblem of the germinating life of early spring. Easter eggs, the children are told, come from Rome with the bells which on Thursday go to Rome and return Saturday morning. The sponsors in some countries give Easter eggs to their god-children. Colored eggs are used by children at Easter in a sort of game which consists in testing the strength of the shells (Kraus, Real-Encyklop die, s. v. Ei). Both colored and uncolored eggs are used in some parts of the United States for this game, known as "egg-picking". Another practice is the "egg-rolling" by children on Easter Monday on the lawn of the White House in Washington."

--*The Catholic Encyclopedia*

~ excerpt from <http://www.foodtimeline.org/easter.html>

St. Mary's Faith Formation

Questions of the Week **April 12, 2009** The Resurrection of the Lord

Reading I: Acts 10:34a, 37-43 (We Are Witnesses)
Reading II: Colossians 3:1-4 (Seek What Is Above)

Gospel: John 20:1-9 (The Empty Tomb)

Adults How well do I recognize the presence of the Risen Christ in the poor, in the sacraments, and in the Church?

Children Do I remember that Jesus is alive in my heart and I can always tell him that I love him?

The Economic Crisis & Your Marriage

Find out how the economic crisis is impacting your marriage, and take time to talk openly about the issues as a family.
http://www.foryourmarriage.org/interior_template.asp?id=20399024

Marriage Tips

"Enjoy life with the wife whom you love all the days of the fleeting life granted you" (Ecclesiastes 9:9). Life is short. Today, treat your spouse as if it were the last day of his/her life.

"Example is not the main thing in influencing others. It is the only thing" (Albert Schweitzer). If you want to change your spouse, try changing yourself first.

Easter Hope

* Stop Worrying. If Jesus had issued an order to worry constantly, many of us would have achieved complete compliance. Jesus' command is just the opposite: "Do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will take care of itself"(Mt 6:34). Jesus isn't saying we shouldn't think about the future, but he is telling us that we mustn't let worry about things that haven't happened - and may never happen - run and ruin our lives. To help, memorize (and then live by) St. Paul's words in Philippians 4:6-7: "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS – LET OUR “SENIOR” CLASS SERVE YOU!

We the Senior Religious Education Class of St. Mary's will be offering a service project to the "seniors" within our parish who are in need of a little yard work after the winter season has passed. Two Wednesday evenings have been set aside for us to share our stewardship and to make a difference within our community. Wednesday, April 15 and Wednesday, April 22

Call Brian and Patti Wenning at (812)663-4757 to reserve your spot. Space will be limited so call early so we may pencil you in for your hour time slot. This is a free service and ask for nothing in return. Thank you! ☺

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| April 19 | Divine Mercy Sunday |
| <p>God's mercy is given to all of us. Today, extend mercy to someone who has hurt you, forgiving him or her in the name of Jesus.</p> | |

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