



February 3, 2008

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Holy days and weekday masses – check the bulletin

Saturday – 4:30 p.m.

Sunday – 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday – 4:00 p.m.

#### BAPTISM

Expectant couples/parents of newly born children,  
contact the office for information.

#### MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the parish office at least 6  
months before the wedding and prior to making  
other arrangements.

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA is a process through which adults are fully  
initiated into the Catholic faith. For more  
information, please call the parish office.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday / 8:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome new parishioners. Come by or call the  
office to register. When moving out of the parish,  
changing address, phone number or any other  
information, please notify the parish office.

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Due in the parish office by e-mail or in writing by  
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**THE WEEK AHEAD****TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 12**

Rosary for the unborn – 11:30 a.m. – Church  
 Card Party – 1:00-4:00 p.m. – Ed. Building  
 Adult Choir – 6:00 p.m. – Church  
 Maintenance – 6:30 p.m. - Rectory

**WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 13**

Religious Ed. – 6:30 p.m.  
 Confirmation large group – 6:30 p.m. - gym

**THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 14**

RCIC – 5:30 p.m. – Parish Office  
 RCIA – 7:00 p.m. – Ed. Bldg.

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

Betty Behlmer, Rick Blair, Danny Burgmeier, Bret Dwenger, Dorothy Hardebeck, Paul Huber, Jacob Johnson, Rob Karmon, Lynda Keillor, Clifford Knueven, Paul Koors, June Laudsborg, Aaron McCrary, Tim McNeal, Ralph Meer, Kaitlyn Miller, Roy Miller, Larry & Nellie Pfeister, Gish Ray, Dottie Ricke, Ruby Rodenbeck, Lawrence Schoettmer, Delores Simon, Dona Thomas, Amy Tonges, Clarence Veerkamp, Andy & Regina Weaver & Gary Wilkerson.

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

**especially for:** Ben Brancamp, Joe Davis, Chris Gauck, Jonathan Gibson, Adam Herbert, Todd Lecher, Jeff McNeal, Daniel Padgett, Brent Wright & Francis Young.

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.

# LENT

**WEBSITE**

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**Lent 2008*****“To Be Transfigured – Body, Mind, & Spirit”***

Our Lenten journey begins with the celebration of Ash Wednesday, February 6th. Once again the Church gives us an invitation to change, *“to be transfigured,”* a special “spring cleaning” so to speak. We should be different in some way by the time we reach Holy Week.—Through the three disciplines of Lent—**PRAYER, FASTING, AND ALMSGIVING**, we are given many opportunities to be *“transfigured.”* During our Lenten journey we will pray for the strength to take responsibility for our thoughts, our words, and our actions—for what we have done and what we have failed to do. Then, “together” with the great gift of God’s grace, we journey through this season of Lent and Holy Week, hoping to reach the goal of EASTER with joy in our hearts.—As a community of believers, we will make Easter visible to everyone, growing in His love and accepting God’s invitation to follow His teaching of **“LOVING and FORGIVING.”**

*“Loving and forgiving are you, O Lord; slow to anger, rich in kindness, Loving and forgiving are you.”*

Many opportunities will be provided to help us as we begin our journey to **“be transfigured” in body, mind, and spirit.**

Each family will receive Lenten booklets for family prayer – **BE RENEWED.** Also families of students in Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be receiving special Lenten calendars. All Junior/High and High School will be receiving Scriptural bookmarks to use during the Lenten season.

**Family Stations of the Cross** will be prayed every Friday evening during lent, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

**Religious Ed families (and anyone else wishing to pray this special Lenten devotion.)**

– This Lenten season we will also be praying the Stations of the Cross, along with the opportunity to receive the Holy Eucharist, each Wednesday evening as part of the Religious Education program. Stations of the Cross will begin at 6:45 p.m. and last approximately 30 minutes. This will give many of you who do not have the opportunity to take part in a Lenten devotion, a time for prayer. Realizing many parents use this time for shopping, we hope praying together for 30 minutes will still give you enough time to do your Wal-Mart run. We’ll be hoping to see you there.

**The Assembly’s Book of Petitions** will once again be placed in the rear of church for your special intentions. Each weekend we will pray for the intentions of the assembly.

**Easter duty** is the obligation to receive Holy Communion sometime between the first Sunday of Lent, and Trinity Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Fast, abstinence rules for Lent:** Ash Wednesday was February 6th which marks the beginning of Lent. This solemn season is a penitential period that leads to the celebration for Easter, on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Ash Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> and Good Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> are days of complete fast and abstinence. **FAST** binds all over 18 and less than 59 years of age. On the days of fast, one full meal is allowed, two small meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one’s needs, but together they should not equal one full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. **ABSTINENCE** binds all over age 14. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. (NOTE: When health or ability to work is affected, the law does not apply.)

**Lent 2008 con't**

Mark Your Calendars! Our community is having a Parish Mission starting Sunday evening, February 24<sup>th</sup> and ending Thursday evening February 28<sup>th</sup>. This will be a great time to be encouraged in our faith and to help bring us closer to our Lord Jesus. Plan to be there...and bring a friend!

**New Bible Study – The Resurrection and the Life** – Begins the week of February 10<sup>th</sup>. Jesus is God's greatest victory and likewise he is the fulfillment of humanity's deepest longing. Because of the resurrection of Jesus, a new age has dawned and life will never be the same again. What exactly did happen on Easter morning? Why did it impel the disciples to begin a journey that would transform the world? This book will help you understand what the Scriptures teach us about our own resurrection and how that hope gives purpose to everything we do.

Please call the parish office no later than February 4 to sign up for this 6-week study. Indicate if you prefer to meet in the morning or evening for your session and give a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice of days that work best for you. You will receive a letter letting you know when your group will meet.

**Adoration Chapel** - We need **permanent adorers** for the following hours: **Tuesday/5:00 p.m. & Saturday/7:00 p.m.** Please call Monica O'Brien at 663-2514 if you can take on a permanent or rotation basis. Thanks!

Just a reminder that **The St. Lawrence Auxiliary** will meet on Thursday evening, February 14 at 7:30 PM at the Knights of St. John Hall for their regular meeting.

The **Greensburg & Millhousen Knights of St. John** will serve Chili and Mock Turtle Soup, Hot Dogs, Cookies and Drinks 11:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at the Greensburg Knights of St. John hall on S. Wilder St. Carry-outs available. Free will offering will be taken. Everyone is welcome.

**Fred Peers**, a parishioner of our parish needs a ride to the 9:00 a.m. mass on Sunday. Prefer another gentleman or a married couple. If you can help; please call Mr. Peers at 663-8553.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR MEALS** – As you know, Fr. Justin Belitz will be with us for our parish mission in February. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to prepare an evening meal for Fr. Justin and Msgr. Knueven. We need a meal each evening beginning February 23—28. For more information or to volunteer please contact Anita at the parish office, 663-8427. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

**Thank You**

The family of Robert McFarland wishes to express our gratitude to all of those who served our father and husband, both spiritually and physically, during his past four years at the Odd Fellow Home. Your expressions of sympathy at his passing were also very appreciated.

**Please pick up your pictorial directory at the parish office.**

**Dear Community,**

I had an appointment with my doctor about my throat on February 1 and he said my vocal chords look OK now, but I'll see you in two months.

I will attend the Batesville Deanery Council of Catholic Women at St. Anthony's at Morris this Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

We will have an evening of renewal for all ministers this Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the church led by Sister Mildred Wannemuechler, O.S.B.

Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will be honored at the 8:30 a.m. mass this Wednesday.

Fr. Clifford Vogeang will cover all the Masses this weekend. I will be on retreat with CRHP men.

If you are engaged and want to participate in the Pre-Cana program, the next program will be February 17 at St. Louis Church, Batesville in the Library from 1-6 p.m. Call so they know you are coming.

A college student was taking his final exam in Philosophy 101. On the test paper there was only a single line, which read: "Is this a question? Discuss."

After a short time, the student wrote: "If that is a question, then this is an answer."

He got an A on the exam.

Today's gospel describes the transfiguration of Jesus, as the disciples witnessed the blinding light, the prophetic vision and the voice speaking from the cloud. If the disciples had any questions about this Jesus they were following, the Transfiguration was the astounding answer.

It is not always easy to say the right thing on the spur of the moment. We can sympathize with the chap who met an old friend after many years. "How is your wife?" "She is in heaven," replied the friend. "You must be joking!" "Oh, I'm sorry," stammered the chap. Then he realized this was not the thing to say. "I mean," He stammered, "I'm glad." That seemed even worse so he blurted, "Well, what I really mean is, I'm surprised."

Keep smiling, Msgr. Knueven

**Vacation Bible School – Rainforest  
Adventure  
June 9-13, 2008**

**MASS INTENTIONS****MONDAY – FEBRUARY 11****7:15 a.m.** Communion Service**TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 12****7:15 a.m.** Wilmer Platt**WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 13****7:15 a.m.** Dorothy Welage**8:30 a.m.** Kathleen Fry**THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 14****7:15 a.m.** Larry Simons**2:30 p.m.** Harry Young

(Heritage House Nursing Home)

**FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 15****7:15 a.m.** Ed Kinker, Sr.**SATURDAY/SUNDAY – FEB. 16/17****4:30 p.m.** Hubert Meyer**7:00 a.m.** Leo & Rosie Westrick**9:00 a.m.** Howard Maudlin**11:00 a.m.** For all people**SERVERS****WEEKDAY/FEB. 12-15 (Tues., Weds., Thurs., Fri.)****7:15 a.m.** Madison Bower – Tori Giddings**SATURDAY/SUNDAY – FEB. 16/17****4:30 p.m.** Dustin & Amanda Sherman**7:00 a.m.** Karen & Sarah Herbert**9:00 a.m.** Lauren & Jamie Reed**11:00 a.m.** Alexandra & Mikayla Rather**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS****SATURDAY/SUNDAY – FEB. 16/17****4:30 p.m.** Betty Baker – Irene Schutte

Mike &amp; Christy Bokelman

Barb Brown – Ruth Springmeyer

**7:00 a.m.** Gabriel & Lydia Abellada

Vince Schwering – Jeremy Sherman

Sheila Kirchhoff – Marge Bruns

**9:00 a.m.** Shirley Ryle – Sara Stier

Chris &amp; Kristy Tebbe

Ann Weigel – Barb Schasney

**11:00 a.m.** Angie Wessler – Bill Powers

Ernie &amp; Patty Stephens

Dennis Hagerty – Lindsay Hart

**LECTORS****SATURDAY/SUNDAY – FEB. 16/17****4:30 p.m.** Rosemary Schroeder**7:00 a.m.** Donna Stewart**9:00 a.m.** Scott Johnson**11:00 a.m.** Theresa Schwering**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.**

The **Pastoral Council** is in the process of preparing a list of candidates for nomination to be on the ballot for the Pastoral Council election this spring. Nominations for the ballot will be discerned by the council & Fr. Knueven. Three people will be presented to the parish during the annual election this spring. The person elected will serve a three (3) year term. Anyone interested in sharing their time and talent by serving on the Pastoral Council is encouraged to contact Donna Lecher, Pastoral Council Chairperson, to express your interest. Also, please contact any current Pastoral Council member with any questions.

**Music Ministers** - You are invited to participate in a Lenten Retreat for Pastoral Musicians presented by Fr. William Munshower at the Fatima Retreat House, Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please call Joan if you are interested.

**All Liturgical Ministers (Usher, Greeters, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Music Ministers, Art & Environment)**

Mark your calendars for an evening of enrichment and fellowship this Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. in the gym. Sister Mildred Wannemuehler, OSB is our speaker for the evening and she will talk about commitment. See you there!!

*Christ Renews His Parish* (CRHP) **Men's Weekend – February 16 & 17, 2008** - We are very excited about being able to offer this program at St. Mary's. We ask that you keep our participants and team in prayer during their weekend. Participating in the men's weekend are:

Dan Geis, Don Yager, Tom Tulley, Harry McCullough, Matt Bower, Gabrielle Abellada, Ken Rennekamp, Joe McCullough, Carroll Hoeing, Patrick Stewart, Ryan Kennelly, Walt Johnson, Dave McCullough, David Hartman, Bill Wenning, John Pratt, Joey Roberts, Todd Reisman Keith Stier & Tim Fry.

**Pilgrimage to Germany, Austria & Eastern France**

The family of Matt & Cleo Werner are sponsoring a pilgrimage to Germany, Austria and Eastern France, September 1-10, 2008. Fr. Dennis Duvelius, of St. Louis Parish in Batesville Indiana has graciously accepted to be the Spiritual Director. Everyone is welcome to join the group. Brochures may be found near the exits of church. More information is available by calling Pentecost Tours, Inc. (800)713-9800 or (812)933-0730.

## Parish Mission- February 24 – 28, 2008

Friar Justin Belitz, OFM will lead our parish mission focusing on relationships. Relationships bring us great joy BUT can also bring pain and sorrow. This statement is true for us today as it has been for centuries. However, we all have free will. That means we can choose to enjoy all of our relationships, whether they are with ourselves, with others, with things, with life-experiences, or with God.

The key is knowing how you relate, and Understanding 7 principles that govern all relationships. Join us for our parish mission to learn more about strengthening your relationships. .

*“Relationships are essential to life. Use them to create a Full Life!”*

*Sessions will be Sunday through Thursday at 7:00 p.m. (Morning sessions are Monday through Thursday at 9:15 a.m.)*



Sunday pm	How do you relate?
(Mon. am)	The difference between the Creation Models Meditation on the Peace Prayer of St. Francis
Monday pm	Two Principles that govern all relationships
(Tues. am)	Meditation for healing any relationship
Tuesday pm	Principle 3
(Wed am)	Meditation to help everyone relate to all of creation
Wednesday pm	Two principles relating to giving and receiving
(Thurs am)	Meditation on healing others
Thursday pm	Final 2 principles Meditation on Peace

A Social will follow Thursday evening in the Education Building.

**The Adult Catechetical Team (ACT)** - The young children in our parish have religious education (CCD) and the older children have the St. Mary's Youth Group, but what is there in this parish for the adults that want to continue to grow spiritually. Does this need and desire stop when you graduate from high school?

This is where ACT – THE Adult Catechetical Team – comes in. ACT is a committee in the parish led by the Religious Education Director. The team tries to find ways to expose the adult members of our parish different spiritual aspects. ACT has tried various events to get and keep adults interested in their faith. The parish mission that will be held in February is sponsored by ACT. In the past, they also brought in the Christian Music group “Romans”, the production of “Late Night Catechism”, and the production during Christmas season of “The Christmas Angel” with Frank Runyeon. Various other programs have been held in our parish through the efforts of ACT.

Are you interested in helping on this mission to continue with the spiritual growth of our adult members of St. Mary's? Are you willing to put in an hour or two a month to do this? If so, contact Anita Navarra at the parish office. Anita can also answer any questions that you may have, or take suggestions for future activities that would be of interest to the parish.

**Dear Parishioners, (Separation)** - Jesus understand how important it was to withdraw from the world to gain God's perspective. He sought solitude and separation regularly: “Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed” (Lk. 5:16).

Likewise, the Sabbath gives us permission to leave behind, for a day, the things that so often cloud our vision of God. For example, you might refrain from something you do the rest of the week. If you work on a computer at your job, you may choose to retreat from the glow of the screen on the Sabbath. Separation might also include enjoying times of silence instead of filling up every moment with chatter and noise.

Let me give you a glance at two aspects of our Sabbath separation. The first involves the telephone. Turn off the telephone ringer and let the answering machine pick up incoming calls on our Sabbath. Resist checking voice mail until the next morning. One day's freedom from the phone is worth mountains of gold!

You can also separate from television on the Sabbath. Though many people might consider watching TV a relaxing activity, some find that it's more numbing than genuinely restful. There's nothing wrong, of course, with enjoying a good movie or ball game. But the Sabbath is not intended to be like the other days of the week. Perhaps you, too, might benefit from a break from TV (or other media you pay attention to throughout the week, such as the newspaper, the internet, talk radio, or popular music)..Excerpts of this article are from John Anthony Page, author of *The Almighty in the Ordinary* (Writer's Club Press).  
*Anita Navarra*

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## YOUTH NEWS

Andi's e-mail: [andmackee44@yahoo.com](mailto:andmackee44@yahoo.com)

**Bible Verse of the Week:** "And Jesus wept" ~ John 11:35

**Random Question**

Last week's winners: High School – Gina Ricke                      Jr. High – Stephanie Hoeing  
*Last weeks answer:* Fred Flintstone and Barney Rubble are the mascots for Fruity Pebbles  
*This week's question:* **In John chapter 11 why was Jesus crying?**

**Leader Board**

Stephanie Hoeing	8
Gina Ricke	7
Aaron Hoeing	6
Kelsey Johnson	3
Vanessa Lawrence	2

**Penny War Update:** These are the results as of Wednesday, January 31st.

1st ~ 7th grade (18,259)	4th ~ Freshmen (11,109)
2nd ~ 8th grade (13, 772)	5th ~ Juniors (8,612)
3rd ~ Seniors (11,786)	6th ~ Sophomores (7,157)

\*The penny war will go on until the end of Religious Ed. this school year.

**Bible Challenge:** Don't forget about the Bible Challenge that is going on. Memorize the bible verse that is in here each week. When ever you see me (ball games, grocery store, etc.) tell me that verse and get a point for your class. Each individual may only tell me the verse once in a week. For every 5 correct recitings your class will earn a piece of an ice cream sundae (bowl, spoon, ice cream, etc.). Teachers you can play too. Once your class has built a full sundae I will come to your class on a Wednesday night for an Ice Cream Party.

**SMUS:** *This is a SMUS weekend!!! Be in the gym at 6:30 to play!!*

**Rock-a-thon 2:** The Confirmation Class is holding the Rock-a-Thon as a class service project this weekend. They will be in the gym keeping rocking chairs going for 12 straight hours. Thank you to all those who donated money to this cause. All the money goes to the Capital Campaign.

**Snow Tubing:** High School will be having an **Ultimate Weekend, February 23-24**. This will be a Lock-in and Snow Tubing. We will start Saturday at 5:30 p.m., join us at 4:30 mass if you want. We will have pizza, movies and games. Around 9:00 p.m. we will head to Perfect North Slopes to snow tube from 10:00 p.m. to midnight. Then we will come back to finish out the lock-in until 8:00 in the morning. **ANY** student in high school is welcome, bring your friends. **ONLY 30 SPOTS HURRY!!** Cost is \$20. Registration forms were handed out in class. *Sign up by Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>.*

**Cosmic Bowling:** Jr. High this is for you! You will have the chance to go bowling, Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-11:00 p.m. at Parkside Lanes. The cost \$10. You **must** sign up by Monday, February 11 in order to join the fun. Registration forms were handed out in class, extras can be found in the basement.

**Confirmation Students:** This is a reminder that you will have a large group meeting this Wednesday in the gym. Bring your sponsors.

**Can Collection** – We are still collecting aluminum cans – bring yours to Msgr.'s garage anytime! This money collected will go towards helping the youth attend church camp.

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