

Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father.

But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

Lent

But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden.

And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.

Matthew 6:1-18

THE WEEK AHEAD**TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 26**

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

WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 27

No Religious Ed. – 6:30 p.m.

No Stations of the Cross – 6:45 p.m.

THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 28

RCIC – 5:30 p.m. – Parish Office

No RCIA – 7:00 p.m.

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

Betty Behlmer, Danny Burgmeier, Bret Dwenger, Dorothy Hardebeck, Paul Huber, Jacob Johnson, Rob Karmon, Lynda Keillor, Clifford Knueven, Paul Koors, June Laudsburg, Aaron McCrary, Ralph Meer, Ginny Meyerrose, Kaitlyn Miller, Roy Miller, Larry & Nellie Pfeister, Gish Ray, Dottie Ricke, Ruby Rodenbeck, Carol Rosebrough, Lawrence Schoettmer, Leonard Schoettmer, Tom 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

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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.

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

“Together” with the great gift of God’s grace, we will 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 pray to accept 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.”

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 be praying the Stations of the Cross, along with the opportunity to receive the Holy Eucharist on the Wednesday evenings of the Religious Education program when the church is available. Please watch the bulletin. Stations of the Cross will begin at 6:45 p.m. and last approximately 30 minutes. We hope you will plan to be there as together we pray this special Lenten devotion. No stations on February 27 and March 5.

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.

Parish Mission starting Sunday evening, February 24th and ending Thursday evening February 28th. 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!

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

Please mark your calendars for our evening of enrichment and fellowship which has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 4th, 7:00 p.m. Sister Mildred, our speaker for the evening, asks for your prayers due the sudden death of her sister. Thanks for your understanding.

Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP)**Women’s Weekend – March 1 & 2, 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 women’s weekend are:

Paulette Duerstock, Amber Effing, Patricia Ehner, Maryetta Hagerty, Gina Hoeing, Brenda Holzhaus, Karen Koors, Judy Leising, Rita Mazingo, Renee Muckerheide, Lori Nobbe, Sharon Nobbe, Cara Phillips, Diann Reisman, Stacie Reisman, Mary Jo Rennekamp, Amy Schneider, Betty Schneider, Cathy Schwering, Carrie Somers, Wendy Stier, Lorie Young.

Please pick up your pictorial directory at the parish office.

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. Also, please consider stopping in at Adoration Chapel during Lent, to pray before the Blessed Sacrament as a way to deepen your prayer life.

VOLUNTEERS FOR MEALS – All spots are covered. Thanks to all who volunteered.

Daughters of Isabella Monthly Meeting, Thursday February 28, 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall. This is our regular monthly meeting, chairpersons for the meeting are Katie Lamping and Kara Schumacher. All members are invited to come and participate in activities.

K of C has a Fish Fry every Friday night during Lent. Cost: Adult/7:00, Children/\$3.50 and Children under 5 years free.

Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance March 8
Cost: \$35.00 per couple. Corned beef or Ham and cabbage dinner will be served. No tables will be reserved. Happy Hour from 6:30 to ????. Free beer and cash bar but no alcoholic beverages may be carried in. Entertainment provided by Nuttin' Fancy from 8:00-12:00.

Calling All Praying People!

There will be a special Rosary Prayer Service held after the 4:30 p.m. mass on Saturday, March 1st on behalf of the women of CRHP #9 and #10, during their CRHP weekend. We invite all parishioners to participate in this prayer service to support our Sisters in Christ as they travel this journey of faith. Thanks!

St. Mary's School is starting something new this year...an Art Club! This is open to any 5th or 6th grader who is interested in art, and who would like to explore art using more of their favorite mediums or to learn about different forms of art. (We are currently working on an art club t-shirt and will learn about silk screening.) Art Club will be held 2 Tuesdays a month (maybe more) after school until 4:00. We have already begun to meet, but new members are always welcome to join us. Our goal is to spend part of our time helping to enhance the school in some way, and spend the other part of our time enhancing the students' individual art abilities. There is a parent permission form that can be found at school that needs to be signed before a student may attend. Questions? Contact art teacher Carol Blankman at 663-2804 or cblankman@stmarysgreensburg.com.

St. Mary's School will be conducting its annual Science Fair this coming week. You are invited to visit the Science fair on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 from 8:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. We hope that many of you will stop by and see the excellent projects completed by St. Mary's School students.

Father Justin Belitz will be visiting with St. Mary's School students. We would like to thank Father Justin for taking the time to visit with our students. I am sure he will be very insightful.

Dear Community,

Chicken at the Knights of Columbus every Monday night. Fish at the Knights of Columbus every Friday night. Stations of the Cross and Holy Eucharist every Wednesday night at 6:45.

The men's CRHP was a grand success in my humble opinion. The women's CRHP will be this weekend March 1-2. Please pray for them.

There will be a wedding this Saturday, March 1 between Joseph McFarland and Dominique Collins. Ordinarily we do not schedule weddings in Lent. This wedding is an exception to the rule.

There will be a collection for Catholic Relief Services (Formerly American Bishops Overseas Appeal) on the weekend of March 1-2.

In the Taino Indian language, the word Bimini means "mother of all waters." According to legend, the island of Bimini, in the Bahamas, was the site of the fountain of youth. Many European explorers went in search of this spring, which was supposed to contain waters that would keep anyone who drank of them from ever growing old.

Today on the island of Bimini there is a place called the healing hole, where, during outgoing tides, underground channels pump mineral-laden fresh water into the pool. The water is said to exhibit curative properties. Some who bathe in it claim to experience a sense of rejuvenation.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the real Living Water, a water that will bring much more than youth. It will give us eternal life.

Big Quotes

Discipline yourself to do the things you need to do when you need to do them, and the day will come when you will be able to do the things you want to do when you want to do them!

What you get by reaching your destination is not nearly as important as what you will become by reaching your destination.

Motivation gets you going and habit gets you there. Make motivation a habit and you will get there more quickly and have more fun on the trip.

Keep smiling, **Msgr. Knueven**

✚ MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY – FEBRUARY 25

7:15 a.m. Communion Service

TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 26

7:15 a.m. Robert McFarland

WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 27

7:15 a.m. Agnes Middendorf

8:30 a.m. David Miller

THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 28

7:15 a.m. Rosemary Koors

2:30 p.m. Eleanor Peters

(Continuing Care at the Hospital)

FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 29

7:15 a.m. Ed, Mildred & Vance Benton

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MARCH 1/2

4:30 p.m. Hubert Meyer

7:00 a.m. Janet Koors

9:00 a.m. For all people

11:00 a.m. Urb & Agnes Blankman

👤 SERVERS

WEEKDAY/FEB. 26-29 (Tues., Weds., Thurs., Fri.)

7:15 a.m. Morgan Springmeyer

Katherine Teague

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MARCH 1/2

4:30 p.m. Shane Ploeger – Kyle Moeller

7:00 a.m. Tyler Luber – Blake Thomas

9:00 a.m. Haley Vanderbur – Lillie Wolter

11:00 a.m. Mary Young – Sara Treash

✚ EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MARCH 1/2

4:30 p.m. Ed & Brenda Dwenger

Dorothy Redelman – Cindy Nelson-Schlarb

Emilie Pank – Denny Doerflinger

7:00 a.m. Kathy Nobbe – Linda Ricke

Mary E. Menkedick – Sally Koors

Helen Froehling – Teresa Horan

9:00 a.m. Claude & Dottie Bilbrey

Carol Blasdel – Sharon Crites

Charlie & Linda Greiwe

11:00 a.m. Glenn & Laura Jo Tebbe

Angie Hersley – Maryellen Connor

Keith & Penny Hipskind

📖 LECTORS

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MARCH 1/2

4:30 p.m. Dave Weigel

7:00 a.m. Sandy Meyer

9:00 a.m. Brent Muckerheide

11:00 a.m. Donna Swinford

Catholics Returning Home

Do you know someone who has left the Church? Most of us do not have to look very far to find non-practicing Catholics in our circle of family and friends. Many of us are concerned about these loved ones, but we don't know how to help them.

Obviously, most of them are searching, but how can we help them find their way home?

As baptized, practicing Catholics, we have a precious gift of faith and love from the Lord that needs to be shared with our non-practicing brothers and sisters. First, we need to pray for them. Next, we need to extend a personal invitation to them to come home to the Catholic Church. Most non-practicing Catholics are waiting for an invitation to return. Many mistakenly think they are excommunicated and are not welcome to return for a variety of reasons.

Many non-practicing Catholics carry with them a tremendous amount of guilt and misinformation about the Church and are afraid of approaching the Church for fear of being rejected. You can make a tremendous difference in someone's life simply by reaching out to them and telling them that we miss them and would like for them to come back home to our Church family.

Here at St. Mary's Parish we have a special program to help non-practicing Catholics return to the Church entitled "Catholics Returning Home." The series will begin after Easter on Monday, March 31 at 7:00 p.m. Please pass this article on to anyone who might be interested. For more information call Anita Navarra, 663-8427, anavarra@stmarysgreensburg.com.

Ed Clark representing Diocesan Publications (our Bulletin Publisher) will be at the parish soon. He will be renewing present advertisements and seeking new ones. If interested, please call the parish office. We feel this is an excellent service and that the sponsors get good coverage with their ads. THANKS TO YOU and DIOCESAN PUBLICATIONS, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish.

Indiana Catholic Women's Conference March 15th

Treat yourself with a daughter, sister or friend to a great day out. You are all invited to a very enjoyable and informative day! Dynamic speakers, a fun raffle, great lunch as well as Mass with Msgr. Joseph Schaedel and time for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Some of the topics include: *The New Feminism; What Our Lady Wanted to Say at Guadalupe; and The Mystery of the Eucharist in Daily Life*. Program to be held at the Indiana Convention Center in downtown Indianapolis. Look at our lineup of speakers at: www.indianacatholicwomen.com where you can register, or call us at: 317-924-3982 or 317-888-0873 if you have questions.

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone who donated money to the Rock-A-thon II that took place on February 9th and 10th. The monies collected through pledges and the mass collections the weekend of February 2nd and 3rd, totaled \$758.38 going towards our Capital Campaign. Thank you again to all who supported our group project. *Confirmation Class of 2008.*

THE JOURNEY
WITHIN ... The Experience Of Lent

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

A Social will follow Thursday evening in the Education Building.

Dear Parishioners, Contemplation

Finally, the Sabbath gives us a chance to contemplate who God is and how He is at work in our lives. It's an ideal time to reflect intentionally on the many good things He's given us, as Paul instructed:

Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.—Phil. 4:8

Exercising the mind is restful and renewing. Reading leisurely through a good book or magazine article. Other times, sit on the porch and ponder how God has provided in the past week. Journaling offers yet another avenue for contemplation.

Contemplating God's presence in your life could take a variety of forms. You might reflect on a single verse of Scripture throughout the day, read a book of the Bible, or go for a walk and look for the ways His glory is on display in creation. The possibilities for contemplating God's character and goodness are almost limitless. Excerpts of this article are from John Anthony Page, author of *The Almighty in the Ordinary* (Writer's Club Press). Anita Navarra

African Catholic Ministry of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis

All are invited to join the African Catholic Ministry of the Archdiocese for an African Mass celebrated in the joy-filled African tradition, featuring African drums, and choir, Global Children, African dancers and St. Rita Choir. All will be welcomed into the profound faith and hope of another culture and African attire is encouraged for a colorful celebration of joy and praise. Bring your children, friends and relatives and enjoy! Sunday March 2 at 3:00 p.m. Hosted by St. Rita Catholic Church, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46202. For event information or to become a member of the group, please contact Sally Stovall at 317-269-1276 or Sister Jennifer otuonye at 317-923-7297 (evenings).

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

YOUTH NEWS

Andi's e-mail: andmackee44@yahoo.com

Bible Verse of the Week: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." ~ Romans 10:13

Random Question

Last week's winners: High School – Aaron Hoeing Jr. High – Jordan Kramer

Last weeks answer: James Buchanan was the only bachelor President of the United States.

This week's question: **Which toy originated as a pie tin?**

Leader Board

Stephanie Hoeing	9
Gina Ricke	8
Aaron Hoeing	7
Kelsey Johnson	3
Vanessa Lawrence	2

Penny War: 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.

Senior Retreat: Seniors this is a retreat just for you. Come join us for a laid back weekend. We will give you tips and advice to help survive the first year of college. Take a break from all the scholarship work and schoolwork to hang out with your friends and God for a weekend. The retreat is Friday, March 7-9 at Peg Polanski's cabin in Greensburg.

Freshmen/Sophomores: If any of you are interested in helping out with the Jr. High retreat that will be held April 12 & 13, let me know.

SMUBS: St. Mary's Ultimate Bible Study will be meeting at the church this weekend to listen to Fr. Justin at the parish mission. The mission starts at 7:00 p.m. Be there early so we can all sit together.

Jr. High Bowling: The Cosmic Bowling from last weekend has been rescheduled for Friday, March 7th from 8:00-10:00 p.m. at Parkside Bowling. The cost is \$10 and you can still sign up.

Prayers Needed: This weekend the high school will be having a lock-in and snow tubing trip. We will be tubing at Perfect North Slopes from 10:00 to midnight. Please keep us in your prayers for safe travel and tubing. Thank you!!

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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