

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 – MARCH 11**

Rosary for the unborn – 11:30 a.m. – church
 Card Party – 1:00-4:00 p.m. – ed. building
 ACT – 6:30 p.m. – Parish Office
 Faith Formation – 6:30 p.m. - parish office
 Maintenance – 7:00 p.m. - rectory

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 12

Religious Ed. – 6:30 p.m.
 1st Eucharist Parent/Child mtg. – 6:45 p.m. – gym
 Stations of the Cross – 6:45 p.m. - church

THURSDAY – MARCH 13

RCIA & RCIC – 7:00 p.m. – church

FRIDAY – MARCH 14

Communal Penance Service – 7:00 pm/church

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

Dan Burgmeier, Paul Huber, Jacob Johnson, Kathleen Jontz, Lynda Keillor, Paul Koors, Aaron McCrary, Ginny Meyerrose, Roy Miller, Dottie Ricke, Carol Rosebrough, Leonard Schoettmer, & Tom Schoettmer.

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, Paul Hellmich, Adam Herbert, Kipper Hull, 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

Our Lenten journey continues. Through prayer and song we are challenged ***“To Be Transfigured – Body, Mind, & Spirit”***.

Religious Ed families (and anyone else wishing to pray this special Lenten devotion.) – Stations of the Cross will be prayed Wednesday, March 12 beginning at 6:45 p.m. We hope you will plan to be there as together we pray this special Lenten devotion.

Communal Penance Service, “Way of the Cross/Way of Reconciliation” next Friday, March 14 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Seder Meal – this special meal will take Wednesday, March 19th at 6:30 in the school gym. Please call in your reservation to the parish office, 663-8427. We look forward to celebrating this special event TOGETHER.

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 SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE...

The FIRST Mass of Easter will be our Easter Vigil Mass, March 22 which will begin at 8:00 p.m. This is a beautiful and meaningful celebration and you are strongly encouraged to attend and be witnesses of our Catholic faith to those who will be coming into our faith on that “special” evening.

Our other Easter Sunday liturgies will be at 6:30, 8:00, 10:00, 11:30 a.m. **in church**. No Masses in the gym.

Adoration Chapel - We need **permanent adorer** for: ***Saturday/7:00 p.m.*** Please call Monica O’Brien at 663-2514 if you can take this hour. Also, please consider stopping in at Adoration Chapel during Lent, to pray before the Blessed Sacrament as a way to deepen your prayer life.

1st Eucharist Preparation continues this Wednesday evening, March 12 with a faith-sharing session for parents and second grade students at 6:45 p.m. in the gym. We hope you will plan to attend this session to assist you in preparing your son or daughter for the Holy Sacrament.

Successful Parish Mission

Thank you for a successful parish mission at St. Mary’s Parish. Fr. Justin Belitz was with us from February 24-28 to speak with us about growing relationships. Those that were able to participate for the mission week gave positive evaluations. The Adult Catechetical Team is glad to be able to continue bringing such worthwhile programs to our parish.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the mission planning. Lots of individuals doing individual tasks makes the whole program a success: cookie bakers, set-up and clean-up crews, publicity, meal preparers, grocery shoppers, servers, accommodation provider, musicians and cantors, material sales, and my Thursday treat bringer!

Blessings to you all, *Anita Navarra*

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

Dear Friends at St. Mary's: Thank you very much for the warm hospitality that you extended to me during the parish retreat. It was a pleasure to share with you and to get to know you. Thank you especially for your generous gifts at the end of the retreat. May God bless you all with love, joy, peace, health, happiness and every other good thing!

Sincerely in the love of God and St. Francis, *Fr. Justin*

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

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.

Attention Moms:

Have you ever wanted to dig deeper into your Catholic faith, join a Bible study or share ideas or Christian parenting books with other moms? Perhaps you've been Catholic forever and are wondering how to pass this blessing of faith onto your kids in an increasingly "me" focused world. We are considering starting a Catholic mom's group here at St. Mary's with childcare and in the morning, while the rest of the family is at school/work. Let's pray together for our kids and draw strength and wisdom from Mary, our mother and other saints who lived Godly lives. If you or someone you know from a nearby parish might be interested, please spread the word and call the parish office.

The **Batesville Knights of Columbus** will be having their annual Gibault Breakfast on March 16th at the hall in Batesville. We will be serving from 7 A.M. to Noon. The menu includes sausage, grits, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, rolls, coffee cakes, juice and coffee. Carryouts are available and it's a free will offering.

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.

Dear Community,

Congratulations to all the women who presented CRHP #9 to the new group now known as CRHP #10. The weekend was an awesome experience for both groups. Thanks to all of you.

The Adult Catechetical Team will meet this Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. The regular K of C meeting will be this Tuesday also.

If you can't make our penance service this Friday evening, there will be a Penance Service at St. Vincent de Paul this Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. There will be six priests available to hear confessions at our penance service this Friday evening at 7:00 p.m.

If you are going to the Indiana Catholic Women's Conference at Indianapolis this Saturday March 15, confession will be available also during the conference.

St. Lawrence Auxiliary is having a bake sale this Saturday and Sunday, March 15-16.

At the end of today's Gospel, Martha tells Jesus that she has come to believe that he is the Son of God. Despite being a close personal friend of Jesus, it has taken Martha a long time to make this connection. Perhaps it's also taking us a long time to make this connection. Perhaps it's also taking us a long time to understand this truth.

It may even get more difficult as we age. A study undertaken last year at Washington University suggests that older adults have a harder time understanding jokes. The researchers say seniors can have trouble with creative thinking, abstract reasoning and short-term memory. Older adults who no longer "get" the punch line of a joke may have a closing window of opportunity to believe. Maybe we had all better hurry to make the connections that lead us to believe that Jesus is the Son of God.

In another Gospel story Jesus asked Peter, "Who do you say that I am?" Today's Gospel asks us to answer that question for ourselves—before it's too late.

Keep smiling, **Msgr. Knueven**



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY – MARCH 10

7:15 a.m. Communion Service

TUESDAY – MARCH 11

7:15 a.m. Don Bruns

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 12

7:15 a.m. Clement Peters

8:30 a.m. Edmund (Cap) Fry

THURSDAY – MARCH 13

7:15 a.m. Luella Brockman

2:30 p.m. Wilmer Platt

(Odd Fellows Nursing Home)

FRIDAY – MARCH 14

7:15 a.m. Sam Schwering

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MARCH 15/16

4:30 p.m. Bill & Betty Fry

7:00 a.m. Dennis & Irma Shadday

9:00 a.m. Sawyer June

11:00 a.m. For all People

SERVERS

WEEKDAY/MARCH 11-14 (Tues., Weds., Thurs., Fri.)

7:15 a.m. Tom Lawrence – Joe Buening

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MARCH 15/16

4:30 p.m. Dustin & Amanda Sherman

7:00 a.m. Jesse Elsner – Shine Duncan

9:00 a.m. Lauren & Jamie Reed

11:00 a.m. Corey Zeigler – Tommy Colson

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MARCH 15/16

4:30 p.m. Kathy Whitmore–Helen Wagner

Tim & Kim Stone

Jim Tebbe – Ruth Springmeyer

7:00 a.m. Roger & MaryAnn Welage

Vince Schwering – Greta Solgere

Paul & Irene Schwering

9:00 a.m. Ann Weigel – Sara Stier

Barb Schasney – Shirley Ryle

Mary Preble – Tony Owens

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

Chris & Kristy Tebbe

Ernie & Patty Stephens

LECTORS

SATURDAY/SUNDAY – MARCH 15/16

4:30 p.m. Hugh Miller

7:00 a.m. Peg Polanski

9:00 a.m. Linda Weigel

11:00 a.m. Art Alunday

An Invitation to Nonpracticing Catholics

The Church has changed and you may not know it! Has it been a while since you've been to church? Are you mad at the Church or God? Please give us—and yourself—another chance. Join us for informal sessions for nonpracticing Catholics. We would like to know your feelings and try to address your questions.

The meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Mary's Parish Education Building (behind school) on six consecutive Monday evenings beginning March 31. If you have any questions in the meantime, please call Anita Navarra, 663-8427 or email anavarra@stmarysgreensburg.com.

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.

Join Oldenburg Academy for their Spring Musical Production

Join Oldenburg Academy of the Immaculate Conception for their spring musical production, "Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?" The show will be presented on Friday, March 14 and Saturday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Oldenburg Academy Auditorium. Ticket prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and children. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

The show is seen through the eyes of schoolboy, Eddie Ryan, and follows the antics of nine kids from second grade through high school. It features energetic songs and dances and pokes loving fun at the '50s and '60s Catholic school system.

For more information, visit www.oldenburgacademy.org or contact our Admissions Director at 812-934-4440.

Oldenburg Academy alumni and their families, join us for a free Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 22 at 11 a.m. on the Sisters of St. Francis grounds. Come rain or shine. If it rains, we'll move to the Academy gym.

Check out our website, www.oldenburgacademy.org, for more details closer to the event!

RSVP requested but not required at 812-933-0737 or slamping@oldenburgacademy.org.

Found: pearl rosary with case found by the block building. For more information call 663-3995.

Please pick up your pictorial directory at the parish office

YOUTH NEWS

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Bible Verse of the Week: "I thank my God every time I remember you." ~ Philippians 1:3

Random Question

Last week's winners: High School – Aaron Hoeing Jr. High – Natasha Rather

Last weeks answer: The name above the door of Winnie the Pooh's house is Sanders.

This week's question: **What do spelunkers explore?**

Leader Board

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

Penny War: These are the results as of Wednesday, February 20th.

1st ~ 7th grade (18,259)	4th ~ Freshmen (11,109)
2nd ~ 8 th 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.

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.

SMUS: This is a SMUS weekend. You know you want to come join in the fun. You don't have to be good at sports; if you just like hanging out with friends and having a good time—come! Bring your friends—the more the merrier—they don't have to be Catholic. 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the gym.

Jr. High Retreat: The Jr. High Retreat will be held here at St. Mary's April 12/13. Registration forms were handed out in religious ed. classes Wednesday. Hurry and get signed up by March 21st.

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.

St. Mary's School will be conducting kindergarten screening on Thursday, April 3, 2008. This screening is used to help make sure all students start school in a positive manner. If you are planning on sending your child to St. Mary's for kindergarten in 2008-2009 please call the school office for a screening appointment.

St. Mary's Preschool is taking registrations for the 2008-2009 school year. Space is limited and filling up quickly. Please call the school office if interested in enrolling your child in Preschool.

Protecting God's Children is a program used throughout the United States for all volunteers and employees working in Catholic Churches. It is required by the Archdiocese of Indianapolis that all employees and volunteers participate in this training. If you are a current volunteer or employee, and you have not yet been trained, a session will be held here at St. Mary's on Tuesday, April 8th at 6:30 p.m. If you are going to be attending the training please call either the school or parish office and let them know you will be there on April 8th. Thank you.

Listed below are the names and contact information for members of St. Mary's Parish commissions. You are encouraged to contact any member for comments, concerns or questions.

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